

**Allegan, Michigan**

**February 23, 2015**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Meeting Prayer**

**Roll Call**

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

Absent: None

Others

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

**Approval of Minutes** Councilmember McDaniel, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the Regular City Council meeting minutes of February 9, 2015. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Mayor's Report** Mayor Leverence congratulated the Parks Department for receiving an award from the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce.

**City Manager's Report** City Manager R. Hillard stated his report is contained within the contents of the agenda.

**Petitions and Public Comment**

**Communications** Mayor Leverence announced the Community Pride and Beautification Award was presented to the City of Allegan Parks Department at the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce Evening of Recognition on February 19<sup>th</sup>. DPW Director A. Haskin stated this was an honor to receive this award and the credit needs to be giving to Roy Ellis, Laurie Courtney and Mike Wheat for all their hard work.

Mayor Leverence announced the Master Plan Community Open House will be held on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm~8:00pm at the Griswold Auditorium.

Councilmember McDaniel, supported by Councilmember Ingalsbee, made a motion to approve the request received from the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce, Allegan, Michigan to place signage on City property starting March 1<sup>st</sup> thru March 28<sup>th</sup> to advertise the Allegan EXPO on March 28<sup>th</sup> at the Silo. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember McDaniel, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve the request received from Safe Harbor, Allegan, Michigan to plant pinwheels

throughout the downtown in honor of Child Abuse Prevention Month from April 1<sup>st</sup> thru April 30<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the request received from Christ Community Church, Allegan, Michigan to have their annual Procession of the Cross public observance on Good Friday, April 3, 2015 at 11:30am starting at Mahan Park Gazebo and for a police escort. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to approve the re-naming of the boardwalk starting behind the Allegan District Library to the Second Street Bridge “The John Pahl Boardwalk” as requested by the Allegan Historic District Commission. Motion passed by acclamation. Councilmember Ingalsbee indicated that the HDC would continue to plan the event for later in the year.

### **Hearings**

**Programs** Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember McDaniel, made a motion to approve the Public Arts Participation request in the amount of \$10,000 from the Downtown Development Authority budget with the Allegan Area Arts Council willing to match in order to purchase sculptures for the riverfront. Motion passed by acclamation.

### **Resolutions**

#### **RESOLUTION 15.05**

##### **RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION – LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT MATCH WITHOUT DONATED FUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Allegan City Council supports the submission of an application titled, “Riverfront Plaza Parking Lots” to the US Department of Agriculture Department of Rural Development for development of new paved parking areas and sidewalk support at the Riverfront Plaza in the City of Allegan, Allegan County, MI; and,

**WHEREAS**, the proposed application is supported by the Community’s Approved Master Plan; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Allegan has made a financial commitment to the project in the amount of \$50,000 matching funds, in cash and/or force account; and,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Allegan City Council hereby authorizes submission of a Rural Business Enterprise Grant Application for \$97,570, and further resolves to make available its financial obligation amount of \$50,000 (33.8%) of a total \$147,570 project cost, during the 2015/2016 fiscal year.

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Zeter, made a motion to approve Resolution 15.05 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

## **RESOLUTION 15.06**

### **AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO THE STANDARD LIGHTING CONTRACT WITH CONSUMER ENERGY**

Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve Resolution 15.06 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

## **RESOLUTION 15.07**

### *Authorizing 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Budget Adjustments*

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure all budgeted fund and activities for the 2014/2015 budget year end within budget parameters; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Allegan Finance Director is authorized to make the necessary adjustments to complete this action; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the following attached 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Budget Recommendations are authorized for adjustment and shall reflect the 2014/2015 adopted budget;

Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve Resolution 15.07 as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

### **Ordinances**

**Permits/Licenses/Agreements/Grants** Councilmember Gratz, supported by Councilmember Tripp, made a motion to approve the Michigan Main Street Program Community Requirements and Expectations Agreement with the City of Allegan. Motion passed by acclamation.

### **Requests for Payments**

### **Requests for Purchases, Services and Equipment**

**Reports/Minutes of City Boards** Councilmember Ingalsbee reviewed the Allegan Fire District Activity Reports for November, 2014; December, 2014 and January, 2015.

Mayor Leverage presented the Community Development Activity Report for January, 2015; the Wastewater Treatment Plant Activity Report for January, 2015 and the Water Treatment Plant Activity Report for January, 2015.

Councilmember Zeter reviewed the minutes from the Airport Advisory Board meeting held on February 2, 2015.

Councilmember McDaniel presented the minutes from the Parks Commission meeting held on February 2, 2015.

Councilmember McKenzie discussed the minutes from the Economic Development Corporation meeting held on February 4, 2015.

Councilmember McDaniel reviewed the minutes from the Finance Committee meeting held on February 9, 2015.

Councilmember Tripp presented the minutes from the Public Works meeting held on February 9, 2015.

Councilmember Gratz reviewed the minutes from the Development Committee meeting held on February 12, 2015.

Councilmember McKenzie discussed the minutes from the Downtown Development Authority meeting held on February 12, 2015.

Mayor Leverage presented the Police Department 2014 Year End Activity Report.

**Appointments** Councilmember McDaniel, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to re-appoint John Hotchkiss to the Finance Committee for a one (1) year term. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember McKenzie, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to re-appoint Tracy Stull to the Finance Committee for a one (1) year term. Motion passed by acclamation.

Councilmember McDaniel, supported by Councilmember Gratz, made a motion to re-appoint Robert Hillard to the Finance Committee for a one (1) year term. Motion passed by acclamation.

### **Unfinished Business**

**Approval of Payroll and Accounts** Councilmember Ingalsbee, supported by Councilmember McKenzie, made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$96,540.07 and accounts payable in the amount of \$87,414.31. Motion passed by acclamation.

**Department Supervisors Report** DPW Director A. Haskin stated the commercial was filmed at the airport today.

**Council Comments** Councilmember McDaniel thanked the DPW staff for keeping the streets plowed and to Laurie Courtney for keeping the sidewalks open.

Councilmember Gratz also thanked the DPW staff for all their hard work this winter.

Councilmember Tripp thanked the DPW staff for getting the job done this winter.

Councilmember Ingalsbee talked about the nice letter that was received from Mr. Kiella regarding a DPW snowplow driver.

Mayor Leverage stated the voting for the Coolest Town has been extended until March 4<sup>th</sup> and she encouraged all to vote.

Mayor Leverage adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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

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