

**CITY OF MENOMINEE, MICHIGAN
COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE PROCEEDINGS
MAY 11, 2009**

A Committee-of-the Whole meeting of the Menominee City Council, City of Menominee, County of Menominee, State of Michigan, was held Monday, May 11, 2009 at 9 a.m. in the Municipal Complex Council Chambers.

The Honorable George W. Krah called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: Council Members Fernstrum, Hudon, Mick (late), Organ, Pintarelli, Schloegel, and Williams; Mayor Krah

ABSENT: Council Member Sorensen

PRESENT: 8

ABSENT: 1

Mayor Krah opened the Committee-of-the Whole meeting that he called for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

- 1) Pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 2) Public comment on agenda items only.
- 3) Requests from the Menominee Area Arts Council:
 - a) To place a fishing pole sculpture in Marina Park.
 - b) To hold a Frame it Project in the downtown parks in conjunction with the Waterfront Festival.
- 4) 7th Avenue/2nd Street parking lot project.
- 5) Update on State Shared Revenue.
- 6) Public comment.
- 7) Adjourn.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Krah opened the public comment session called for the purpose of hearing comments on agenda items only.

No one was heard.

A motion was made by Councilmember Hudon and seconded by Councilmember Williams to close the public comment session. This motion was carried unanimously.

7th AVENUE/2nd STREET PARKING LOT PROJECT.

The cost to complete the remaining alleyway portion of the project would be about \$33,250 in City funds and \$118,994 that MSHDA would fund.

Councilmember Mick took his seat.

REQUESTS FROM THE MENOMINEE AREA ARTS COUNCIL:

They are interested in placing a fishing pole sculpture in Marina Park at no cost to the City. The exact location is not known.

Councilmembers liked the concept.

They are also looking into holding a frame it project in the Downtown parks in conjunction with the Waterfront Festival. This has been done previously at Henes Park.

UPDATE ON STATE SHARED REVENUE.

The City will receiving about \$60,000 less than expected this fiscal year (2009).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Krahn opened the public comment session and said this was the first Committee of the Whole meeting. The Finance Committee will be meeting as a committee. The Judicial and Legislative and Personnel and Labor Committees have work to be done - is a Committee of the Whole meeting necessary?

Councilmember Fernstrum did not feel a Committee of the Whole meeting was needed.

Councilmember Schloegel said it was hard to attend during the work day.

Councilmember Williams liked the Committee of the Whole concept.

Councilmember Schloegel left the meeting.

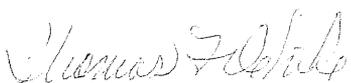
Rob Jamo, City Attorney, said that Roberts Rules of Order allowed recommendations from Committee of the Whole to the full City Council at regular/special meetings.

Eric Strahl, City Manager, said that some committees are necessary due to time constraints.

A motion was made by Councilmember Fernstrum and seconded by Councilmember Mick to close the public comment session. This motion was carried unanimously.\

ADIURN:

A motion was made by Councilmember Fernstrum and seconded by Councilmember Mick to adjourn the meeting. This motion was carried unanimously.


Thomas F. DeNike, City Clerk/Treasurer