

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, July 24, 2017, at 7:01 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 Lents; Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick and Madaj

Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Verleger

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

Proclamations and Presentations

Water Supervisor Malcolm Fox gave a presentation on the City's 2016 Water Quality Report.

Discussion ensued.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items:
 - a. Energy Audits Completed
 - b. Brush Chipping Costs
 - c. Public Comment Timer
 - d. Car/Bike and Car/Pedestrian Accident Data
2. Airport Advisory Board Minutes (June).
3. Second Quarter Investment Report.
4. Correspondence from residents Steve Cohoon and John Scalise opposing the use of pesticides to control mosquito population.
5. Letter at dias from resident Christian Driessnack in support of mosquito control.
6. Correspondence from Michigan U.S. Senators Stabenow and Peters regarding support for Michigan communities affected by flooding.
7. Correspondence from Matthew Taylor regarding Medical Marihuana retail limits.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held July 10, 2017 with correction to vote totals on special assessment postponement.
2. Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a three year contract as approved by the labor attorney with Brown & Brown of Central Michigan for Broker services for a not-to-exceed cost of \$40,000 per year.
3. Bid of Carrier and Gable, Inc. of Farmington, Michigan for flashing school crossing signs in the amount of \$37,255 as a replacement for the July 10 award to Traffic Safety Corporation and approve the appropriate budget amendment.
4. Fee/Charges Policy Guidelines as presented.
5. Payroll dated July 14, 2017 and warrants dated July 10, 12, 13 and 19, 2017 all totaling \$900,773.46.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Madaj and supported by Commissioner Gillis to receive recommendation from MMMFLA Ad-Hoc Committee and set a work session on same for Monday, August 14, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Holton to authorize staff to execute a contract with APM for the placement of larvicide in the catch basins and retention ponds at a cost of \$15,000.

AYES: None

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis, Holton, Kulick, Lents, Ling and Madaj

ABSENT: Commissioner Verleger

Motion failed.

Moved by Vice Mayor Lents and supported by Commissioner Kulick to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the contract with Renaissance Public School Academy for PEAK services as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Lents to confirm the purchase and development agreement for 410 W. Broadway as recommended by the Economic Development Corporation. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick reminded residents that City of Mt. Pleasant and Town Planning & Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC) will present a draft of the proposed character-based zoning code to the public on Thursday, July 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Commissioner Gillis encouraged citizens to apply for vacant board and commission seats. She reminded citizens that the Isabella County Fair is currently going on and encouraged attendance.

Manager Ridley announced that the State Tax Commission recently selected Mt. Pleasant for an assessing audit and wants to let the public know that the Tax Commission will be going to some private properties in the City to confirm assessing information on the outside of the property. Property owners selected will be notified. Tax Commission representatives will have identification.

Mayor Ling questioned if flood victims need to wait for potential FEMA funds to be approved to do repair work to their properties. Manager Ridley indicated that they do not need to wait, but should keep receipts and records. There is no guarantee funding will be available.

The Commission recessed at 7:44 p.m. and went into a work session at 7:55 p.m. in City Hall, Conference Rm. A.

WORK SESSION – Goals discussion for 2018.

City Manager Ridley and Mayor Ling led a discussion on City Commission goals for 2018.

Discussion ensued.

Manager Ridley will update the document and provide it to the Commission.

Mayor Ling adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m. without objection.

Kathleen Ling, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk