

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2011

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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

P. Cousins

D. Fisher

J. Semifero

J. Smith

R. Tell

Also present: Donna Dettling, Village Manager; Carol Jones, Village Clerk; Courtney Nicholls, Assistant Village Manager; Allison Bishop, Community Development Director; Blair Selover, Administrative Public Works Superintendent; Kurt Augustine, Department of Public Works; Dan Schlaff, Department of Public Works; residents and media.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting – January 24, 2011

Motion Smith; support Carson to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 24, 2011.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Smith; support Cousins to approve the agenda with the addition of updated Meeting List (H-1), Communications (F-1) and information under L-4 regarding Medical Marihuana, and information on project funding for the Mill Creek Park under item L-3.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

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

Chapter 22, Section 22-10, Municipal Civil Infraction, of the Village of Dexter General Code – Add fines for Medical Marihuana Dispensary violations.

Action will not be taken.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:34 PM. No one in the audience spoke at the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:35 PM.

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. January Citation Report
4. Washtenaw County Sheriff Community Report
5. Sunday Sales Liquor
6. Thank You Letter from the Dexter Area Chamber

I. REPORTS

1. Washtenaw County Sheriff – Sgt. Gieske

Sgt. Gieske submits her report as per packet. In addition Sgt. Gieske reported on the following: a) the Heart & Soul Run & Bike event held in May will not be going through the Village as in the past due to construction; b) the Dexter-Ann Arbor Run has changed directors but expect the June 5 event to be as seamless as in the past; c) Relay for Life has changed its venue to Monument Park and will be working with the group; d) the county has changed its community communication system to NIXLE which will increase the communication radius; and e) the sub-station is serving as a collection area for a Socks & Underwear Drive. Comments from Council included that because of the number of traffic stops in January is the visibility of the Sheriff's Department on the street slowing down the traffic and has Sheriff Clayton developed any protocol for marijuana dispensaries?

2. Administrative Public Works Superintendent – Blair Selover

Mr. Selover submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Selover reported on the following: a) Act 51 paperwork is done for Streets; b) commended the Departments efforts for snow cleanup (approximately 140 hours); c) completed the Staffing Analysis for the Department of Public Works; d) mentioned Larry's retirement and that due to another person on medical leave will be short staffed; e) Health and Safety training has continued as well as Training and Certification and trying to get the plant back where it should be; f) there is a shortage of space for sludge storage in the wastewater plant and trying to work out solutions; g) the Equalization Basin was started up; h) have done budget training for the streets department; and i) the generator has been repaired.

3. Community Development Manager – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Bishop updated on the following: a) Planning Commission will hold a hearing on March 7 on the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP); b) mentioned that the Community Survey is a part of the Master Plan update; and c) responded to the proposed amendment to the two-story height requirement.

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

None

5. Subcommittee Reports

Downtown Fire Detection - None

Economic Preparedness – Meeting scheduled for March 7 at 3 PM

Facilities -- None

Website – February 15 – 4 PM at the Village Offices

6. Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling gave the following verbal update: a) met with Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment and the Washtenaw County Road Commission regarding alley maintenance , most alleys are too small for the County’s equipment, will need to build them up with aggregate and looking at a cost around \$100,000; b) DAPCO Redevelopment Team met on February 14 with Jim Carson now serving as the chairman and will be meeting monthly; c) the Dexter Area Fire Department is working on an extended budget, should approve the 2011 budget on Thursday and have asked Mr. Seta to come to the February 28th Council meeting to discuss the contract and the budget; and d) down two people at the water plant with Larry leaving on the 28th and Keith out until May, looking for recommendations for staffing and appreciate the hard work done by Dan.

7. President’s Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough updated Council on the following: a) spoke about the tour of the Waste Water Treatment Plant and the good job done by Dan Schlaff in conducting the tour; b) praised Kurt Augustine on the snow removal by the streets department; c) commented on the DAPCO Redevelopment team and that they had only met twice in 2010; d) a Council workshop is planned for Saturday, February 26 to discuss funding; and e) Westridge Homeowners will met on February 2019 to vote on the proposed easement.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$271,124.23

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

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Mill Creek Park Site Plan

Discussion included but was not limited to the following on the Mill Creek Park Plan: a) looking for feedback or questions on the \$1,000,000 to \$1,100,000 budget; b) question asked regarding the shape of the amphitheater, could it be square instead of round and would that reduce the cost; c) need for plenty of power at the amphitheater for performers; d) one change was the addition on an octagon rest area; and e) hope to hear from the Department of Environmental Quality by February 22, the plan would then go to the grant agencies for review and would like to bid in March.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Consideration of: Scope of Services from Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment to apply for State of Michigan S2 Grant and create a State Revolving Fund Project plan

Motion Carson; support Fisher to approve the Scope of Services from Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment to apply for the State of Michigan S2 Grant and create a State Revolving Fund Project Plan for an amount not to exceed \$54,600 and to amend the 2010-2011 Sewer Fund with funds taken from the Sewer Fund Reserve.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carries

2. Consideration of: RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS OF FORMING A REGIONAL FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT INCLUDES SCIO TOWNSHIP, DEXTER TOWNSHIP, WEBSTER TOWNSHIP AND THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER

Motion Semifero; support Carson to approve the Resolution to support moving forward with the process of forming a Regional Fire Department that includes Scio Township, Dexter Township, Webster Township and the Village of Dexter.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Discussion of: Westside Connector Update
Potential Funding Allocation
Review of Easement to Washtenaw County and Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority Quit Claim

Discussion included but was not limited to the discussion of the trail, consideration of a swap of funds with Washtenaw County Parks to speed up the

time line for the projects, take away obstacles as well as saving on matching funds. Ms. Bishop asked Council if they would support the swapping of funds, agree to an easement through Warrior Creek Park and take over the 100 foot easement in the Westridge subdivision.

4. Discussion of: First Reading of Medical Marihuana Related Zoning Ordinance Amendments
Articles 2, Definitions, of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance – Add Medical Marihuana Dispensary and Medical Marihuana Home Occupation.
Article 3, General Provisions of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance – Amend Home Occupations and add Medical Marihuana Home Occupation.
Article 8, Special Land Uses, of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance – Add Medical Marihuana Dispensary and special land use regulations for Medical Marihuana Dispensaries.
Article 14, General Business (C-1) District, Special land Uses - Add Medical Marihuana Dispensary.

Ms. Bishop presented on overview of the Medical Marihuana Zoning Ordinance Amendments. Trustees Smith and Fisher provided handouts from the Michigan Municipal League's Conference on the issue.

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cousins	None
Tell	None
Fisher	None
Jones	None
Smith	None
Semifero	Have an issue with the left-hand turn from Main to Broad Street and the length of time of the light.
Carson	None

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Larry Reynolds of 4802 Broadway, Commerce Township and operates Trustworthy Holistic Caregivers in Garden City extended an invitation to Council to visit his Facility.

At 9:27 PM a recess was taken and the meeting resumed at 9:32 PM.

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

Motion Smith; support Tell to move into closed session at 9:32 PM for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations and potential purchase of property.

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

Motion Smith; support Carson to leave closed session at 10:37 PM.

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

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Cousins; support Semifero to adjourn at 10:37 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: February 28, 2011

Village of Dexter
County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan

RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT MOVING FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS OF FORMING
A REGIONAL FIRE DEPARTMENT THAT INCLUDES SCIO TOWNSHIP, DEXTER
TOWNSHIP, WEBSTER TOWNSHIP AND THE VILLAGE OF DEXTER

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Village Council of the Village of Dexter, County of Washtenaw, Michigan (the "Village"), held on February 14, 2011 at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

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

ABSENT: None

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

Whereas, the Village of Dexter has been participating in meetings since September 2009 with Dexter Township, Webster Township and Scio Township with the goal of examining the idea of forming a larger regional fire department, and

Whereas, the committee has determined that by joining the fire departments currently serving the communities to form a larger regional department an increase in operational efficiency and service level to residents of all four communities will be achieved; and

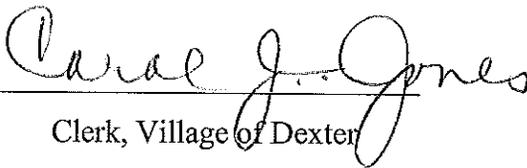
Whereas, confirming support from each participating municipality is the next step in the process of forming the new department;

Now therefore be it resolved, that the Village of Dexter supports the regionalization effort and encourages the committee to move forward with the process.

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

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.


Clerk, Village of Dexter