

City of Fennville
April 5, 2010

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, Meynard, Cummins, Watson, Suerth.

Commissioners Absent: Pantelleria, Brien

Public present: Dan Martin, Attorney; Colleen Rae, Local Observer; Tim Brennan; Bob Sliwoski; Jude Bill Baillargeon

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Add under new business repair of driveway at 5660 Landsburg Rd.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Judge Baillargeon reported on the Allegan County Sheriff's Department 175 anniversary. CASA – A program for children in neglect and abuse situations. A Way Out – a 3 year program for Meth users. Reported on Court in School and a town hall forum for underage drinking which will be held on Wednesday April 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Fennville High School

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: **Moved Suerth, second Cummins, to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2010 meeting as presented.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

COMMUNICATION: Reviewed the Aerial Imagery letter from the County.

OLD BUSINESS:

Comcast Proposal: **Moved Watson, second Rastall to approve the bid from Comcast for all of the phone and internet services except for Well #7 for a cost of \$7,829.40 per year.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Server Proposal: **Moved Meynard, second Rastall to approve the Dell server maintenance proposal for a cost of \$948.00.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board of Review Wages: Discussed wages. The motion in July was \$35.00 per diem (per meeting) this includes the July and December Board of Review.

VFW Post Buddy Poppies Distribution: **Moved Suerth, second Cummings to approve the distribution of buddy poppies for May 6th through the 8th.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

5660 Landsburg Rd: Last year there was a water main break and the \$400.00 cost to repair the private part of this driveway is not covered by insurance. Should we pay for this repair? Attorney Martin will look into this and get back to Clerk Phenix to put on the next agenda.

FINANCIAL/PERSONNEL REPORT: Meyaard reported that the grant application was sent minus the minutes for the public hearing and a resolution. Discussion on the drainage problem at the park. Pantelleria will have the YTD at the next meeting and they will start working on the 2010-2011 budget.

CITY SERVICES: Suerth reported that the Fire Board met last week. Scott Corbin from Allegan County Emergency Management Services attended the meeting and presented the Fennville Area Fire Dept. with a certificate of appreciation for participating in the 2010 Palisades Nuclear Power Plant Evaluated Drill. Chemical Bank has forgiven the late fee of \$937.62 and ~~added it to~~ reduce the principal of the loan and has changed the dates of the payments to September and March. **Moved Suerth, second Meyaard to authorize Mayor Rastall to sign the agreement with the bank to change the dates of the payments.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED. The fire dept. has agreed to call the city ~~before~~ when using the fire hydrants.

CITY PROPERTIES: Cummins reported that we do not have a bid for the iron filtration system so we don't have a vendor. When we get the vendor Tuhacek will set up a time for them to come in and explain the system. DPW has been working on the cleanup of the vandalism at Paradise Park.

ORDINANCES/COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No Report.

PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT: Will meet next Wednesday April 14th.

ADMINISTRATION/DDA: Meets this Wednesday, April 7th.

MISCELLANEOUS: Rastall reported that MML will be reducing their dues by 12%. Meyaard reported that the taxable value has decreased so we will be receiving \$23,381.94 less tax dollars, but will receive 1% more in State Shared Revenue. **Moved Suerth, second Rastall, to ask Clerk Phenix to submit a bill to Consumers Energy for the wages of the Fire Department to sit at a down wire waiting for Consumers to arrive.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Martin reported that a policy has been approved that local communities could adopt prohibiting a citizen from being repetitive.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: **Moved Meyaard, second Cummins, to approve payment of bills as printed in the amount of \$17,945.76.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next meeting of the City Commission will be held on Monday, April 19th, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix
Fennville City Clerk