

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 9, 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 23, 2009.

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the regular Council minutes of February 23, 2009 with the following corrections:

I-1-A – Tells corrected to Tell's

K-2 – add No work session set at that time.

M-Fisher comments - insert Village in front of parks and requested Council to be informed in place of inform Council

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith support Semifero to approve the agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Jon Rush of 7930 Fifth Street addressed Council on a follow-up to a letter given to Council following the February 26 Town Hall meeting. Mr. Rush is concerned with the speeding issue particularly on Fifth Street from Edison Street to Central Street. He presented a petition signed by eight home-owners on those streets requesting a stop sign be erected at Dover Street. (Petition attached to minutes)

Mary Robinson of 3275 Dover Street also spoke to the speeding issue on Fifth Street.

Colleen Keough of 7950 Fifth Street also spoke to the speeding issue and concern with children living in the area.

Evelyn Smith of 7810 Fifth Street spoke to the turn off from Main Street to Fifth Street and cars not properly stopping at the stop signs.

Brian Koval of 7810 Fifth Street spoke of the Fifth Street, Main Street and Edison Street corner being accident prone when cars are not stopping or slowing down.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Municipal Employees Retirement System of Michigan – Notification of New Actuarial Assumptions
3. Town Hall Meeting Feedback Forms
4. Equalizations Basin Update

Ms. Fisher announced that the Gordon Hall Management Team will meet on March 19, 2009 at a place to be determined.

I. REPORTS

1. Department of Public Works Superintendent – Ed Lobdell

Mr. Lobdell submits his report as per packet. In addition, Mr. Lobdell announced that the Village will pick up leaves in the Spring as snow came very early in the Fall and they have started sweeping the streets.

2. Community Development Director – Allison Bishop – Verbal Update
Ms. Bishop announced the Trust Fund Public Hearing on March 17, 2009 at 7 pm by the Village Parks and Recreation Commission at the Senior Center and on April 6, 2009 at 7:30 pm will be the Capital Improvement Plan Public Hearing.

3. Boards, Commission, & Other Reports – “Bi-annual or as needed”
No affected reports

4. Village Manager Report
Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. In addition the Village Assistant Manager reported that a Village e-mail was sent to clarify the Dexter Leader article on water and sewer rates, looking at June 3, 2009 for the next Town Hall Meeting, and set the date for the Goal Setting and Budget Meeting for March 28, 2009 beginning at 8 am.

5. President’s Report
Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough spoke of the e-mail message regarding the issue of the emergency call to the Encore Theatre and the perception that the fire truck could not park directly in front of the theatre. The Village Manager and the Fire Inspector will talk to Mr. Willis regarding this. Mr. Keough announced he will be gone for the March 12, 2009 Downtown Development Authority (DDA) meeting and at this meeting the DDA will be looking at the Capital Improvement Plan budgeting and the request by Mr. Tupper to raise the borrowing limits on the old DAPCO property.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$333,443.03
2. Consideration of: Knights of Columbus – Request to sell tootsie rolls on the sidewalks of the Village April 3-5
3. Consideration of: 2008-2009 Budget Amendment – Vehicle Maintenance Request by Mr. Smith to move this item to L-6 under New Business

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1 and 2 of 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
A request was made for an update on the moneys set aside for the completion of the bridge project. Question was asked on the Downtown Development Authority's (DDA) part in the bridge project and Ms. Nicholls stated that the DDA's part on the lighting is in process.
2. Discussion of: Village Offices
President Keough reviewed handouts of Options 1A and 1B of remodeling of 8140 Main Street and gave a rationale of budgeting plan for both. President Keough handed out Option 2A – Purchase of space in the Mill Creek Building that features a buy back option of the initial investment. A general discussion followed on all options and funding with mention of having 8140 Main Street as the permanent solution for Village offices and working in stages to develop the space. Also asked in the discussion was what dollar amount can the Village afford to spend on such a project.
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. 2/9

Motion Fisher; support Semifero to postpone consideration of Norfolk Southern Railway Company pending further information on the County's involvement. 2/9

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 information of the county's involvement and the Central Street Crossing. 2/23

Motion Carson; support Semifero to postpone indefinitely consideration of Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement with Norfolk Southern Railway. 3/9

Mr. Carson related that he had contacted Congressman Schauer's office in regards to working with the railroad as the Congressman in on the transportation committee. Congressman Shauer has asked for information and will look into the project.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Fisher to correct the February 23 minutes to reflect the motion on the engineering servicing agreement pending further information of the county's involvement and the Central Street crossing.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Traffic Warrant Investigation – School Zones and Fifth Street

Discussion followed on doing or not doing a traffic study. A judge will honor a ticket issued if a traffic sign is placed from a traffic warrant. It was felt that it should be made unattractive to cut through residential areas and that more than Fifth Street has a traffic deficiency per a study done by the Washtenaw County Road Commission in 2005.

Motion Carson; support Smith to authorize Village Staff to have Jim Valenta to do a traffic warrant study for a stop sign at Dover and Fifth Street and authorize Village Staff to have Jim Valenta prepare a proposal for a traffic count on Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth from Broad to Hudson.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Discussion of: Drinking Water Revolving Fund (DWRF) Project Plan Draft Review

Ms. Nicholls reviewed the time schedule for the public hearing and submittal of the plan.

3. Consideration of: Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment – Scope of Services for 2009 Pavement Management Program for an amount not to exceed \$8000.

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment's Scope of Services Pavement Management Program for an amount not to exceed \$8000.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment – Scope of Services related to the State Revolving Fund – Sewer Rehabilitation for an amount not to exceed \$30,000

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment's Scope of Services related to the State Revolving Fund – Sewer Rehabilitation for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Discussion of: Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Application

Motion Semifero; support Tell to authorize the Village to commit \$200,000 for a proposed match for the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant application towards financing of the Mill Creek Park Development.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

6. Consideration of: 2008-2009 Budget Amendment – Vehicle Maintenance

Motion Semifero; support Tell to approve the budget amendment of \$11,000 under line 402-441.000-939.000 for vehicle maintenance.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

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| Cousins | Suggested that the Village prepare an engraved Presidential Proclamation for the new Library to be presented on March 28. Would also like an accounting on expenses for Holiday Lighting. |
| Fisher | Mentioned that there are big boulders and stones on Grand Street in the right-of-way and asked what is the Village's policy on placing boulders. Also Again asked about policy on naming to know how Village parks are named. |
| Carson | None |
| Jones | None |

Smith	None
Tell	None
Semifero	Asked about the date selected for the next Town Hall Meeting, if the Village has snow emergency information, questioned the exit path behind National City Bank and removal of the drive way on Dexter-Ann Arbor Road at the MAV property.

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Jon Rush of 7930 Fifth Street thanked the Council for the band aid on Fifth Street and referenced a previous plan done for Village offices over the Fire Hall and that the building is a Fire Hall.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Fisher to adjourn at 10:58.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: March 23, 2009

CITIZEN REQUEST FOR STOP SIGN ON FIFTH ST. AT DOVER

BECAUSE CARS DAILY TRAVEL AT SPEEDS OF 45 TO 50 MILES AN HOUR ON FIFTH ST. BETWEEN EDISON AND CENTRAL :

WE THE UNDERSIGNED PROPERTY OWNERS AND RESIDENTS ON FIFTH ST. IN DEXTER, ASK THE VILLAGE TO PLACE A STOP SIGN ON FIFTH ST. AT DOVER.

NAME	ADDRESS
1. Brian Koval	7810 Fifth St
Evelyn Smith	7810 Fifth Street
2. Colleen Keough	7950 5 th Street
S. M. M. M.	7950 FIFTH STREET
3. Sandra K. Hansen	7880 Fifth Street
4. J. P. Hansen	7850 FIFTH ST.
5. Gary Grabner	5275 Dover St.
6. Randi Wagner	7830 Ann Arbor St.
7. M. R.	7850 5 th
8. Martha A. Meff	7850 Fifth St.
9. Mary L. Pomeroy	7830 Fifth St.
David H. Pomeroy	" " "
10. Jon Rush	7930 FIFTH ST.

I fully support and encourage placing four way stop signs at the corner of Fifth and Dover.

Mark Wolcott
7921 Fifth Street
Dexter, MI 48130