

December 7, 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, Meygaard, Cummins, Watson, Pantelleria, Suerth.

Public present: Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Robert Sliwoski; Timothy Brennan; Walt Kaechele, Allegan County News; Kathleen & Gary Slawson; Danielle Brien.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as printed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved Suerth, second Meygaard, to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2009 meeting as presented.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSION/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – Kathleen Slawson and Danielle Brien expressed their interest in filling the open seat on the City Commission. Interviews were conducted and the City Commission will make their decision at the next meeting. Mayor Rastall questioned whether they would be willing to serve on the Planning Commission if they weren't appointed to the City Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS RE-APPOINTMENT: **Moved Suerth, second Cummins to re-appointment Tom Giles, Chuck Carlson, and Rob McCracken to another two year term for the Construction Board of Appeals.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSE RESOLUTION: **Moved Watson, second Pantelleria to approve the resolution for a request from the DDA for a one day liquor license for January 16, 2010.** Ayes: Watson, Pantelleria, Suerth, Rastall, Meygaard, Cummins. MOTION CARRIED.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Pantelleria reported on the Finance Committee meeting that was held to review the Fire Department audit, and a report that was sent to the State Treasurer. Reported that the MDNR denied the Paradise Park grant. Suggested applying for a

Land grant which is federally funded and is a 50% match. Discussion on SIB loan for \$750,000.00 for the Maple St. project. Meyaard reported that the County will come out next Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a possible bond through the county for the Maple St. project.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth reported that the fire board met on November 30, he reviewed the Fire Chief report. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday Dec. 29 at 5:30 p.m. Next pancake breakfast will be held Sunday December 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Watson commended the Fire Department on the quick response to his wife's accident.

CITY PROPERTIES: Cummins reported that Gary is waiting on a grinder to finish the lagoon project. There will be a meeting with Birds Eyes and Fleis and Vandenbrink next Wednesday where Fleis and Vandenbrink will explain the water extension. Reported that in order to get a jake brake sign on M-89 we need a resolution to give to MDOT.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Discussion on the Christmas parade.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Next meeting is Wednesday, December 9, 2009.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: DDA met last Wednesday. There is a vacancy on DDA board.

MISCELLANEOUS: Discussion on the MTS response to complaints, tree house built by Rastall.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Pantelleria, second Suerth, to approve payment of the bills as printed in the amount of \$60,429.76** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday December 21, 2009 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk