



Notice City Commission Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

TUESDAY, July 6, 2010

Commission Chambers, Governmental Center

400 Boardman Avenue

Traverse City, Michigan 49684

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City Commission
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Welcome to the Traverse City Commission meeting!

Agenda

Any interested person or group may address the City Commission on any agenda item when recognized by the presiding officer or upon request of any Commissioner. Also, any interested person or group may address the City Commission on any matter of City concern not on the Agenda during the agenda item designated Public Comment. The comment of any member of the public or any special interest group may be limited in time. Such limitation shall not be less than five minutes unless otherwise explained by the presiding officer, subject to appeal by the Commission.

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call

Announcements by the Mayor, City Manager, and City Commissioners

2. Consent Calendar

The purpose of the consent calendar is to expedite business by grouping non-controversial items together to be dealt with by one Commission motion without discussion. Any member of the Commission, staff or the public may ask that any item on the consent calendar be removed therefrom and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion. Such requests will be automatically respected. If an item is not removed from the consent calendar, the action noted in parentheses on the agenda is approved by a single Commission action adopting the consent calendar.

- a. Consideration of approving minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 21, Joint Study Session of June 23, Study Session of June 24 and Study Session of June 28, 2010.

- b. Consideration of authorizing a confirming purchase/service order for diesel fuel for use by various city departments. (Approval recommended) (Robert Cole) (5 affirmative votes required)
- c. Consideration of authorizing a purchase order to the Youth Conservation Corps for lumber for construction of a boardwalk at Brown Bridge Quiet Area. (Approval recommended) (Robert Cole) (5 affirmative votes required)

Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

- a.
- b.
- c.

3. Old Business

- a. Public Hearing on an application from Plascon, Inc., for additional years of an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate; and consideration of adopting a resolution approving a certificate. (Debra Chavez, Benjamin Marentette) (5 affirmative votes required)

The purpose of this public hearing is to allow the public an opportunity to express, and the opportunity for the City Commission to consider, the public's support, opposition or general comments regarding this matter. To preserve the written record, members of the public are asked to state whether they are in support or opposition of this matter or whether they are expressing general comments. After such statement, the public is welcome to continue to elaborate on the matter.

- b. Public hearing on a petition from property owners for a special improvement district to pave the alley south of Centre Street between Woodmere Avenue and Barlow Street, and consideration of referring this matter to the July 19, 2010, meeting. (Timothy Lodge, Debra Chavez)

- c. Consideration of update from Traverse City Light and Power. (Mike Coco, Ed Rice)
- d. Consideration of enacting an amendment to the Traverse City Code of Ordinances, Portable Signs and other housekeeping matters, Sections 1476.04, 1476.05, 1476.06 and 1476.08, to allow sandwich board-type signs along with banners and flags, as recommended by the City Planning Commission. (David Weston)
- e. Consideration of offers on 1430 Wayne Street and authorizing the sale of the parcel. (Benjamin Marentette) (5 affirmative votes required)

4. New Business

- a. Consideration of introducing, enacting and giving immediate effect to an amendment to the Traverse City Code of Ordinances, *Watercraft Regulations Pertaining to Lighting of Watercraft at Anchor in the Harbor Within the City*, Section 1052.04, which applies United States and State of Michigan regulations relating to the carrying of lights to watercraft anchored in the harbor within the city. (Introduction, enactment and immediate effect recommended) (Karrie Zeits) (6 affirmative votes required)
- b. Consideration of trial and settlement strategy in connection with the *City of Traverse City v North American Specialty Insurance Company*. (Possible closed session) (Karrie Zeits) (5 affirmative votes required)

5. Appointments

- a. Consideration of approving Mayoral appointments to the Human Rights Commission. (Commissioner James Carruthers, Chair; Mayor Pro Tem Ralph Soffredine; Commissioner Barbara Budros)
- b. Consideration of appointments to the Board of Zoning Appeals. (Commissioner Michael Gillman, Chair; Commissioner Jody Bergman; Commissioner MaryAnn Moore)

6. Reports & Communications

- a. From the City Manager.
- b. From other City officials, boards and committees.
 - 1. Report from the Mayor serving on the Downtown Development Authority.
 - 2. Report from Commissioners serving on the Light and Power Board.
 - 3. Report from the Mayor and Commissioner serving on the Planning Commission.
 - 4. Report from Commissioners serving on other boards.
 - 5. Minutes of the Parks and Recreation Commission meeting of May 6, 2010.
 - 6. Minutes of the Act 345 Retirement System meeting of March 24, 2010.
- c. From non-City officials.

7. Public Comment

- a. Reserved
 - 1. Jack Pickard, Grand Traverse Area Veterans Coalition President, regarding Phase I of the Grand Traverse Veterans Memorial Park.
- b. General
- c. Mayor and City Commissioners

8. Adjournment

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