

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, July 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

Mayor Tilmann called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Tilmann; Commissioners Kulick, Ling, Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: Vice Mayor Holton and Commissioner Joslin

Others Present: Interim City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

#### Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Tilmann read a proclamation recognizing the Moses family for their donation of land adjacent to Pickens field to the Mt. Pleasant City Parks.

#### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Airport Advisory Board Minutes (May)
2. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (June)
3. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission work session (June)
4. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission (June)
5. Communication from Mary Barz regarding housing on Washington and Bellows Streets
6. Second Quarter Investment Report

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 14, 2014.
2. Bid of Robinson Electrical and Mechanical of Riverdale, Michigan for the Pickard Street lift station pump and piping replacement project in a not-to-exceed amount of \$43,246.
3. Budget amendment in the amount of \$90,645 for the Tax Increment Finance Authority and Local Development Finance Authority to support infrastructure and maintenance activities.
4. Addition of three City of Mt. Pleasant bridges and adjacent streets to the Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory and authorize City engineering staff to complete and submit the necessary paperwork.
5. Parking enforcement agreement between the City of Mt. Pleasant and Central Michigan University.
6. Accept naming request for the dog park and set a public hearing for August 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
7. Payrolls dated July 18, 2014 and warrants dated July 11, 16 and 24, 2014 all totaling \$1,816,832.31.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Shawn Troy, 1500 East Broadway, spoke in regard to new sidewalk construction on Crapo Street. No action was required of the Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to initiate the special assessment process for the Principal Shopping District at the meeting of August 11, 2014 and indicate to staff the desire of the City Commission to support, in principle, the request from the Downtown Development Board (DDB) to increase the General Fund contribution to the Downtown Development Fund if funds are available in the 2015 budget. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Rautanen and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve an employment agreement with Nancy Ridley for the position of City Manager.

AYES: Commissioners Kulick, Rautanen, Sous and Tilmann

NAYS: Commissioner Ling

ABSENT: Commissioners Holton and Joslin

Motion carried.

#### Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Sous would like to look at possibility of updating the City's fireworks ordinance and also into possibly passing a resolution to support changing State legislation on firework use.

Mayor Tilmann urged the Commissioners to watch the available DVD on the role of city managers and commissioners. She thanked DPW staff (Chris Duffy, Ron Wiggins, Bill Brickner and others) for their quick response and professionalism with a sewer back up at her home this past week.

City Manager Ridley announced that there is a lot going on Downtown including the art battle, Max and Emily's summer concert series, painting of intersections and crosswalks, movies by moonlight and Art Walk Central.

#### Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Rick Swindlehurst, 700 N. Isabella Rd., announced that the Downtown property owners will be giving recommendations on the Principal Shopping District Special Assessment. He also questioned the 70/30 revenue split for the parking agreement with CMU.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:43 p.m.

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Sharon Tilmann, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk