

July 7, 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.
Commissioners absent: Watson

Public present: Dan Martin, attorney; Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Bob Brydges; Dean Kapenga, County Commissioner; Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Commissioner Kapenga discussed the sheriff contract with the County and the City of Fennville. Also discussed the county jail.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved Suerth, second Pantelleria to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2008 meeting as printed.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS: Reviewed violation letters sent. **Moved Rastall, second Pantelleria to allow the Gooding resident at 603 Main St. until October 6, 2008 to provide the city with adequate proof that they are attempting repair on their resident or move forward with demolition.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED. Discussion was held on Fennville Tire, and several lawns that need to be mowed.

SANDWICH SIGN: Bob Brydges explained his request to wear a sandwich sign and conduct a religious survey. Attorney Martin explained that he could proceed as long as he is not obstructing anyone.

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Reviews for employees are completed. Discussed raising water/sewer rate and readiness fees 10%.

CITY SERVICES: Fire Board meets on Tuesday, July 08, 2008

CITY PROPERTIES: Discussion on killing of weeds in the parking lot, the DDA lot and the sidewalks on Main Street.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Morse thanked Mary Jo for running the co-ed softball league.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Planning Commission meets on Wednesday, July 9th, 2008.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: DDA meets on Wednesday, July 16, 2008

ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Martin reported that since the fire fighters are employees of the Fennville area fire department and not the City of Fennville, than they may sit on City Boards. Reported on the city mowing vacant properties. **Moved Rastall, second Cummins to add a \$50.00 administration fee to the mowing of vacant property and placing on the tax bill for payment.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED. He is also working on the amendment to the agreement with West Michigan Wireless.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Pantelleria, second Rastall, to approve payment of bills as printed in the amount of \$43,320.99.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday, July 21, 2008 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk