

Allegan, Michigan

November 24, 2014

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

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

Absent: McKenzie

Others

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

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

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

Mayor's Report Mayor Leverence honored the following employees and their years of service to the City of Allegan:

Ravyn Schneider, 5 years
Tracy Stull, 10 years
Tony Caldarona, 15 years
Jay Gibson, 17 years
Roy Ellis, 20 years
Allison (Sam) Ellis, 30 years

She talked about the re-dedication ceremony at the Allegan District Library and the EG Kight concert at the Griswold.

City Manager's Report City Manager R. Hillard talked about the recent movie shown at the Regent about bullying. He stated that the Della Court re-construction has been delayed due to weather, but paving should be completed this week if the weather will allow. He introduced Kelsie King as the new Promotions Coordinator for the City. He thanked Larry Ross and Steve Murk from Village Market for the printing of the Positively Allegan logo on their shopping bags.

Petitions and Public Comment

Communications Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember McDaniel, made a motion to approve the request received from First Congregational Church, Allegan, Michigan to place signage on City property from November, 2014 through November, 2015. Motion passed by acclamation.

Mayor Leverence shared the upcoming holiday events in downtown Allegan. City Manager R. Hillard thanked Ryan Lewis, Allegan County News for during a story about the Christmas parade date change to December 5th.

Hearings

Programs

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 14.39

A resolution concerning the adoption of the budget for the Allegan Fire District

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Allegan, in accordance with the City charter, and under the laws of the State of Michigan, has presented to the City Council a recommended budget for the Allegan Fire District; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Allegan has reviewed and discussed this proposed budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Allegan that it hereby adopts and approves the budget as presented for the Allegan Fire District and whereas the proposed budget is attached;

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve Resolution 14.39 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

(Requires Budget Adjustment)

Ordinances

Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request for approval to hire a Water Treatment Plant Operator. Motion passed by acclamation.

Requests for Payments

Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request for purchase received from H & K Construction, Allegan, Michigan for equipment for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$5,315.00. Motion passed by acclamation. **(Requires Budget Adjustment)**

Reports/Minutes of City Boards Councilmember Ingalsbee reviewed the Allegan Fire District Activity Reports for September and October, 2014.

Mayor Leverage presented the Community Development Department Activity Report for October, 2014.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent D. Sweeris reviewed the plant's activity report for October, 2014.

Mayor Leverage presented the minutes from the Airport Advisory Board meeting held on November 3, 2014.

Councilmember McDaniel discussed the minutes from the Parks Commission meeting held on November 3, 2014.

Councilmember Zeter discussed the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority meeting held on November 13, 2014.

Appointments Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to appoint Mayor Leverage, ex officio, to the Development Committee; the Downtown Development Authority; the Finance Committee; the Planning Commission and the Public Works Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Zeter, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to appoint Councilmember Ingalsbee, ex officio, to the Fire District; the Historic District Commission; the Election Committee and the Public Safety Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to appoint Councilmember Gratz, ex officio, to the Development Committee; the Planning Commission and the Public Works Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to appoint Councilmember McDaniel, ex officio, to the Finance Committee; the Highland Business Park; the Life EMS Ambulance Board; the Parks Commission; the Pension Committee and the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to appoint Councilmember McKenzie, ex officio, to the Development Committee; the Downtown Development Authority; the Economic Development Corporation and the Public Safety Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to appoint Councilmember Tripp, ex officio, to the Election Committee; the Finance Committee; the M40/M89 Corridor Committee; the Planning Commission and the Public Works Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Tripp, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to appoint Councilmember Zeter, ex officio, to the Airport Advisory Board; the Downtown Development Authority and the Public Safety Committee. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to appoint Randy MacNeill to the Airport Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term. Motion passed by acclamation.

Unfinished Business

Approval of Payroll and Accounts Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$142,221.80 and accounts payable in the amount of \$321,458.23. Motion passed by acclamation.

Department Supervisors Report WWTP Superintendent D. Sweeris stated that due to the weather, sludge hauling from the plant will not occur this week.

Finance Director T. Stull invited all to attend the annual City Christmas Party on December 12th from 12:00-2:00pm at the Griswold. She congratulated Ravyn Schneider on her five years of employment and thanked her for all her hard work. She welcomed Kelsie King and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Council Comments Councilmember Tripp thanked the DPW staff for continuing to do a great job in the City.

Councilmember Zeter thanked Joe and Deb Leverage for organizing the EG Kight concert and he congratulated the employees for their years of service.

Councilmember Ingalsbee commented on what a great job everyone did at the Allegan District Library Re-dedication event. She congratulated the employees on their years of service and she feels that the City has the best employees around.

Councilmember McDaniel also attended the Allegan District Library Re-dedication. She announced the indoor market on Fridays at 241 Hubbard Street. She also congratulated all the employees for their years of service. She will be placing snowflakes that have been made by the elementary students.

Councilmember Gratz welcomed Kelsie King. She congratulated the employees on their years of service and likes to see all the events in December.

Mayor Leverage thanked the employees for their years of service.

City Manager R. Hillard is happy to report that the City had a good audit for FY2013/14 and thanked Finance Director T. Stull for all her hard work. He also congratulated the Jay Gibson, Ravyn Schneider and Tracy Stull for their years of service to the City.

Mayor Leverage adjourned the meeting at 7:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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