

August 18, 2008
City of Fennville

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: Cummins, Meyaard, Morse, Pantelleria, Rastall, Suerth, Watson.

Public present: Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Dave Mueller, Grand Rapids Press; Jim Lytle; Kevin Cronin, candidate for Circuit Court Judge.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: Jim Lytle made a request for a donation from the City of Fennville for \$2,100.00 for entertainment for the Goose Festival. **Moved Morse to give the Goose Festival a \$5,000.00 loan as we have in the pass and for the committee to return what they can after the festival.** Died for lack of support. **Moved Morse, second Suerth to give the upfront money of \$5,000.00 to the Goose Festival and have them return all of the money after the festival.** Ayes: Morse, Suerth. Nays: Meyaard, Cummins, Watson, Pantelleria, Rastall. MOTION DENIED. **Moved Meyaard, second Cummins to give the Goose Festive \$2,500.00 for entertainment.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Kevin Cronin candidate for Circuit Court Judge spoke asking for support from the city commission.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved Suerth, second Cummins to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2008 meeting as printed.** Ayes: Meyaard, Cummins, Pantelleria, Morse, Suerth, Watson. Abstain: Rastall. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS: Reviewed the MTS report.

OLD BUSINESS: Planning Commission Ordinance 2nd Reading. **Moved Watson, second Pantelleria to table the Planning Commission Ordinance for clarification of section 2-83B.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS: Zoning Ordinance Changes. **Moved Rastall, second Morse to approve the zoning ordinance changes as presented by the Planning Commission.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Pantelleria reported that they will begin to work on a recreational grant in Sept. for next year. Need to work on the Personal Policy and the 3-5 year financial plan.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth reported that the Fire board made Ray McCarty an honorary member of the fire department and that the fire board will purchase an ATV Bob Cat to fight grass fires.

CITY PROPERTIES: Cummins reported that Superintendent Tuhacek is not interested in the 4 lots for sale on S. Maple St. and that First Choice cleaning came and cleaned up the stain off the slide.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Discussion on the recycle center parking on the street.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Watson thanked the Commission for approving the zoning ordinance changes.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: Discussion on the mowing of lawns and the green space next to the Post Office.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: Moved Pantelleria, second Watson, to approve payment of bills as printed in the amount of \$34,059.29. Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk