

CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Monday, March 23, 2015
City Hall Council Chambers
301 South LeRoy Street

Mayor Sue Osborn called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

The invocation for the evening was the Lord's Prayer and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Grossmeyer, Jacob, King (via telephone), Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn.
Absent: Bland (excused).
Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Mike Reilly, Building and Zoning Administrator and Stephen Schultz, Legal Counsel.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Osborn stated the Michigan Municipal League conference starts tomorrow in Lansing. She commented the Library opening was a fantastic event.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Markland gave an update on the Streetscape and Community Center projects. He commented Election Commissioner and Oakwood Cemetery Board member Ray Leppert recently passed away and stated he was a good citizen of the community and will be missed.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Jacob commented he was pleased to see how the Library renovations turned out. He gave an update on the disc golf course under construction at Silver Lake Park.

Lockwood gave a Freedom Festival Committee update. She stated the donor reception for the Community Center is scheduled for May 14th and the public opening is set for May 16th. She gave an update on the Metro Alliance and Land Bank meetings.

King commented she recently toured the Cornerstone and Community Center buildings and asked that everyone keep her sister in their prayers.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT – None.

Mayor Osborn called for a moment of silence to observe the passing of Ray Leppert. The Mayor and Council offered their condolences to his family.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – George Dyball, president of the Lake Fenton Property Owners Association commented he is available to answer any questions regarding Resolution 15-6.

CONSENT AGENDA

Osborn reviewed all items that were on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by King and seconded by Grossmeyer to approve the consent agenda containing the following items:

- Authorize payment of invoices in the amount of \$56,426.63.

- Approve and place on file the minutes of the February 17, 2015 Downtown Development Authority meeting.
- Approve a proclamation establishing ‘Stand Up for Transportation Day’.
- Approve a proclamation for Law Day 2015.
- Approve request from the Fenton Lions Club to solicit donations for the “White Cane Drive” within the City limits on April 30th, May 1st, 2nd and 3rd 2015.

YEAS: Grossmeyer, Jacob, King, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Bland. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 691

Markland stated this Ordinance is for a PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) for Mill Pond Manor. The property is being refinanced and the PILOT needs to be reaffirmed for financing purposes. The Ordinance has gone through a first reading and Administration is recommending approval of the Ordinance.

A motion was made by Lockwood and seconded by McDermott to adopt Ordinance No. 691, to establish a Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Mill Pond Manor. Motion carried by a voice vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 692

Markland commented this Ordinance is to establish a PILOT for Dauner Haus IV. Dauner Haus is refinancing and has requested the PILOT be extended. This ordinance has gone through a first reading and Administration is recommending approval of the Ordinance.

A motion was made by McDermott and seconded by Grossmeyer to adopt Ordinance No. 692, to establish a Payment in Lieu of Taxes for Dauner Haus IV. Motion carried by a voice vote.

RESOLUTION 15-6

Markland stated the Lake Fenton Property Owners Association is applying to the MDNR to hold a Goose Round Up on Lake Fenton. He stated Fenton Township has already passed a resolution supporting the Association’s application. A resolution is needed from both municipalities since the lake is in both jurisdictions.

A motion was made by Grossmeyer and seconded by Jacob to adopt Resolution 15-6, a Resolution in support of the Lake Fenton Property Owners Association’s application to the MDNR to participate in the Canada Geese Roundup Program in 2015.

YEAS: Jacob, King, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Grossmeyer.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: Bland. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

RESOLUTION 15-7

Markland stated this resolution is a Notice of Intent to start the bonding process to issue special assessment bonds to pay for road improvements for Eagles on the Waters Edge Townhomes. The bonds will be paid for through a special assessment district.

Osborn asked if these bonds would affect the City’s bonding capacity. Schultz commented he doesn’t believe it would because the bonds would be covered by the special assessment district.

Lockwood ask what the next steps are. Markland commented all the prior steps of the special assessment process have been completed. At a later date, Council will act on the final step of the process, which is approving the assessment once the bonding is in place.

A motion was made by McDermott and seconded by Lockwood to adopt Resolution 15-7, a Resolution authorizing notice of intent to issue Special Assessment Bonds for the purpose of defraying costs for certain road improvements for Eagles on the Waters Edge Townhomes.

YEAS: King, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Grossmeyer, Jacob.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Bland. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

DAUNER HAUS MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

Markland stated in 2008 the City began entering into Municipal Services Agreements with properties that have PILOTS. These agreements are now added when changes or extensions are made to the PILOTS. The agreement with Dauner Haus for this phase of their development is to pay \$150 per unit annually to the City. This will help pay for emergency and other municipal services provided to them in addition to the PILOT.

A motion was made by McDermott and seconded by Jacob to approve the Municipal Services Agreement between Dauner Haus IV/MHT LDHA, LLC and the City of Fenton and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement. Motion carried by a voice vote.

MILL POND MANOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

A motion was made by Lockwood and seconded by McDermott to approve the Municipal Services Agreement between Millpond Manor Limited Dividend Housing Association, Limited Partnership and the City of Fenton and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement. Motion carried by a voice vote.

PEST CONTROL CONTRACT

Markland stated the City has received complaints of rodent infestation. Administration is recommending entering into a contract with All American Pest Control at a cost of \$6,400.00.

Reilly stated code enforcement has been stepped up in the area once the City was made aware of the problem but no specific source of the rodents has been found. He stated the Code Enforcement Officer can inform residents of steps they can take to help this issue such as properly storing trash, eliminating any food sources, etc.

Lockwood thanked Reilly for his quick response to this issue and thinks the recommendation to hire a professional firm is a good move. She thinks if the Council decides to go with the new solid waste program that provides large covered trash and recycling bins, that may help this issue as well.

King stated she thinks it is important to inform residents of steps that can take to help reduce the potential for rodents and supports the steps the City is taking to get the problem under control.

Jacob stated the memo provided from the Building and Zoning Administrator provides for options for paying for this. Is this something the City should pay for or should part of the cost be billed to the property owners? After discussion, consensus was to pay for the contract with All American Pest Control and if that doesn't take care of the problem, different treatment plans, and how to pay for it can be discussed at a later date.

A motion was made by Grossmeyer and seconded by Lockwood to enter into a contract with All American Pest Control for \$6400 and authorize the City Manager to sign the contract. Motion carried by a voice vote.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE – None.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Mayor Sue Osborn

City Clerk, Renee Wilson

Date approved: April 13, 2015