**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARCHMENT CITY COMMISSION HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024.**

1. **Call to order**

Mayor Britigan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. then led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Roll Call**.

Present: Mayor Britigan, Commissioners Cooper, Conner, Fooy, Jordan, Madaras, and Mendoza, City Manager Stoddard, City Treasurer/Clerk Stutz, City Attorney Soltis.

Absent: None.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

Moved by Vice Mayor Jordan supported by Commissioner Mendoza to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2024 Regular meeting. **Motion Carried**.

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

None. Moved by Commissioner Fooy, supported by Commissioner Madaras to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried**.

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

None.

**6. Consent Agenda**

A**.** Questions by Commissioners were answered regarding specific items. Moved by Vice Mayor Jordan, supported by Commissioner Cooper to approve the consent agenda items. **Motion Carried.**

**7. Personnel Committee Report**

Commissioner Fooy said the next step is meeting MML facilitator Curtis Holt. His plan is to come into Parchment to talk with community leaders, city staff, commissioners, etc. to get a picture of our community. The date is Monday, November 18. Commissioner Fooy noted “it’s exciting, and the personnel committee is meeting tonight” to put together thoughts and information to give Mr. Holt.

**8. Unfinished Business**

None.

**9. New Business**

A. Kalamazoo Valley Intergovernmental Ambulance Agreement – action. Mayor Britigan began by saying we have entered into this agreement before. Attorney Soltis noted the last agreement was dated October 19, 2020, and this is a continuation of that one, without substantial change. He explained that the current agreement is between 14 municipalities, the former was 8 communities. Commissioner Mendoza asked if Life EMS does “balance billing” which is the harmful practice of billing insurance an exorbitant fee, then billing individuals the balance. Discussion surrounding the “oversight board” and price schedule ensued. Moved by Commissioner Cooper, supported by Commissioner Madaras to approve the Kalamazoo Valley Intergovernmental Ambulance Agreement as presented and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents related to the action. Roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Britigan, Cooper, Conner, Fooy, Jordan, Madaras, Mendoza.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Abstain: None.

**Motion Carried 7-0.**

**10. Citizen Comments**

None.

**11. Mayor and Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Conner expressed his excitement to start the new city manager search.

Mayor Britigan gave an update from SWMI First and MDOT regarding the US 131 south exchange – the plan is to begin work in March 2025 and open to traffic in November 2025. He then reminded all the commissioners about a dinner invitation from the Michigan Townships Association for local government officials held at the Fountains.

**12. City Manager Comments/Reports**

City Manager Stoddard recounted last year’s MTA gathering was well attended, adding that she hopes it will be this year as well. She then stated if there were any questions or concerns to not hesitate in contacting her.

**13. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, it was moved by Commissioner Mendoza and supported by all to adjourn the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Shannon Stutz, City Clerk