

**FREMONT CITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, August 16, 2010 – 7:00 PM**

Mayor James Rynberg called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 PM and Councilmember Jane Drake 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, Jane Drake and James Breinling.

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

**Public Present:** Joel Sovinski, Ryan Mohrback, Bill Fries and Doug Berends

**Approval of Meeting Agenda**

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

**Proclamation: Recognizing “Constitution Week”, in honor the US Constitution**

Mayor Rynberg presented a Proclamation recognizing September 17-23, 2010 as “Constitution Week”, in honor of adoption of the United States Constitution.

**Consent Action Items**

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

- Minutes of the Regular Council Session held August 2, 2010
- Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce' request to use the Downtown Market Place Pavilion for a Harvest Festival beverage tent and music on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Grant Easement to Consumers Energy for placement of overhead power lines on city-owned Fairground property to service the west end of the fairgrounds
- Change Order #1: To increase the Public Works Garage Construction Contract with Visser Brothers by \$3,591.23

**Accounts Payable Check Register Report dated August 13, 2010 totaling \$270,127.18**

Motion by Councilmember Drake, seconded by Councilmember Conley to approve the 8/13/10 Accounts Payable Check Register Report totaling \$270,127.18; motion approved.

**Public Comment**

Troop Leader Bill Freeze announced members of his troop, from the Fremont Congregational Church, were in attendance in pursuit of the Government Service Merit Badge.

**Declaration of Vacancy on the City Council**

With Councilman Larry Breuker's recent passing and with great sorrow, Mayor Rynberg and Councilmembers declared a vacancy on the City Council. Mayor Rynberg requested discussion for filling the vacancy be placed on the next regular agenda.

**Reports**

City Manager Gruesbeck reminded Council the City will hold an informational meeting at the District Library, regarding the Novi Energy project, on August 19<sup>th</sup> and the Planning Commission will meet again on August 24<sup>th</sup> to consider approval of their site plan. If approved, the Zoning Board of Appeals will consider a height variance on Novi's storage tanks on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

**The Following Communications were transmitted for Council Information:**

- Staff Report: City Projects
- Fremont Workability Audit Agenda
- Proposed Community Digester Project: Informational Meeting Agenda
- Newaygo County Convention and Visitors Bureau Newsletter
- Fremont Fire Department Minutes (8/02/10)
- Sherman Twp Board Minutes (8/02/10)
- NC Central Dispatch Authority Board & Commission on Aging Board Application Notice
- Letter from City Manager to Larry and Debbie Brant Regarding Division Ave Construction

**Adjournment**

Motion by Councilmember Breuker, seconded by Councilmember Drake to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM; motion approved.

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James M. Rynberg, Mayor

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Todd M. Blake, City Clerk