

Allegan, Michigan

July 25, 2016

Call to Order Mayor Ingalsbee called the regular meeting of the Allegan City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Prayer

Roll Call

Present: Gratz, Leverage, Manning, McKenzie, Morgan, Tripp, Mayor Ingalsbee

Absent: None

Others

Present: City Manager R. Hillard, Deputy City Clerk L. Vander Clay

Approval of Minutes Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of July 11, 2016. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor's Report Mayor Ingalsbee is glad the heat wave is over for now.

City Manager's Report City Manager R. Hillard requested an addition to the agenda under **I. Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment No. 3**. A request for services received from Arbre Croche for the Allegan River Erosion Hazard Mitigation Grant. He also requested a closed session after the meeting to perform his annual evaluation.

Petitions and Public Comment Bob Genetski announced he is running for Allegan County Clerk. Mark Heather announced his candidacy for County Commissioner. John Watts announced a Toy and Music Fest on July 30, 2016 on the riverfront.

Communications City Manager R. Hillard announced the Allegan County Free Scrap Tire Recycling Event, Saturday, August 6th.

A request received from Leah Ward, Boardwalk Ice Cream for temporary designated handicap parking in the City parking lot on Hubbard Street. Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to approve ten (10) temporary handicap parking spots in the Hubbard Street parking lot for their event on Sunday, August 21st. Motion passed by acclamation.

Hearings

Programs

Resolutions

Ordinances

Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Manning, made a motion to approve the Airport Services Contract with Ace Aviation, Inc. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Manning, made a motion to approve the Fixed Based Operator Contract with Ace Aviation, Inc. Motion passed by acclamation.

Requests for Payments

Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve the request for services received from Peters Construction Co., Kalamazoo, Michigan for the installation of a 4" water line at 412 Water Street in the amount of \$19,169.00. Motion passed by acclamation. **(Requires Budget Adjustment)**

Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the request for services received from Johnson Controls, Inc., Portage, Michigan for temperature controls for the steam radiators at the Griswold Auditorium in the amount of \$7,047.30. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the request for services received from Arbre Croche, Leslie, Michigan for the proposed archaeological investigations for the Kalamazoo River erosion hazard mitigation project in the amount of \$8,873.00 with the option to choose the high bidder, Commonwealth if the low bidder, Arbre Croche doesn't meet the standards as set by SHPO. Motion passed by acclamation.

Reports/Minutes of City Boards Mayor Ingalsbee reviewed the minutes from the LIFE ems meeting held on April 20, 2016.

Councilmember Morgan reviewed the LIFE ems 2nd Quarter Operations Summary.

DPW Director A. Haskin discussed his department's quarterly activity report.

Promotions Director K. King reviewed the Griswold Auditorium Activity Report for June, 2016.

Mayor Ingalsbee presented the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Activity Reports for June, 2016.

Mayor Ingalsbee discussed the minutes from the Historic District Commission meeting held on July 5, 2016.

Councilmember Manning reviewed the minutes from the Design Advisory Board meeting held on July 6, 2016.

Councilmember McKenzie presented the minutes from the Economic Development Corporation meeting held on July 6, 2016.

Councilmember Tripp discussed the minutes from the Finance Committee meeting held on July 11, 2016.

Councilmember Gratz presented the minutes from the Public Works Committee held on July 11, 2016.

Councilmember McKenzie reviewed the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority meeting held on July 13, 2016.

Appointments

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$93,551.85 and accounts payable in the amount of \$277,875.64. Motion passed by acclamation.

Department Supervisors Report DPW Director A. Haskin stated that the Discovery Center has been working on eliminating the purple loose strife plants on the riverbanks with beetles that eat the plants and so far it appears to be working.

Promotions Director K. King commented that SNAP funding was eliminated, preventing it to be available at the last farmers market, however funding has been secured through a different vendor and will be available again. She announced that on Friday, August 5th, Comedy Night will be on the riverfront stage. She also announced a free kayak event will be on August 25th.

Allegan County Commissioner M. Thiele shared the 2016 State of the County Report with Council.

Council Comments Councilmember Tripp stated he has heard nice comments about the Welcome Center restrooms.

Councilmember McKenzie congratulated Promotions Director K. King on her upcoming wedding.

Councilmember Manning commented that it was great to see the airport contracts worked out.

A roll call vote was taken Gratz-yes; Leverence-yes; Manning-yes; McKenzie-yes; Morgan-yes; Tripp-yes; Mayor Ingalsbee-yes to go into a closed session to perform the City Manager's evaluation.

Mayor Ingalsbee adjourned the meeting at 8:04pm.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Leverence, made a motion to adjourn the closed session at 9:33pm. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor Ingalsbee re-opened the regular meeting at 9:33pm.

Councilmember Manning, supported by Mayor Ingalsbee, made a motion to offer City Manager Hillard a corrective improvement plan or resignation.

Roll call vote: Manning-yes; Tripp-no; McKenzie-no; Leverence-no; Gratz-no; Morgan-no; Mayor Ingalsbee-no. Motion failed 1-6.

Councilmember Leverence, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion for the separation of employment between Robert Hillard and the City of Allegan, effective immediately.

Roll call vote: Leverence-yes; Morgan-no; Tripp-no; Mayor Ingalsbee-yes; Gratz-yes; McKenzie-yes; Manning-yes. Motion passed 5-2.

Mayor Ingalsbee adjourned the meeting at 10:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Vander Clay
City Clerk