

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, January 12, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

City Clerk Howard called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

City Clerk Howard administered the Oath of Office to James Holton and R. Michael Verleger for the term January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.

Commissioners Present: Holton, Kulick, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: Joslin

Others Present: City Manager Ridley, City Clerk Howard and City Attorney Smith

City Clerk Howard conducted the election of Mayor and Vice Mayor.

City Clerk Howard opened nominations for Mayor.

Commissioner Kulick nominated Commissioner Holton for Mayor. Nominations were closed.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Verleger

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Commissioner Holton was elected Mayor for 2015.

City Clerk Howard opened nominations for Vice Mayor.

Commissioner Kulick nominated Commissioner Rautanen for Vice Mayor. Nominations were closed.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Verleger

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Commissioner Rautanen was elected Vice Mayor for 2015.

Mayor Holton conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to adopt the following resolution setting time and day of regular meetings:

WHEREAS, the City Charter requires the City Commission to set the day, time and place of its regular meetings,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission shall meet during 2015 on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, at 7:00 p.m. (except for May 25 rescheduled to May 26 due to Memorial Day) in the City Commission Room, City Hall, 320 W. Broadway.

Resolution unanimously adopted.

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Holton read and presented a proclamation to Kevin Wiltshire from the Peacemaking Committee at Mt. Pleasant Public Schools in support of "Peacemaking Recognition Day, January 26, 2015".

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Principal Shopping District Board Minutes (November)
2. Historic District Commission Minutes (November)
3. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (November)
4. Cultural and Recreational Commission of Isabella County 2013 Annual Report.
5. Correspondence regarding contribution to Women's Aide Service Fund from Ladies Night Out event. (3)
6. Notice of Temporary Control Orders T1-2015 and T2-2015.
7. Correspondence received regarding amendment to zoning ordinance.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held December 8, 2014.
2. Bid of Hach Company, Inc. of Loveland, Colorado in the amount of \$20,693.00 for the purchase of nine turbidimeters for the Water Treatment Plant.
3. Bid of Central Asphalt Inc. of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$23,695.00 for Asphalt Patching Materials.
4. WHEREAS, under the date of October 21, 2014, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 13-2014 (Pedestrian crossing lines painted across Broadway at Pine Street and Pedestrian crossing signs installed to warn of upcoming crossway.) Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on January 12, 2015, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 13-2014 a permanent traffic control order.

5. Extend contract with GroAmerica, Inc. of Grand Rapids, Michigan until the end of 2015 at a price of \$10.53 per cubic yard for removal of lime residuals.
6. Set special meeting for Tuesday, February 16, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. for annual goal setting.
7. Authorize the City Manager to sign the Standard Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications.
8. Authorize City Manager to send a letter to Charter Communications requesting an additional government access channel.
9. Appointments of City Employee Representatives to various ad hoc boards and committees for 2015 were made as follows:

Building Authority

City Manager Nancy Ridley

Center for Applied Research Technology/

Local Development Finance Authority

City Manager Nancy Ridley

911/Central Dispatch Governing Board

Public Safety Director Glenn Feldhauser or Code Enforcement Officer Jeff Pickler as alternate

Isabella County Material Recovery Facility Governing Board

Department of Public Works Director John Zang or City Commissioner Matthew Sous as alternate

MML Legislative Coordinator

City Manager Nancy Ridley

Mid Michigan Area Cable and Telecommunications Consortium Board

Communications Director Tracy Burton or IT Director Jeremy Howard as alternate

10. Payrolls dated 1/9/15 and warrants 1/8/15 all totaling \$35,011.96.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed Conditional Transfer of Property (Act 425) Agreement. There being no public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Kulick to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the 425 Agreement as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed M-2 Codification recommendation from the Planning Commission amending Section 154.007 "NONCONFORMING LOTS AND USES" of Chapter 154, ZONING ORDINANCES.

Henry and Nancy Fulton, 807 S. University; Lynn Simons, 304 W. High St.; Susan Horgan, 1010 S. Kinney; Ella Jo Regan, 1016 S. Kinney; John Nelson, 803 S. University and Edward Clayton, 302 E. High St. spoke in opposition to the M-2 Codification recommendation.

There being no additional public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Sous that the proposed amendment on M-2 codification be referred back to the Planning Commission for reconsideration; and, that the Planning Commission postpone any further consideration of the M-2 codification amendment until after the joint meeting between the City Commission and the Planning Commission.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Ling, Rautanen and Sous

NAYS: Commissioners Kulick and Verleger

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Conditional Rezoning Agreement and that Ordinance 991, an Ordinance amending the Zoning Map of Chapter 154: ZONING ORDINANCES of the City of Mt. Pleasant to include the conditional rezoning request for 1040 E. Broomfield having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Rautanen and Verleger

NAYS: Commissioners Ling and Sous

ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin

Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Rautanen and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the 2015 contract with Spicer Group for project management of the Mt. Pleasant Center Property as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to approve the amended Sidewalk Prioritization Policy as recommended by the Planning Commission noting that a representative from the Parks and Recreation Commission, Mt. Pleasant Public Schools as well as the Director of Public Works and the Director of Public Safety will be included in the work session with Planning Commission and City Commission and not be a separate committee.

Discussion ensued.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Sous to postpone action on the amended Sidewalk Prioritization Policy until the January 26, 2015 City Commission meeting. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen to set a public hearing for February 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers to obtain input on the proposed map outlining where residential trash and recycling pickup would occur in areas of the City with alley access. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Rautanen that Ordinance 992, an Ordinance to add Chapter 54, STORM WATER MANAGEMENT to the City Code to provide storm water performance and design standards for newly developed and redeveloped properties having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Holton, Kulick, Ling, Rautanen, Sous and Verleger
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Commissioner Joslin
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous to approve the following appointments of City Commission Representatives to City boards and commissions for 2015:

<u>Economic Development Corporation/ Brownfield Redevelopment Authority</u> Mayor Jim Holton	<u>Principal Shopping District Board (Downtown Development Board)</u> Vice Mayor Rick Rautanen
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Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Kulick to make the following appointments to various boards and commissions as recommended by the Appointments Committee:

<u>Airport Advisory Board</u> Patricia Krcmarik	<u>Term Expires</u> December 31, 2017
<u>MRF Governing Board</u> Aiman Shahpurwala	December 31, 2016
<u>Cultural and Recreation Commission</u> Robert Madsen	December 31, 2017

Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Kulick thanked the Department of Public Works crews for plowing streets; he reminded residents that there is no overnight parking permitted on any street within the City and he announced that Mayor Holton's dog is still missing.

Commissioner Ling stated that she appreciated comments from the City Manager to the Planning Commission thanking the Planning Commission for the work they did in 2014. She asked if letters on downtown handicap parking can be referred to the County Human Rights Committee for suggestions.

Commissioner Verleger thanked staff and commission on the warm welcome he has received as a newly elected commissioner and stated that he is looking forward to getting to work.

Vice Mayor Rautanen announced that Christmas tree pick-up has been extended to at least Friday, January 16 and that residents are not under a run water directive at this time.

The City Commission recessed at 8:26 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:33 p.m.

WORK SESSION: Rental Licensing

Neighborhood Resource Unit Fire Lieutenant Michael Dunham and Building Official Brian Kench gave a presentation on Rental Licensing in the City of Mt. Pleasant.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Holton adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m. without objection.

Jim Holton, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk