

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, November 11, 2019, at 7:01 p.m., in the City Commission Room.

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

Commissioners Present: Mayor Joseph and Vice Mayor Gillis; Commissioners Kulick, LaLonde, Ling, Perschbacher and Tolas

Commissioners Absent: None

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

### Proclamations and Presentations

Mayor Joseph read and presented a Proclamation to CMLife staff members recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Central Michigan Life (CMLife).

### Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Tolas and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to remove item "Bids and Quotations - a. Environmental Consulting Services as postponed from meeting of October 28, 2019" from the agenda.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

ABSENT: None

Motion failed.

### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items;
  - a. Monthly report on police related citizen complaints received.
  - b. Report on Yield to Pedestrian signs.
  - c. Request received and response sent in regard to sanitary sewer lead exception for 404 & 406 South Kinney.
2. Correspondence received from Victoria Keenan, keena1vp@cmich.edu, regarding sustainability.
3. Correspondence received from Doug LaBelle II, [doug@labellerealty.net](mailto:doug@labellerealty.net), regarding proposed 2050 Master Plan.
4. Correspondence received from Carmelina Crisci, [carmi@hbacm.com](mailto:carmi@hbacm.com), regarding zoning ordinance.
5. Minutes of the Local Development Finance Authority. (July and October)
6. Minutes of the Zoning Board of Appeals. (August)
7. Minutes of the Tax Increment Finance Authority. (September)
8. Minutes of the Traffic Control Commission. (October)
9. Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission. (October)

Removed item #18 - "Authorize Mayor to sign a letter of support for the Neighborhood Enhancement Program grant application." from the Consent Calendar.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held October 28, 2019.
2. Minutes of the closed session of the City Commission held October 28, 2019.
3. Receive recommended naming request for Island Park Field #1 (Kaye Bouck) and set a public hearing for November 25, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
4. Approval of Demand Response Program with Consumers Energy.
5. Warrants dated October 29 and 30<sup>th</sup> and November 6, 2019 and Payrolls dated November 1, 2019 all totaling \$1,006,196.15.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on proposed 2020 Annual Operating Budget. There being no public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing. No action required by the Commission at this time.

A public hearing was held on proposed ordinance to add a new subsection 154.410.B.4.b and amendment to table 154.410.A. of the Mt. Pleasant Zoning Ordinance to regulate recreational marihuana establishments as special uses. There being no public comments or communications received, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher that Ordinance 1053, an Ordinance to add a new subsection 154.410.B.4.b and amendment to table 154.410.A. of the Mt. Pleasant Zoning Ordinance to regulate recreational marihuana establishments as special uses having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

A public hearing was held on proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 133: FIREWORKS of the Mt. Pleasant Code of Ordinances to comply with state law. There being no public comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis that Ordinance 1054, an Ordinance to amend Chapter 133: FIREWORKS of the Mt. Pleasant Code of Ordinances to comply with state law having been introduced and read, now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling, Perschbacher and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve the proposal from AKT Peerless to provide environmental consulting services and additional testing at the former landfill site, located at 1303 N. Franklin Street, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$30,000, and to amend the 2019 budget.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher  
 NAYS: Gillis and Tolas  
 ABSENT: None  
 Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the Neighborhood Enhancement Program grant application. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to authorize a sole source contract with GameTime through OMNIA Partners Program for the purchase of two playground structures at a cost of \$63,500 and the appropriate budget amendment for 2019. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Ling to take no action at this time and allow the Planning Commission to make recommendations as needed on the Zoning Ordinance.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher  
 NAYS: Kulick and Tolas  
 ABSENT: None  
 Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve resolution supporting fee recommendations for recreational marihuana establishment applications as presented.

WHEREAS, Title XI, Chapter 115 - RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant states that the City Commission will set an application fee in an amount established by resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the application fee for authorization to operate a Recreational Marihuana Establishment within the City of Mt. Pleasant as required under Section 115.03 (b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant is set as follows:

Recreational Marihuana Establishment Application Fees	
All Establishment Applications - Base Application	\$200.00
Applications for Establishments with Limits Per Section 115.02 (only required of applicants if the number of applications received is greater than set limit and a review of the applications including additional supplemental information per the competitive process is necessary)	\$1,000.00

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Tolas to amend the original resolution to reduce the additional application fee from \$1,000 to \$500 for those applicants where the number of applications exceeds the number of licenses available.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis and Tolas  
NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher  
ABSENT: None  
Motion failed.

The Commission considered the original motion.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher  
NAYS: Commissioners Gillis and Tolas  
ABSENT: None  
Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Tolas to authorize the Mayor to sign the Union Township petition for improvements to McGuirk Street, Rosemarie Lane, Mamie Street and James Court in the McGuirk Estates Subdivision.  
Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the following re-appointments as recommended by the Appointments Committee.

<u>Airport Advisory Board</u>	Term Expires:
Mark Drumheller	12/31/2022
Glen Irwin, II	12/31/2022
<u>Building, Fire &amp; Sanitary Sewer Board</u>	
Tim Nieporte	12/31/2022
<u>Chippewa River District Library Board</u>	
Thomas Delia	12/31/2023
<u>City/CMU Student Liaison Committee</u>	
Edward Clayton	12/31/2022
David Stairs	12/31/2022
<u>Downtown Development Authority</u>	
Jeff Smith	12/31/2023
Doug LaBelle	12/31/2023
<u>Historic District Commission</u>	
Anne Swift	12/31/2022
Lara Raisanen	12/31/2022

Local Development Finance Authority

Rick Barz 12/31/2023  
David McGuire 12/31/2023

Parks and Recreation Commission

James Batcheller 12/31/2022  
Liz Busch 12/31/2022  
Peter Little 12/31/2022

Planning Commission

Christine Ortman 12/31/2022  
Corey Friedrich 12/31/2022  
Glen Irwin 12/31/2022  
Matthew Liesch 12/31/2022

Tax Increment Finance Authority

Sarah Christensen 12/31/2023

Zoning Board of Appeals

Brian Assmann 12/31/2022  
Peter Orlik 12/31/2022  
Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the following appointments as recommended by the Appointments Committee.

Isabella County Transportation Commission

Dennis Adams Term Expires:  
12/31/2022

Parks and Recreation Commission

Brian Mitchell 12/31/2021  
Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick asked if leaves will still be picked up due to the weather. City Manager responded that staff is looking into the issue.

Vice Mayor Gillis commented that she also hopes the leaf pick up program will continue this fall. She commented that she and the Mayor were part of a discussion regarding a possible purchase of Mt. Pleasant Center land by Isabella County; and she would like to have a full Commission discussion and get a presentation on the subject. She would also like the City to eliminate the Economic Development Corporation and have the Commission or staff fulfill those duties. She thanked veterans for their service to our country.

Mayor Joseph announced that the ICRH is looking for volunteers. For information visit [www.icrhouse.org](http://www.icrhouse.org)

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Wendy Robertson, 813 Southmoor, spoke concerning testing and drilling at the former landfill site located at 1303 N. Franklin Street.

The Commission recessed at 8:41 p.m. and went into a work session at 8:55 p.m.

WORK SESSION - 2020 Operating Budget

Mayor Joseph and City Manager Ridley led a discussion on the 2020 Operating Budget.

Discussion ensued.

Staff will continue to incorporate generally agreed upon ideas into the 2020 proposed Operating Budget. Further discussion on the 2020 Operating Budget will be had at the work session at the next meeting.

Mayor Joseph adjourned the meeting without objection at 10:03 p.m.

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William L. Joseph, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk