

# DeWitt Charter Township

## Public Safety Committee

1401 W. Herbison Road

DeWitt, MI 48820

June 21, 2010 minutes

Chairman Thomas Hendrickson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### ROLL CALL

Members Present: David Seeger, Thomas Hendrickson, Thomas Leonard, Bonnie Oetman

Members Absent: Sava Vosovic

Also Present: Chief Russell - PD  
Chief Koos – FD  
Clerk Diane Mosier

### AGENDA

**Seeger moved; Oetman seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion voted and carried.**

### MINUTES

**Leonard moved; Seeger seconded the approval of the January 19, 2010 minutes. Motion voted and carried.**

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

### OLD BUSINESS

None

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Chief Koos updated the committee on the progress of the Apparatus Committee and the purchase of a pumper and a tanker. Drawings of the vehicles were provided for the committee to review. Chief Koos indicated the cost of the project and discussed the grant that was received for the pumper. The committee expressed their appreciation for the Chief's effort in obtaining the grant.

2. Chief Russell updated the committee on the RSVP program. This program is funded by a \$12,754 grant that is focused on community service projects. Twelve volunteers were originally accepted into this program. Unfortunately, one member resigned today.

The grant was used to purchase a golf cart, trailer, portable radios and shirts for the volunteers. The RSVP team will patrol Granger Meadows, Valley Farms, and Padgett Parks. The City of DeWitt has requested their services during the Ox Roast. Their main role is to patrol the parks in a non-confrontational manner and to work special events as needed.

So far, the program has been received well by the public, especially those in the park who interact with the RSVP staff.

3. Clerk Mosier addressed the committee regarding the upcoming Millage renewal on the ballot for the August Primary election. She explained what the millage meant to the operations of the fire and police departments. She went over what the committee can do as representatives of the Public Safety Committee and as citizens and residents of DeWitt Township. As a committee member, their role is to provide factual information. Information sheets were provided to committee to hand out and for reference.

#### TRUSTEE REPORT

Trustee Seeger updated the committee on some of the business and actions of the Township Board.

#### EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS and OTHERS COMMENTS

**Oetman moved; Leonard seconded to hold at least two Public Safety Committee meetings a year. Motion voted and carried.**

Discussion focused on the committee staying abreast of activities happening within public safety as well as other township activities in the township. By having only one meeting a year it was felt that the committee was out of the loop. Meetings would happen in January and June of each year.

**Oetman moved; Leonard seconded the adjournment of the meeting. Motion voted and carried. @ 7:41 pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Frederick H. Koos  
Fire Chief

Lori Fox  
Fire Department Secretary