

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
June 24, 2013 Board Minutes

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 and Trustees Johanna Balzer, Steve Musselman, and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Brian Ross

Also Present: Manager Rodney Taylor, Kate Neese representing Clinton County Waste Management, County Commissioners Eileen Heideman and Jack Enderle, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Musselman moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the Agenda, adding MTA Governance Resolution under New Business. Motion voted and carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included approval of General Operating Fund Vouchers 61643 - 61725; and approval of Township Board Minutes of 06/10/13. Motion voted and carried.**

BRIEF PUBLIC
COMMENT

Dave Stewart, 12595 Wood Road, made the following points: 1)the Township does need the IPMC but should not amend it, just adopt it as it stands 2)this process has just been a waste of time and money spent on attorneys 3)the Green property is an example of a site that needs code enforcement 4)junk vehicles should be tagged and towed immediately.

COUNTY
COMM. REPORT

Commissioners Enderle and Heideman provided an update of County Commissioners business, as well as reporting on progress of county construction projects.

PRESENTATION

Kate Neese spoke representing Clinton County Waste Management projects throughout the county, and the partnerships formed working with local municipalities. Supervisor Galardi suggested that making DeWitt Township and Clinton County more GREEN would be a worthwhile effort. Clerk Mosier initiated discussion about the need for an available free yard waste recycling program for the Township.

PUBLIC HEARING
Panther Drive Assess-
ment District

Supervisor Galardi called to order the Public Hearing on the Panther Drive Assessment District. Manager Taylor explained the process, and noted that the process was initiated by petition from residents in the Shady Brook Subdivision.

Residents in the Shady Brook Subdivision spoke in favor of the assessment district. They stated that if this road becomes a public road, they will no longer be responsible for the road, and they understand that the assessment will bring the road up to public road standards so that it can be turned over to the Township as a local road.

Clerk Mosier noted that no calls were received opposing this assessment.

Supervisor Galardi closed the Public Hearing and reconvened the Regular Meeting.

The history of the road, and the details of the plan to make this a public road were discussed.

Mosier moved, Balzer seconded, to adopt Resolution 2013-06-12, approving the petition and the special assessment district, and Resolution 2013-06-13, authorizing the Notice of Special Assessment.

AYES: Musselman, Seeger, Galardi, Mosier, Daggy, Balzer

NAYS: None Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the following: Gunnisonville Meadows Open House Announcement; MTA Principles of Governance; Activity Report ;Consumers Energy Public Hearing notice

UNFINISHED BUSINESS Property Maintenance Code/Property Maintenance Code Ord/Violations Bureau-Second Reading delayed
PMC/Ordinance/
Violations Bureau
Second Reading

NEW BUSINESS **Mosier moved, Balzer seconded, to adopt Resolution 2013-07-15, regarding Township standards for Township Governance.**
MTA Governance
Resolution

AYES: Balzer, Daggy, Mosier, Galardi, Seeger, Musselman

NAYS: None Motion carried.

Employment Rec/Fire **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to hire Christopher Earl Dinsdale as a Paid-On-Call Firefighter/MFR at will employee pending completion of an employment physical. Motion voted and carried.**

Resignation/Sewer Board of Appeals **Musselman moved, Balzer seconded, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Rick Shepherd from the Sewer Board of Appeals. Motion voted and carried.**

Outstanding Citizen Resolution 2013-06-11 **Musselman moved, Balzer seconded, to adopt Resolution 2013-06-11 honoring Max Calder as an Outstanding Citizen.**

AYES: Musselman, Seeger, Galardi, Mosier, Daggy, Balzer

NAYS: None Motion carried.

Clerk Mosier will handle scheduling the presentation.

Employee Appreciation **Balzer moved, Daggy seconded, to plan the Employee Appreciation Event for Tuesday, September 10, 2013, with the Board hosting the event at Valley Farms Park, and a rain site at the Community Center. Motion voted and carried.**

Res 2013-06-14
Parks & Rec Month **Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to adopt Resolution 2013-06-14, designating July as Parks & Recreation month.**

AYES: Mosier, Galardi, Seeger, Musselman, Balzer, Daggy
NAYS: None Motion carried.

Ord 2013-06-02
Fireworks Ordinance Manager Taylor explained his memo, dated June 21, 2013, and presented the proposed Fireworks Ordinance based on what is allowed by recently passed legislation. It was noted that the Ordinance will not be in effect until after the July 4th holiday.

Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to adopt Ordinance 2013-06-02, relating to Fireworks, on First Reading.

AYES: Musselman, Seeger, Galardi, Mosier, Daggy, Balzer
NAYS: None Motion carried.

REPORTS & Manager Taylor, Clerk Mosier, and Chief Koos provided information about the day to day operations.

EXTENDED
PUBLIC COMMENT None.

ADJOURNMENT **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor