

FREMONT CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Monday, March 1, 2010 – 7:00 PM

Mayor James Rynberg called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilmember James Breinling gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Present at Roll Call: Mayor James Rynberg and Councilmember's Dick Conley and James Breinling. Councilmembers Jane Drake and Larry Breuker were absent.

Staff Present: City Manager Bryan Gruesbeck and City Clerk/Finance Director Todd Blake

Public Present: Anita Osterman, Jim Heftje, Holly Moon, Daniel Wallstead, Jared VanDyke and Doug Berends

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Mayor Rynberg requested items 8.2 & 8.3 switch positions on the agenda.

Motion by Councilmember Breinling, seconded by Councilmember Conley to approve the meeting agenda as amended; motion approved.

Consent Action Items

Motion by Councilmember Breinling, seconded by Councilmember Conley to authorize and approve the following Action Items:

- Minutes of the Regular Council Session held February 15, 2010
- Ms. Felicia Isenhardt's request for use of Veterans Memorial Park & Amphitheater for her wedding ceremony on Saturday, July 31, 2010
- Heartland Hospice' request to use Veterans Memorial Park & Amphitheater for a Community Picnic event on Thursday, June 24, 2010, in coordination with the Chamber's Concert in the Park
- Authorize purchase of \$2,412 in new hose from Time Emergency, for the Fire Department
- Authorize purchase of rubber flooring for the employee Fitness Room for \$3,310.34 from Terry's Furniture & Carpet
- Set Public Hearing on April 5, 2010 for proposed amendment to the Fremont DDA District
- Resolution R-10-08: Urging General Motors to reinstate Buick Licensing to Deur-Speet Motors

Accounts Payable Check Register Report dated February 25, 2010 totaling \$73,380.95

Motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Breinling to approve the 2/25/10 Accounts Payable Check Register Report totaling \$73,380.95; motion approved.

Public Hearing: To Receive Public Comment on Confirmation of Stewart/Warner Avenue Special Assessment Roll

Mayor Rynberg opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 PM to receive public comment on the final confirmation of the Stewart/Warner Avenue (M-82) Special Assessment District Roll. There were no public comments.

Public Hearing: To Receive Public Comment on the Proposed Annexation of New High School Property Parcels

Mayor Rynberg opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM to receive public comment on the proposed Annexation of property for the new high school. There were no public comments.

Mayor Rynberg closed the public hearings at 7:08 PM.

Resolution R-10-06: Confirming the Stewart/Warner Avenue (M-82) Special Assessment District Roll

Motion by Councilmember Breinling, seconded by Councilmember Conley to approve Resolution R-10-06 confirming the assessment roll for the Stewart/Warner Avenue (M-82) Curb & Gutter Improvements Special Assessment District; motion approved.

Resolution R-10-07: Annexing a portion of Sheridan Township to the City of Fremont

Motion by Councilmember Conley, seconded by Councilmember Breinling to approve Resolution R-10-07 annexing property parcels owned by Fremont Public Schools for the new high school's construction and located in Sheridan Township; motion approved.

Request from NC Treasurer for Participation in Land Bank Authority in Newaygo County

Newaygo County Treasurer Holly Moon requested Council and staff's participation in a survey on the proposed establishment of a Land Bank in Newaygo County. She is gathering information and checking public interest for a Land Bank and its potential benefits to Newaygo County.

Reports

City Manager Gruesbeck noted Novi Energy recently reported the USDA will guarantee up to 90% of their loans on the methane digester project planned for Fremont. Novi must now secure the financing institution and formalize the startup process.

He also noted a public hearing is scheduled for Council's next meeting on March 15th, to review and consider grant applications to the MDNR for Fremont Lake Park Campground expansion and possibly other recreational facility enhancements.

Council was also reminded of the Strategic Planning Session scheduled for 5:30 PM in the Council room on March 15th.

The Following Communications were transmitted for Council Information:

- Staff Report: City Projects
- Fremont Chamber of Commerce 2010 Schedule of Events
- Sheridan Township Resolution Supporting School Election Day Changes
- Fremont Planning Commission Meeting Minutes (2/23/10)
- Fremont DDA Meeting Minutes (2/24/10)
- FCJPC Meeting Minutes (2/22/10)
- Sheridan Twp Board Meeting Minutes (2//10)
- Fremont Fire Department Minutes (2/08/10)
- Fremont Fire Department Minutes (2/22/10)

Adjournment

Motion by Councilmember Breinling, seconded by Councilmember Conley to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM; motion approved.

James M. Rynberg, Mayor

Todd M. Blake, City Clerk