

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2010

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Prior to the meeting the following Trustee were sworn in for four-year terms:

Jim Carson
Donna Fisher
Ray Tell

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 PM by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson
D. Fisher
J. Smith

P. Cousins
J. Semifero
R. Tell

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting -- November 8, 2010

Motion Smith; support Semifero to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 8, 2010.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 46, Streets, Sidewalks, and Certain Other Public Places to add Article IV, Complete Streets.

Consideration of: Amendment to the General Code Ordinance Chapter 46, Streets, Sidewalk and Certain Other Public Places to add Article IV, Complete Streets.

The Public Hearing opened at 7:34 PM. Paul Wensel of 8997 Dexter Chelsea Road, Dexter who owns property at 8040 Fifth Street, Dexter asked to have some dimensions set as to parking distances near a driveway and/or alley. Currently the ordinances say that you cannot block a driveway and/or alley and he would like to see a parking distance of 15 feet from a driveway and/or alley. Ms. Bishop commented that this is something to look at under the parking ordinance. There were no additional comments and the public hearing was closed at 7:37 PM.

Motion Semifero; support Carson to amend the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 46, Streets, Sidewalks and Certain Other Places to add Article IV, Complete Streets.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Mark Ouimet, County Commissioner of 3502 River Pines Drive, Scio Township, thanked all for the opportunity to represent the Village of Dexter as a County Commissioner as this is his last meeting in that capacity. Mr. Ouimet also mentioned that with the police servicing in the county, they know the cost but do not actually know what the price will be and have asked for a two or four year rolling contract. Mr. Ouimet also answered a question regarding the expansion of the Washtenaw County Road Commission Board.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. Documents from Sheriff's Forum
4. Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team October 18 Meeting Minutes
5. Town Hall Meeting Thank You Letters

I. REPORTS

1. Community Development Manager – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Bishop reported on the following: a) Mill Creek Park – have withdrawn the permit and will re-submit working through the issues on the wetlands and the stream channel design; b) provided additional information regarding Medical Marijuana; c) bids will go out this week for the Border to Border Trails and will be due by December 15; d) will ask Council for a two-year extension on the Mill Creek Building; and e) have applied for a tree grant for 23 trees for Mill Creek Park.

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

Dexter Area Fire Department – Jim Seta/Ray Tell

Jim Seta, President of the Dexter Fire Board reported on the following: a) Lima Township... will service the eastern most 6 sections in 2011, will be billed quarterly and the township cannot terminate the contract for that year; b) 2011 Budget was presented at the November 18 meeting and will report back when things are more clear with Dexter Township, probably will go with the same budget as 2010 and amend as needed in January 2011; c) distributed a run analysis sheet showing 7 addresses in the Village having numerous calls and purpose that the Village consider a false alarm ordinance action for repeated unnecessary calls; d) at the November 16 Dexter Township meeting a fire substation was recommended at the Multi Lakes Sewer site and on November 29 the township will meet and consider transition to the Dexter Area Fire Department which will need three more full-time firefighters to man the station (paid on call will be used until the new firefighters are trained) and the township will have a trailer in place by December 31 to use as a temporary station; e) working on equitable lease payments for the main station and substations; and f) there will be a union contract meeting tomorrow with the Board and then will meet with union officials.

Washtenaw Area Transportation Study Policy Rep – Jim Carson

Mr. Carson submits his report as per package. In addition he reported on the following: a) received the crash report from July 2010 and it was adopted by the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study (WATS); b) mentioned the meetings coming up on federal funding deadlines; and c) WATS has endorsed House Bill 6484 regarding a high speed railroad for the state and has asked municipalities to support the bill.

3. Subcommittee Reports

Downtown Fire Detection - None
Economic Preparedness – (Next Meeting – December 7)
Facilities – (Next Meeting – December 3)
Website – None

4. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling gave the following verbal updates: a) the Cityhood applications is being reviews by Tom Ryan and should be filed by early December; b) inquired if there are any documents needed or topics to be covered in the November 29 Workshop; and c) met with the Community Advisors group through the Chelsea Wellness Coalition to identify those groups that meet the qualifications.

5. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough gave the following updates: a) the Economic Development Corporation meeting went well and did move forward with the United Methodist Retirement Communities request; b) along with Trustee Semifero, met with the Westridge Home Owners Association regarding the easement to complete the Westside Connector project and look to bring it to all residents in early January; and c) spoke about the meeting on November 18 with the Japanese delegation on the Family Medicine program through the University of Michigan.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$294,907.80

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve item 1 of the consent agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

None

At 9:05 PM a recess was taken and the meeting resumed at 9:10 PM.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment – Additional Services for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project

Motion Cousins; support Carson to approve the additional services for the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project in the amount of \$25,000.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carries

2. Consideration of: Michigan Green Communities Challenge Resolution

Motion Semifero; support Fisher that the Village of Dexter accepts the Michigan Green Communities Challenge and pledges to work toward achieving the goals of the Basic Challenge over the next three years.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Purchase of Fencing to be used at the Ice Rink from A & S Supply for \$5,171

Motion Semifero; support Carson to approve the purchase of fencing for the ice rink from A & S Supply for a cost of \$5,171.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Connecting Communities Initiative Grant Application

Motion Semifero; support Cousins to approve the Connecting Communities Initiative Grant Application using Option A – 20% Match of \$18,000.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Discussion of: Drinking Water Revolving Fund Phase 2 Project Funding

Discussion included but was not limited to making a decision if the Village will or will not accept Drinking Water Revolving Fund funding for Phase 2.

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Tell	None
Carson	None
Smith	None
Jones	Thank you to Mr. Seta and Mr. Tell for keeping my son employed.
Fisher	Distributed a flyer regarding the Civil War Encampment at Gordon Hall next June
Semifero	None
Cousins	Attended the Water Trail meeting with Ms. Bishop and the Tourism Conference at Eastern Michigan University. The Design Committee from the Chelsea Conference is meeting again in December. The Chelsea Downtown Development Authority along with Chelsea First has formed a committee on Economic Development and has joined forces to open an Antiques Mall.

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

O. CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING LABOR NEGOTIATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec.8(c)

Motion Smith; support Fisher to move into closed session at 9:53 PM for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Fisher to leave closed session at 11:08 PM

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Semifero to adjourn at 11:09 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

**Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter**

Approved for Filing: December 13, 2010

**VILLAGE OF DEXTER
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE #2010-05**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 46, STREETS, SIDEWALK AND CERTAIN OTHER PUBLIC PLACES, OF THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADDING AT THE END THEREOF ARTICLE IV., COMPLETE STREETS, TO PROVIDE FOR AND REGULATE A DESIGN PRINCIPLE TO PROMOTE A SAFE NETWORK OF ACCESS FOR PEDESTRIANS, BICYCLISTS, AND MOTORISTS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.

WHEREAS, walking and bicycling are non-motorized transportation options that enhance health through physical activity and help reduce air pollution;

WHEREAS, the “Complete Streets” guiding principle is to promote a safe network of access for pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, motorists and users of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, other jurisdictions and agencies nationwide have adopted Complete Streets legislation including the U.S. Department of Transportation, the State of Michigan (Bills HV 6151 and 6152), and numerous Michigan communities such as Lansing, Flint, Jackson, Midland and Saline; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of capital improvements that are planned, designed and constructed to encourage walking, bicycling, and transportation options increases the general safety and welfare for all of the Village of Dexter’s citizens; and

WHEREAS, as a matter of policy, Village officials should integrate and implement the “Complete Streets” guiding principle.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 46. Streets, Sidewalks and Certain Other Public Places, of the Village of Dexter General Code is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof Article IV, Complete Streets, to read as follows:

Sec. 46-150. Definitions.

“Complete streets” is defined as a design principle to promote a safe network of access for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists of all ages and abilities.

Sec. 46-151. Complete Streets Improvements.

The Village of Dexter will plan for, design, and construct all transportation improvement projects, both new and retrofit activities, to provide appropriate accommodations for bicyclists, pedestrian, transit users, and persons of all ages and abilities in accordance with the Village of Dexter Master Plan and the Capital Improvements Plan.

In furtherance of that policy:

- (a) The Village of Dexter Master Plan and Capital Improvements Plan shall be referenced and its implementation considered prior to construction or re-construction within the Village rights-of-way.
- (b) The Master Plan and Capital Improvements Plan will include, at a minimum, accommodations for accessibility, sidewalks, curb ramps and cuts, trails, pathways, signage, bike lanes, and shall incorporate principles of complete streets and maximize walkable and bikeable streets within the Village of Dexter.
- (c) The accommodations shall also be designed and built using guidance from the most recent additions of the American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO) *Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities*, the Michigan manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MMUTCD) (MDOT), and the *American with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines* (ADAAG). Methods of providing flexibility within safe design parameters, such as context sensitive design solutions and design, will be considered.
- (d) The Village of Dexter Master Plan will be updated every five (5) years from the date of its initial adoption and the Capital Improvements Plan will be updated annually.
- (e) It will be the goal of the Village to fund the implementation of the Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan, which shall include expending State Act 51 funds received by the Village annually in accordance with Public Act 135 of 2010, as amended.

Sec. 46-152. Exceptions.

Facilities for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users, and people of all ages and abilities are not required to provide in instances where a documented exception is recommended by the Village Manager and granted by the Village Council based on findings of one or more of the following conditions:

- (a) Where their establishment would be contrary to public health and safety,
- (b) When the cost would be excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use,

- (c) When the cost would result in unacceptable diminishing of other village services,
- (d) Where there is no identified long-term need,
- (e) Where the length of the project does not permit a meaningful addition to the non-motorized network, or
- (f) Where reconstruction of the right-of-way is due to an emergency.

SECTION 2. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Severability.

Should any section, subdivision, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or in part, shall not be affected other than the part invalidated.

SECTION 4. Savings.

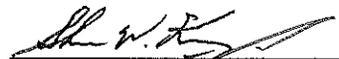
All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they commenced.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be published in a manner required by law and shall become effective 10 days after the date of its publication.

Moved by Trustee Semifero supported by Trustee Carson that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2010-05 be adopted.

AYES: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Carson, Tell, Keough
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Ordinance No. 2010-05 declared adopted at the regular meeting of the Dexter Village Council held on November 22, 2010.


Shawn Keough, President


Carol Jones, Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the ordinance adopted by the Dexter Village Council at a regular meeting held on November 22, 2010, and was published in the Dexter Leader on December 23, 2010 and effective on January 2, 2011.



Carol Jones, Village Clerk

Village of Dexter
County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan
Michigan Green Communities Challenge

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Dexter, County of Washtenaw, Michigan (the "Village"), held on November 22, 2010, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Keough, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Carson, Smith, Tell

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Semifero and supported by Member Fisher,

WHEREAS, the Village of Dexter wants to emphasize the benefits of energy efficiency and conservation; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dexter wants to demonstrate that energy efficiency and conservation practices can be applied to daily governmental operations and to infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dexter seeks to find methods of service delivery and operations that conserve energy and resources, saving taxpayer dollars and protecting and preserving the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dexter recognizes that sound energy efficiency and conservation practices can reduce government costs over the long term; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dexter seeks to encourage its citizens and businesses to initiate stewardship activities that benefit the environment and their community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Dexter accepts the

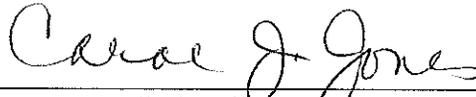
Michigan Green Communities Challenge and pledges to work toward achieving the goals of the Basic Challenge over the next three years

AYES: Keough, Cousins, Fisher, Semifero, Carson, Smith, Tell

NAYS: None

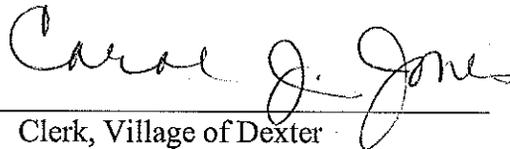
ABSENT: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



Clerk, Village of Dexter

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Dexter, County of Washtenaw, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on November 22, 2010, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.



Clerk, Village of Dexter

**VILLAGE OF DEXTER
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION REGARDING THE
VILLAGE OF DEXTER
VILLAGE COUNCIL SUPPORT FOR THE
CONNECTING COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE GRANT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission has made funding available through the Connecting Communities Initiative to support and help fund projects that connect to the County Border to Border (B2B) trail or that link County residents to community resources such as parks, historic sites, places of employment, shopping areas; and

WHEREAS, the master plan, capital improvements plan and the Complete Streets Policy currently under consideration supports and/or includes development of pedestrian connections, including the County's construction of a pathway and bridge through Warrior Creek Park as part of the B2B initiative; and

WHEREAS, the recently constructed Cedars of Dexter Community does not have pedestrian accessibility outside of the development; and

WHEREAS, construction of a non motorized connection along Island Lake Road, including installation of pedestrian accuated crossings would create access to the County's Border to Border Trail to over 100 residents, as well as a connection to a regional trail system, Mill Creek waterway, downtown Dexter, Farmer's Market, Dexter Library; and

WHEREAS, construction of the non motorized pathway is anticipated to cost approximately \$90,000, plus engineering and design; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a letter of support from the United Methodist Retirement Communities, owner of the Cedars of Dexter Project, as well as financial support for construction of the non motorized path;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Village of Dexter Council supports the construction of a non motorized path along the north side of Island Lake Road and a pedestrian crossing signal at the intersection of Dexter Pinckney and Island Lake Road to serve as a community connector between the regional trail system surrounding the Village of Dexter and the Village's downtown, Farmer's Market and Dexter District Library and the Cedars of Dexter housing project;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Dexter Council commits \$18,000 in funding to the project to achieve a 20% match to the Washtenaw County Connecting Communities Grant Program.