

July 13, 2015

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with prayer by Council Member Wishart at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 13, 2015, in the City County Chambers, located in the Gaylord City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Members Present: Campbell, Duczkowski, Jenkins, Johnson, Mankowski, Sharrard and Wishart.

Members Absent: None.

Motion by Duczkowski, supported by Campbell, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Jenkins opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. for consideration of an application for the transfer and revision of an industrial facilities tax abatement as provided for under public act 198 of 1974 and 328 of 1998, from MerchPond LLC, 1782 O'Rourke Blvd., as allowed under the acts. The request is for the transfer of a previously approved tax abatements from AMI Industries, Inc., and revision of the abatement from seven (7) to twelve (12) years. The request was explained by City Manager Joseph Duff. Mr. Josh Kent, owner of MerchPond, was in attendance and explained the rapid growth of the company and plans to create 150 new jobs at the facility. Public comment was solicited.

Ms. Tammy LaBouef, 333 East Felshaw Street, asked if AMI would have to repay any of the abatement they received.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Campbell, to authorize a request by the Wastewater Treatment Plant for maintenance expenses.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Jenkins closed the public hearing for consideration of an application for the transfer and revision of an industrial facilities tax abatement as provided for under public act 198 of 1974 and 328 of 1998 from MerchPond LLC, 1782 O'Rourke Blvd., at 7:29 p.m.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Mankowski, Whereas, it is found to be in the best interest of the City of Gaylord to reject the bid received from M&M Excavating in the amount of \$887,190.85 for construction of the 2015 Street Improvement Project. Furthermore, City Council directs that the alley portion of the 2015 Street Improvement Project be rebid with a completion date of November 15, 2015. City Council also authorizes the City Manager to negotiate the repaving of North Street.

Ayes: Campbell, Duczkowski, Johnson, Mankowski and Sharrard.

Nays: Jenkins and Wishart. Motion carried.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard, to award bids for the purchase of equipment, as follows:

- Pickup Truck, Jim Wernig's Chevrolet, \$26,830
- Vehicle for Use by Chief of Police, Jim Wernig's Chevrolet, \$17,922
- Tandem Dump/Plow Truck, Zaremba Equipment, \$97,755
- Plow/Dump Box/Hydraulics, Truck and Trailer Specialties, \$68,086

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Wishart, to authorize the City Clerk and City Treasurer to proceed with financing of the Tandem Dump/Plow Truck and miscellaneous equipment through Chemical Bank.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Wishart, *WHEREAS*, pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, M.C.L., 207.551 es. seq., (the Act) after a duly noticed public hearing held on May 16, 1977, the Gaylord City Council by resolution established the City of Gaylord Air Industrial Park Industrial Development District, as requested by the Gaylord Industrial Development Corporation; and,

WHEREAS, MerchPond, LLC has filed an application for the transfer and revision of an existing Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to the installation and operation of a manufacturing facility in a speculative building as defined by Section 3 (8) (b) i-iii of the Act, to be located within the City of Gaylord Air Industrial Park Industrial Development District; and,

WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the City Council held a hearing on July 13, 2015 in the City Council Chambers, located in the City Hall, 305 East Main Street, in the City of Gaylord, Michigan, at 7:00 p.m., as to which hearing the applicant, the assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and,

WHEREAS, Completion of the facility is calculated to, and will at the time of issuance of the certificate have the reasonable likelihood to retain, create or prevent the loss of employment in the City of Gaylord; and,

WHEREAS, the building is an existing building on an improved parcel of industrial property used for the manufacturing of goods or materials or processing of goods or materials; that no other such building has been awarded an industrial facilities exemption certificate under Section 3 (8) (b) of the Act; that the building has been unoccupied for at least 4 years immediately preceding the date the certificate is issued; that the building is in an industrial development district created before January 1, 2011; and that the building is located in a county with a population of more than 22,000 and less than 24,500 containing a city with a population of more than 3,600 according to the last decennial census; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the City of Gaylord, after granting this certificate, will not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of personal and real property thus exempted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Gaylord that:

1. The City Council finds and determines that the granting of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force under Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974 and Act No. 255 of the Public Acts of 1978, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Gaylord, or impairing the financial soundness of a taxing unit which levies ad valorem taxes in the City of Gaylord.

2. The application of MerchPond, LLC for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate with respect to new development on the following described parcel of real property situated within the City of Gaylord Air Industrial Park Industrial Development District, to wit:

LOTS 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18 GAYLORD AIR INDUSTRIAL PARK NO. 1. SEC 8 T30N R3W, City of Gaylord, Otsego County, Michigan, known as 1782 O'Rourke Blvd.

Be and the same is hereby approved.

3. The Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate when issued shall be and remain in force and effect for a period of twelve (12) years after completion; and,

FURTHERMORE,

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.A. 328 of 1998, as amended, after a duly noticed public hearing held on May 16, 1977, the Gaylord City Council, an eligible distressed area as defined in Section 11 of the State Housing Development Authority Act of P.A. 346 of 1966, by Resolution, established City of Gaylord Air Industrial Park Industrial Development District; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant MerchPond, LLC., a manufacturer and eligible business, has filed an application for Exemption of New Personal Property; and, WHEREAS, before acting on said application, the Gaylord City Council held a public hearing held on Monday, July 13, 2015 in the City Council Chambers, located in the City Hall, 305 East Main Street, in the City of Gaylord, Michigan, at 7:00 p.m., as to which hearing the applicant, the assessor and a representative of the affected taxing units were given written notice and were afforded an opportunity to be heard on said application; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaylord City Council that:

1. The City Council finds and determines that the granting of the Exemption of New Personal Property currently in force under P.A. 328 of 1998, as amended, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation, or impairing the financial soundness of the taxing unit which levies ad valorem property taxes in the (governmental unit); and,
2. The New Personal Property Exemption when issued shall be, and remain in force and effective for a period of twelve (12) years, beginning December 31, 2015, and ending December 30, 2027; and,
3. The Application submitted by MerchPond, LLC., is for an Exemption of New Personal Property that will be located in the following described parcel of real estate situated within the City of Gaylord, in the City of Gaylord Air Industrial Park Industrial Development District, established on May 16, 1977; Legal Description of Property Lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 & 18 of the Gaylord Air Industrial Park No. 1, Section 8 T30N R3W, City of Gaylord, Otsego County, Michigan.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Johnson, to cast a ballot for the slate of candidates for the Michigan Municipal Workers' Compensation Board, as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Duczkowski, to authorize revisions to the City Application Fee Schedule, effective August 1, 2015, as follows:

- Sign Permit, \$100
- Fence Permit, \$50
- Request for Variance, \$100
- Planning Commission Site Plan Review, \$500
- Zoning Permit:
 - Residential, \$50
 - Commercial, \$100
 - Commercial with Site Plan Review, \$200

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Campbell, supported by Duczkowski, to approve for payment the following expenditures:

87-A DISTRICT COURT	LEIN FEE	437.50
ADVANCE ELECTRIC INC.	TRAFFIC LIGHT REPAIR PARTS	25.34
AIRGAS USA LLC	CYLINDER LEASE RENEWAL	207.50
ALPINE TRANSMISSION AND SERVICE LLC	MOTOR POOL MAINTENANCE	738.74
AMERICAN WASTE INC.	SANITATION SERVICE, CITY HALL	81.00
ARROW UNIFORM RENTAL	DPW SUPPLIES	382.95
ARROW UNIFORM RENTAL	CITY HALL, DPW SUPPLIES	613.88
AT&T	CITY HALL TELEPHONE EXPENSE	170.71
BARCODE APPLICATIONS INC	POLICE DEPT SUPPLIES	1,128.14
BASIC COMMUNICATIONS	HR COMPLIANCE MONITORING	500.00
BROADMOOR PRODUCTS INC.	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	4,090.10
BRONCO OIL COMPANY	MOTOR POOL FLUIDS	80.00
C2AE	WATER TOWER	394.69
C2AE	SITE PLAN, WWT SERVICE LINE, MUNICIPAL STANDARDS	1,770.61
C2AE	2015 STREET PROJECT	5,650.00
C2AE	SAW GRANT	760.12
C2AE	SAW GRANT	30,428.80
C2AE	2015 STREET PROJECT	2,625.00
CARRIER & GABLE INC.	TRAFFIC SIGNAL PARTS	84.14
CENTURY LINK	CITY HALL TELEPHONE EXPENSE	22.72
CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	CABLE, CITY HALL	80.45
COMMERCIAL CONTROL SYSTEMS INC	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	680.29
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	4,478.38
CONSUMERS ENERGY	TRAFFIC LIGHTS	1,453.84
CONSUMERS ENERGY	113 N WISCONSIN STREETLIGHTS	91.92
CONSUMERS ENERGY	100 S WISCONSIN STREETLIGHTS	215.33
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DICKERSON ROAD LIFT STATION	79.50

CONSUMERS ENERGY	EDELWEISS VILLAGE PARKWAY	135.82
CONSUMERS ENERGY	COMMERCE BLVD LIFT STATION	61.50
CONSUMERS ENERGY	ASPEN PARK	130.58
CONSUMERS ENERGY	S WISCONSIN WATER TOWER	22.61
CONSUMERS ENERGY	MILBOCKER ROAD LIFT STATION	138.01
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DICKERSON ROAD WELL	1,769.10
CONSUMERS ENERGY	IDC PARK ENTRANCE	31.69
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N OTSEGO WELL	2,232.84
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FAIRVIEW CEMETERY	28.37
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N OHIO WELL	1,587.20
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FAIRVIEW CEMETERY	24.13
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N HAZEL WELL	1,011.97
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FAIRVIEW WATER TOWER	37.15
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FREEL PARK	42.74
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DPW	638.54
CONSUMERS ENERGY	WWT PLANT	7,990.43
CONSUMERS ENERGY	HALE PARK	48.40
CONSUMERS ENERGY	S CENTER WATER BUILDING	27.12
CONSUMERS ENERGY	185 S CENTER STREETLIGHTS	258.59
CONSUMERS ENERGY	CITY HALL	1,136.68
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DOUMAS PARK	53.29
CONSUMERS ENERGY	120 N OAK STREETLIGHTS	80.27
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DOUMAS PARK	22.61
CONSUMERS ENERGY	126 W MAIN STREETLIGHTS	372.89
CRA PAYMENT CENTER	MOTOR POOL PARTS	5,799.70
CRUSIERS	POLICE DEPT FIREARMS	38.75
CRUSIERS	FIREARMS, POLICE DEPT	844.12
CUMMINS BRIDGEWAY LLC	MOTOR POOL PARTS	76.55
CUMMINS BRIDGEWAY LLC	MOTOR POOL PARTS	76.55
DELAGE LANDEN	COPIER EXPENSE, CITY HALL	603.88
DELAGE LANDEN	COPIER EXPENSE, POLICE DEPT	175.57
DORNBOS SIGN & SAFETY INC.	STREET SIGNS	467.66
DTE ENERGY	MCVANNEL ROAD LIFT STATION	31.98
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	28.79
DTE ENERGY	S CENTER WATER BLDG	33.44
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	31.24
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	28.79
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	28.79
DTE ENERGY	MEIJER LIFT STATION	31.24
DTE ENERGY	DPW	265.07
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	91.41
DTE ENERGY	DPW	48.04
DTE ENERGY	CITY HALL	76.22

DTE ENERGY	N OHO WELL	28.79
DTE ENERGY	WWT PLANT	32.70
DUNN'S OFFICE SUPPLY & MACHINE	CITY HALL/POLICE DEPT/CITY OFFICE SUPPLIES	602.31
EASYPERMIT POSTAGE	POSTAGE	530.47
ELHORN ENGINEERING CO	WATER DEPT SUPPLIES	389.57
ELHORN ENGINEERING CO	WATER DEPT SUPPLIES	709.93
ELHORN ENGINEERING CO	WATER DEPT SUPPLIES	4,006.96
ELLSWORTH FARMERS EXCHANGE	ELK FEED/DPW SUPPLIES	640.25
ETNA SUPPLY COMPANY	WATER MAIN SUPPLIES	339.30
FEDERAL FLUID POWER	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	303.24
FEENY	MOTOR POOL PARTS	831.36
FEENY	MOTOR POOL PARTS	624.00
FIRST NATIONAL OMAHA	POLICE DEPT, CITY MGR, SUPPLIES	1,220.57
FIRST NATIONAL OMAHA	CITY MGR, POLICE DEPT, SUPPLIES	72.02
FISHER SCIENTIFIC	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	841.69
FLOYD KOSCIELNIAK	ELK FEED	385.00
FOSTER SWIFT	TAX TRIBUNAL, LEGAL FEES	2,015.40
FRONTIER	OTSEGO CLUB LIFT STATION	35.04
FRONTIER	CITY HALL	429.97
FRONTIER	DPW	73.95
FRONTIER	DICKERSON ROAD LIFT STATION	51.41
FRONTIER	TELEPHONE EXPENSE - LIFT STATIONS	395.29
GAYLORD AREA CHAMBER COMMERCE	HONORS LUNCHEON TICKETS	325.00
GBS INC	ELECTION SUPPLIES	115.26
GILL-ROY'S COMPLETE HARDWARE	WWT/WATER/DPW SUPPLIES	105.16
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	LIFT STATIONS, INDUSTRIAL PARK, MEIJER SIGNAL	1,473.49
GREAT LAKES PIPE & SUPPLY	WWT PLANT, CEMETERY SUPPLIES	397.39
HAGGARD'S INC.	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	1,511.27
HAGGARD'S INC.	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	500.74
HAGGARD'S INC.	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	1,573.94
HEALTH DEPT OF NORTHWEST MI	TESTING, WELLS	80.00
I-2000 INC.	INTERNET SERVICE, DPW AND WWT	59.90
INDUSTRIAL MARKETING	MOTOR POOL PARTS	1,056.31
INDUSTRIAL MARKETING	MOTOR POOL PARTS	836.74
JOHNSTONS LANDSCAPING LLC	SERVICE LINE REPAIR, 334 E MAIN STREET	2,400.00
KIRKPATRICK DUBOIS & SLOUGH PLC	LEGAL FEES - JUNE 2015	3,184.00
L3 COMMUNICATIONS	MOTOR POOL PARTS	816.00
LAKE CITY REDI-MIX INC	SIDEWALKS/CEMETERY MATERIALS	84.75
LAPPAN'S OF GAYLORD INC.	WEED WHIP	295.63
LARRY KNOPF	CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	170.00
LISTVAN INC	CROSS CONNECTION INSPECTION, WWT PLANT	367.50
LISTVAN INC	CROSS CONNECTION INSPECTION	1,128.38
LOWE'S	CEMETERY, SIGNS, PARKS	308.41

MEEKHOF TIRE SALES AND SERVICE	MOTOR POOL MAINTENANCE	494.00
MEYER ACE HARDWARE	DDA MAINTENANCE, WWT, WATER SUPPLIES	772.82
MICHIGAN POLICE EQUIPMENT CO.	POLICE DEPT, FIREARMS	1,302.75
MICHIGAN RURAL WATER ASSOC.	MEMBERSHIP DUES	705.00
MID-STATES BOLT & SCREW CO.	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	475.00
MID-STATES BOLT & SCREW CO.	WATER DEPT SUPPLIES	32.75
NEW CENTURY SIGNS	POLICE VEHICLE GRAPHICS	290.00
NORTH POINTE PLUMBING & HEATING	151 N WISCONSIN	210.00
NORTH POINTE PLUMBING & HEATING	205 N WISCONSIN	210.00
NORTH POINTE PLUMBING & HEATING	105 E FIFTH STREET	210.00
NORTH POINTE PLUMBING & HEATING	GASLIGHT APT	195.00
NORTH POINTE PLUMBING & HEATING	145 N COURT	155.00
NORTH STAR GARDENS	CITY HALL/DDA MAINTENANCE	120.00
NORTHERN MICHIGAN REVIEW INC.	PUBLISHING EXPENSE	1,862.50
NORTHERN MICHIGAN REVIEW INC.	PUBLISHING EXPENSE	50.63
NORTHERN SEALANT SYSTEMS	DPW BUILDING MAINTENANCE	392.00
NYE UNIFORM CO	POLICE DEPT UNIFORM EXPENSE	104.26
OMH MEDICAL GROUP & MEDCARE	DOT PHYSICAL	123.00
OTSEGO COUNTY FIRE BOARD	FIRE SERVICES CONTRACT	31,446.00
OTSEGO COUNTY TREASURER	CHARGEBACKS	1.20
PAK MAIL CENTER	POSTAGE, WATER DEPT	50.54
PAYNE AND DOLAN	S OTSEGO WATER MAIN REPAIR, ROADWAY	579.80
PITNEY BOWES	POSTAGE MACHINE LEASE PAYMENT	422.34
RESIDEX LLC	CEMETERY SUPPLIES	230.90
RICHARD W EUBANK	CITY LOTS, CROSSWALKS	10,616.00
RICHARD W EUBANK	PAVILION	225.00
SANTA CRUZ GUNLOCKS LLC	POLICE DEPT FIREARMS	272.48
SLC METER SERVICE LLC	WATER METER SUPPLIES	29.06
SLC METER SERVICE LLC	WATER METERS	372.81
SLC METER SERVICE LLC	CREDIT - WATER METERS	(1,071.54)
SPARTAN SEWER AND SEPTIC	SEWER LINE 334 E MAIN, ASPEN PARK	2,440.00
SQUEAKY CLEAN	CITY HALL MAINTENANCE	545.00
STANDARD ELECTRIC COMPANY	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	78.99
SYNAGRO CENTRAL	SLUDGE HAULING	33,843.00
UCMAN	INTERNET SERVICE, CITY HALL	59.95
USA BLUEBOOK	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	2,501.55
USA BLUEBOOK	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	35.99
USA BLUEBOOK	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	847.04
USA BLUEBOOK	WWT PLANT SUPPLIES	5.72
WILBER AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY INC.	WWT, MOTOR POOL SUPPLIES	1,064.37
WINDEMULLER	WWT PLANT MAINTENANCE	210.00
		\$207,791.97

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Rebecca Curtis, City Clerk

John Jenkins, Mayor