

**DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP**  
**1401 W. Herbison Rd. DeWitt, MI**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**June 12, 2006**

The regular meeting of the DeWitt Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Galardi at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Rick Galardi, Clerk Diane Mosier, Treasurer Phyllis Daggy, Trustees: Jeff Baumann, Max Calder, and David Seeger.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Steve Musselman

Also Present: Manager Matthew Kulhanek, Fire Chief Frederick Koos, County Commissioners Robert Showers and Virginia Zeeb, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Daggy moved, Calder seconded, to approve the Agenda, as presented. Motion voted and carried.**

MINUTES **Calder moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2006 meeting, as presented. Motion voted and carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PUBLIC HEARING  
Streetlighting Dist  
Creeping Brook Ph 7  
Supervisor Galardi called to order a Public Hearing on the creation of a Streetlight District and Assessment Roll for Creeping Brook Subdivision, Phase 7.

Manager Kulhanek reviewed the proposed district and assessment roll. There was no public comment.

**Seeger moved, Daggy seconded, to close the Public Hearing. Motion voted and carried.**

**Calder moved, Baumann seconded, to adopt Resolution 060609 establishing a Streetlighting District and Assessment Roll for Creeping Brook Subdivision Phase 7.**

**AYES: Calder, Baumann, Daggy, Mosier, Galardi, Seeger**  
**NAYS: None Motion carried.**

**Seeger moved, Daggy seconded, to adopt Resolution 060610, authorizing the change to the Consumers Energy Contract for Creeping Brook Subdivision Phase 7.**

**AYES: Seeger, Galardi, Mosier, Daggy, Baumann, Calder**  
**NAYS: None Motion carried.**

PUBLIC HEARING  
Industrial Facilities Tax  
Abatement Policy  
Supervisor Galardi opened an informal public hearing on the proposed Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Policy.

Written comments were received from Don Riel, 2173 Cutler Road, with suggestions for specific sections of the proposed policy.

Johanna Balzer, Ron Macomb, and Ronald Balzer spoke cautioning the Board about the policy, and expressing their concern that tax abatements would be granted.

Supervisor Galardi explained that the availability for tax abatements exists through state statute, however, a policy will give the Board guidelines and criteria for considering tax abatement applications.

Supervisor Galardi thanked those present for their comments.

Manager Kulhanek was instructed to incorporate Don Riel's comments into the policy and return with a final draft reviewed by Attorney Robinson.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence included the following: Clinton County 2006 Equalization Report; a letter from MTA to City of Lansing Mayor Verg Bernero; May statistics from the Clinton County Sheriff; Legislative Update from State Representative Hummel; Police/Fire information pack regarding the upcoming millage renewal question; programming update from Comcast; Fire Department Burning Issues Newsletter; May Activity Report; an introduction from Kevin Hayes, candidate for State Representative.

There was a brief discussion about Mayor Bernero's comments regarding Townships.

#### REPORTS & COMMENTS

County Commissioner Showers provided a brief update on Clinton County issues.

Clerk Mosier reported the following: payroll was not available today for Board members, and will be mailed tomorrow; vouchers will also be available tomorrow from the new accounting software; we will be taking delivery this week of the new Auto-Mark ballot marking device for use by physically challenged voters; the Library has hired a firm to conduct a needs assessment to assist the Library Board in planning for the Library's future needs.

Manager Kulhanek reported the following: The Township has been assessed approximately \$65,000 at large for the Creekside Drain project; the Township's ISO ratings are being reviewed for the first time in ten years; the Buckingham water service has been resolved by the Board of Water & Light; the pre-application conference was held with Auto Owners, and an anticipated rezoning application should be before the Planning Commission for a "receive and set" at the July meeting.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R06-880001  
Burns Second Reading

**Calder moved, Mosier seconded, to adopt on Second Reading, Rezoning request 06-880001 from Ronald and Louise Burns, as recommended by the Planning Commission, rezoning approximately 0.75 acres located at 16936 Turner Road from IL (Industrial, Light) to R5 (Residential Single and Two Family) on the following basis: 1)the requested rezoning is consistent with the Future Land Use designation and residential land use goals of the Comprehensive Development Plan 2)the requested rezoning is consistent with the Growth Management Strategy component of the Comprehensive Development Plan 3)the site can be adequately served with the necessary public facilities, including public water and sanitary sewer.**

**AYES: Mosier, Daggy, Baumann, Calder, Seeger**  
**NAYS: None Motion carried.**  
(Supervisor Galardi had left the room and did not vote)

Ord Amendment  
103.1 Second  
Reading

**Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to adopt Ordinance Amendment 103.1, amending the Township's Littering Ordinance, on Second Reading.**

**AYES: Seeger, Galardi, Mosier, Daggy, Baumann, Calder**  
**NAYS: None Motion carried.**

NEW BUSINESS  
Award Bids-Valley  
Farms park Irrigation  
System

**Motion by Calder, second by Baumann, to award the \$38,500 bid for the supply and installation of an irrigation system for Valley Farms Park to HTA Companies, Inc. and authorize the Township Manager to execute the necessary documents. Motion voted and carried.**

Policy-Pre-Plat  
Permitting

**Motion by Seeger, second by Mosier, to authorize the drafting of a formal policy regarding the issuance of multiple building permits on parcels of land that are in the process of being platted, said policy to then be adopted by the Township Board. Motion voted and carried.**

Employee Appreciation

Action for the Employee Appreciation event was postponed until the next meeting.

Res 060611  
Set Public Hearing for  
Riverside Streetlights

**Mosier moved, Calder seconded, to adopt Resolution 060611, setting a Public Hearing for July 10<sup>th</sup> 2006, for the establishment of a Streetlighting District and Special Assessment roll for Riverside Estates.**

**AYES: Galardi, Seeger, Calder, Baumann, Daggy, Mosier**  
**NAYS: None Motion carried.**

Resignation-Planning  
Commission

**Motion by Seeger, second by Calder, to accept with regret, the resignation of Jane DeHoog from the Planning Commission. Motion voted and carried.**

COMMENTS

Fire Chief Koos explained the creation of a Fire Services Academy.

ADJOURNMENT

**Seeger moved, Daggy seconded, to adjourn at 9:20 p.m. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane K. Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor