

Allegan, Michigan

September 23, 2013

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Councilmembers: Clark, Ingalsbee, Leverage, McKenzie, Tripp, Mayor McDaniel

Absent: Day

Others

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

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to excuse Councilmember Day from the meeting. Motion passed by acclamation.

Approval of Minutes Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of August 26, 2013. Motion passed with Councilmember McKenzie abstaining.

Mayor's Report Mayor McDaniel commented on how nice to see all the students in attendance for the meeting. She announced the upcoming Secret Spaces buildings tour on September 28th.

City Manager's Report City Manager R. Hillard talked about his attendance at the Michigan Municipal League Conference in Detroit, he thanked City Council for their support in allowing him to attend. He announced a closed session will be occurring after the regular meeting tonight, in order to perform his annual performance evaluation.

Petitions and Public Comment Terry Burns announced his candidacy for the 80th District House seat. Stacie Gratz on behalf of the Allegan Jaycees thanked City Council and city staff for their support and for the use of the riverfront for their Oktoberfest event.

Communications Councilmember Clark discussed the Allegan Area Connector for September, 2013. He encouraged all to attend the Secret Spaces tour on September 28th.

Mayor McDaniel announced the upcoming public hearing for the Joint Recreation Plan for the City of Allegan and Allegan Township on Wednesday, September 25, 2013 at 7:00pm at the Griswold Auditorium.

Mayor McDaniel announced the ACCTV (Allegan County Cities, Townships and Villages Association) meeting on Monday, September 30th at 7:00pm at Allegan Township Hall.

Mayor McDaniel announced the upcoming Skocktober 2013 at the Regent Theatre starting Friday, October 4th.

Department of Public Works Director, A. Haskin announced the upcoming annual fall clean-up starting Saturday, October 5th ~ Saturday, October 12th at the Department of Public Works, 691 Airway Drive.

Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request received from the First Presbyterian Church, Allegan, Michigan to place a “community luncheon sign” located on the sidewalk at 200 Cutler Street for one (1) year. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the request received from the organizers of the Peter A. Kaylor Memorial Walk to release balloons at their event on Saturday, October 5, 2013 starting at 10:00am. Motion passed by acclamation.

Hearings Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to set a public hearing for the applications for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for L. Perrigo located at 506 Eastern Avenue and 655 Hooker Road on October 14, 2013 at 7:05pm. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to set a public hearing for the application for Personal Property Exemption Certificate for L. Perrigo located at 655 Hooker Road on October 14, 2013 at 7:10pm. Motion passed by acclamation.

Programs

Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 13.32

A RESOLUTION EXEMPTING THE CITY OF ALLEGAN FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF PA 152 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 2011 FOR THE YEAR 2014.

WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act (“Act 152”) was effective on September 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Act 152 allows a local unit of government to exempt itself each year from the requirements of the Act by a 2/3rd vote of its governing body; and

WHEREAS, the City of Allegan is a “local unit of government” as defined in Act 152.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council does resolve, find and declare as follows:

1. That the City of Allegan exempts itself from the requirements of Act 152 for the year 2014.
2. That all resolutions or parts of resolutions are, to the extent of any conflict with this resolution, hereby rescinded.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve Resolution 13.32 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

RESOLUTION 13.33
RESOLUTION REQUESTING MERS
REALLOCATION OF ASSETS

WHEREAS, the City of Allegan has been a participating municipality in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan ("MERS"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Municipal Employees' Retirement Board requirements, since December 31, 1994, asset accounting had been separate for each division, instead of aggregate for the entire municipality; and

WHEREAS, over time, significant disparities have arisen in the City's MERS plan as a result of allocating the fair market value of plan assets on a divisional basis instead of on an aggregate basis, which disparities the City of Allegan wishes to eliminate; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the anticipated increase in unfunded liability for pensions to be provided participants in the defined benefit plan that is likely to occur as a result of diminished contributions to that plan, the City wishes to reallocate certain divisional market assets between the three divisions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the City of Allegan, a participating municipality as defined in the Municipal Employees' Retirement Act as recodified by Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, as amended, and as the employer, hereby requests MERS to reallocate the total market value of assets as of September 1, 2013 as follows:

Division Number	Division Name	Decrease in Employer Reserve Assets	Increase in Employer Reserve Assets
03090101	DPW Director	\$13,633	
03090102	Police Department		\$90,728
03090120	Police Chief	\$77,095	

This will enable the actuary to prepare the 2013 actuarial valuation with the transferred assets; and

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Clark, made a motion to approve Resolution 13.33 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

Ordinances

Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the Garbage Renewal Service License Agreement with Arrowaste, Zeeland, Michigan. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the Garbage Renewal Service License Agreement with Chef Container, Holland, Michigan. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Clark, made a motion to approve the Paramedic Ambulance Service Agreement between the City of Allegan and Life EMS. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Clark, made a motion to approve the agreement between the City of Allegan and Local 517M, Service Employees International Union for the benefit of the Department of Public Works. Motion passed by acclamation.

Requests for Payments Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Clark, made a motion to approve the request for payment received from Tim Rogers Plumbing, Allegan, Michigan for repairs at the Griswold Auditorium in the amount of \$4,410.00. Motion passed by acclamation. **(Requires Budget Adjustment)**

Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request for purchase received from Alfa Medical Equipment, Westbury, NY for an Autoclave Sterilizer for the Wastewater Treatment Plant in the amount of \$11,494.29. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the request for purchase received from Dubois Cooper Associates, Plymouth, Michigan for a Wemco Pump for the Eastern Avenue Lift Station in the amount of \$29,083.00. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 received from Bauer Construction Group for the T-Hangar and Apron Project at Padgham Field Airport in the amount of \$8,488.05. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the request for services received from Robert Galloway, Allegan, Michigan for the replacement of fencing on the baseball backstops at the Sports Complex in the amount of \$5,800.00. Motion passed by acclamation.

Reports/Minutes of City Boards Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent D. Sweeris reviewed the Plant's Activity Report for July, 2013.

Department of Public Works Director A. Haskin discussed the minutes from the Joint Parks Commission meeting held on August 14, 2013.

Councilmember McKenzie presented the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority Special meeting held on August 22, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel reviewed the minutes from the Development Committee meeting held on August 26, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel discussed the minutes from the Historic District Commission Selection Sub-committee meeting held on August 26, 2013.

Councilmember Ingalsbee reviewed the minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held on August 26, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel presented the Water Treatment Plant Activity Report for August, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel presented the Community Development Department Activity for August, 2013.

Councilmember Ingalsbee discussed the minutes from the Historic District Commission meeting held on September 3, 2013.

Councilmember Tripp reviewed the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting held on September 16, 2013.

Appointments Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to appoint Mayor McDaniel, Councilmember Tripp and City Manager R. Hillard to the Planning Commission Selection Sub-committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Clark, made a motion to appoint Councilmembers Leverage, McKenzie and City Manager R. Hillard to the Allegan Economic Development Corporation Selection Sub-committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Councilmember Clark, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$180,067.65 and accounts payable in the amount of \$303,022.59. Motion passed by acclamation.

Department Supervisors Report Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent D. Sweeris stated that construction continues on the 2nd Septage Receiving Station at the plant.

Department of Public Works Director A. Haskin stated the tree clearing project is going well with 22 dead or diseased trees cut down around the city. He stated the North Main Project has started. Also, work by MDOT, to shore up the bank on Grand Street will be starting soon; the contractor will be using the Mill District as the access point to the bank.

Council Comments Councilmember Leverence attended the Jaycee's Oktoberfest Party and had a lot of fun.

Councilmember Ingalsbee is excited to see another ribbon cutting in town to welcome a new business. Also, it is very nice to see all the high school students in attendance.

Councilmember Clark invited all to attend the Secret Spaces Tour on September 28th.

Councilmember Tripp likes all the excitement in town.

Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to adjourn to closed session at 7:53pm and take a five minute recess. Roll call vote: Councilmember Clark-yes; Councilmember Ingalsbee-yes; Councilmember Leverence-yes; Councilmember McKenzie-yes; Councilmember Tripp-yes; Mayor McDaniel-yes. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to adjourn the closed session meeting at 9:17pm. Roll call vote: Councilmember Clark-yes; Councilmember Ingalsbee-yes; Councilmember Leverence-yes; Councilmember McKenzie-yes; Councilmember Tripp-yes; Mayor McDaniel-yes. Motion passed by acclamation.

The open meeting of City Council was adjourned at 9:18pm by Mayor McDaniel.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Vander Clay
Deputy City Clerk

