

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARCHMENT CITY COMMISSION HELD ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2019.**

**1. Call to order**

Mayor Britigan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call.**

Present: Mayor Britigan, Vice Mayor Jordan, Commissioners Bagley, Evans, Fooy and Heasley. City Manager Stoddard, City Treasurer/Clerk Stutz.

Absent: Commissioners Emmons.

Moved by Commissioner Heasley, supported by Commissioner Evans to excuse the absence of Commissioner Emmons.

**Motion Carried.**

**3. Minutes**

Moved by Commissioner Heasley, supported by Vice Mayor Jordan to approve the amended Minutes of the September 3, 2019 Regular Meeting.

**Motion Carried.**

**4. Additions or changes to the agenda.**

Add 9B. Envision the River update by Commissioner Fooy. Moved by Commissioner Bagley, supported by Commissioner Heasley to accept the agenda. **Motion Carried.**

**5. Citizen Comments – Items ON the Agenda**

None.

**6. Consent Agenda**

A. Commissioner Fooy requested that item iv. Homecoming Parade Request be removed from the consent agenda.

Moved by Vice Mayor Jordan, supported by Commissioner Heasley to receive the consent agenda items. **Motion Carried.**

Moved by Commissioner Fooy, supported by Vice Mayor Jordan to approve the parade route. **Motion Carried.**

Commissioner Heasley then moved to approve the request for fireworks at halftime, which was supported by Commissioner Evans. **Motion Carried.**

**7. Unfinished Business**

None.

**8. New Business**

A. Traffic Signal Study Presentation, Scott Tezak, Prein & Newhof – receive. The study was funded by KATS, and involved evaluating 5 intersections with traffic, pedestrian and crash counts. Options to consider for improving traffic flow and allay public concerns throughout Riverview are vehicle detection sensors at intersections, and removing the light at Island. Mr. Tezak cautioned the Commission about unintended consequences of certain actions.

B. Proposed Traffic Control Order – discussion. Members discussed using Bellisle Blvd as a truck route, and the suggestion of removing the light at Island and Riverview and replacing it with a stop sign on the east end of Island. Further review was called for.

C. Action to close the Defined Benefit Plan/Open a Defined Contribution Plan for new hires – approval. City Manager Stoddard explained that due to market volatility and longer life span of employees, the City needs to reduce its future liability and risk associated with sponsoring a Defined Benefit Pension Plan. She recommends that the Commission close the Defined Benefit plan to new hires only and approve the Defined Contribution Plan for new hires. This action will not affect current Defined Benefit participants who will remain in their plan. Moved by Commissioner Heasley, supported by Commissioner Fooy to close the current MERS Defined Benefit Plan to new hires and adopt the MERS Defined Contribution Plan with a 2% employer contribution. Roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Bagley, Britigan, Evans, Fooy, Heasley, Jordan.

Nays: None.

Absent: Emmons.

Abstain: None.

**Motion Carried 6-0.**

D. Corrective Action Plan – Employee Retirement Healthcare – approve. The State Treasury Department has determined the City’s retiree healthcare plan to be considered to have an underfunded status. City staff plan to transfer funds from the water department sale to increase retirement healthcare assets to reduce unfunded liabilities and allow for potential investment income. In addition, the City will continue to add funding to the annual budget to account for cost increases, as well as working with MERS to determine other appropriate solutions. Moved by Commissioner Heasley, supported by Vice Mayor Jordan to approve the Corrective Action Plan as presented. Roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Bagley, Britigan, Evans, Fooy, Heasley, Jordan.

Nays: None.

Absent: Emmons.

Abstain: None.

**Motion Carried 6-0.**

**9. Standing Board and Committee Reports**

A. KATS – Mayor Britigan said they met but nothing impacted our city at that meeting.

B. Envision the River – Commissioner Fooy said it was exciting to see all the people involved and their references to the river corridor as an asset. He made note that the trestle has been inspected and is suitable for a trail.

C. Kindleberger Arts Committee has a meeting on Monday, 9/30/19.

**10. Citizen Comments**

Mike Conner, 1150 Parchmount, expressed concern about the speeding on Parchmount, he thinks there should be a stop sign put at Orient and Clarnin.

Mike Schwartz, Prein & Newhof, gave a quick update on the work they’re continuing to do for the City. He mentioned that Commerce Lane is slated to be paved next year; they’re continuing with the trestle study; and the SAW grant smoke testing is done, results are encouraging.

**11. Mayor and Commissioner Comments**

Vice Mayor Jordan thanked Prein & Newhof for their presentation.

Mayor Britigan mentioned that the fire chief contract runs through the end of the calendar year. Since there hasn’t been success in finding a permanent chief, he is putting together an ad hoc group to consider long term solutions. Commissioner Bagley, Mike Conner and City Manager Stoddard will meet with Chief Obreiter to discuss options. The Mayor reminded everyone of the Historical Marker Dedication at 2 pm on Saturday 9/21 at the Gazebo/Sunken Garden area. He then mentioned Graphics Packaging expansion which could help with the future of a southbound US 131 interchange. He said they have MDOT’s ear now. Lastly, he asked City Manager Stoddard for a lead pipe replacement update.

**12. City Manager Comments/Reports**

City Manager Stoddard invited all who had concerns to call or visit City Hall to discuss with her, her door is always open.

**13. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, it was moved by Commissioner Bagley and supported by all to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Shannon Stutz  
City Clerk