

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2010

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

1. Council Closed Session – April 21, 2010
2. Regular Council Meeting – April 26, 2010

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the minutes of the Council Closed Session of April 21, 2010 and the Regular Council Meeting of April 26, 2010 with two corrections on page 6 of the Regular Council Minutes under Old Business, item 2, Discussion of Facilities Next Steps, add *Should we* to the front of the second discussion point to read *Should we establish a task force of citizens to study suitability of a fire hall or a study committee from the Village Boards and Commissions*; and item 3, Discussion of the Use of Social Networking Websites, correct the motion to read *Motion Fisher; support Smith to proceed with the use of Facebook for the Village of Dexter.*

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith: support Semifero to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Add additional item J-5, Sign Request from the Chamber of Commerce, to the Consent Agenda

Add additional information under L-6, Property Purchase

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Paul Bishop of 5510 Vaughn Road, Dexter, asked about the State Boundary Commission hearing scheduled for May 13, 2010 and the purpose of the meeting.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Citation List
3. Comcast Update
4. Dexter Senior Center Donation Acknowledgement
5. Fluoride Grant – Rejection Letter

I. REPORTS

- 1 Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-“Bi-annual or as needed”

Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee – Paul Cousins & Courtney Nicholls
Mr. Cousins and Ms. Nicholls submit their report as per packet. In addition Mr. Cousins highlighted the upcoming Songs, Slams & S’mores event on May 22 at Warrior Creek Park and the committee’s participation at the Rotary’s Art, Food & Wine event on May 2.

Gordon Hall Mgmt Team Representative – Donna Fisher & Paul Bishop
Chairman Bishop reported that Gordon Hall is open and has been de-winterized. The Management team meets again on May 20. Mr. Bishop reported on the following events scheduled at Gordon Hall: May 1- Mother/Daughter Tea; Second Grade Tours in May; May 22-Show of Hope for Relay for Life; Movies on June 17, July 8 and August 12; Family Reunion in June; Weddings on July 24 and September 25; and Tours of Gordon Hall during Dexter Daze in August. Mr. Bishop also reported that the mortgage balance for Gordon Hall is \$360,000.

Planning Commission – Jim Carson
Mr. Carson mentioned two items that the Planning Commission is looking into – a review of the sandwich board sign ordinance dealing with the distance a sign can be placed from a business and allowing the keeping of chickens within the Village limits.

2. Subcommittee Reports
Website - None
Downtown Fire Detection - None
Economic Preparedness - None

3. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. In addition Mrs. Dettling gave the following updates: met on May 4 with John Carlson of Northern United Brewing and preparing options for both properties they are considering; getting information from Park Avenue Lighting on the LED lighting for the Village; Joe Semifero has volunteered to serve on the Village Finance

Committee; water and sewer improvements are on schedule; have received four applications from Michigan Municipal League for attorneys to handle legal issues with cityhood; explained the Dexter, Dexter, Webster Services Work Group and that there is more work to be done; and along with Christine Phillips answered Council question on the Dexter-Ann Arbor Road project in front of residential properties.

Ms. Bishop, Community Development Manager, replied to questions asked at a previous meeting regarding open and unfinished basements within the Village; reported that the refrigerator has been removed from the Mill Creek in Warrior Park; reported on information from the Department of Natural Resources and Environment regarding Segment D1 within the Border to Border Trail; and stated that there are over 120 Facebook fans on the new Village site.

4. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. Mr. Keough reported that the Village has received some information back from the Municipal Employee Retirement System and asked how Council would like to proceed on this issue; and Mr. Keough reported that the May Regional Fire Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 25 at 3 pm.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$261,377.78
2. Consideration of: Request from Dexter Boy Scout Troop 477 to place three (3) signs in the Village right-of-way from June 23, 2010 to June 26, 2010
3. Consideration of: Request from the Village Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee to place a sign in the right of way on May 22, 2010
4. Consideration of: Setting a public hearing for June 14, 2010 on the 2010-2011 Budget, Water/Sewer/Refuse Rates, and the 2010 Millage Rate
5. Consideration of: Request from the Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce to place the Summer Music Series sign at Baker and Main from May 21, 2010 to June 7, 2010

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the consent agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Facilities Next Steps

Discussion followed on possible means of funding.

At 8:37 p.m. a recess was taken and the meeting re-convened at 8:41 p.m.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: 2010-2015 Capital Improvements Plan

Motion Semifero; support Smith that the Village of Dexter Village Council accepts the Planning Commission recommended 2010-2015 Capital Improvements Program as a guide in funding priority capital projects within the plan and to develop the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Entering into a one year contract extension with auditors Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to enter into a one year contract extension with auditors Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel with fees held to the Fiscal Year 2008/2009 level.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Amendments to the Investment Policy

Motion Semifero; support Cousins to accept the proposed amendments to the Village of Dexter's Investment Policy.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Farmers Market / Community Garden Operating Plan

Motion Tell; support Carson to accept the Farmers Market / Community Garden Operating Plan with the following changes that both the Community Garden and the Farmers Market have the capability to work toward the goal being sustainable, fees for both the Farmers Market and the Community Garden should be identified only as to be determined annually and that the half plot for the Community Garden be corrected to a size of 20' x 10'.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Consideration of: Proposal from Dexter Builders to remove and replace the roof on the Monument Park Gazebo in an amount not to exceed \$8,500

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the proposal from Dexter Builders to remove and replace the roof on the Monument Park Gazebo in an amount not to exceed \$8,500.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

6. Consideration of: Authorizing the Village Manager and Village President to negotiate and enter into a purchase agreement with Mill Creek Properties to purchase a portion of parcel H-08-06-200-028 for \$115,000 and to work with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment and Absolute Title to complete closing process

Motion Semifero; support Tell to authorize the Village Manager and Village President to negotiate and enter into a purchase agreement with Mill Creek Properties to purchase a portion of parcel H-08-06-200-028 for \$115,000, to work with Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment to complete the survey and land division for an amount not to exceed \$8,500, and closing cost from Absolute Title not to exceed \$3000.

Ayes: Fisher, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: Cousins and Smith

Motion carries 5 to 2

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tell	None
Fisher	None
Cousins	Thank you to the staff for preparing the project update list; the Rotary event on May 2 raised close to \$10,000 for scholarships for students; suggested also looking at non-union personnel when working on contract negotiations; was asked to be on a committee for Natural Resource Areas for Economic Sustainability as a personal representative not as a Village representative.
Jones	None
Smith	None
Semifero	None
Carson	None

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Jim Seta of 411 Cambridge, Dexter reported on attending the Dexter School Board meeting this evening and the resolution the School Board passed for a no-transport zone of 1.5 miles from school building a child would attend for the Village of Dexter as well as single tier bussing beginning next fall. Mr. Seta felt that there

could be an issue of filling the Dexter subs with residents with this policy. Mr. Seta also spoke as the Chairman of the Dexter Area Fire Department (DAFD) and that they are forming a committee to look at Capital Improvement Plans for the DAFD.

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Fisher support Smith to adjourn at 9:17 pm

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: May 24, 2010