

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, June 10, 2019, at 7:00 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 Genovich

### Proclamations and Presentations

Department of Public Works Director Zang introduced new employee Angie McCann.

Utility Billing Supervisor Jones introduced new employees Leann Ellis and Ronda Haines.

City Clerk Howard introduced new employee Amanda Chritz.

Recreation Director Longoria introduced new employee Jayme Coffey.

Public Safety Director Lauria introduced and swore in new Mt. Pleasant Police Officer Joshua Loudenslager.

Paul Lippens, Director of Urban Design and Mobility for McKenna and Associates, gave a presentation on the City of Mt. Pleasant 2050 Master Plan current status.

Discussion ensued.

### Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Moved by Commissioner Ling and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to add a work session discussion regarding 2020 goals and action strategies to the agenda.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion Failed. Therefore, the item was not added to the agenda.

### Public Input on Agenda Items

Kathy Rise, 1717 Elm Street; and Doug Struble, 504 S. Fancher, spoke in opposition of approval of 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan with the inclusion of funds allocated for streets in industrial zone on Page 99.

John Paparella, 1308 E. Preston; Paul Harger, 1304 E. Preston; and Paula Erskin, 1202 E. Preston, spoke in opposition to final approval of Temporary Traffic Control Order #2-2019 (Preston St. parking).

### Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

1. City Manager report on pending items;
  - a. Information on Yield to Pedestrians on Broadway Street.
2. Traffic Control Committee Minutes. (February)
3. Correspondence received from Marge Havens, 1008 E. Preston and Jan Perkins, janperkins@yahoo.com regarding Preston Street.
4. Correspondence received from J. David Kerr, 205 S. Main St., regarding proposed ordinance temporarily opting out of recreational marijuana.
5. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) determination as part of the proposed wind turbine project.
6. Letter received at the dais from Rick and Paula Erskin, 1202 E. Preston St. regarding Preston Street parking.
7. Letter received at the dais from Doug Struble and Rudolph Kler, Lease Management, Inc., 503 Industrial Ave., regarding Industrial Street improvement included in the 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan.

Item #9, "Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held May 28, 2019." was removed from the Consent Calendar.

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

1. Bid of JCI Jones Chemical, Inc. of Riverview, Michigan for 2019 Water Treatment Plant Caustic Soda in the amount of \$595 per ton.
2. Resolution recognizing Isabella Community Restoration House (ICRH) as a non-profit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license as presented.
3. Warrants dated May 29, 2019 and June 5 and 6, 2019 and Payrolls dated May 31, 2019 all totaling \$770,809.97.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Tolas to approve the Minutes of the May 28, 2019 regular meeting of the City Commission.

Moved by Mayor Joseph and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to amend the original motion to change the Minutes of the May 28, 2019 regular meeting of the City Commission to reflect that "Mayor Joseph called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, *led by a local Boy Scout troop.*" Motion unanimously adopted.

The Commission considered the original motion as amended. Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on a proposed ordinance to add a new Chapter 115, "RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES" to Title XI of the Mt. Pleasant City Code to temporarily prohibit recreational marihuana establishments under Initiated Law 1 of 2018, the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act. There being no comments or communications the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Tolas that Ordinance No. 1044, an ordinance to add a new Chapter 115, "RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA FACILITIES" to Title XI of the Mt. Pleasant City Code to temporarily prohibit recreational marihuana establishments under Initiated Law 1 of 2018, the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act having been introduced and read now be passed, ordained and ordered published.

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

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion unanimously adopted.

A public hearing was held on the necessity of the public improvement; consider Resolution #3 to proceed with improvements; consider Resolution #4 to accept the special assessment roll and set a public hearing for June 24, 2019 regarding said roll for Special Assessment #2-19. Norm Curtis, 1414 E. Broadway, spoke in opposition to special assessment #2-19. There being no additional comments or communications, Mayor Joseph closed the public hearing.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve Resolutions #3 and #4 as presented regarding Principal Shopping District Special Assessment #2-19.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to postpone action on Special Assessment #2-19 until staff can gather information on amount of increase in assessment in previous year. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve an amendment to the engineering design work in the amount of \$19,900 to C2AE for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Tolas and supported by Commissioner Kulick to approve the updated Downtown Outdoor Dining Policy and Application Procedures as presented.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Perschbacher to amend the original motion to require that electricity be provided from overhead rather than across the sidewalk.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Perschbacher

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion failed.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to amend the original motion to require sawcutting of sidewalk and provide electricity under the sidewalk via conduit.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Vice Mayor Gillis to postpone action on updated Downtown Outdoor Dining Policy and Application Procedures until staff can gather information, concerns, and cost of sawcutting and providing electricity under the sidewalk via conduit.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

ABSENT: None

Motion failed.

The Commission considered the amendment to the original motion to require sawcutting of sidewalk and provide electricity under the sidewalk via conduit.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

ABSENT: None

Motion failed.

The Commission considered the original motion to approve the updated Downtown Outdoor Dining Policy and Application Procedures as presented.

AYES: Commissioners Joseph, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick and Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Ling to approve the 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan as presented with the removal of page 99 regarding Industrial Area Street Improvements.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Ling and Tolas

NAYS: Commissioners Joseph, Kulick, LaLonde and Perschbacher

ABSENT: None

Motion Failed.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner LaLonde to approve the 2020-2025 Capital Improvement Plan as presented with page 99 regarding Industrial Area Street Improvements being moved to 6 years out (2025).

AYES: Commissioners Kulick, LaLonde, Ling and Perschbacher

NAYS: Commissioners Gillis, Joseph and Tolas

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Kulick and supported by Commissioner Ling to deny Temporary Traffic Control Order 2-2019 (Preston Street parking) and have "No Parking" signs reinstalled.

AYES: Commissioners Gillis, Kulick, LaLonde, Ling, Perschbacher & Tolas

NAYS: Commissioner Joseph

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried.

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

Isabella County MRF Board  
Desirea Woodworth

Term to Expire:  
December 31, 2021

Zoning Board of Appeals  
Steven Stressman

December 31, 2020

Motion unanimously adopted.

#### Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Kulick reminded residents to leave 3 feet between their vehicle and bicyclists when passing.

Commissioner Perschbacher announced that the Historic District Commission will be hosting a Historical Walk to the Broadway Theatre and old Post Office Building on June 15<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Gillis announced that City Commission Packets are available at the City Clerks office and can be filed between Monday, June 24 and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2019.

Commissioner Tolas thanked staff for responding to his request to get the three documents regarding the Mt. Pleasant Center property uploaded onto the website so quickly.

Moved by Vice Mayor Gillis and supported by Commissioner Kulick to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

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William L. Joseph, Mayor

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Jeremy Howard, City Clerk