



1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820  
July 12, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the DeWitt Charter Township Board of Trustees was called to order by Supervisor Galardi at 7:04 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT** Supervisor Rick Galardi-I, Clerk Adam Cramton-I, Treasurer Sandy Stump-I, and Trustees David Seeger-I, Brian Ross-I, David Fedewa-I, and Steven Smith-I.  
*Location*  
*I=In-Person*  
*C=Call-In*

**MEMBERS ABSENT** None.

**ALSO PRESENT** Fire Chief Dave DeKorte-I, Manager Andrew Dymczyk-I, Community Development Director Brett Wittenberg-I, and Planner Salam Habhab-I.  
*I=In-Person*  
*C=Call-In*

**AGENDA** Fedewa moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the Agenda.

**AYES:** Seeger, Ross, Fedewa, Smith, Stump, Cramton, Galardi.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

**Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA** Smith moved, Ross seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the following: Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Draft Minutes, June 28, 2021; and General Vouchers 73082-73130.

**AYES:** Seeger, Ross, Fedewa, Smith, Stump, Cramton, Galardi.

**NAYS:** None.

**ABSENT:** None.

**Motion carried.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT** None.

**PUBLIC HEARING** None.

**PRESENTATION** None.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT** None.

**CORRESPONDENCE** Correspondence included the following: MERS Annual Actuarial Valuation Report; and Consumers Energy Notice of Hearing.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** None

**NEW BUSINESS**

MML Workers'  
Compensation Fund  
Members

**Galardi moved, Stump seconded, to authorize the Clerk to submit the ballot voting for the three incumbent and two appointee Trustees to be elected to the Michigan Municipal League Worker's Compensation Fund Board.**

**AYES: Seeger, Ross, Fedewa, Smith, Stump, Cramton, Galardi.**

**NAYS: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

**Motion carried.**

Fire Chief Employment  
Agreement

At the end of September 2021, the current term for Chief DeKorte's employment agreement is set to conclude. This position is critical to Township services and the continuity of our fire service workforce. Manager Dymczyk recommends approval of an employment agreement extension for the position of Fire Chief to Dave DeKorte expiring December 31, 2022.

**Fedewa moved, Seeger seconded, to concur with the Manager's Office recommendation to extend and approve the employment agreement for the position of Fire Chief with Mr. Dave DeKorte effective October 1, 2021 at Grade 10 Step 5 expiring December 31, 2022.**

**AYES: Seeger, Ross, Fedewa, Smith, Stump, Cramton, Galardi.**

**NAYS: None.**

**ABSENT: None.**

**Motion carried.**

EXTENDED PUBLIC,  
STAFF, & BOARD  
COMMENTS

Police Chief Mike Gute introduced new Police Officer Jake Minott. Chief Gute also provided an update on his recent Chief's Conference attendance as well as an update on recent public safety activity in the community.

Fire Chief Dave DeKorte thanked the Board for approving his new employment contract. Chief DeKorte provided that the 160 runs in June was the most ever for the department. Along with Manager Dymczyk, Chief DeKorte will be conducting interviews for fire fighters as well as a new fire inspector.

Manager Dymczyk provided updates on the following:

- Housing study provided to Planning Commission
- Pickleball Court vendor interviews are being set up
- Municipal Building South responses are due this week
- Upcoming interviews for code enforcement office, fire inspector, fire fighters
- 2022 Budget, CIP
- Uniform Chart of Accounts
- Township IT, network repair this week
- Audio/visual update to Board Room and Conference Room 1 soon

Trustee Ross informed the Board that the next Board of Water and Light meeting is on July 27. He is unsure when the NEXT MI board will meet again.

Trustee Fedewa thinks that it would be useful to have a joint meeting of the Board and the Planning Commission to unpack the Housing Study.

Treasurer Stump stated that it is summer tax season and that sewer bills are due this week. She has been investigating our banking fee structure and that the Township's cash accounts are now with Lake Trust Credit Union.

ADJOURNMENT      **Seeger moved, Ross seconded, to adjourn at 7:46 PM.**

**Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Adam Cramton, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor