

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, November 25, 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 & Tolas

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Ridley and City Clerk Howard

Proclamations and Presentations

Central Michigan University (CMU) President Robert Davies gave a presentation on the status of Central Michigan University and its relationship with the City of Mt. Pleasant.

Discussion ensued.

City Engineer Stacie Tewari gave a presentation on the Engineering Department.

Discussion ensued.

Additions/Deletions to Agenda

“Leaf pickup discussion and direction”; was added to the agenda.

“Consider approval of agreement with Nottawa Township for processing wastewater”; was removed from the agenda.

Public Input on Agenda Items

Patricia McGann-Zoints, 404 S. Washington St., spoke of concerns with leaf pickup and scheduling. She also spoke regarding reinstating Duncan Life Skills with Marijuana tax revenue funds.

Amy Swaney, 1405 Greenbriar St., spoke of concerns with leaf pickup and scheduling.

Patrick Cousineau, 403 S. Anna St., spoke of concerns with leaf pickup and scheduling, and concerns with the recent increase in garbage pickup fees.

Patricia Heitman, 911 Elizabeth Ct., spoke of concerns with leaf pickup and scheduling.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items.
2. Planning Commission Minutes. (October)
3. Airport Advisory Board Minutes. (October)
4. Downtown Development Authority Minutes. (October)
5. Resignation of Mary Alsager from the Parks and Recreation Commission.
6. Correspondence received from Doug LaBelle, 405 S. Mission St., regarding proposed eCities award.
7. Correspondence received from Frances Lichtman, 1212 Tomah, regarding leaf pickup and scheduling.
8. Correspondence received from James Dening, 303 W. Grand Ave., regarding leaf pickup and notification of changes.

Removed item 14.c. "Consider resolutions supporting amended rates, fees and charges: Solid Waste" from the Consent Calendar.

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

1. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held November 11, 2019.
2. Resolution in support of Traffic Control Order 4-2019 as follows:

WHEREAS, under the date of November 25, 2019, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 4-2019 (Place 'No Parking Here to Corner' sign on the south side of Locust Street 20' west of the Main Street intersection per MUTCD standards.). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on November 25, 2019, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 4-2019 a permanent traffic control order.

3. Resolution in support of Traffic Control Order 5-2019 as follows:

WHEREAS, under the date of November 25, 2019, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 5-2019 (Install yield sign on Johnson Street at McVey Street.). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on November 25, 2019, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 5-2019 a permanent traffic control order.

4. Resolution in support of Traffic Control Order 6-2019 as follows:

WHEREAS, under the date of November 25, 2019, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 6-2019 (Install yield sign on East Grand Avenue at Manor Lane.). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on November 25, 2019, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 6-2019 a permanent traffic control order.

5. Resolution in support of Traffic Control Order 7-2019 as follows:

WHEREAS, under the date of November 25, 2019, the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 7-2019 (Place 'No Parking Here to Corner' sign on the west side of Washington Street north of Clayton Street per MUTCD standards.). Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on November 25, 2019, for review and after reviewing said temporary control order and being fully advised in the premises,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission approves making temporary traffic control order No. 7-2019 a permanent traffic control order.

6. Bid of Shults Equipment of Ithaca, Michigan for the purchase and installation of plow truck equipment and lighting in the amount of \$115,870 for two trucks.
7. Bids for 2020 Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant treatment (bulk) chemicals as follows:

Anionic Polymer	Polydyne, Inc.	\$2000.00/ton
Caustic Soda	Alexander Chemical	\$ 534.00/ton
Ferric Chloride	PVS Technologies, Inc.	\$ 582.00/ton
Ferrous Chloride	PVS Technologies, Inc.	\$ 0.58/gal*
Lime	Graymont Western Lime, Inc.	\$ 146.00/ton
Liquid Polyphosphate	Elhorn Engineering Co.	\$ 7.35/gal
Sodium Fluoride	PVS Nolwood Chemicals, Inc.	\$2560.00/ton
Sodium Hypochlorite	JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc.	\$ 0.82/gal
*open market pricing		

8. Contract with Ferguson Waterworks of Grand Rapids, Michigan, for 2020 water meter purchase:

5/8"	\$114.00
1"	\$217.00
1 1/2 "	\$458.00
2"	\$1,437.00
3"	\$2,155.00
4"	\$2,984.00
6"	\$5,036.00

9. Resolution in support of recommended Application Fee for Temporary Marihuana events as follows:

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 Temporary Marihuana Event within the City of Mt. Pleasant as required under Section 115.06(b)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Mt. Pleasant is set as follows:

Temporary Marihuana Event Application Fee	\$200.00
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10. Resolutions in support of recommended rates, fees and charges as follows:

a. **CEMETERY:**

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 92.02 requires the fees and charges for the sale of spaces and lots and for services performed in Riverside Cemetery be set by resolution of the City Commission,

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted fee/charges policy guidelines in July 2017,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees are consistent with the policy guidelines and are to be set to begin January 1, 2020

Cemetery Fees		
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	<u>Resident</u>	Non- <u>Resident</u>
Lot *	\$450	\$750
Internment (per lot)		
Infant - up to 36" casket	\$400	\$560
Child - 36 - 60" casket	\$450	\$630
Adult > 60" casket	\$550	\$770
Ashes	\$200	\$280
Mausoleum	\$500	\$700
After 4 p.m. Additional Fee	\$350	\$490
Sunday/Holiday Additional Fee	\$600	\$840
Disinternment	\$600	\$840
Disinternment w/Reinternment	\$1,050	\$1,470
Winter Storage	\$150	\$210
Foundations per square inch	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.6

* - Perpetual Care portion - \$150 resident & \$250 non-resident

b. **DPW INSPECTIONS/WORK FOR OTHERS:**

WHEREAS, the Engineering staff is requested to do after-hours inspections for various permits,

WHEREAS, the DPW staff performs work for others,

WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted fee/charges policy guidelines in July 2017,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees are consistent with the policy guidelines and are to be set to begin January 1, 2020

DPW Inspections/Work for Others	
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After hours permit inspection (after 4:30)	\$50
After hours permit inspection weekend/holiday)	\$100

Contracted Work for Others (Requested)	Actual Cost + Overhead X 2
Work for Others (Required)	Actual Cost + Overhead

c. **WASTEWATER SERVICE FEES:**

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 51.100 (C) requires the sewer service fees be set by resolution of the City Commission,

WHEREAS, in order to defray the costs of owning, operating, and maintaining the Municipal Sewer System, the City needs to charge users of the systems, rates, fees and charges for connection to and use of that systems,

WHEREAS, such rates, fees and charges should be periodically reviewed to assure they are adequate to fully cover the system's cost,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees be set to begin January 1, 2020

Wastewater Service Fees

RV Dump Station \$5 - drop box honor system

Wastewater Lab Fees (per sample)

NH3	\$25
BOD	\$35
Total P	\$35
TSS	\$25
TDS	\$25
pH	\$10
DO	\$10
F. Coliform	\$35
Total or E. Coliform	\$35

d. **WATER SERVICE FEES:**

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 52.25 requires the water service fees be set by resolution of the City Commission,

WHEREAS, in order to defray the costs of owning, operating, and maintaining the Municipal Water System, the City needs to charge users of the systems, rates, fees and charges for connection to and use of that systems,

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 52.26 requires there be no free service for the Municipal Water System,

WHEREAS, such fines, rates, fees and charges should be periodically reviewed to assure they are adequate to fully cover the system's cost,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees and fines be set to begin January 1, 2020

Water Service Fees

1-inch Service Installation Deposit - Adjusted to actual T&M after installed	\$1,500
2-inch Service Installation Deposit - Adjusted to actual T&M after installed	\$2,500
>2-inch Service Installation Inspections (contractor Installs)	\$ 250

e. SEWER DEMAND:

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 51.100 (C) requires that Municipal Sewer System rates, fees and charges are to be set by resolution of the City Commission,

WHEREAS, in order to defray the costs of owning, operating, and maintaining the Municipal Sewer System, the City needs to charge users of the systems, rates, fees and charges for connection to and use of that systems,

WHEREAS, such rates, fees and charges should be periodically reviewed to assure they are adequate to fully cover the system's cost,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees be set to begin January 1, 2020

Sewer Demand

Meter Size	Monthly Fee
5/8"	\$ 8.69
1"	\$ 21.65
1.5"	\$ 43.31
2"	\$ 69.21
3"	138.44
4"	\$ 216.34
6"	\$ 432.61
10"	\$2,390.85

f. WATER DEMAND

WHEREAS, the ordinance provision, Section 52.25 (B)(1)(a) requires that Municipal Water System rates, fees and charges are to be set by resolution of the City Commission,

WHEREAS, in order to defray the costs of owning, operating, and maintaining the Municipal Water System, the City needs to charge users of the systems, rates, fees and charges for connection to and use of that systems,

WHEREAS, such rates, fees and charges should be periodically reviewed to assure they are adequate to fully cover the system's cost,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees be set to begin January 1, 2020

Water Demand

Meter Size	Monthly Fee
5/8"	\$ 11.65
1"	\$ 29.12
1.5"	\$ 58.24
2"	\$ 93.18
3"	\$ 186.35
4"	\$ 291.18

6"	\$ 582.35
10"	\$3,183.86

Note: Irrigation Meters are charged demand for six months

11. Warrants dated November 13, 14 & 20, 2019 and Payrolls dated November 15, 2019 all totaling \$778,575.85.

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on recommended naming request for Island Park Field #1 (Kaye Bouck).

Ted McIntire, 1253 Abbey Ln.; Margo Junker, 45 E. Warsaw; Jim MacLean, 5425 E. Broadway; Mary Welsh, 1611 N. Vandacar; Rachel Lessard-Trost, 5757 E. Valley Rd.; Julie Maxon, 1048 Castle Dr., Weidman; spoke in support of recommended naming request for Island Park Field #1 (Kaye Bouck).

Kaye Bouck, 1407 Greenbriar St., thanked the City Commission for the honor of naming Island Park Field #1 (Kaye Bouck Field).

There being no additional comments or communications, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Tolas to approve the following Resolution Naming Kaye Bouck Field as follows:

WHEREAS, Kaye Bouck, an original member of the Mt. Pleasant girls' youth softball program in 1974, acting president of the program since 1981, and lifelong supporter of girls' youth softball, created opportunities for hundreds of girls annually in the Mt. Pleasant Community, and

WHEREAS, her leadership with the softball program substantially contributed to Island Park facility improvements, in partnership with the City of Mt. Pleasant, that benefitted the youth softball program and the City of Mt. Pleasant, and

WHEREAS, Kaye contributed to the building of four softball diamonds with agreement between the City of Mt. Pleasant and Union Township, and

WHEREAS, her passion to leave no child left inside providing outdoor opportunity to all, through grassroots programming continues to live on in Mt. Pleasant under her leadership and sets a positive standard for the future, and

WHEREAS, Kaye is the heart and soul of the girls' softball program and does everything under their mission of providing positive life experiences for all kids, and

WHEREAS, she has helped to showcase the Mt. Pleasant community as a destination location for softball in the state of Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission, on behalf of the program participants, and citizens of the Mt. Pleasant community, recognize Kaye Bouck's selfless and substantial contribution to youth of the community, and

FURTHER, officially name Softball Field #1 at Island Park "*Kaye Bouck Field*".
Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve Resolution in support of recommended rates, fees and charges for Solid Waste as follows:

WHEREAS, the City provides various services in for solid waste,
WHEREAS, the City Commission adopted fee/charges policy guidelines in July 2017,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following fee is consistent with the
policy guidelines and are to be set to begin January 1, 2020.

Monthly Recycling Pick up – Elective for those not required to use curbside pick-up	\$2.50 per month = \$30.00 annually
Recycle Bin Replacement	\$7.25
Recycle Bin Original for household	\$0

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to postpone Christmas Tree Disposal Fee discussion until a report can be brought back to the City Commission from City staff on what other municipalities do for Christmas tree pickup. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to authorize the Mayor or City Manager to sign any documents required by EGLE for the grant funds associated with the 410 W. Broadway project.

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 Ling to enter into closed session pursuant to subsection 8(a) of the Open Meetings Act, to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of a City employee as requested by that employee. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to approve a third leaf pickup this year starting December 3rd.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Tolas to amend the original motion to specify not using code red for contacting citizens.

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

The original motion was considered by the Commission. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick thanked staff and City Manager for putting 2% requests together and thanked the Saginaw Indian Chippewa Tribe for their support of the City and the requests.

Commissioner Tolas passed along a question by resident Lisa Pollard asking why the City doesn't have a pan handler ordinance and why solicitors are walking into the street. He voiced concerns with yards being torn up by sidewalk snowplowing.

Mayor Joseph announced that the Isabella County Restoration House (ICRH) rotating shelter is located on Pine Street and information and volunteer opportunities can be found at icrhouse.org. He congratulated CMU women's volleyball on their season.

Commissioner Perschbacher announced that *Annie Junior* will be playing at the Broadway Theater the first two weeks of December.

Vice Mayor Gillis asked that residents share information on leaf pickup with neighbors; she announced the 2020 Census and encouraged everyone to share information with others; she wished the community a Happy Thanksgiving and safe travels.

Commissioner Ling congratulated Detective Sargeant Dave Sabuda on receiving the NASFA Advocate of the Year Award.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Patrick Cousineau, 403 S. Anna St., thanked the Commission for adding a third leaf pickup.

Mary Alsager and George Ronan introduced themselves as newly elected City Commissioners and shared that they are excited to begin next year.

The Commission recessed at 8:53 p.m. and went into a work session at 9:03 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 incorporate generally agreed upon ideas into the 2020 proposed Operating Budget. Recommendation for the 2020 Operating Budget approval will be on the December 9th agenda.

Mayor Joseph and City Manager Ridley led a discussion on affordable housing requests being received by the City.

Discussion ensued.

Staff will bring the topic back to the Commission after the first of the year for further discussion.

The Commission recessed at 9:40 p.m. and went into a closed session at 9:42 p.m. A separate set of minutes was taken for the closed session.

Mayor Joseph adjourned the meeting at 10:42 p.m. without objection.

William Joseph, Mayor

Jeremy Howard, City Clerk