

FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, September 10, 2007 at 7:00 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, David Klein, Chris Thelen, Rick Fink, Rhonda Feldpausch, Dick Pline, and John Rademacher.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch and Brad Smith.

VISITORS

Chris Thelen – Clinton County Economic Alliance, Nikki & Bob Pung, Paul Opsommer – State Representative, Daryl Hyland, Kyle Knight – Clinton County Sheriff Department.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

Correction to the minutes of the August 13, 2007 minutest: DPW report was presented by Vern Feldpausch not Brad Smith.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2007 Regular Meeting as amended. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Kyle Knight was present and discussed the following issues:

- September 8 fight at Miller's Tavern
- 50 B & E cases solved in Clinton County

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve payment of \$34,378.59 from the General Fund, \$114,268.16 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$363.75 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: A motion was made by Trustee Smith and Childers, to approve Building Permit #RD2007-05 submitted by Ken Thelen on behalf of Eric and Toni Ann Watts. Motion carried.

EUNICE WIRTH REQUEST

Trustee Pline and Vern Feldpausch will discuss the issue of water drainage on Eunice Wirth's property with her.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The building that houses the water treatment plant is nearing completion. Some bond monies have been received.

CHRIS THELEN – CLINTON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE

Chris Thelen – Clinton County Economic Alliance presented the following information:

- The Alliance is requesting \$625.00/year commitment from the village
- 50% project funding to come from private sector and 50% from public
- Sample "Contract for Services" document

The council will review the information and discuss at the next meeting.

TREASURER REPORT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to accept

the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

DPW REPORT

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

- Project Plan for water treatment plant
- Spot Asphaltting
- Cleaning of storm drains
- Hydrant flushing
- Meter reading
- Parking lot curb and gutter work

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the placement of curb and gutter around the parking lot on First Street between Maple Street and Sorrell Street for a not to exceed amount of \$6,500.00. Motion carried.

PAUL OPSOMMER – STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Representative Opsommer discussed the following issues:

- State of Michigan budget and funding procedures
- Rails-to-Trails

150TH CELEBRATION

The celebration took place the weekend prior to this meeting and was a huge success.

A financial report will be presented at a later date.

VILLAGE ADDRESSING SYSTEM

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to table the issue of Village Addressing System pending further information. Motion carried.

BOB PUNG – BUILDING RESTORATION

Bop Pung and his wife Nikki were present to discuss their plans of a possible restoration of the Fowler House located at the corner of Main Street and Clinton Street. The Pungs wondered if there are any restoration programs or grants for such projects. Although no programs or grants are currently in place, further research will be conducted.

MERS PREMIER HEALTH PROPOSAL

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Klein, to move the insurance benefit package review to the Personnel Committee, DPW employees and John Rademacher. Motion carried.

The implementation of a 457 plan will also be discussed.

WEBSITE

The website is operational but continues to be under construction.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

Nothing was discussed

ADJOURNMENT

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

Adjournment: 9:00 PM

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk