

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, March 26, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Lents and Vice Mayor Madaj; Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde and Ling

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Ridley and Deputy City Clerk Kornexl

Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Lents read and presented a Proclamation recognizing National Barbershop Quartet Day, April 11, 2018. Four members of the local Barbershop Quartet sang.

City Assessor Chris Coucke gave a department presentation.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Kaylie Monroe, I-Ride Outreach Coordinator, spoke in favor of bus shelter downtown and asked to be included in planning for the future.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Airport Advisory Board Minutes. (February)
3. Tax Increment Finance Authority/Principal Shopping District (TIFA/PSD) Board Minutes. (February)

Item #9, "Consider I-Ride bus shelter recommendation." was removed from the Consent Calendar.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held March 12, 2018.
2. Bid of Peerless Midwest of Ionia, Michigan in the amount of \$47,571 with a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,491 for Well #16 rehabilitation and the appropriate budget amendment.
3. Bid of Malley Construction of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in the amount of \$302,780 for 2018 local streets reconstruction project.
4. Bid of Bay Landscaping of Essexville, Michigan in the amount of \$10,700 for 2018 Spring Tree project.
5. Recreation Budget amendments totaling \$50,000 for replacement of flood damaged supplies.
6. Budget amendments from the building reserve accounts to fund security

upgrades to City buildings as presented.

7. Resolution to accept \$75,000 from the MDNR for the Island Park Amphitheater Project Recreation Passport Grant and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the project agreement:

RESOLVED, that the City of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the Mt. Pleasant City Commission does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide seventy-five thousand and no/100 dollars (\$75,000) to match the grant authorized by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.
 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for auditing at reasonable times.
 3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
 4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.
8. Warrants dated March 6, 12 and 14, 2018 and Payrolls dated March 9, 2018 all totaling \$696,981.41.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Commissioner Kulick recused himself from discussion and motion on special assessment to remove any appearance of a conflict of interest.

A public hearing was held to consider resolution #5 for approval of the roll and setting of payment terms for the Special Assessment District 1-18. Ella Regan, 1016 S. Kinney commented that the alley isn't being maintained. There being no additional comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Joseph to postpone the final decision on Resolution 5 for the alley reconstruction between Fancher and Kinney until the April 9 meeting to allow city staff to develop a 3-7 year plan that would allow the city to cover 30% of the costs of the reconstruction for all alleys slated to be returned to gravel if not reconstructed.

AYES: Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Lents, Ling and Madaj
NAYS: None
ABSTAINED: Commissioner Kulick

Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Joseph and supported by Commissioner Gillis to support the TIFA/PSD Board recommendation to retain the bus shelter at the Main and Broadway Streets location. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Madaj to prioritize Broadway Street from Maxwell to Bradley for the pedestrian lighting project in 2018 and postpone May, Clayton and Gaylord Streets to a future year. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Madaj to approve Item 1 of the purchasing policy revisions regarding bid limits and amounts needing city commission approval; and Item 3 regarding additional auctions for surplus equipment, as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Gillis and supported by Commissioner Joseph to amend the original motion to consider Items 1 and 3 of the purchasing policy revisions separately. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Mayor Lents and supported by Vice Mayor Madaj to amend Item 1 of the purchasing policy to provide that for purchases less than \$10,000.00, it is encouraged to purchase from businesses located within the Mt. Pleasant City limits where there is comparable pricing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Gillis to postpone action on Item 1 of the purchasing policy revisions. Motion unanimously adopted.

The Commission considered the amended motion to approve Item 3 of the purchasing policy revisions regarding additional auctions for surplus equipment, as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Approve submission of City requests for Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe two percent allocations with a summary of the Commission's top priorities.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to make the following appointments to various city boards and commissions as recommended by the Appointments Committee:

Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA)
David McGuire

Term Expires

December 31, 2019

Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Mayor Lents commented on the March for Our Lives event which was held Saturday, March 24th.

Commissioner Gillis encouraged residents to take advantage of various programs the City offers; including: 1) free brush pick-up, deadline for signing up is April 5th; 2) Neighborhood Mini Grants, information can be obtained from Assistant Fire Chief M. Dunham; and 3) PEAK Scholarships. Information on these programs and others can be found on-line at www.mt-pleasant.org. She also mentioned that the Commission will be discussing 2019 goals at their work session.

City Manager Ridley announced that on-line sign up is available for the no fee brush pick-up program.

Commissioner Ling congratulated the CMU Women's Basketball team on their successful season.

The Commission recessed at 8:05 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:15 p.m.

WORK SESSION - 2019 Goal Discussion

Mayor Lents led a discussion on 2019 goals.

Discussion ensued.

Mayor Lents adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m. without objection.

Allison Lents, Mayor

Mary Ann Kornexl, Deputy City Clerk