

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, August 10, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Vice Mayor Rautanen; Commissioners Joslin, Kulick, Sous and Verleger

Commissioners Absent: Commissioners Holton and Ling (excused – visiting sister city Okaya, Japan)

Others Present: City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Communication from City resident Mr. Robert Nimms regarding ZBA-09-2015 - 714 S. Main.
3. Communication from City resident Ms. Lori Irwin regarding sewer/street project.
4. Communications regarding Solid Waste.
5. Mt. Pleasant Airport Advisory Board Minutes (June)

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 27, 2015.
2. Bid of McQuirk Sand-Gravel of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$62,962 for airport parking lot, and authorize a budget amendment of \$2,187 from the Airport Fund.
3. Set special meeting for August 24, 2015 immediately following the regular City Commission meeting held at 7:00 p.m. to hold a joint meeting between the City Commission and Downtown Development Board.
4. Payrolls dated July 31, 2015 and warrants dated July 27, 29, 30, and August 6, 2015 all totaling \$673,346.67.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed Ordinance to amend Title V, Chapter 50 "Solid Waste" of the Mt. Pleasant City Code.

Samuel and Lara Raisenen, 507 S. University; Jim Moreno, 610 E. Wisconsin; Cindy Verway, 420 S. Main St. spoke in support of the amendments to Title V, Chapter 50 "Solid Waste" of the Mt. Pleasant City Code.

Axel Mellinger, 1325 S. Crawford St., spoke in opposition of the amendments to Title V, Chapter 50 "Solid Waste" of the Mt. Pleasant City Code.

Scott Webber, 610 S. Main St., questioned if other containers were prohibited by this ordinance.

There being no other public comment or communications, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous that Ordinance 1001, an Ordinance to amend Title V, Chapter 50 "Solid Waste" of the Mt. Pleasant City Code of Ordinances having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joslin to amend the original motion to include a change in subsection 2, of section 50.06 “ensuring that refuse bags or containers are placed at the designated collection area no earlier than 5:00 p.m.” instead of 6:00 p.m.

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

Moved by Commissioner Joslin and supported by Commissioner Kulick to further amend the original motion to include a change in subsection 2 of section 50.06 to delete the wording “with appropriate screening” from the last sentence.

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

The Commission considered the original motion with amendments.

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

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Sous to approve the expansion of curbside recycling pickup with Mid Michigan Industries (MMI) of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan at an additional cost of \$1,745 per month. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Joslin to receive recommended text change to amend section 154.054, the table in section 154.095, subsection 154.095(P) and subsection 154.121(G) of the Mt. Pleasant Zoning Ordinances to update standards for the M-2 multiple family district and set a public hearing for Monday, September 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. on same. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Verleger to approve the purpose and desired membership of the City/CMU Student Liaison Committee, and request staff to advertise for applications for appointment of City representatives. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Kulick asked if bins for new recycling pilot will be charged or provided for free. Staff will be recommending the first recycling bin be free.

Vice Mayor Rautanen announced that citizens can buy more than one bin for recycling as long as they have the one from the City.

Commissioner Sous asked that a timeline and information be provided indicating when recycling is to start in the new areas. He also announced that two-way traffic conversion of Main and Washington Streets takes effect August 11.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Jim Moreno, 610 E. Wisconsin, thanked the Commission for approving the recycling components of the Solid Waste Ordinance and also would like to encourage the Commission to look into installing solar arrays on Mt. Pleasant Center property.

Lara Raisenen, 507 S. University, thanked Commissioner Sous for his work on recycling and the Commission for approving the Ordinance amendment.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Verleger to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Rick Rautanen, Vice Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk