

**CITY OF DASHER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2008**

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor Kenny Allen

Ronnie Lieupo

Edwin Smith

Julian Copeland

Anita Armstrong

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Allen. Councilman Copeland gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance followed. There were 3 citizens who attended this meeting. Mayor Allen asked for corrections or additions to the minutes. There were two correction to be made; replace Councilmember Charlie Stewart's name with Councilmember Edwin Smith and under the Mayor's Discussion, All is to be replaced with Al. Councilman Lieupo made a motion to accept the minutes with above corrections, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Charlie Stewart was sworn in as member of Zoning Board of Appeals.

Al Turner had nothing to report.

Mayor proceeded with the first public meeting by reading the entire FY2009 budget. He announced the 2nd public reading and adoption would be May 5. Mayor asked if the council or citizens had any comments or discussion. There was none.

Mayor Allen then opened all the sealed bids for the 3 mowing contracts of Dasher. Diversified Industries of Albany was awarded the Roads/Streets/ROW and properties contract. Cut-Rite was awarded the park mowing contract.

Mayor's Discussion – Mayor Allen and the council discussed the TLS project. Councilman Copeland said we needed to proceed with this so Charlie Clark will be asked to submit the advertising. Mayor then discussed the ditch work needing to be done at the Community Center. He then discussed that the smaller municipalities lost their fight for a alternate Authority Board Member. Remerton and Lake Park signed the agreement. Mayor then stated that this whole process would begin again in July. The City Park development was discussed and the council felt the fencing should be the first priority. Previous estimates for fencing was estimated between \$12,000-18,000. Councilman Copeland announced he applied for a grant from Hamburger Helper which if granted should help with cost. There was more discussion. Mayor then discussed the mosquito spraying bid. Harry Flythe charged us \$275 per spraying last year and \$395 per spraying for this year. There was lengthy discussion to have him spray or use pellets. Councilman Smith stated he would call the county for us to be a distribution point. Mayor then stated we would start the spraying and negotiate the price. Councilman Smith stated he would call Mr. Flythe.

Citizen's Concerns – Ralph Hamm related how many people have already enjoyed the museum.

Council Concerns – Councilman Copeland stated flags and grave markers were ordered for our Veterans on Memorial Day. He has started a list of everyone buried in our cemeteries. He then announced the storm from last weekend damaged the alarm system and he expects other problems to show up. Councilman Lieupo had nothing to report. Councilman Smith stated he is concerned with all the money and effort put into the museum that there is no alarm system. There was discussion of the alarm system options that didn't require a telephone. Councilman Copeland has already received bids. Councilman Smith made a motion to proceed with the bid from Hardin's, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Councilman Smith would like for us to place banners on the posts to spruce up our city. He is also looking into wildlife habitat for TLS pond. Councilman Armstrong announced that Mary Jean Armstrong would like to re-straw and fertilize the bed at the flag pole. She also discussed problems with the men's bathroom in the Community Center.

Mayor then read the invite to the Appreciation Dinner. He announced FEMA sent a certified letter stating we are not in a flood zone. Mr. Barnes from Parks and Recreation sent us a thank you note for letting them use our property as a stopping point for the bike run held last month. Mayor then asked what band we were going to use for Dasher Day. Councilman Armstrong made a motion to let Hwy 41 be the band. Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and was carried unanimously. Councilman Armstrong will verify with the band for availability on Dasher Day.

There being no further discussion, Councilman Armstrong made motion to adjourn, Councilman Smith seconded this motion and it carried unanimously. This meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Submitted by:

Tonia S. Studstill, City Clerk