

**Allegan, Michigan**

**November 12, 2013**

**Call to Order** City Manager R. Hillard called the regular meeting of the Allegan City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

City Manager/Clerk R. Hillard administered the oath of office to Councilmembers Stacie Gratz, Deb Leverage, Rachel McKenzie, Michael Zeter and Constable Jim Richardson.

City Manager/Clerk R. Hillard called for nominations for Mayor. Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to nominate Councilmember Ingalsbee, as Mayor. Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to nominate Councilmember McDaniel, as Mayor. Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to close nominations. A roll call vote was taken: Councilmember McKenzie: McDaniel; Councilmember Tripp: Ingalsbee; Councilmember Zeter: McDaniel; Councilmember McDaniel: abstained; Councilmember Gratz: McDaniel; Councilmember Ingalsbee: Ingalsbee; Councilmember Leverage: McDaniel. McDaniel-4 to Ingalsbee-2.

City Manager/Clerk R. Hillard announced that by a 4-2 vote Councilmember McDaniel is elected as Mayor for a one year term.

City Manager/Clerk R. Hillard administered the oath of office to Councilmember McDaniel as Mayor.

Mayor McDaniel called for nominations for Mayor Pro tem. Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to nominate Councilmember McKenzie as Mayor Pro tem. Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to appoint Councilmember McKenzie as Mayor Pro-tem for a one year term. Motion passed by acclamation.

City Manager R. Hillard administered the oath of office to Councilmember McKenzie as Mayor Pro-tem.

City Manager/Clerk R. Hillard administered the oath of office to Jim Richardson as Constable for a two year term.

## **Roll Call**

Present: Councilmembers: Gratz, Ingalsbee, Leverence, McKenzie, Tripp, Zeter, Mayor McDaniel

Absent: None

Others

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

**Approval of Minutes** Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of October 28, 2013. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Mayor's Report** Mayor McDaniel recognized the following employees for their years for service:

**Wally Pabis, 15 years**

**Doug Sweeris, 20 years**

**James Greis, 25 years**

**Mel Brummel, 30 years**

**Ray Berkin, 40 years**

She thanked the City Council for electing her as Mayor for the upcoming year.

**City Manager's Report** City Manager R. Hillard welcomed the new Councilmembers and congratulated all and looks forward to working with them. He congratulated and thanked Mayor McDaniel and Mayor Pro tem McKenzie for their continued service to the Council. He also thanked the Wally Pabis; Doug Sweeris; James Greis; Mel Brummel and Ray Berkin for their years for service to the City of Allegan.

**Petitions and Public Comment** Kerri Sweeris, wife of Doug Sweeris, thanked the City for all the support her family has received during Doug's employment with the City of Allegan.

**Communications** Mayor McDaniel announced the Life EMS Open House, 570 Linn Street, will take place on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm~7:00pm.

Mayor McDaniel announced the upcoming Allegan County Courthouse Square Input Session on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:30am at the Griswold Auditorium.

## **Hearings**

## **Programs**

## **Resolutions**

**Ordinances** Mayor McDaniel presented Ordinance 436 of 2013 for final reading. This ordinance is amending Article IV – Use and Dimensional Standards of the Allegan City Zoning Ordinance to add Micro-Brewery as a permitted use in the C-1 Central Business District, C-2 General Commercial and M-1 Manufacturing District. Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve Ordinance 436 for final reading. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor McDaniel introduced Ordinance 437 of 2013 for first reading. This ordinance will allow extensions of the time period for commencing construction on low income housing projects. Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve Ordinance 437 for first reading. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants** Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve First Amendment to Communications Tower Lease Agreement between the City of Allegan and Alltel Communications Wireless dba Verizon Wireless for the tower located at 700 River Street, contingent upon final approval by the City Attorney. Motion passed by acclamation.

### **Requests for Payments**

**Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment** Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the request for purchase received from Road Solutions, Inc., Indianapolis, Indiana for 900 gallons of Ice Bite Salt (beet juice) for the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$4,378.00. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Reports/Minutes of City Boards** Mayor McDaniel presented the minutes from the Allegan Fire District meeting held on September 18, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel reviewed the Allegan Fire District Activity Reports for September and October, 2013.

Councilmember Ingalsbee discussed the minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held on October 28, 2013.

Councilmember Ingalsbee reviewed the minutes from the Historic District Commission meeting held on November 4, 2013.

Councilmember McKenzie discussed the minutes from the Economic Development Corporation meeting held on November 6, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel presented the Allegan City Police Department 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Activity Report.

**Appointments** Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to appoint Nora Balgoyen-Williams to the Economic Development Corporation to fill an unexpired term until September 1, 2017. Motion passed by acclamation.

## **Unfinished Business**

**Approval of Payroll and Accounts** Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$88,207.67 and accounts payable in the amount of \$394,957.40. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Department Supervisors Report** Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent D. Sweeris congratulated the new and re-elected councilmembers. He invited all to come to the plant for a tour.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent R. Berkin also congratulated and welcomed the new members.

Constable J. Richardson congratulated everyone.

**Council Comments** Councilmember Leverage welcomed Councilmembers Gratz and Zeter. She encouraged everyone to attend the Fraser/Haas Concert on Friday evening; Holly Daze, a Christmas Comedy Concert on December 7<sup>th</sup>; Art Hop on December 13<sup>th</sup> and Festive Fridays til Christmas.

Councilmember Ingalsbee encouraged all to attend the county meeting regarding the future of the courthouse square on the 20th.

Councilmember Gratz congratulated Councilmember Zeter and thanked all councilmembers for the warm welcome and is looking forward to working with everyone.

Councilmember McKenzie welcomed Councilmembers Gratz and Zeter.

Councilmember Tripp welcomed Councilmembers Gratz and Zeter.

Councilmember Zeter thanked all for voting for him.

Mayor McDaniel welcomed Councilmembers Gratz and Zeter and is looking forward to working together during the next year. She thanked everyone for electing her Mayor.

Mayor McDaniel adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Lori K. Vander Clay  
Deputy City Clerk**

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