

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, March 10, 2014 at 7:01 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 and Vice Mayor Holton; Commissioners Joslin, Kulick, Ling, Rautanen and Sous

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: Interim City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Commission Minutes (January)
2. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes (November)
3. Notice of Temporary Traffic Control Orders
4. Recognize vacancy on the Historic District Commission

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held February 24, 2014.
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held February 24, 2014.
3. Minutes of the special meeting of the City Commission held February 25, 2014.
4. Bid of Wonsey Tree Service of Alma, Michigan in an amount not to exceed \$34,450 for the 2014 Tree Trimming and Removal Project.
5. Purchase of eight in-car video cameras for City patrol vehicles from L3 Communications of Boonton, New Jersey in the amount of \$54,200.
6. Receive Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Application for Dayco at 1799 Gover Parkway and set a public hearing for March 24, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
7. Consumers Energy Authorization for Change and Resolution approving the changing out of street light bulbs from mercury vapor streetlights to high pressure sodium lights and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute said documents.
8. Updated Community Vision Statements for 2014 and Beyond:
We Will Work Together Toward Being a Community.....
 1. With stable funding from a diverse tax base.
 2. Where services and opportunities are optimized by communicating, coordinating and cooperating with other entities and our citizens.
 3. Where shopping, dining and entertainment options thrive.
 4. Where economic opportunity for businesses offering competitive wages is readily available.
 5. With varied recreational and cultural opportunities.
 6. With a reliable and sustainable infrastructure.
 7. That is safe, clean, healthy and environmentally conscious.
 8. With well maintained, livable and desirable neighborhoods.
 9. Committed to recognizing, accepting and encouraging diversity.
9. Received the City's requests for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent allocations. Interim City Manager Ridley asked that the Commission prioritize their top five projects for the March 24th meeting.
10. Payrolls dated February 28, 2014 and warrants dated February 21 and 26 and March 5 and 6, 2014 all totaling \$1,046,667.37.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Holton and supported by Commissioner Sous to approve the Resolution in Support of a Redevelopment Liquor License at 200 E. Broadway Street to Table74, LLC as presented.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has established a Redevelopment Liquor License Development District pursuant to Act 501 of Public Acts 2006 436.1521a(1)(b), and;

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant Central Business District Tax Finance Authority (CBD TIFA) and Mission/Pickard Street Downtown Development Authority (DDA) have realized considerable public and private investment within the past five years, and;

WHEREAS, the CBD TIFA and DDA districts were established under appropriate statutory provision, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant shall provide the Michigan Liquor Control Commission a map clearly outlining the boundaries of the Redevelopment Liquor License Development District, and;

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that Table74, LLC meets the local Redevelopment Liquor License policy, including:

- A substantial investment of over \$800,000;
- Creation of 16 FT jobs;
- Adaptive reuse and architectural enhancement to a previously vacant building;
- Development consistent with the City's adopted goals and objectives;
- Use compatible with surrounding properties.

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Pleasant shall provide to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission an affidavit from the City Assessor, as certified by the City Clerk, stating the total amount of public and private investment in real and personal property within the selected portion of CBD TIFA and DDA districts, which shall not be less than \$200,000 for each license requested, over the preceding time periods, and,

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the City Commission hereby approves the request from Table74, LLC, "ABOVE ALL OTHERS" for a new Class C license under 436.1521a(1)(b), to be permitted at 200 East Broadway Street, Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County, Michigan.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and Concerns

Commissioner Ling gave an update on the 50th Anniversary events scheduled with our Sister City Okaya, Japan. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kulick noted his appreciation for the Street Department's efforts in clearing storm sewers in preparation for the melting snow and rain.

Commissioner Rautanen reminded citizens that the "let it run" water advisory is still in effect.

Mayor Tilmann announced that the Isabella County Council of Governments is meeting March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lincoln Township Hall. She also announced that the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is interested in possibly having a Native American Art Fair in downtown Mt. Pleasant.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Richard Swindlehurst, 700 N. Isabella Rd., thanked the City Commission and the Planning Commission for the fine work they have done in connection with the Redevelopment project for 200 E. Broadway St.

Peter Beltinck, Mt. Pleasant, introduced “The Push for Political Influence”.

The Mayor adjourned the meeting without objection at 7:31 p.m.

Sharon Tilmann, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk