

FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2007

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, December 10, 2007 at 7:03 PM with President Vern Thelen presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag. Roll was called and a quorum reported. Present were: Roy Smith, John Childers, Chris Thelen, David Klein, Rick Fink, Rhonda Feldpausch, Dick Pline, and John Rademacher.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch

VISITORS

Kyle Knight – Clinton County Sheriff Department, Ken Farley – Ken's Kar Kare, Clare Koenigs knecht – Dallas Township Supervisor, and Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner.

AGENDA

Addition to the agenda: Crossing Guard and Ken's Kar Kare – Special Use Permit

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2007 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Kyle Knight was present and discussed the speed limit issues.

KEN'S KAR KARE – SPECIAL USE PERMIT

Ken Farley – Ken's Kar Kare, was in attendance to present a site plan for his business at 10653 E. Second Street, Fowler, Michigan. Ken submitted a Special Use Permit Application to the Planning Commission requesting the operation of a 24 hour/ 7 day per week towing operation. The recommendation by the Planning Commission was to grant the permit providing a site plan was submitted to the Village Council.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the Special Use Permit and Site Plan submitted by Ken's Kar Kare. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve payment of \$67,146.72 from the General Fund, \$161,748.33 from the Water O & M Fund, \$3,301.50 from the Local Street Fund, \$14,700.44 from the Major Street Fund, and \$8,967.69 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

None.

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER – MILLER'S TAVERN

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve Resolution #2007-08; a resolution approving a liquor license transfer from Miller's Tavern, Inc. to Bluewater Tavern, LLC. Motion carried.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Online mid December.

INSURANCE AND 457 INFORMATION

Medical and Dental Insurance change effective 2-1-08. 457 Plan in the works.

CLINTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers to adopt the Clinton County Waste Management License Agreement. Motion carried .

CLINTON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein, moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to adopt the Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation for the Clinton County Economic Alliance. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to approve a \$500.00 bonus for 2007 for Vern Thelen, Vern Feldpausch, Brad Smith and Rhonda Feldpausch and a \$200.00 bonus for 2007 for John Rademacher. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to match up to \$1,000.00 in 457 Plan contributions for Brad Smith and Vern Feldpausch and up to \$500.00 in 457 Plan contributions for Rhonda Feldpausch. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to increase 2008 wages for Vern Feldpausch – from \$44,220.00 to \$45,546.60; Brad Smith – from \$39,334.00 to \$40,514.00; Rhonda Feldpausch – from \$22,540.00 to 23,216.00; and John Rademacher - \$3,565.00 to \$3,672.00. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve a 2008 bonus of \$75.00 for the Crossing Guard and Summer Help. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein , to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2007 Planning Commission as presented. Motion carried.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch, DPW Supervisor, reported on the following issues:

- Project Plan for water treatment plant
- 2008 work schedule
- Meter reading
- Meter replacement

2007 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink to approve 2007 Budget adjustments as follows:
General Fund – revenue increase \$51,000.00 and expense increase \$12,750.00
Local Street Fund – revenue increase \$2,100.00 and expense increase \$3,100.00
Major Street Fund – revenue increase \$3,000.00 and expense decrease \$30,500.00
Storm Sewer Fund – revenue increase \$2,750.00 and expense decrease \$6,000.00
Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund – revenue increase \$10,200.00 and expense decrease \$10,550.00
Water O & M Fund – revenue decrease \$199,500.00 and expense decrease \$296,750.00
Motion carried.

2008 BUDGET

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the following 2008 Budget:
General Fund - revenue \$478,125.00 and expense - \$464,650.00
Local Street Fund - revenue \$65,000.00 and expense \$66,500.00
Major Street Fund - revenue \$52,000.00 and expense \$54,750.00
Storm Sewer Fund - revenue \$28,500.00 and expense \$8,250.00
Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund - revenue \$75,700.00 and expense \$99,550.00
Water O & M Fund - revenue \$208,430.81 and expense - \$216,350.00
Motion carried.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPERS LETTER OF CREDIT
REDUCTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to approve a decrease from \$10,000.00 to \$5,000.00 on the Community Developers, Inc. Letter of Credit. Motion carried.

CROSSING GUARD

Ann Schafer has decided to resign her Crossing Guard position. Her current substitute, Mike Koenigsknecht, will be the interim guard.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave reported on the following issues:

- County budget
- Bingham Township

CORRESPONDENCE

Consumers Energy – regarding upcoming projects

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

The following issues were discussed:

- Ambulance Authority Representative 2 year term
- Consumers Energy new street lights
- Clare Koenigsknecht, Dallas Township Supervisor, complimented the cleanliness of the village and the cooperation between the township and the village.

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 9:00 PM

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk