

December 21, 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, Pantelleria, Suerth.
Commissioners Absent:

Public present: Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Tim Brennan; Robert Sliwoski; Kathleen Slawson; Gary Slawson; Danielle Brien; Becky Rininger, Allegan County Drain Commissioner

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPOINTMENT OF CITY COMMISSIONER: Moved Pantelleria, second Cummins to nominate Danielle Brien to fill the seat for the next four years. Ayes: Meyaard, Cummins, Watson, Pantelleria, Suerth. Nay: Rastall. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS: The committee will stay the same with Brien taking the place of Morse on the committees that he was on.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as printed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Becky Rininger, Allegan County Drain Commissioner, explained the process of bonding through the County for the North Maple Street project. The City Commission would have to pass a resolution requesting the County to be owner of the project. The County Drain Commission meets on the 4th Thursday of the month. They would review the resolution and if they approved they would send it to the County Commissioners for approval. Interest rates at this time are about 4%.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Moved Suerth, second Cummins, to approve the minutes of the December 7th, 2009 meeting as presented. Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS: Reviewed the MTS report.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

2010 Calendar: **Moved Meyaard, second Suerth to accept the 2010 calendar as presented.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Planning Commission re-appointment: **Moved Rastall, second Watson to re-appoint both Huyser and Joynson to the Planning Commission.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Board of Review: Tabled.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Pantelleria reported that they have two other options for financing the N. Maple St. project: Chemical Shoreline Bank and SIB loan with the State of Michigan. Pantelleria explained that the water extension project environmental review finished today. The packet is sent to Gary and will be mailed to MEDC to request release of funds. There is a fifteen day period for comments and then MEDC will authorize expenditures against the grant.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth will start working with the fire clerk on the budget for next fiscal year.

CITY PROPERTIES: Cummins reported that the two lights in Paradise Park are out. Discussion on the Hutchinson letter and the watermain break on 58th St. Need to follow up with Gary Tuhacek and get a plan to flush that line regularly and submit the plan to Mr. Hutchinson.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Discussion on the Tattoo parlor. Next Planning Commission meeting is January 13, 2010.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: Rastall reported that the DDA has received the Michigan Strategic Fund to apply for CDBG for the streetscape project.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Pantelleria, second Cummins, to approve payment of the bills as printed in the amount of \$17,328.71.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday January 4, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk