Town of Mt. Pleasant
Board of Commissioners
Town Board Meeting
Town Hall- Commissioners Meeting Room
Monday-June 25, 2012
7:00 P.M.

Attendance:  Mayor Del Eudy
            Mayor Pro-Tem/Commissioner Richard Burleyson
            Commissioner Warren Chapman
            Commissioner Maura Eberhardt
            Town Clerk Cathy Whittington
            Fire Chief Chris Honeycutt
            Benchmark-Vagn Hansen

Also Present: John Murdock, Samantha Moose, Emmitt Black, Clinton Black

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eudy called the meeting to order. Commissioners Barringer and Metcalf were absent from the meeting. Town Attorney Christy Wilhelm also could not make the meeting.

INVOCATION

Town Administrator Richard Smith led in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Eudy led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one spoke in the public forum.
APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Eberhardt seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

There were 4 items on the consent agenda. The minutes of the June 4, 2012 Board Meeting, (2) Approve Janitorial Contract, (3) Approve Contract to Provide Curbside Recycling and (4) Approve Contract with Cabarrus County Sheriff’s Department. The Contract with the Sheriff’s Department still had former Mayor Troy Barnhart’s name on it. Commissioner Burleyson asked if the person that does the recycling had been asked about picking up cardboard. He has not. Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the correction on the contract with Cabarrus County Sheriff’s Department to change the Mayor’s name. Commissioner Burleyson seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)

REPORTS- There were no reports since they were given at the June 4, 2012 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Land Use Plan

John Murdock, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning, presented the Land Use Plan. He stated that the Planning and Zoning had worked diligently on this Land Use Plan to get it where it is today. He stated that he thinks that the Town is now ahead of the curve instead of reacting. This Plan is not something that is set in stone but a working document.

Vagn Hansen with Benchmark stated that they have probably worked 30 hours on the Plan. There are a couple of minor changes that was proposed at the joint meeting of the Boards.

The final updates to the land use classifications have been completed and recommended for approval by the Planning Board. The next step in the process is for the Town Board to hold a public hearing on the proposed Future Land Use Map. Staff is proposing to hold the public hearing on August 6th at the regular Town Board meeting.

Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to hold a public hearing on August 6, 2012 at the regular on the Future Land Use Map. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)
2. Resolution to Close a Public Street Right-of-Way

A petition was filed requesting the Mount Pleasant Board of Commissioners close and remove from dedication the public right of way adjacent to the properties located at 8857 Oldenburg Drive and 8861 Oldenburg Drive and 2360 Westerholt Court. The Board of Commissioners will need to hold a public hearing on this.

Commissioner Chapman made a motion to approve the Resolution of Intent to Close a Public Street Right-of-Way and to hold a public hearing on August 6, 2012 on this request. Commissioner Eberhardt seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fire Permits

Presently all fire permits are issued through a local business. This has been the operating procedure in Town for many years; Staff recommends centralizing this service so that it is offered, as are many Town services, through Town Hall and Town Staff.

It was the consensus of the Board to do this. The Board also stated that the person that is now issuing the permits needs to be notified of this change.

2. Assistance to Firefighters Grant

There have been several operational issued with the current ladder truck. The truck is approximately twelve years old and unfortunately had had to be serviced numerous times during this time period.

There is an opportunity with FEMA for anot

Fire Chief Chris Honeycutt stated that the deadline to apply for the grant was July 6, 2012. If the department received the grant they would have 18 to 24 months to use it. There would be $47,000 matching funds that would have to be available. It was stated that we could apply to see if we get it. Commissioner Burleyson asked how much a ladder truck was now. Fire Chief Chris Honeycutt stated it was over a million dollars and the AFG grant that they were putting in for was $950,000. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with the AFG grant.

Fire Chief Chris Honeycutt also stated that they would like to re-allocation funds in the Fire Department. With the sale of the campers the Fire Department has saved $20,000 in the budget. They are looking at a Utility Vehicle. This vehicle could be used for duel purposes. The Public Works Department could use the vehicle when they have to work on curbs.
3. 2012 Budget Closeout

The Town will be closing out the 2012 budget year on June 30, 2012. A few minor transfer and/or amendments may be necessary in order to close out the fiscal year and in order to be sure our records are consistent with our auditing standards.

Commissioner Burleyson made a motion to approve Amendment #OP006 Transfer of Administration – Utilities fund to Planning Department. Commissioner Chapman seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

Commissioner Chapman has concerns about the front sidewalk at the Post Office. He stated that it seems that no one will take responsibility for what is going on there. It was suggested that a letter be written to the Post Office from the Town.

Commissioner Burleyson wanted to thank everyone who had a part in the 2012 Independence Day Celebration. He stated that the police estimated there were between 8 to 10 thousand people that were here for the celebration.

Commissioner Eberhardt stated that he had complaints from some businesses about the “Hot Dog” lady. He stated that he heard a lot of good things about the celebration.

Mayor Eudy thanked everyone that helped with the Independence Day Celebration. Mayor Eudy has a request from a girls tournament softball teams to use the ball field. It’s the same group that used the field last year. It was the consensus of the Board to allow them to use the field and to abide by the same rules as they did last year.

ADJOURNMENT

With nothing else to come before the Board, Commissioner Chapman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Eberhardt seconded the motion with all board members in favor. (3-0)

By our signatures the following minutes were approved as submitted and amended on Monday, August 6, 2012 in the Regular Meeting.

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Town Clerk Cathy Whittington               Mayor Del Eudy