

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2009

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Dexter Ann Arbor Rd. in Dexter, Michigan

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson	P. Cousins
D. Fisher	J. Semifero
J. Smith	R. Tell

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes- February 9, 2009.

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the regular Council minutes of February 9, 2009 with the following correction:

I-3 – Village Manager Report should state that National City and PNC are interested in keeping the Village's banking business.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Tell; support Smith to approve the agenda with the following additions:

J-4 Consideration of: Street Closing on March 3 by Innocent Productions

L-7 Discussion of: Mill Creek Park Funding

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Mark Ouimet, County Commissioner, gave an update on the County's budgeting process and that they will be seeing a cash flow issue by 2010 and will begin with reductions and changes in 2009. Mark requested an opportunity to give a presentation on the budget and will do so at the March 9 workshop prior to the Council Meeting.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Appointment of Trustee Carson to the Michigan Municipal League's Municipal Finance Committee

3. Proclamation for Encore Theatre
4. Village & Downtown Development Authority Qualifying Statements
5. Baker/ Shield Intersection Concern

I. REPORTS

1. Board, Commission & Other Reports – “Bi-annual or as needed”

A. Dexter Area Fire Department Representative – Joe Semifero

Mr. Semifero explained the breakdown on the budget, run history and cost allocation. He indicated that there is no line item for capital reserve. Mr. Tell, an at large member of the Dexter Area Fire Department Board, reported on possibly moving to monthly meetings rather than bi-monthly meetings, the need for an administrator, questions regarding Mr. Tell’s appointment to the at large position and term length, and desire to have fire reports collated.

B. Library Board Representative - Pat Cousins

Mrs. Cousins reported that the old library building is in the final stages of sale and all old materials have been moved to the new site. There is still some finish work to be done and March 8 will be a special open house by invitation. On March 9 the Library will be open to the public and March 28 at 11 am will be the dedication ceremony.

C. Washtenaw Area Transportation Study Policy Committee Rep.–Jim Carson

Mr. Carson distributed a report on the direction the county is moving on projects that is to be finalized on March 18. Mr. Carson explained the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study Urban Stimulus program and unfunded projects which have gone to Lansing to look for other stimulus monies.

2. Subcommittee Reports

No affected reports

3. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. In addition the Village Manager reported on the following: need to be thinking about job creation in the Village and working with SPARK, working on a zoning district or applying for a deed restriction for parkland protection, and looking for a date for budget planning probably later in March.

4. President’s Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough spoke of attending a special DDA meeting to pay bills and approve a geotechnical bids, received a communication from Richard Fleece regarding Gordon Hall septic issue, mentioned Bill Tupper’s request to raise loan value against purchase money from old DAPCO building sale, and received a letter from St. Joseph Church to attend a community leaders meeting which Ms. Fisher will attend as Mr. Keough will be out of town.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$153,240.75
2. Consideration of: Approval of 2009 Dexter Ann Arbor Run on Sunday, May 31
3. Consideration of: Appointment of Tom Rosenbaum to the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee
4. Consideration of: Closing of Fourth Street from Dover to Edison on March 3, 2009 by Innocent Productions for movie filming

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Main Street Bridge Project- Construction Updates
Phase 2 Funding Updates
Meeting on March 17, 2009 to discuss the upcoming construction season.
2. Discussion of: Village Offices
Reviewed cost estimates provided and how they relate to possible building options. Request from Mr. Cousins to have a work session on village offices and options. No work session set at that time.
3. Consideration of: Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement - Norfolk Southern Railway Company

Motion Carson; support Tell to approve the Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Norfolk Southern Railway Company for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

Motion Fisher; support Semifero to postpone consideration of Norfolk Southern Railway Company pending further information on the County's involvement.

Motion Cousins; support Smith to postpone for further clarification of Agreement for Preliminary Engineering Services between the Village of Dexter and Norfolk Southern Railway Company pending further involvement by the county and the crossing at Central Street

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell,

Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Ryan Drive Traffic Calming Bid Award

Motion Smith; support Cousins to authorize GM and Sons to complete the Ryan Drive Traffic Calming improvements in an amount not to exceed \$24,501.00 and to authorize a \$10,000.00 budget amendment.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None
Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Motion Semifero; support Carson to adopt the 2009 Village of Dexter Parks and Recreation Master Plan, dated February 17, 2009.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough
Nays: None
Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Rezoning of Former Pilot Industries Property (7905 Grand, 7931 Grand and Grand Street Vacant Lot) from I-1 to C-1

Motion Tell; support Smith per section 23.05, Criteria for Amendment to Official Zoning Map and the Planning Commission recommendation, the Village Council has determined that the conditions upon which the Master Plan was developed (such as market factors, demographics, infrastructure, traffic and environmental issues) have changed significantly since the Master Plan was adopted and has considered recent development trends in the area and therefore denies rezoning parcels HD-08-06-427-001, HD-08-06-427-002 and HD-08-06-155-001 from I-1 to C-1 at this time.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher and Keough
Nays: Semifero
Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Purchase of Forest Lawn Cemetery Floodplain

Motion Cousins; support Semifero to allow the Village Manager to enter into a purchase agreement with the Forest Lawn Cemetery for the vacant land formerly part of the Mill Pond and adjacent to the Forest Lawn Cemetery in the amount of \$12,000.00 per said agreement.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell and Keough
Nays: None
Motion carries

5. Discussion of: 2009 Road Maintenance Program

Ms. Nicholls explained the proposed street maintenance. A portion of Dan Hoey Road will be done in cape seal as an example to determine which surface should be used. The Village has a new software program which will help put together a road maintenance plan for the future.

6. Discussion of: Town Hall Meeting

Ms. Nicholls presented the format to be used for the Town Hall Meeting on February 26, 2009

7. Discussion of: Mill Creek Park Funding

Ms. Bishop prepared a spreadsheet on the costs of Phase 1 on the Mill Creek Park. There is a need for 14 foot paths to qualify for funding.

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Carson	None
Fisher	Asked how Village parks got their name and requested that Council be informed when there are vacancies on Boards and Commissions.
Cousins	Will be out of town from March 17-26. Will be attending the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitor Bureau's breakfast on February 24 on the film industry in Washtenaw County
Jones	The Washtenaw Historical Society will be holding an exhibit at their museum on immigrants to the county from March 1 to July 1. Featured in this exhibit is my great, great grandfather, Gottlob Mast.
Smith	Attended elected officials academy sponsored by the Michigan Municipal League
Semifero	Is there a file maintained for board, committee and commission applications?
Tell	None

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Tell; support Smith to adjourn at 10:51.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: March 9, 2009