

October 5, 2009
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: Rastall, Meyaard, Cummins, Watson, Morse, Suerth.
Commissioners Absent: Pantelleria

Public present: Dan Martin, Attorney; Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News; Rob Flokstra, Sheriff.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Under old business add resolution for FOIA request.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved Suerth, second Cummins, to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2009 meeting as presented. Ayes: Meyaard, Cummins, Morse, Suerth, Rastall. Abstain: Watson. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS: Reviewed the MTS Zoning Ordinance fines.

OLD BUSINESS:

SECOND READING – COST RECOVERY ORDINANCE: Moved Suerth, second Rastall to approve Ordinance 09-2 fire and emergency service charges and cost recovery ordinance. Ayes: Roll Call: Cummins, Watson, Morse, Suerth, Rastall. Nays: Meyaard. MOTION CARRIED.

FOIA RESOLUTION: Attorney Martin reviewed the resolution. Discussion on the time it will take and how the costs will be paid. Once Foster has paid \$107.66 cash, money order or cashier's check, a day will be set up for Foster to come in and view the ballots (if it is a check written by Foster the date will not be set up before the check clears). Balance is due and the check must clear before the Clerk will cut the seal on the ballot can and bag. **Moved Meyaard, second Watson to approve the resolution as presented and reviewed by attorney Martin with a cost of \$.25 per copy for any copies that Foster may want.** Ayes: Roll Call: Watson, Morse, Suerth, Rastall, Meyaard, Cummins. MOTION CARRIED. Discussion on protecting the integrity of the ballots. **Moved Rastall, second Cummins that the door connecting the office and the meeting room will be locked and Foster will be able to take the pictures of the ballots through the window in the door after Clerk Phenix inspects the ballots for any markings that may reveal the voter.** Ayes: Roll Call: Morse, Suerth, Rastall, Meyaard, Cummins, Watson. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

MDOT RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE CONTACT: Moved Watson, second Morse to approve resolution for state trunkline maintenance contract No. 2009-0290. Ayes roll call: Suerth, Rastall, Meyaard, Cummins, Watson, Morse. MOTION CARRIED.

DDA APPOINTMENT – AL LASHELL: **Moved Meyaard, second Rastall to re-appoint Al LaShell to the DDA for a term of 4 years.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

LAGOON BIDS: **Moved Morse, second Meyaard to award the bid for the lagoon work to Milbocker & Son in the amount of \$81,962.00.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION – N. MAPLE CDBG FUNDS: **Moved Rastall, second Watson to approve the Authorizing Resolution 09-12 for Michigan CDBG – Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement Program 2009.** Ayes roll call: Cummins, Watson, Morse, Suerth, Rastall, Meyaard. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Meyaard reported that they resubmitted the grant for Paradise Park with the additions that were needed. Suggested that we place shrubs at the entrance to the cemetery instead of flowers. Still waiting to see if we receive the second grant for trees from the DNR. Scheduled planting of trees from the first grant for November 1, 2009.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth reported that all fire fighters have their CPR certificate. The audit is complete.

CITY PROPERTIES: No Report.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Watson reported that the Planning Commission would like to know when Trick or Treat will be held. **Moved Suerth, second Cummins to set Trick or Treat hours from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Saturday October 31, 2009.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: Goose Festival is this weekend, Oct 9 – 11.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT: No Report.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Meyaard, second Watson, to approve payment of the October bills as printed in the amount of \$37,459.17** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday October 19th @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk