

Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held Monday, September 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Commission Room, 320 W. Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Michigan with virtual options.

Mayor Perschbacher called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Land Acknowledgement statement was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor Amy Perschbacher, Vice Mayor Mary Alsager; Commissioners Brian Assmann, Liz Busch, Bryan Chapman, Maureen Eke & Boomer Wingard

Commissioners Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Aaron Desentz and City Clerk Heather Bouck

Proclamations and Presentations

Finance Director Christopher Saladine introduced Utility Billing Office Professional Susan Tham.

Parks & Public Spaces Director Philip Biscorner introduced Parks and Public Spaces I Joe Bryant.

Mayor Perschbacher read and presented to Maureen Eke on behalf of the Isabella County Human Rights Coalition, a Proclamation recognizing International Day of Peace "September 21, 2023". September 23, 2023 is the annual Peace event starting with a walk beginning at 3 pm at City Hall and ending at Island Park.

Mary Freeman of Lean & Green Michigan gave a presentation on the PACE Program.

MERS Regional Manager Tony Radjenovich gave a presentation on Municipal Employees' Retirements System of Michigan (MERS).

Casey Thomas Ahlbrandt-Rains of Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company (GRS) gave a presentation on Act 345.

Moved by Commissioner Chapman and seconded by Commissioner Eke to approve the agenda as presented. Motion unanimously adopted.

Receipt of Petitions and Communications

Received the following petitions and communications:

7. Monthly report on police related citizen complaints received.
8. Zoning Board of Appeals November Meeting Minutes.
9. Notice of Temporary Traffic Control Orders #6-2023 and #7-2023.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Busch to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

- 10. Minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held August 28, 2023;
- 11. Resolution in support of final approval of Temporary Traffic Control Order #5-2023 as follows:

WHEREAS, under the date of July 27, 2023 the Traffic Engineer of the City of Mt. Pleasant issued temporary traffic control order No. 5-2023:

Remove 15 minute parking sign at 121 S Kinney. New property owners do not want the sign. Sign was requested by a previous owner.

Said temporary traffic control order was presented to the City Commission on September 11, 2023, 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. 5-2023 a permanent traffic control order.

- 12. Amendment to bond counsel contract with Dickinson Wright for an additional \$10,500.
- 13. Contract with R & T Murphy Trucking of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for 2023-2024 leaf hauling in the amount of \$124.50 per hour.
- 14. Contract with R & T Murphy Trucking of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for 2023-2025 snow hauling in the amount of \$124.50 per hour.
- 15. Contract with Fleis & Vandenbrink of Midland, Michigan for Professional Engineering Services – Mill Pond Park Weir & Pedestrian Bridge Repairs and Chipp-A-Waters Park Riverbank Restoration for a total price of \$77,500.
- 16. Receive Fall 2023 Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe 2% funding requests from City departments. No action required at this time.
- 17. Receive proposed 2024 Annual Operating Budget and set a public hearing for Monday, November 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. on same.
- 18. Resolution to amend 2023 Operating Budget as follows:

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 10 authorizes the City Commission to amend the annual operating budget by resolution, and

WHEREAS, the 2023 operating budget was originally adopted by resolution on November 21, 2022 and

WHEREAS, the activities of the City since the budget was adopted have been such as to necessitate an amendment at this time, during the year beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2023;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following revenue and expenditure appropriations be approved and the 2023 operating budget be amended, effective immediately.

	Fund			Fund
	Balance	2023	2023	Balance
	January 1	Revenue	Expenditures	December 31
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS				
GENERAL FUND				
Unassigned	\$4,861,913	\$15,323,740		
Legislative Division			1,283,880	
Finance Division			1,821,580	
Public Safety Division			7,729,020	

Community Services Division			2,913,520	
Public Works Division			890,110	
Amount from Fund Balance			(383,620)	
Total Unassigned	\$4,861,913	\$15,323,740	\$14,254,490	\$5,931,163
Assigned for Next Year's Budget	383,620	69,030	383,620	69,030
Assigned for Economic Initiatives	736,088	0	15,000	721,088
Assigned for Projects/Programs	3,447,588	251,950	404,130	3,295,408
Restricted	483,210	12,500	12,750	482,960
Committed for Special Assessments	337,101	0	0	337,101
Committed for Neighborhoods	222,670	40,400	80,000	183,070
Committed for Capital Projects	1,824,700	776,430	404,720	2,196,410
Non-spendable	446,775	0	0	446,775
Total General Fund	\$12,743,665	\$16,474,050	\$15,554,710	\$13,663,005
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
MAJOR STREET FUND				
Restricted	\$1,609,783	\$1,979,880	\$2,617,420	\$972,243
Restricted for Donation	15,400	0	0	15,400
Total Major Street Fund	1,625,183	1,979,880	2,617,420	987,643
LOCAL STREET FUND				
Restricted	883,423	\$1,200,830	\$1,778,910	\$305,343
Restricted for Donation	15,209	0	0	15,209
Total Local Street Fund	898,632	1,200,830	1,778,910	320,552
STORM SEWER FUND				
Restricted	0	946,500	946,500	0
DOWNTOWN SPECIAL ASSESSMENT				
Restricted from Special Assessment	141,619	109,400	125,860	125,159
Total Governmental Funds				
Appropriated Budget	\$15,409,099	\$19,764,160	\$20,076,900	\$15,096,359
		Sources of	Uses of	Working
		Working	Working	Capital
		Capital	Capital	December 31
Component Units				
MISSION STREET DDA FUND				
Assigned	\$1,209,916	\$374,000	\$141,600	\$1,442,316
TAX INCREMENT FIN AUTH FUND				
Central Business District Assigned	121,222	300	121,522	0
Central Business District Restricted	42,437	0	42,437	0
Ind Park North Assigned	90,000	0	0	90,000
Ind Park North Unassigned	6,181	0	4,000	2,181
Total TIFA	259,840	0	4,000	92,181

BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT FUND				
Assigned	14,252	53,520	53,660	14,112
Unassigned	1,021	300	0	1,321
Total Brownfield	15,273	53,820	53,660	15,433
Total Component Unit Funds				
Informational Summaries	\$1,485,029	\$427,820	\$199,260	\$1,549,930
		Sources of	Uses of	Working
		Working	Working	Capital
		<u>Capital</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>December 31</u>
<u>PROPRIETARY FUNDS</u>				
Enterprise Funds				
RECREATION FUND				
Restricted for PEAK	0	498,660	498,660	0
Assigned for PEAK	1,197,040	351,350	457,730	1,090,660
Restricted for Recreation	10,000	0	10,000	0
Assigned for Recreation	99,804	615,340	682,890	32,254
Total Recreation Fund	1,306,844	1,465,350	1,649,280	1,122,914
LAND DEVELOPMENT FUND				
Restricted	\$50,000	0	0	\$50,000
Unassigned	9,031	96,380	92,380	13,031
Total Land Development	54,187	96,380	92,380	63,031
AIRPORT FUND				
Restricted	162,527	80,000	80,000	162,527
Assigned	82,519	0	0	82,519
Unassigned	303,383	608,210	717,620	193,973
Total Airport	548,429	688,210	797,620	439,019
WATER RESOURCE RECOVERY FUND				
Assigned	2,634,436	150,000	184,180	2,600,256
Restricted	7,135,301	27,120,000	9,161,910	25,093,391
Unassigned	1,596,961	3,112,210	2,906,920	1,802,251
Total Water Resource Recovery Fund	11,366,698	30,382,210	12,253,010	29,495,898
WATER FUND				
Assigned	1,255,154	689,000	865,000	1,079,154
Unassigned	2,172,721	3,318,480	3,361,000	2,130,201
Total Water	3,427,875	4,007,480	4,226,000	3,209,355
SOLID WASTE FUND				
Restricted	200,000	0	0	200,000
Unassigned	882,141	665,970	780,090	768,021

Total Solid Waste	1,082,141	665,970	780,090	968,021
Internal Service Funds				
MOTOR POOL FUND				
Assigned	14,000		14,000	0
Unassigned	899,323	973,930	1,245,540	627,713
Total Motor Pool	913,323	973,930	1,259,540	627,713
SELF INSURANCE FUND	1,188,210	2,579,100	3,238,580	528,730
Total Proprietary Funds				
Informational Summaries	\$19,873,707	\$40,858,630	\$24,282,500	\$36,454,681

19. Payrolls and Warrants dated September 7, 2023 all totaling \$214,743.15.

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Assmann to approve the following appointments as recommended by the Appointments Committee:

<u>Local Officers Compensation Commission (LOCC)</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Brian Hansen	12/31/2023
Jim Kridler	12/31/2026
Gary Mark	12/31/2029

Motion unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Assmann to approve the purchase of three Netzsch Peripro peristaltic pumps and one set of replacement parts from Kerr Pump & Supply of Oak Park, Michigan, in the amount of \$41,690. Motion unanimously adopted.

Announcements on City-Related Issues and New Business

Commissioner Busch announced that the Cat Coalition is interested in a TNR contract with the City and would like to see this added as a work session item in the future.

Commissioner Eke raised concerns regarding speeding on City streets including Preston, Watson and Washington.

Commissioner Wingard commented that he would like to see a future discussion on options for natural landscaping rather than cut grass. He encouraged residents to get their updated COVID Booster.

Commissioner Alsager commented that she would like to see a plaque or other dedication of the historic bridge into Island Park.

City Manager Desentz thanked the Commission for their time and attention this evening with the presentations.

Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Joelle Delucia, 634 S. University supports the efforts to permit naturalized landscaping and amendment to the City Ordinances to allow for same.

Moved by Commissioner Eke and seconded by Commissioner Chapman to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Motion unanimously adopted.

Amy Perschbacher, Mayor

Heather Bouck, City Clerk