

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2016**

Mayor Waltz called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 201 W. Ash Street, Mason, Michigan. Mayor Pro Tem Brown led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invocation.

Present: Councilmembers: Brown, Bruno, Clark, Droscha, Ferris, Mulvany, Waltz
Absent: Councilmember: None
Also present: Deborah S. Stuart, City Administrator
Deborah J. Cwiertniewicz, City Clerk
Eric Smith, Finance Director/Treasurer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Don Jacot, a Mason resident, was recognized at a ceremony held at the American Legion Post 148 where he was presented with the Legion of Honor medal. Mr. Jacot was inducted into the French Legion of Honor for his part in liberating France from Nazi occupation during WWII.
- National Day of Prayer – Courthouse Lawn – May 5, 2016

PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR

None.

PRESENTATION

**Don Heck, Wolverine Engineering, and Casey Collings, Great Lakes Engineering –
Columbia Street Sidewalk Over the Bridge**

Don Heck of Wolverine Engineering and Casey Collings of Great Lakes Engineering were asked to inform Council regarding the report submitted to the City by Great Lakes Engineering concerning providing a pedestrian crossing on the West Columbia Street bridge over US-127. A brief discussion ensued.

PUBLIC HEARING

Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

Waltz opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. Being there were no comments from the public, Waltz closed the public hearing at 7:57 p.m.

Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Budget

A brief discussion was held to defer consideration of the Budget to give residents on social media that may not have had an opportunity to make a comment, could be given another opportunity to review it. It was asked that the Budget documents be placed on the City Face Book page.

MOTION by Bruno, second by Droscha,
to defer adoption of FY 2015-2016 Budget until May 16, 2016 City Council
meeting.

MOTION APPROVED

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Droscha, second by Ferris,
to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

- A. Approval of Minutes – Regular Council Meeting: April 18, 2016
- B. Resolution – Adoption of the Tri-County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2016-11
ADOPTION OF THE TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
May 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the City of Mason recognizes that the threat that natural, social, and technological hazards pose to people and communities and that undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences;

WHEREAS, this plan has been adopted by Clinton, Eaton and Ingham Counties and Delta Charter Township as a required condition of future funding for various Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) disaster mitigation programs;

WHEREAS, the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission will note this adoption in the regional Plan and submit a copy of this adoption resolution to the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division and to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) officials along with adoptions of the Plan from other participating municipalities in Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham Counties in Michigan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Mason adopts the Tri-County Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan.

- C. Authorization of License Agreement with Consumers Energy

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2016-12
AUTHORIZATION OF LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CONSUMERS ENERGY
May 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the City of Mason accepted a gift from the Hayhoe family on May 21, 2001 to build the Hayhoe Trail;

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized licenses and agreements necessary to build the trail on July 1, 2002;

WHEREAS, the MDOT funding for the Jefferson Street Trailhead requires a longer license agreement with Consumers energy;

WHEREAS, Consumers Energy and the City of Mason have negotiated terms that meet the requirements of the funding source.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mason City Council authorizes the City Administrator to negotiate and execute the final terms of a License Agreement with Consumers Energy consistent with this resolution.

MOTION APPROVED

REGULAR BUSINESS

Motion – Amend the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget

MOTION by Brown, second by Droscha,
to amend 2015-2016 Fiscal Year budget as presented.

MOTION APPROVED

Motion – Approval of Bills

Stuart stated that the approval of the bills was placed under regular business for this meeting because one of the expenses required a budget amendment.

MOTION by Droscha, second by Bruno,
to approve the bills in the amount of \$43,588.64.

MOTION APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Brown requested an update regarding the sidewalk project on the Columbia Street bridge over US-127 from the City Administrator at the May 16, 2016, meeting. Clark inquired on the status of the Rayner Park purchase agreement. Stuart gave a brief update and stated that she will provide a report at a later Council meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION by Droscha, second by Droscha,
to consider Resolution No. 2015-16 read.

MOTION APPROVED

Resolution No. 2015-16 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Clark.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13
HONORING CITY OF MASON PUBLIC SERVANTS
DURING PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK
MAY 4, 2016**

WHEREAS, the residents of Mason value the dedicated and hardworking men and women who deliver valuable government service to the City every day;

WHEREAS, City of Mason employees deliver critical resources and services that residents have come to depend on;

WHEREAS, these employees help make life better for the residents of Mason and ensure that our government is the best in the State;

WHEREAS, Mason residents recognize the significant challenges these public servants encounter on a daily basis;

WHEREAS, City of Mason public servants deserve our thanks and appreciation throughout the year.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Mason City Council, on behalf of the residents of the City of Mason, expresses deep gratitude for the commitment shown by City employees every day of the year and honors our public servants during Public Service Recognition Week, May 1 – 7, 2016.

RESOLUTION APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was distributed.

LIAISON REPORTS

- Droscha informed Council regarding Traffic Commission business.
- Ferris informed Council that Legacy Trees can still be purchased.

- Mulvany informed Council regarding Historic District Commission business.
- Waltz informed Council regarding Downtown Development Authority business.

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

Ferris informed Council regarding the Ingham County Parks Commission meeting.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Stuart informed the Commission regarding current City business. She informed Council of the upcoming meeting regarding assessment and feasibility of the Ingham County Jail location and was asked to provide materials from that meeting at next regular Council meeting. She commended City Clerk Cwierniewicz for administering a successful election.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Deborah J. Cwierniewicz, City Clerk

Michael F. Waltz, Mayor