

Allegan, Michigan

December 9, 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: Gratz, Ingalsbee, Leverage, Tripp, Zeter, Mayor McDaniel

Absent: McKenzie

Others

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

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

Approval of Minutes Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of November 25, 2013. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor's Report Mayor McDaniel commented on how many events are going on in the City during the month of December. She hopes everyone will attend the Art Hop on Friday the 13th and try and attend a movie at the Regent to experience the new digital and surround sound upgrades.

City Manager's Report City Manager R. Hillard requested a cancellation of the regular City Council meeting for Monday, December 23rd. He invited everyone to Festive Fridays. He thanked the Police Department and the DPW staff for the great jobs they have done in the past couple of weeks in dealing with the weather. Finally, he wished all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Petitions and Public Comment

Communications Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request received from the Peter A. Kaylor Save a Breath Walk A Thon to have the 2nd Annual Walk on October 4, 2014 from 10:00am~2:00pm at the Mahan Park gazebo. Motion passed by acclamation.

Hearings

Programs

Resolutions

RESOLUTION NO. 13.45

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MICHIGAN STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, funds are available from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to provide grants to local units of government for historic designation; and

WHEREAS, the Historic District Administrator for the City of Allegan desires to apply for a grant to amend the City's Old Town Historic District to include the period 1930-1965 in order to include the Mid-Century Modern buildings and facades; and

NOW, THEREFORE, it is resolved that the City of Allegan City Council does hereby authorize the submittal of a grant application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority in the amount of \$5,530.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a local match of \$2,430.00 will be provided by the City of Allegan for the grant funds, if the grant is awarded, from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Allegan does hereby authorize the City Manager, Robert Hillard, to act as the authorized signatory on the grant agreement and all necessary amendments to the agreement and other grant related documents.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve Resolution 13.45 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

Ordinances Mayor McDaniel introduced Ordinance 438 for final reading. This ordinance will provide that two City Councilmembers shall serve as Ex Officio members of the Planning Commission. Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to approve Ordinance 438 of 2013 for final reading and approval. Motion passed by acclamation.

Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants

Requests for Payments

Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the request for services received from TJM Services, Allegan, Michigan for the Riverwalk Improvements at the Veteran's Memorial Park in the amount of \$69,795.00. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the request for services received from Prein & Newhof, Grand Rapids, Michigan for engineering services for a new water main near the Trestle Bridge in the amount of \$10,000.00. Motion passed by acclamation. **(Requires Budget Adjustment)**

Reports/Minutes of City Boards Mayor McDaniel reviewed the Arts & Entertainment Activity Reports for October & November, 2013.

Councilmember Leverage discussed the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority meeting held on November 14, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel presented the minutes from the Airport Advisory Board meeting held on December 2, 2013.

Councilmember Ingalsbee reviewed the minutes from the Historic District Commission meeting held on December 2, 2013.

Councilmember Leverage discussed the minutes from the Economic Development Corporation meeting held on December 4, 2013.

Finance Director T. Stull presented the Fourth Quarter Budget Adjustments and Investments.

Appointments Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to appoint Allen Philley to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three (3) year term expiring January 1, 2016. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to appoint DPW Director A. Haskin; Councilmember Zeter and Mayor McDaniel to the Airport Advisory Board Selection Sub-committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$97,180.34 and accounts payable in the amount of \$52,821.51. Motion passed by acclamation.

Department Supervisors Report DPW Director A. Haskin stated leaf pick-up is continuing.

Allegan County Commissioner M. Thiele wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Council Comments Councilmember Tripp has heard nice comments about the downtown Christmas decorations.

Councilmember Zeter encouraged all to attend the Art Hop this Friday and to visit the Regent to experience the new digital equipment and surround sound. He thanked all the merchants who are staying open later during the Festive Fridays and Art Hop.

Councilmember Leverage thanked Councilmember Zeter for organizing the band students that played downtown last Friday and for the window decorations in the various empty storefronts. She enjoyed the event, Holly Daze and thought it was well attended.

Councilmember Ingalsbee also enjoyed the Holly Daze event. She thanked the DPW staff for their snow removal efforts.

Councilmember Gratz thinks it is great to see all the people downtown for Festive Fridays. She proudly stated her step-daughter, Kayliegh Gratz will be playing at the Rose Bowl, as a member of the MSU Band. She finally wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mayor McDaniel thanked the DPW staff for their efforts in putting up all the downtown Christmas decorations. She stated the City's Employee Christmas Party will be on Friday, December 13th from 12:00noon~2:00pm at the Griswold and that Chemical Bank will be having a 5:01 party on Friday, as well. She finally wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mayor McDaniel adjourned the meeting at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Vander Clay
Deputy City Clerk

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