

The regular scheduled meeting of the Fennville City Commission was called to order in City Hall at 7:00 p.m., August 6, 2007, by Mayor Pro-Tem Suerth.

Commissioners present: Meyaard, Morse, Pantelleria, Rastall, Suerth, Watson

Commissioners absent: Rummer

Public Present: Brian Middleton, Ed Lamse, Craig Heuvelman.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Brian Middleton representing Democrat Gary Wiechman, who is running for the 88th District State Representative seat.

Craig Huevelman and Ed Lamse owner and realtor of Maple Landing located on South Maple Street have submitted a Site Condominium plan that has already passed through the Planning Commission now final approval is dependent upon the City Commission.

The City's Attorney had some recommendations that required amending the master deed, which from documentation supplied appears those amendments have been accomplished.

Rastall indicated the City still requires documentation from the Allegan County Drain Commission granting their approval.

Rastall, seconded by Morse, moved to approve the Maple Landing Site Condominium plan pending the receipt of a letter from Glen Pomp of the Allegan County Drain Commission granting their approval and that all work is up to standards, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Rastall, seconded by Morse, moved to approve the minutes of the July 16th meeting as presented, motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. General Ordinance violation update
- b. Property Ordinance violation update

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance/Personnel ? Pantelleria will report back with a day and time to hold a personnel meeting with Gary.

The Commissioners discussed whether or not to put an additional operating millage proposal on the November ballot. The consensus was to hold off for this year.

City Services ? Suerth reported that the construction on the Ambulance Building is set to begin August 7th weather permitting. The Fire Board met last week for their board meeting. The Fire Chief has chosen new officers; Ryan Loman is now the Assistant Chief. Morse voiced his concerns regarding there are 6 officers and since new officers have been appointed no one is available during the day hours. Morse stated that the City supports the Chief; however it is very important to always have 1-2 officers available during the day. Recently there was a call and no officers were available to respond.

Rastall, seconded by Pantelleria, moved as one of the participating entities of the Fennville Area Fire Department to ask the Fire Board to please review procedures and seek 1-2 officers to be available at all times, motion carried.

City Properties ? Meyaard reported that AYSO (American Youth Soccer Organization) would like to place a shed in the South East corner of Paradise Park for the storage of sports equipment. Meyaard asked if Attorney Scott Sewick standing in for Dan Martin would advise whether it would be wise for the City to allow AYSO to place a shed in the City Park. Sewick brought up to the commission some possible liability issues. Morse indicated that AYSO could contact the school to see if any space is available to store equipment.

An ordinance, Community Relations ? Morse stated that the City will publish a notice soliciting public input regarding the revised Recreation plan the session will be held at the next regular city commission meeting on August 20th.

Planning ? The commissioners have received a draft of the revised Land Use Plan. Rastall asked that it be reviewed and any additions, corrections etc. that they be brought back to the next commission meeting.

Administrative Committee ? no report

MISCELLANEOUS: Morse stated that the City needs to think about building needed funding into future budgets in order to redo the Tennis Courts.

Rastall, seconded by Meyaard, moved to recognize City Clerk Julie Wright for all the hard work she has put into the City in the last 5 years she has been much appreciated, motion carried.

The City Clerk position will be advertised with MML due to Wright's resignation.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Scott Sewick attended the meeting as a stand in for Dan Martin. The Commissioners thanked Scott for attending.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Pantelleria, seconded by Meygaard, moved to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$18,531.34, motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next regular City Commission meeting will be held on August 20, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted: August 7, 2007
Julie Wright
City Clerk