

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
January 27, 2014 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, Trustees Johanna Balzer, Brian Ross and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Steve Musselman

Also Present: Manager Rodney Taylor, Police Chief Brian Russell, County Commissioner Jack Enderle, Planning Commission Chair Bruce Keilen, many firefighters and several citizens.

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

CONSENT AGENDA **Ross moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included approval of General Operating Fund Vouchers 62525 - 62575 and Tax Fund Vouchers 7901 – 7931; approval of Township Board Minutes of 01/13/14; and to receive and file Public Safety Draft Minutes of 01/07/14. Motion voted and carried.**

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT None.

PRESENTATION **Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to adopt Resolution 2014-01-03 honoring Curtis “Frog” Thayer, with an Outstanding Citizen Award.**

Curtis Thayer
Outstanding Citizen
Award

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

Supervisor Galardi presented Frog with the Resolution and thanked him for his contributions to the area and to the Fire Department.

Supervisor Galardi called for a short recess.
The meeting was reconvened at 7:15 p.m.

Classification & Compensation Study Mark Nottley with Municipal Consulting Services, LLC, provided an outline of the Classification and Compensation Study which was commissioned by, and provided to, the Board. He explained the process to finalize the classification analysis and job descriptions, develop and conduct the market survey, develop the pay ranges for each position, and provided assistance with the pay system development.

The report was discussed, and Manager Taylor noted that he has scheduled meetings with staff to review the report. He explained that he will return at a future Board meeting with recommendations for implementation of the study's findings.

Supervisor Galardi noted that he has seen the separate report on the Manager's Position and he is working with Manager Taylor on this matter. Clerk Mosier expressed confidence in the work being done by the Supervisor with the Manager, and requested that the Board members receive a copy of that report which is now public information.

Several Board members expressed their pleasure with the findings of the study, showing that the Township is in the 99th percentile for salaries and the clarity of the report which is adequately explained and easily understood.

Road Asset Management
Plan/C2AE

John Harvey and Maureen Wegener were present representing C2AE. Harvey distributed the 10 Year Road Capital Improvement Plan and reviewed the same. The report provided a breakdown of Township roads into State Trucklines (46 miles), County (46 miles), and Local Roads (54 miles), then focused on the condition ratings of the local roads in DeWitt Township. Discussion included the following: 1)the 2013 Pavement Condition Summary showed 13% of the local roads in Good condition, 22% in Fair condition, and 65% in Poor condition 2)Pacer Ratings have decreased from 5.1 in 2008 to 3.7 in 2013 3)the investment that will be required to significantly change the condition of local roads 4)the possibility of increasing the Township's investment, and the impact that regional efforts might have on that investment 5)other monies available for local road maintenance, and the increased cost of resurfacing local roads 6)possible alternative funding options for local roads, such as approval of private roads or assessing subdivision property owners for resurfacing projects.

Manager Taylor indicated that the information being documented will be useful in making decisions about future road improvements and maintenance. He explained that the Asset Management Plan will allow the Township to do a holistic review of all the roads and thus ensure that we are spending the Township's limited resources in the most cost effective manner.

COUNTY
COMM. REPORT

County Commissioner Enderle provided an update on County business, including work that is being done by Judge Lisa Sullivan to better serve the County's youth.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence included the following: information from Treasurer Daggy regarding foreclosed properties located in DeWitt Township; 2013 Statistics from the Clinton County Sheriff; 2013 Police Department Annual Report; DeWitt District Library Minutes for the 2013 4th Quarter; correspondence from the DeWitt District Library and Clinton Transit regarding the CIA's proposed tax capture and the associated Resolution; 2013 4th Quarter Real Estate Market Report.

UNFINISHED
BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT **Seeger moved, Mosier seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor