

The regular scheduled meeting of the Fennville City Commission was called to order in City Hall at 7:00 p.m., June 4, 2007, by Mayor Rummer.

Commissioners present: Meygaard, Morse, Pantelleria, Rastall, Rummer, Suerth

Commissioners absent: Watson

Public Present: Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News; Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Larry Cummins, Matt La Shell, and Geri Pantelleria, Fennville residents.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Suerth, seconded by Meygaard, moved to approve the minutes of the May 21st meeting as presented, motion carried, with Morse and Rastall abstaining.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. From the Michigan Municipal League, notice of its 109th annual convention.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance/Personnel? Pantelleria distributed copies of amendments for the current fiscal year, which included adjustments for the Parks & Recreation account for the repair of the tennis courts; for the Water & Sewer, Major Street, and Local Street funds for the CDBG project; for all funds? interest earned accounts to include additional interest earned; and for Local Street fund to correct the debt service for the West Fennville Street project. Monies will also be transferred from the Major Street fund to the Local Street fund, as allowed by state law, in order to continue to fund the W. Fennville project and to maintain a positive fund balance. The commission will need to pass a resolution in regards to this transfer. It is possible to transfer monies from the General fund as well, but as the DDA will be contributing \$10,000 for the new sidewalk, this will not be necessary this year.

Pantelleria also discussed the budget for next fiscal year and distributed copies of the projects planned for 2007-2008. The commission will review the proposed budget. Pantelleria would like to have the budget approved at the next meeting. Also distributed was a

schedule detailing the city's cash and investments accounts for the current year as well as the next fiscal year.

An error had been made by the insurance carrier, and as a result coverage for Gary Tuhacek's dependent had lapsed. The insurance carrier will reinstate the dependent and pay the dental expenses if the City will pay the back premiums totaling \$945.09. However, the dental expenses total \$625 and the dependent is no longer eligible as she is now a college graduate.

Meyaard, seconded by Rastall, moved to pay the dental expenses of Allison Tuhacek totaling \$625 in lieu of paying the premiums for reinstatement, motion carried.

Meyaard discussed the need to hire a new assessor due to the unexpected death of Don Maxwell. He will send a request via email throughout Allegan and Ottawa counties for assessing bids. Bids will be due July 2nd allowing the commission to review them at its meeting the same day. Meyaard will work with the treasurer regarding the tax bills in the meantime.

City Services ? Mikalan Construction has been selected to do the roof repair of the ambulance building, which has not yet been scheduled.

City Properties ? The park needs some general clean-up and fence repairs before the concert series begins next week. Also, the tire swing may need some maintenance.

Ordinances, Community Relations ? The new sign has been installed in the cemetery. The recreation plan is finished and once the maps and drawings are included will be ready for approval at the next meeting.

Planning ? The next Planning Commission meeting is next Wednesday. Finding a different provider for zoning administration was briefly discussed.

Administrative Committee ? Rummer requested suggestions for finding someone to chair the city's Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Also employee evaluations will be reviewed by the Finance/Personnel committee before being given to the employees.

MISCELLANEOUS: A special ceremony for the grand opening of the Heritage Trail marker will be held at 1:00 p.m. on June 7th, MaryAnn Moeller Day.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Dan Martin reported he will be attending a meeting for municipal attorneys, and Scholten Fant has hired another attorney.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Pantelleria, seconded by Rastall, moved to approve the bills presented in the amount of \$9,609.09, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m. The next regular City Commission meeting will be held on June 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted: June 5, 2007
Lisa A. Sheaffer
Deputy City Clerk