

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, September 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Ling and Vice Mayor Tilmann; Commissioners Holton, Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: Commissioners English and Joslin

Others Present: City Manager Grinzinger and City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Ling read and presented a proclamation to Jane Butcher with the Daughters of the American Revolution in support of "Constitution Week - September 17 - 23".

Mayor Ling read and presented a proclamation to Heidi Zwyghuizen in support of "CROP Hunger Walk Day - October 6, 2013".

Public Input on Agenda Items

Tony Kulick, 409 S. Fancher, would like to see a joint 2% request from City of Mt. Pleasant and Union Township for the proposed dog park.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission work session Minutes (August)
2. Mt. Pleasant Planning Commission Minutes (August)

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

1. Minutes of the work session of the City Commission held September 9, 2013.
2. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held September 9, 2013.
3. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held September 9, 2013.
4. City Manager's 2013 Contract amendment with a 1.5% wage adjustment retroactive to December 30, 2012 along with a \$2,000 bonus for additional duties assumed during the time period. Further, ten days of additional vacation time will be provided to the Manager to be used within the remainder of the current year.
5. Payrolls dated September 13, 2013 and warrants dated September 11, 12, 13 and 19, 2013 all totaling \$967,841.47.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to accept the following low bids on the Yost Field Redevelopment Project: 1) Ball Field Fencing Bid to DeWitt Fence Company of Lansing, Michigan in the amount of \$36,525; 2) Parking Lot and Other Hard Surface Bid to Crawford Contracting of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$39,125; and 3) Restroom & Pavilion Bid to Denali Construction of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$101,900 and to amend the 2013 budget by providing up to an additional \$21,500 of funding from the Capital Improvement Fund. Motion unanimously adopted.

Received Commissioners' top rankings for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent requests. The City Manager will forward the rankings to the Tribe.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Vice Mayor Tilmann to set a special meeting for September 30, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. to consider going into closed session to consider information exempt from disclosure. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to set a special joint meeting for September 30, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. for the City Commission and the Charter Township of Union to discuss the proposed dog park. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Rautanen and supported by Commissioner Sous to receive proposed amendment to Chapter 110 GENERAL LICENSING, Sections 110.11, 110.27 and 110.99 and add a new Section 110.28 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant to clarify language of the existing ordinance and add appropriate sections allowing Mobile Food Service Providers to operate in specific areas of the city under certain parameters and set a public hearing on same for Monday, October 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Holton and supported by Vice Mayor Tilmann to receive an application from On The Mark at 801 Industrial Drive to create an Industrial Facility Tax Abatement and set a public hearing on same for Monday, October 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Tilmann and supported by Commissioner Rautanen to receive an application from Metivation/Dayco at 1799 Gover Parkway to create an Industrial Facility Tax Abatement and set a public hearing on same for Monday, October 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Vice Mayor Tilmann requested an update on the Downtown Development Board's request for a work session with the City Commission on clarification of duties/roles of the board.

Commissioner Sous requested an update on drainage issues and status of conversations with Eastpointe subdivision developer regarding those issues.

Mayor Ling requested an update on response to questions from public comment on Eastpointe drainage issues; announced that there is information online at hunger.cwsglobal.org on how to get involved with the CROPwalk; and announced that the Mayor/Commission/Staff exchange with the City of Adrian went very well and we are now looking at dates for them to come to Mt. Pleasant.

Commissioner Rautanen requested an update on the progress on discussion regarding lights behind City Hall going off earlier than some citizens at Riverview Apartments would like.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Tony Kulick, 409 S. Fancher, introduced himself as a candidate for City Commissioner on the November 5th ballot.

Liz Bush, 422 S. Washington St., introduced herself as a candidate for City Commissioner on the November 5th ballot.

Work Session - Recycling truck purchase and other solid waste issues

City Manager Grinzinger led a discussion on recycling truck purchase and other solid waste issues. Discussion ensued.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 8:13 p.m.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk