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Mount Pleasant City Council
10 October 2023
6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting

1. Welcome –*Mayor*

2. Opening Ceremony – *By Invitation*

Pledge of Allegiance – *Russell Keisel*

Opening Prayer –*Rondy Black*

3. Roll Call – *Recorder*

Present: D. Lynn Beesley, Paul C. Madsen, Michael T. Olsen (Not voting), Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black.

Excused: Samuel Draper.

4. Approval of Minutes – *Mayor*

September 12, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting held at 6:30pm.

Motion: To Approve September 12th, 2023, minutes

Moved by Paul C. Madsen, **Seconded by** Russell G. Keisel.

Skipped Minutes

September 13, 2023, Special Work Session held at 6:30pm

September 26, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting held at 6:30pm.

5. Approval of Adjustments – *Mayor*

Transaction Register dated 09/01/2023 to 09/30/2023 in the amount of \$851.11.

Motion: To Approve Transaction Register 09/01/2023 to 09/30/2023 in the amount of \$851.11,

Moved by Russell G. Keisel, **Seconded by** Rondy G. Black.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: D. Lynn Beesley, Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black.

Excused: Samuel Draper.



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9. Approval of New City Recorder and Police Chief – *Mayor*

Mayor announced Natalie Crosby as the new Recorder and Nate Taylor as the new Police Chief.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (summary: Yes = 4).

Yes: D. Lynn Beesley, Paul C. Madsen, Russell G. Keisel, Rondy G. Black.

Excused: Samuel Draper.

10. Public Participation

None

11. Council Reports

Samuel Draper _ Excused

Rondy G. Black

Things are moving along in Aspen Village. Hoping to come up with some funds throughout the winter to work on the road funding. Wanted to notice the Little League Hawks Football teams for winning the championships. Wanted to recognize our rec program.

Russell G. Keisel

Councilman Keisel had a gentleman come to his home to complain about a dump truck that leaked hydraulic fluid all the way down the road. Wanted to know as a city if it was something we needed to address? The truck did not stop and fix the leak. Mayor asked if we could send NS Disposal a letter. Asked about the Christmas Lighting committee that was going to hang Christmas lights. Stated his wife got a phone call that "they" were no longer interested in helping with the lights. The city guys will be responsible for the Christmas lights. The City is putting in a new vent in the acid room at the pool, Councilman Keisel felt like \$2,000 was expensive but also felt like metal shouldn't have been put in there in the first place. Stated maybe we should investigate replacing all the metal in the acid room with plastic. Councilman Keisel asked about the mailboxes that had been hit. Mayor Olsen stated that the post office approached us about adding new post boxes for the people out in Whispering Pines and Pine Creek. The post office wanted the city to pay for them. The mayor stated we should not be the ones paying for them. The mayor had also met with the



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Police Chief, and they asked the mailboxes to be moved down by Westrock. Councilman Keisel is going to talk to the post office about the location of the boxes.

Paul C. Madsen

Councilman Madsen has things outlined on the park would like to get with Colter Allen and Shane Ward to help decide where things need to be for conduit and water lines. Mayor stated he had a few people that would like to donate once we get the masterplan out. Shane stated that some people would donate but wanted their money to go to specific areas.

D. Lynn Beesley

Soccer is done. Going to get with Natalie on the Youth City Contract. Has been talking with employees and would like to have a work session to discuss where people are going to be placed to make sure we are covered with the money we have. Mayor stated last work session they decided to wait 6 months. Both Lynn and the mayor agreed we need to get positions in place before anything is discussed. Has had some concern about people taking their branches and have been piling them along side the road. Wondering if we could open the sewer ponds again so people can take their leaves and limbs down. Colter stated if they call city hall that we can let them in. Small discussion with members in the room about how to handle extra trash. Also discussed putting in the newsletter to move garbage cans off the road. They also wanted the cans brought back in after they are picked up. Would like to change the public works hours from 8-5. Stated it gets too dark for work to continue. Mayor stated he had mixed feelings on the idea due to snow removal. Shane Ward stating staying on 10's helps cut down on their overtime. Councilman Keisel doesn't want to see employees in city trucks taking their kids to school, mayor agreed. Asked about the Power Plant Park being shut down early. Mayor stated he agreed to let them close it down for the year due to the weather. Talked about it in the managers meeting that we shut it down the first of October, wanted that put out on the City's website that after October 1st utilities at Power Plant Park would not be available.

12. Mayor Report

Announced that we are going to iPads. Would like to get rid of all the paper. Natalie Crosby stated we were also going to give the council a mtpleasant.com address. For example, Natalie.crosby@mtpleasantcity.com. Councilman Keisel didn't like the idea of the public getting a hold of him through email. He feels like they would say things on email they wouldn't say to your face. He's worried that it would make things more complicated. Natalie stated she was trying to make it easier for them not harder. Mayor agreed. This would be a



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city iPad that would only be available while you were on the council and would stay property of the city.

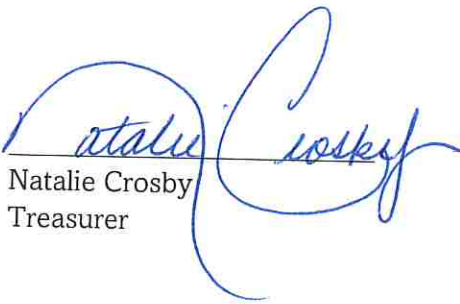
We will get a new TV up in the council room as well. Most agreed on the iPads.

Councilman Madsen asked where we were at on the irrigation well. HMH Hauling is still accruing charges. Mayor believes we may have to go after their bond. Currently \$40,000 worth of penalties. The pump test has not been completed yet. Didn't meet JUB's specs and they have not been back. The treatment plant has a preconstruction meeting with USDA and Carl Larsen in the next two weeks. Neilson's got the bid. Spade has started running the line down only averaging 1000 feet after 3 days they have hit the spring line 3 times. Asked all councilman to complete training modules on Kantola. Also asked everyone to put on their calendars the lighting the Saturday after Thanksgiving and to plan on helping. Set a Town Hall Meeting next Tuesday on the Trailer Parks at 6:30 pm.

13. Adjourn

Motion: To Adjourn

Moved by Paul C. Madsen, Seconded by Rondy G. Black.


Natalie Crosby
Treasurer