

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Rd. DeWitt, MI
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 23, 2010

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, which was lead by Madison Taylor.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Also Present: Manager Rodney Taylor, Police Chief Brian Russell, County Commissioner Eileen Heideman (arrived late), Debby Kloosterman with the Building Stronger Communities Council, Madison Taylor, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Ross moved, Calder seconded, to approve the Agenda, adding “Meeting Notification/Traffic Access Management Study” under Correspondence. Motion voted and carried.**

MINUTES **Calder moved, Daggy seconded, to approve the minutes of July 26, 2010, and August 9, 2010, as presented. Motion voted and carried.**

PRESENTATION Troy Feltman, Bath Township Manager, and Debby Kloosterman, Building Stronger Communities Council Coordinator, addressed the Board regarding services their organization provides to residents of Clinton County to enhance their quality of life by providing services efficiently. She stated that their organization identifies obstacles people face when reaching out for assistance, they then address the obstacles and provide access to resources, which means that when someone reaches out for help they know where to send them. Feltman stated that Bath Township has participated in the Building Stronger Communities initiative, because they believe that working together, organizations can better identify and provide help to citizens. He noted that this effort is especially needed during these tough economic times.

Galardi moved, Mosier seconded, to equal the Bath Township contribution to the Building Stronger Communities Council of \$2,500. Motion voted and carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

COUNTY None.
COMMISSIONER RPT

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the following: information from the Clinton County Drain Commissioner about the Olive, DeWitt, and Bath Drain Maintenance; Michigan Public Policy Survey information from the University of Michigan; meeting notification for the Traffic Access Management Study from CDD Trent.

COMMITTEES &
COMMISSIONS **Calder moved, Ross seconded, to receive and place on file the draft minutes of the Planning Commission meeting of August 2, 2010. Motion**

Planning Comm **voted and carried.**

Library Board Clerk Mosier briefly reviewed decisions recently made by the Library Board due to an unexpected cut of \$20,000 in revenue yet this year, those cuts include: closure of the satellite library at the Community Center, another reduction in hours at the Library, implementation of a \$1 fee for MelCat items, additional reductions in maintenance and repair of the library building, personnel cuts, and miscellaneous other expenditure reductions.

Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to receive and place on file the draft minutes of the Library Board meeting of August 12, 2010. Motion voted and carried.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS **Ross moved, Daggy seconded, to set a budget workshop to be held during the**
Set Budget Workshop **next Board meeting, on September 13th. Motion voted and carried.**

Budget Adj-Drains Manager Taylor reviewed his memo recommending a budget adjustment for drain assessments. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the upcoming Remy-Chandler drainage work and assessments.

Calder moved, Daggy seconded, to approve the following budget adjustment to the 2010 General Fund budget: \$2,000 to 101-445-958-000 (Drains-Dues and Memberships) from 101-000-390-000 (General Fund Balance). Motion voted and carried.

VOUCHERS **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to approve General Operating Fund Vouchers 57462-57527 and Tax Fund Vouchers 7229-7242. Motion voted and carried.**

REPORTS Chief Russell thanked Clerk Mosier for her efforts to get the word out about the Police and Fire Millage. Clerk Mosier stated that both the Police and Fire Chief were active in this effort.

Clerk Mosier reported that she has been notified that the Lansing School District will be putting a millage question on the November ballot, which will mean splitting four precincts within DeWitt Township.

Supervisor Galardi and Manager Taylor initiated discussion regarding regionalism. Specifically discussed were opportunities with the City of Lansing and the Airport, to assist in the development of properties at the Airport. Manager Taylor reported that discussions have taken place which include options such as a Renaissance Zone designation and the possibility of a 425 Agreement with the City of Lansing. Details of these negotiations were discussed. It was the consensus of the Board that Manager Taylor should continue to work with the

City of Lansing and the Airport to explore and define possibilities to promote development in the region.

EXTENDED PUBLIC None.

ADJOURNMENT **Motion carried to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 p.m. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor