

PLANNING AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Approved Minutes

DATE: October 8, 2003

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Fillmore Street Complex

PRESENT: Gordon Schrottenboer, Frederick VanderLaan, Edward Berghorst, Robert Rinck

ABSENT: Roger Rycenga

STAFF & GUESTS: Mark Scheerhorn, Administrative Services Director; Greg Rappleye, Corporation Counsel; Rosemary Zink, Finance Director; Gary Rosema, Sheriff; John Scholtz, Parks & Recreation Director; Sherri Sayles, Deputy Clerk, Media

SUBJECT: CONSENT ITEMS

Approve by consent the Minutes of the October 8, 2002, meeting as presented and approve the agenda of today as presented and amended to add Action Item #4 -To remove from the table Motion PP 03-072 and Discussion Items #5 - Closed Session to Discuss Pending Property Matters (2/3 roll call vote required) and #6 - Taxing Alcohol for Treatment and Education.

SUBJECT: EASEMENT FOR UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL LINE TO CONSUMERS ENERGY FOR PROVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICE TO THE ROSY MOUND NATURAL AREA.

PP 03-079 Motion: To recommend granting an Easement for Underground Electrical Line to Consumers Energy for provision of electrical service to the Rosy Mound Natural Area.

Moved by: Schrottenboer Supported by: VanderLaan UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

PP 03-080 Motion: To forward the applications of * Bobbi Jones Sabine, James Piers, and Joseph P. Mazurek as candidates for the Parks and Recreation Committee for one opening to fill a vacancy with term ending 12/31/03 (* recommended by the committee.)

Moved by: VanderLaan Supported by: Rinck UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A VOTE ON "TRADITIONAL MARRIAGE" AMENDMENT TO THE 1963 CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

PP 03-081 Motion: To approve and forward to the Board the resolution supporting a vote on a "traditional marriage" amendment to the 1963 Constitution of the State of Michigan.

Moved by: Schrottenboer Supported by: Rinck UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE AND TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM (HAZMAT) AGREEMENT AND BY-LAWS

PP 03-082 Motion: To remove from the table Motion PP 03-072 - "To approve the Hazardous Materials Response and Technical Rescue Team Agreement and By-Laws and to authorize County Administration to

forward them to the Board when it has been determined by Administration that a sufficient number of local municipalities have agreed to the terms contained therein.”

Moved by: VanderLaan Supported by: Rinck UNANIMOUS

PP 03-083 Motion: To amend Motion PP 03-072 adding ",with the agreement to be amended to reflect a 75% participation level."

Moved by: VanderLaan Supported by: Rinck UNANIMOUS

A vote was than taken on the motion as amended and the amended motion passed.

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Macatawa Area Coordination Council (MACC) Agreement and By-Laws - Greg Rappleye reported he attend the September MACC Meeting to discuss the County's concerns on the text and by-laws and whether the County could participate. The concerns were received and Greg hasn't received a response back. He will make a report if he hears anything further.
2. Building Projects Update - The building projects update was presented by Mark Scheerhorn.
3. MacTV - Mr. Berghorst received an e-mail from Chris Gould, President & CEO of MacTV, with concerns of providing services to the County at no cost. Mark Scheerhorn reported when using the County's video equipment in the Board Room, the video quality wasn't clear. Committee would like Chris Gould to come to a Work Session to discuss further.
4. Taxing Alcohol for Treatment & Education - Mr. Berghorst reported LCC is experiencing large budget cuts. Alcohol is the most used drug around. He would like to see the County adopt a resolution supporting a tax on alcoholic drinks to be used for supporting treatment and education. Will be discuss at the next meeting.
5. Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation (2/3 roll call vote required).

PP 03- 084 Motion: To go into a Closed Session at 2:20 p.m. to discuss pending litigation (2/3 roll call vote required).

Moved by: VanderLaan Supported by: Schrotenboer UNANIMOUS

Results of roll call vote: Yeas: Schrotenboer, VanderLaan, Rinck, Berghorst. (4)

PP 03-085 Motion: To rise from Closed Session at 2:32 p.m.

Moved by: Schrotenboer Supported by: VanderLaan UNANIMOUS

6. Closed Session to Discuss Property Matters (2/3 roll call vote required).

PP 03-086 Motion: To go into Closed Session at 2:33 p.m. to discuss property matters (2/3 roll call vote required).

Moved by: Schrotenboer Supported by: Rinck UNANIMOUS

Results of roll call vote: Yeas: Schrotenboer, VanderLaan, Rinck, Berghorst. (4)

PP 03-087 Motion: To rise from Closed Session at 2:40 p.m.

Moved by: VanderLaan Supported by: Schrotenboer UNANIMOUS

SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.