

The regular scheduled meeting of the Fennville City Commission was called to order in City Hall at 7:00 p.m., July 16, 2007, by Mayor Rummer.

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

Commissioners absent: none

Public Present: Colleen Rae & Larry Cummins, Local Observer; Geri Pantelleria, Thomas Sowers, Melanie Sowers, Ross & Edna Alexander, Don Wiley, Fennville residents; Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News; Renee Laws & Kim Kars-Bos, Assessors.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ross Alexander representing some of the Fennville's concerned citizens was present to suggest forming an informal citizen committee. The committee would consist of city residents bringing their concerns regarding ordinance violations or any other legitimate concern and would work towards possible solutions. The residents would then bring their report back to the City Commission.

The City Commissioners were very supportive of the idea and would seek out residents that would be interested in participating.

Renee Laws and Kim Kars-Bos submitted a proposal for the Assessor position they were present to answer any questions from the commissioners. Renee stated that in her original proposal she had requested 2 BS&A licenses but 1 license will be sufficient. Renee gave a time frame of approximately 2 years to get all sketches loaded into the Apex software. Renee and Kim are flexible with their time schedules in order to be able to meet with residents as needed.

Me yaard, seconded by Watson, moved to enter into contract with the Assessing firm Renee Laws, Associates until 2011 with price noted in contract, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Suerth, seconded by Watson, moved to approve the minutes of the July 2nd meeting with the following correction under Administrative Committee: Rastall, seconded by Rastall, moved to approve that Rummer attend the Mayors conference in September.

Motion should read: Rastall, seconded by Me yaard, moved to approve that Rummer attend the Mayors conference in September, motion carried.

Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. From Consumers Energy, notice of Hearing to increase rates
- b. From Michigan Gas Utilities, Notice of Hearing
- c. From Allegan County Board of Commissioners, Resolution Establishing a Policy on Tax Sharing Agreements.
- d. From Liquor Control Commission, status of license at 306 W. Main.
- e. From Michigan Municipal League, Risk Management Services,
Election of Board of Trustees
- f. From Michigan Township Services, Building Permits for June

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance/Personnel ? Pantelleria disbursed copies of the fiscal year 2006/07 end of year revenue-expense report.

Two proposals were received for the cleaning position at City Hall. Deb Wieland proposed \$55 every two weeks, Tina Mika proposed \$60 every two weeks, and both candidates would provide their own cleaning supplies. The City Clerk will check references before making a decision.

City Services ? Suerth reported that the building materials have been delivered to the Ambulance Building. The Fire Board met last week Glen Alderink will be the chairperson for this fiscal year. Effective July 1st the Firemen will be paid on a quarterly basis.

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. Commission will wait to make a decision until the City Attorney is present.

An ordinance, Community Relations ? The irrigation system at the Library has been replaced. The city maintenance department will begin removing artificial flowers in the cemetery.

Planning ? Rastall reported that the Allegan County Fair would like permission to place a temporary sandwich board sign somewhere on the vacant space located on W. Main Street. The Planning Commission approved the request pending a completed sign application. The Planning Commission approved the Condominium site plan pending City Attorney and City Commission approval. The Land Use Plan was reviewed and a few minor changes were recommended.

Administrative Committee ? Mayor Rummer is meeting with the Manager of Lexington Square on Tuesday, July 17th.

MISCELLANEOUS:

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Pantelleria, seconded by Watson, moved to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$8,612.15, motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. The next regular City Commission meeting will be held on August 6, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted: July 17, 2007
Julie Wright
City Clerk