

Allegan, Michigan

February 24, 2014

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, McKenzie, Tripp, Zeter, Mayor McDaniel

Absent: None

Others

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

Approval of Minutes Councilmember Zeter, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of February 10, 2014. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor's Report Mayor McDaniel thanked the DPW for their continued snow removal efforts and for cutting the snow banks back.

City Manager's Report City Manager R. Hillard asked DPW Director A. Haskin to talk about frozen pipes. He stated that his staff has notified residents in certain areas of the City that need to run a pencil size stream of water continuously until temperatures become warmer to safe guard their pipes from freezing. He also stated the dam is currently at normal water level right now, he continues to monitor. City Manager R. Hillard again thanked all the DPW staff for their work in the City and the Fire Department for clearing out fire hydrants.

Petitions and Public Comment Mary Whiteford from South Haven is running for State Representative and encouraged everyone for vote for her in August.

Communications City Manager R. Hillard reviewed the 2014/2015 City Council Goals. He thanked City Council for their hard work in formulating the goals. Councilmember Leverage, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve the goals as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

City Manager R. Hillard presented the Allegan Area Connector for February, 2014.

Councilmember Leverence talked about the recent 2013 Community Pride and Beautification award given to the Positively Allegan Committee, presented by the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce.

Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Leverence, made a motion to approve the request received from Safe Harbor, Allegan, Michigan for permission to place pinwheels throughout the downtown area on City property for the month of April, 2014 for Child Abuse Prevention Month. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Leverence, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the request received from the Knights of Columbus, Allegan Council 2515 to have their 2nd Annual Bike blessing on May 10, 2014 from 8:00am~2:00pm and for the closure of streets; use of city property including barricades and cones and for signage to advertise two weeks prior to the event. Motion passed by acclamation.

Tom Briggs gave an overview of the 911 Allegan County Central Dispatch Center.

Hearings Councilmember Leverence, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to set a public hearing for the close out of the Michigan Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for the Allegan Restaurant Study for March 10, 2014 at 7:05pm. Motion passed by acclamation.

Programs

Resolutions

Ordinances Mayor McDaniel introduced the revised Ordinance 439 of 2014 for final reading. This ordinance is to amend Section 17-3 of the City Code to Regulate Dangerous, Offensive and Misleading Solicitation. Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve Ordinance 439 for final reading. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to table Ordinance 440 and refer it to the Public Safety Committee for further discussion. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor McDaniel introduced Ordinance 441 of 2014 for first reading. This ordinance will change the location and operation of the City's Municipal Ordinance Violations Bureau and Parking Violations Bureau to the Allegan City Police Department. Chief Hoyer explained that due to the officers issuing the tickets it would be a better fit for his department to receive the fines. Motion passed by acclamation.

Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants Councilmember Leverence, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve the Michigan Main Street Program Community Requirements and Expectations Agreement. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Zeter, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the Labor Agreement between the City of Allegan and Command Officers Association of Michigan, effective July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Zeter, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the Labor Agreement between the City of Allegan and Police Officers Association of Michigan, effective July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017. Motion passed by acclamation.

Requests for Payments

Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment

Reports/Minutes of City Boards Councilmember Ingalsbee discussed the minutes from Allegan Fire District Activity Report for November & December, 2013.

Mayor McDaniel presented the Wastewater Treatment Plant Activity Report for January, 2014.

Councilmember Leverage discussed the minutes from the Economic Development Corporation meeting held on February 5, 2014.

Councilmember Tripp reviewed the minutes from the Planning Commission meeting held on February 17, 2014.

Appointments Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Leverage, made a motion to appoint Sally Sturgis to the Planning Commission to fill a partial term ending May, 2014. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to appoint Greg Penny to the Parks Commission to fill a partial term ending February, 2016. Motion passed by acclamation.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$115,344.03 and accounts payable in the amount of \$2,437,190.61. Motion passed by acclamation.

Department Supervisors Report Chief Hoyer talked about the recent meeting with Representative Genetski regarding the GOA report and the support of prescriptions for meth making materials.

Council Comments Councilmember Leverage announced her husband, J. Leverage won an award at the Chamber Night of Recognition event.

Councilmember Ingalsbee thanked Joe and Deb Leverence for bringing the Four Piano's Concert to the Griswold. She also thanked Officer Dame for his help in saving a swan that was wandering on Marshall Street.

Councilmember Gratz likes the networking opportunities she has experienced since being on City Council.

Councilmember Tripp stated more snow is coming.

Councilmember McKenzie asked DPW Superintendent A. Haskin to thank J. Wilson, R. Jennings and D. Sturgis for their hard work.

Mayor McDaniel asked the fellow councilmembers to spread the word about the various openings the City has on several committees.

Mayor McDaniel adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori K. Vander Clay
Deputy City Clerk

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