

City of Fennville
May 3, 2010

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City of Fennville was called to order in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Rastall.

Commissioners Present: Rastall, Meyaard, Cummins, Watson, Pantelleria, Brien, Suerth.

Public present: Dan Martin, Attorney; Gary Tuhacek, DPW Superintendent; Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News; Tim Brennan; Bob Sliwoski, Jim Groose & Chris Zeeb, Layne Northwest; Steve Valkema; Judd Augustyniak; Johnny Kluck.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Add the award of the 3.8 million dollar grant.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING: Public hearing was opened at 7:01 p.m. Judd Augustyniak of 610 E. Main explained that he wanted a variance from the setback for a porch. The ordinance calls for a 25 foot setback and he would like to make the setback 21 feet. Discussion was held. One letter from Jessica Marquez of 630 E. Main was read in support of the variance. **Moved Pantelleria, second Cummins to grant variance on 610 E. Main to allow an 8' porch with a 12" overhang.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Johnny Kluck of 2500 56th St. explained his request for a height variance for a pole barn to store his RV. Discussion was held. **Moved Watson, second Brien to approve the variance for 2500 – 56th St. to allow for a 14' wall with the roof at a 4/12 pitch.** Ayes: Cummins, Watson, Pantelleria, Brien, Suerth. Nays: Rastall, Meyaard. MOTION CARRIED. Public hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Steve Valkema questioned the purchase of tires from a company in Holland instead of his business. Tuhacek explained that he had asked Valkema for a quote and the Holland quote was almost \$200.00 less. Bob Sliwoski made the comment that he felt that the City was not negligent in repair of the water main that was broke on Landsburg Rd and that he felt the City should not pay for the repair of the driveway.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved Suerth, second Watson, to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2010, meeting as presented.** Ayes: Watson, Pantelleria, Brien, Suerth, Rastall, Meyaard. Abstain: Cummins. MOTION CARRIED.

OLD BUSINESS: Jim Groose & Chris Zeeb of Layne Water Systems gave a brief power point presentation in regards to iron and manganese removal. Discussion was held.

Discussion on repair of driveway at 5660 Landsburg Rd. **Moved Suerth, second Meyaard to deny payment to repair the driveway 5660 Landsburg Rd.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Award of bid for N. Maple St: **Moved Watson, second Pantelleria to go forward with the Maple Street Project and award the bid to Milbocker & Sons for a cost of \$1,048,015.55.**
Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Water Extension & Iron Filtration: Asked that Clerk Phenix send the contract for the economic development grant to all of the city commissioners and the attorney for review. **Moved Rastall, second Pantelleria to give the easements to the assessor to get a fair market value and get the paper work out to the owners.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Next meeting for work on the 2010 – 2011 budget will be held on Monday May 10, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Pantelleria talked with Deanna Finch from MDOT and we can borrow less money for the N. Maple Street project if we wish.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth gave a report on the fire board and the police.

CITY PROPERTIES: Discussion on the cemetery entrance and flowers.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No report.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Planning Commission meets next Wednesday May 12th.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: DDA meets Wednesday, May 5th. Rastall gave a report on the local officials meeting he attended.

ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Pantelleria, second Meyaard, to approve payment of bills as printed in the amount of \$14,185.03.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday, May 17, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk