

last week internet and internet-email was rolled out to employees, he is working to renew the leases on the water tower with the possibility of increased revenue; police contract negotiations begin October 2nd; we have received a grievance from the police union regarding overtime; he continues to work with East Lansing to determine if we can find opportunities to work together, i.e. fuel purchases, garage; the Phase II Report deadline has been delayed; he continues to communicate with Clinton County to determine if services can be shared relative to the building offices.

Supervisor Galardi noted that he previously met with Granger regarding the need to allow organics in the landfills.

COMMITTEES &
COMMISSIONS
Planning Commission

Trustee Ross reported on the Planning Commission meeting of September 4, 2007.

Ross moved, Calder seconded, to received and place on file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of September 4, 2007. Motion voted and carried.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS
Heritage Glen Sidewalks

Planning Director Gray reviewed his staff report, dated September 20, 2007, regarding the Heritage Glen Subdivision sidewalks. He explained that staff has been working with Heritage Glen neighborhood residents and the developer for several months to address gaps that exist in the sidewalk network along undeveloped lots in the subdivisions.

Planning Director Gray stated that both he and Manager Taylor met with the developer of Heritage Glen Subdivision in an attempt to reach a tentative agreement regarding the proposed sidewalk network and construction schedule. A drawing was provided which was a result of the discussions.

Cheri Hodges, 13160 Primrose Lane and Chris Nelson, 13180 Primrose, both spoke requesting that the Board enforce the regulations which require the sidewalks to be installed within three years of final approval of the plat. They pointed out that it has been almost ten years since the approval of the first phase of this subdivision.

They presented the Board with a petition signed by residents of Heritage Glen requesting that the Board enforce the regulations pertaining to the construction of sidewalks in their neighborhood.

There was lengthy discussion regarding the plan negotiated with the developer by Planning Director Gray and Manager Taylor, which would require installation of specific sidewalks in October of this year, additional sidewalks in 2008, and more in 2009. It was noted that the overall plan attempted to get sidewalks in all of the first phase, and on at least one side of the street throughout the development within the near future.

It was pointed out that the entire plan is subject to negotiation each year.

Mosier moved, Musselman seconded, to 1)direct staff to draft a letter of understanding with the developer of the Heritage Glen Subdivisions to accomplish installation of sidewalks in said subdivisions in accordance with the drawing last revised on September 19, 2007; that said letter of understanding will indicate an annual review of the plan in May of each year; to authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to execute the same 2) and to

authorize the Manager and/or Planning Director to provide a letter to all of the property owners within Heritage Glen which shall explain the plan of action as agreed to between the developer and the Township to install sidewalks within their subdivision. Motion voted and carried.

The residents present, Cheri Hodges, and Chris Nelson, were thanked for their input in this matter.

Proposed 2008 DARA
Budget

DARA Director Staci Leyko spoke briefly on the DARA Budget and answered questions from the Board.

The Board was very complimentary to Director Leyko for the positive contribution that the DARA organization is making to the community and regional cooperation with the City of DeWitt.

Musselman moved, Daggy seconded, to confirm support of the 2008 DARA Operating Budget, as proposed. Motion voted and carried.

SCCMUA Solids
Handling

Calder moved, Mosier seconded, to pay the remaining balance of \$97,999 on the Solids Handling Project out of the SCCMUA/DeWitt Township reserve account. Motion voted and carried.

Resignation - Planning
Commission

Galardi moved, Seeger seconded, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Greg White from the Planning Commission and Ordinance Amendment Sub-Committee effective 12/31/07. Motion voted and carried.

Supervisor Galardi requested that a letter, signed by each Board member, be sent to Greg White thanking his for his service. Board members had many good things to say about Greg's service

Purchase of Trees

Manager Taylor provided a staff report explaining the plan to purchase a variety of trees for Hurd and Gunnisonville cemeteries, Valley Farms Park, and Granger Meadows Park. He noted that four bids were received, with Horrocks being the low bidder.

It was noted that the Board expects that there will be a one year warranty on any trees purchased.

Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to authorize the Township Manager to purchase 80 trees for the Township Parks and Cemeteries from the low bidder, Horrocks, for an amount not to exceed \$20,477. Motion voted and carried.

2008 SCCMUA Budget

Manager Taylor initiated discussion regarding the SCCMUA 2008 Budget.

Mosier moved, Calder seconded, to adopt the 2008 SCCMUA Operating Budget, as proposed, Motion voted and carried.

Herbison Road Sewer
Engineering

Manager Taylor reviewed his staff report, dated September 21, 2007. He explained that a portion of the sewer main collapsed in Herbison Road this year triggering an investigation which has determined that extensive work is needed. He explained that the proposed repair will replace 1,959 feet of 18-inch sewer main with 21-inch main, and repair an additional 1,101 feet of main with an interior lining process.

Manager Taylor noted that he previously reported to the Board that he has been negotiating with Bath Township to formulate an agreement for cost

sharing of the repairs of this main.

Manager Taylor explained that since a number of sewer projects are expected to be bid in 2008, C2AE is recommending that the Township move forward with as soon as possible.

There was discussion regarding the need to close Herbison Road next summer when this project is underway.

Trustee Ross suggested that Taylor may want to investigate the option of "pipe bursting" for replacing the reinforced concrete pipe, which might avoid the costs of tearing up and closing Herbison Road.

Ross moved, Calder seconded, to authorize the Township Clerk and Township Manager to execute an agreement with C2AE for engineering services related to the Herbison Road Interceptor Sewer Replacement/Lining Project, in a contract amount not to exceed \$84,100 and will be charged to the sewer fund engineering line item 590-537-802-000. Motion voted and carried.

Planning Commission
Appointment

Musselman moved, Seeger seconded, to concur with the Supervisor's recommendation to appoint Marsha Zimmerman to the Planning Commission to fill the current vacancy. Motion voted and carried.

COMMENTS

Supervisor Galardi initiated a discussion with Loretta Spinrad, DACA, regarding the private funding portion of the Clinton County Economic Alliance.

Planning Director Gray reported on upcoming projects for Granger and the expansion of the Christ United Church.

Trustee Ross commented on the Police Department's recent location of a child in response to an Amber Alert.

Trustee Seeger noted that the Solid Waste Council will meet here in the Township Hall tomorrow evening.

Supervisor Galardi reported that DeWitt City Mayor Jim Rundborg called today and asked for a meeting with Wayne Summers, the Library Board President, and Gregg Ostrander and Brian Vick, City Library Board members, and Library Director Rene Prado. Mayor Rundborg stated that there appears to be some issues regarding the Library's process of working through the details of planning for a new Library. Supervisor Galardi stated that he will meet with them tomorrow night since they seem to have some issue with whether too many decisions are being made by the Director and President without enough support from the rest of the Board. He explained that it is critical that we get everybody going in the same direction on this politically, and he will be real interested to see what is happening.

Supervisor Galardi also reported that he will be meeting the Lansing City Mayor Benaro this week to discuss the Airport and the Emergent expansion area. He stated that he believes that Emergent is clearly working with the City of Lansing, and he will keep the Board up to speed on the issue.

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ADJOURNMENT

Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to adjourn at 9:10 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor