

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
April 10, 2017 Board Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the DeWitt Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Galardi at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Rick Galardi, Clerk Diane Mosier, Treasurer Phyllis Daggy, and Trustees: Dave Fedewa, Steve Musselman, Brian Ross, and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT Manager Rodney Taylor; Police Chief Brian Russell, Fire Marshal Dave DeKorte, Chad Stevens and Mitch McClintock with DARA, Dan Armentrout with the Clinton County Road Commission, Bill Kimball with C2AE, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Musselman moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the Agenda, adding Reports after New Business. Motion voted and carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the following: approval of the Township Board Minutes of March 27, 2017 and approval of General Fund Vouchers 67304-67348. Motion voted and carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PRESENTATIONS Dan Armentrout with the Clinton County Road Commission reviewed the proposed 2017 and 2018 road projects. A large part of the discussion centered on the Herbison Road project, which will be done in phases both in the Township and in the City in 2017 and beyond. Jake Perkins will be the on-site supervisor in the Township's portion of the project this summer.

DARA
2016 Annual Report Chad Stevens, DARA Director, reviewed the DARA 2016 Annual Report. The following topics were discussed: 1)the current trends in adult recreation, and how those changes are impacting participation and facility use 2)the sponsorships that have come into the revenue stream through word of mouth about DARA programs 3)the success of the summer camp programs and the revenues generated by the same. Mitch McClintock with DARA was also present.

COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS' None present.

REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the Activity Report

UNFINISHED None.
BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS **Ross moved, Daggy seconded, to appoint Manager Rod Taylor as the DeWitt Charter Township designee to the Tri-County Regional Planning Capital Area Region Transportation Study Committee and Brett Wittenberg as the alternate. Motion voted and carried.**
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Stipend – Manager Taylor stated that with the departure of Community Development Director Niewiadomski, Brett Wittenberg will be responsible for handling day-to-day responsibilities. He recommended a stipend while Wittenberg is filling the responsibilities of the higher pay grade.
Brett Wittenberg

Musselman moved, Daggy seconded, to authorize a temporary increase of Brett Wittenberg's hourly rate to Grade 9 Step 1 and increase his hours to 39 hours per week until which time the Community Development Director position is filled or until determined by the Township Manager. Motion voted and carried.

T-Mobile Cell Tower Manager Taylor reviewed his memo, dated April 7, 2017, recommending the extension of the T-Mobile agreement with some changes.
Lease

Ross moved, Daggy seconded, to authorize the Township Clerk to execute the Third Amendment to Lease Agreement between the Township and T-Mobile Northeast LLC for the use of the Township's water tower as a platform for their cellular network. Motion voted and carried.

PUBLIC/STAFF & Bill Kimball spoke briefly to some issues facing Springbrook Hills Homeowners
BOARD COMMENTS Association and the organizations willingness to work with the Township.

Interim Fire Chief DeKorte reported on recent issues handled by the Fire Department.

Manager Taylor reported the following: discussionS are taking place with BWL relating to the franchise agreement; the Dog Park project is moving along with fence installation being scheduled, and \$1,200 raised by the citizen group; the Community Showcase if this Thursday at 5:00.

Trustee Ross reported that the Next Michigan Development Corporation will meet this Wednesday at 2:30.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeger moved, Mosier seconded, to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor