STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF TITUS

CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT

The City Council of the City of Mount Pleasant, Texas, after notice posted in the manner, form and contents as required by law, met in Regular Session on September 17, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at City Hall at 501 North Madison with the following members present:

Dr. Paul O. Meriwether	-	Mayor
Robert Nance	-	Mayor Pro-Tem
Erman Hensel	-	Council Member
David Huffman	-	Council Member
Tim Dale	-	Council Member
Andy Fortenberry	-	Council Member
Mike Ahrens	-	City Manager
Brenda Reynolds	-	City Secretary
Kerry Wootten	-	City Attorney

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2013 REGULAR SESSION AND SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 SPECIAL SESSION.
Motion was made by Council Member Dale, second by Council Member Nance, to approve the minutes of September 3, 2013 Regular Session and September 10, 2013 Special Session. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2013-2014 BUDGET.
The Mayor opened the public hearing. The council had three workshops concerning the proposed budget. No one was in attendance to address the proposed budget. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2013-9 ADOPTING THE 2013-2014 BUDGET.
Motion was made by Council Member Hensel, second by Council Member Nance, to approve Ordinance No. 2013-9 adopting the 2013-2014 Budget. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2013-10 ADOPTING THE 2013 AD VALOREM TAX RATE.
Motion was made by Council Member Nance as follows: "I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of $.3433, which is effectively a 6.186205 percent increase in the tax rate." Motion was seconded by Council Member Dale. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2013-11 AMENDING SECTION 53.60 OF TITLE V, CHAPTER 53 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCE TO INCREASE CHARGES FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION.
Motion was made by Council Member Fortenberry, second by Council Member Nance, to approve Ordinance No. 2013-11 amending the code of ordinance to increase charges for solid waste collection. This ordinance will pass on the consumer price index increase of 1.8% from Republic Services to the city's residential and commercial customers for solid waste collection. These rates will become effective with the first billing in October. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2013-14 AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNT PLEASANT TO RECEIVE 2014 ROUTINE MAINTENANCE GRANT FUNDS UNDER THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $50,000.
Motion was made by Council Member Hensel, second by Council Member Dale, to approve Resolution No. 2013-14 approving the 2014 RAMP grant from the Texas Department of Transportation. Upon a vote, motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF THE 2013 ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES AND A SUMMARY OF PLANS FOR THE 2013-14 FISCAL YEAR FROM THE MOUNT PLEASANT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Charles Smith, Executive Director of the Mount Pleasant Economic Development Corporation was in attendance to present the activities of his office for the 2012-2013 fiscal year and give the council a summary of the plans for the 2013-2014 fiscal year. No action was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.

I. Monthly Departmental Reports
II. Titus County Appraisal District Report
III. August 2013 Financial Report
IV. Sales Tax Analysis
V. Miscellaneous Correspondence

ADJOURN: 6:48 P.M.

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DR. PAUL O. MERIWETHER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BRENDA REYNOLDS, CITY SECRETARY