

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 7:01 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Vice Mayor Ling; Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Rautanen and Tilmann (7:38pm)

Commissioners Absent: Mayor Kilmer

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

### Proclamations and Presentations

Vice Mayor Ling indicated a Proclamation in support of "Scleroderma Awareness Month - June, 2012" had been prepared.

Building Official Brian Kench gave a presentation on the installation and usage of LED lighting.

Discussion ensued.

City Attorney Smith gave a presentation on the proposed Anti-Discrimination Ordinance.

Discussion ensued.

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Communication from the South West Association of Neighbors (SWAN)
2. Communication from Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission regarding the 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Plan
3. Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission Minutes (April)
4. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (April)

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

1. Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held May 14, 2012.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held May 14, 2012.
3. Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held May 21, 2012.
4. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held May 21, 2012.
5. Bid of Isabella Corporation of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$362,033 for the 2012 Water Main Boring Project and authorize a budget amendment of \$78,200 from the line reserve.
6. Contract with Fredrickson Supply of Wyoming, Michigan for the replacement of the City's sewer camera in the amount of \$39,000 and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign said contract.
7. Bid of Michigan Pipe and Valve of Saginaw, Michigan in the amount of \$27,485 for the purchase of iron materials to be used for the 2012 Street Overlay Project.
8. Resolution in support of Community Access Preservation Act (CAP Act H.R. 3745).

WHEREAS, public, educational and government (PEG) channels play a significant role in the City of Mt. Pleasant

WHEREAS, PEG channels are a unique and valuable resource for local information and discourse for the residents of the City of Mt. Pleasant; and

WHEREAS, PEG channels televise local government meetings, including city council, planning commission, county board and school board meetings, so that citizens are informed about the actions taken by local elected officials; and

WHEREAS, PEG channels contribute to the democratic process by providing opportunities for candidates and others, such as the League of Women Voters, to discuss local issues during election campaigns; and

WHEREAS, PEG channels provide a window through which residents can view the diversity of cultures, recreational activities and artistic endeavors in their local community; and

WHEREAS, PEG channels reflect the unique identity of the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, it is important to preserve PEG channels and funding for PEG channels, and to ensure that the channels continue to be available to the entire community to serve the residents of the City of Mt. Pleasant and

WHEREAS, HR 3745, the Community Access Preservation Act, addresses critical and immediate threats to PEG.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: The Mt. Pleasant City Commission supports immediate passage of HR 3745; and

The Mt. Pleasant City Commission calls on our Congressional delegation to take all possible actions in support of the passage of HR 3745, including but not limited to endorsing, co-sponsoring and voting for HR 3745, and to work for its rapid passage.

9. Payrolls dated 5/25/12 and warrants dated 5/24/12 all totaling \$787,825.22. Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the proposed 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Plan. No public comment or communications being received, the Vice Mayor closed the public hearing. No action required by the Commission.

Commissioner Tilmann arrived at the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to introduce the proposed new City of Mt. Pleasant Ordinance, Title XVII, Chapter 170 "Human Rights" and set a public hearing on same for Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mt. Pleasant City Hall, City Chambers, 320 W. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Tilmann to introduce the proposed amendment to City of Mt. Pleasant Ordinance, Title VII, Chapter 70.03 "OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED, OPERATING WHEN VISIBLY IMPAIRED, AND ZERO TOLERANCE" to accommodate "super drunk" citations in accordance with the Michigan Vehicle Code as suggested by City Prosecutor, and set a public hearing on same for Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mt. Pleasant City Hall, City Chambers, 320 W. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tilmann and supported by Commissioner English to appoint Dr. James Batcheller to fill the Parks and Recreation Commission vacancy term to expire January 31, 2014 as recommended by the Appointments Committee. Motion unanimously adopted.

Commissioner Holton recused himself from consideration of request for of Mount Pleasant Brewing Co., LLC for a Small Wine Maker License due to conflict of interest.

Moved by Commissioner English and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to set a public hearing for Monday, June 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Mt. Pleasant City Hall, City Chambers, 320 W. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan to solicit comments on Mt. Pleasant Brewing Co., LLC's request to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (MLCC) for a new "Small Wine Maker License".

AYES: Commissioners English, Joslin, Ling, Rautanen and Tilmann

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Holton

ABSENT: Commissioner Kilmer

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner English to enter into closed session pursuant to subsection 8(c) of the Open Meetings Act regarding negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement.

AYES: Commissioners English, Holton, Joslin, Ling, Rautanen and Tilmann  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: Commissioner Kilmer  
Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Tilmann announced that the Le Tour de Mont Pleasant is in need of volunteers so if you are available please contact the Chamber of Commerce.

Vice Mayor Ling announced the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Chipp-a-Waters Park Access Trail Phase II opening and Bridge Dedication will take place Saturday, June 16, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. She also announced that Mayor Kilmer is in Japan visiting our Sister City of Okaya, Japan in support of our relationship with them.

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

Charles Farnum, 1160 Glen Ave, spoke in support of the Anti-Discrimination Ordinance and thanked the Commission for addressing the issue.

Lou-Ann Schmidt, 9730 E. Pleasant Valley Road, Shepherd, announced her candidacy for Isabella County Clerk.

Peter Reale, 233 N. Main Street, wanted to know what avenues he has to address the personal reprisals and retaliations he has experienced.

Ron Ives, 421 Fancher, asked about the steps necessary to get an ordinance adopted.

The Commission recessed at 8:00 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:08 p.m.

#### WORK SESSION: Proposed 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Plan.

City Manager Grinzinger and Assistant City Manager/Administrative and Financial Services Director Ridley answered questions relating to the proposed 2013-2017 Capital Improvement Plan.

Discussion ensued.

The Commission recessed at 9:13 p.m. and entered into closed session at 9:16 p.m. and went back into regular session at 9:24 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

The Vice Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:25 p.m.

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Kathleen Ling, Vice Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk