

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
June 8, 2015, 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, Stephen Musselman, Brian Ross, and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT Planner Tory Niewiadomski, County Commissioner Ann Hill, Maureen Wegener with C2AE, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to approve the Agenda, as presented. Motion voted and carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA **Balzer moved, Daggy seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included approval of General Operating Fund Vouchers 64569 - 64642; and approval of Township Board Minutes of May 26, 2015 and Zoning Board of Appeals draft minutes of May 20, 2015. Motion voted and carried.**

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT None

PUBLIC HEARINGS Supervisor Galardi called to order the Public Hearing on the Sanitary Sewer Master Plan State Sanitary Sewer Master Revolving Fund Project Plan at 7:02 p.m. He introduced Maureen Wegener with C2AE who provided a presentation explaining the process to determine which corrective action plan should be chosen to correct Lift Station 102 deficiencies. The presentation outlined four alternatives, of which alternative number one was recommended and discussed.

Supervisor Galardi called for Public Comment. Clerk Mosier noted that no calls or comments were received in response to the published notice.

County Commissioner Ann Hill, 695 Phoebe, East Lansing, questioned whether the Township has challenged the flood plain designation and what source was utilized to determine population projections.

Wegener explained the need to relocate Lift Station 102. She indicated that the Township and Tri County Planning were used for population growth projections.

Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to close the Public Hearing at 8:02 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

Wegener noted that a resolution on this issue will be before the Board at the next meeting. No further action was taken.

Complete the Streets O2015-1-7 1st Reading Planner Niewiadomski explained that this public input opportunity was advertised and provided but not required. He and Clerk Mosier noted that no public comment or questions were received from the solicitation. Niewiadomski reviewed the proposed changes to the draft ordinance since its last review.

Supervisor Galardi requested that an inclusion be made to allow for delay in clearing pathways/sidewalks based upon extremely cold temperatures. Wind chill temperatures at zero or below were discussed as a threshold to delay snow removal deadlines. Niewiadomski stated that he could add this language prior to second reading.

Faye Hagy, 1745 E. Clark Road, questioned whether the Township could provide a list of contractors for snow removal.

Ken Schelb, 13875 Schavey Road, pointed out that for some snow birds this will be an additional burden.

Mosier moved, Ross seconded, to approve on First Reading, the Complete the Streets Ordinance Amendment O2015-1-7, based on discussions from the April 27, 2015 meeting, and after finding that the proposed amendments have complied with the process for amending the Ordinance, and adding language relating to delay for clearing of sidewalks/pathways based on extreme wind chill temperatures.

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

COUNTY

COMMISSIONER Commissioner Hill provided an update on Clinton County business.

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the following: Activity Report; Fire Department Burning Issues Newsletter; Comcast Programming Update; Legislative Update from State Representative Tom Leonard.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS Mosier moved, Musselman seconded, to schedule the Employee Appreciation Event for Thursday, August 27th at 5:30 at Valley Farms Park. Motion voted and carried
Employee Appreciation

Set Public Hearing Res/Ridge Rock #2 Streetlights Mosier moved, Balzer seconded, to adopt Resolution 2015-06-10 setting a Public Hearing for the establishment of the Ridge Rock #2 Streetlighting District for Monday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the DeWitt Charter Township Hall.

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

- Appointments **Ross moved, Seeger seconded, to concur with the Supervisor's appointments of Trustee David Seeger, Trustee Johanna Balzer, Planning Commission Chair Adam Bertram, and Manager Rodney Taylor to the Capital Improvement Plan Committee. Motion voted and carried.**
- Resignations **Galardi moved, Seeger seconded, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Kara Thelen from the DeWitt District Library Board, effective immediately, and the resignation of Mary Winegar from the DeWitt Area Recreation Authority, effective June 30, 2015. Motion voted and carried.**
- Placemaking Training Planner Niewiadomski answered questions about Manager Taylor's memo regarding Placemaking Training Planned locally and who will be invited to attend. No action was taken. Board members were asked to mark their calendars.
- REPORTS
Planner Niewiadomski provided an update on the Highway Motel and compliance issues which are now being addressed with the help of the court.

Supervisor Galardi noted that Manager Taylor reported that grant monies have been approved through CMAQ for the Schavey Road project.

Trustee Musselman reported that a recent discussion with the Planning Commission indicates their support to reactivate the Ordinance subcommittee. There was discussion that representation from the public or an at-large representative might be appropriate.

Clerk Mosier reported on the Director Search at SCCMUA and upcoming changes to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). There was discussion that a training on FOIA and the Open Meetings Act might be appropriate for the Board.
- PUBLIC COMMENT None.
- ADJOURNMENT **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to adjourn at 9:02 p.m. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor