

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
January 9, 2017 Board Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the DeWitt Charter Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Galardi at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Rick Galardi, Clerk Diane Mosier, Treasurer Daggy; and Trustees: Dave Fedewa, Brian Ross, and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: Trustee Steve Musselman

ALSO PRESENT Manager Rodney Taylor; Police Chief Brian Russell; Fire Marshal Dave DeKorte; Firefighters Kost, Dick, Campbell, Sullivan, Albright, Rambo, Thayer, and North; Planning Chair Bruce Keilen, and several citizens.

AGENDA **Seeger moved, Mosier seconded, to approve the Agenda, adding Resolution 2017-01-01 honoring Mayor Rundborg to New Business. Motion voted and carried.**

CONSENT AGENDA **Ross moved, Seeger seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda which included the following: approval of Township Board Minutes of December 12, 2016 and Special Meeting of December 28, 2016; approval of General Fund Vouchers of 66969-67013 and Tax Fund Vouchers 8469-8478; receive and place on file the 4th Quarter 2016 Revenue and Expenditure Report; and to receive and file the Draft Planning Commission December 5, 2016 minutes. Motion voted and carried.**

PRESENTATIONS Fire Marshal DeKorte made the following presentations:

- 1) Firefighter of the Year award was presented to Firefighter Chris Dick.
 - 2) Firefighter Thomas Sullivan was presented with a promotion to Lieutenant.
- Congratulations from the Board were extended to both Firefighters.

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

COUNTY

COMMISSIONER None present.

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the following: Activity Report; Clinton County Sheriff November 2016 Statistics; letter from Manager Taylor to Five Star Senior

Living; notice of Public Hearing at the Public Service Commission; Thank You from Tri-County Triad; Dunchock request to address the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS **Ross moved, Daggy seconded, to authorize the Clerk to execute the agreement with Robert Reese III to allow him to farm the six acres east of Land Rent-Clark/Wood Gunnisonville Cemetery in 2017 for \$570/year. Motion voted and carried.**

BWL Appt Manager Taylor reviewed his memo, dated January 6, 2017, regarding this BWL Appointment.

Seeger moved, Mosier, seconded, to concur with the Supervisor's recommendation to appoint Manager Rodney Taylor to the rotating BWL Board seat and to forward this appointment to Lansing Mayor Virg Bernero for consideration. Motion voted and carried.

CCEA Appt **Seeger moved, Ross seconded, to concur with the Supervisor's recommendation to appoint Tory Niewiadomski to the Clinton County Economic Alliance. Motion voted and carried.**

Ad Hoc Grievance Committee Manager Taylor explained we are at Step 3 in the grievance procedure outlined in the collective bargaining agreement. He noted that this grievance was filed by the non-supervisor police unit on behalf of Don Rochford.

Supervisor Galardi noted that in the past, the Step 3 procedure was handled by a Sub-committee of the Board, and he is suggesting that the same be done in this instance.

Daggy moved, Seeger seconded, to concur with the Supervisor's appointees of Clerk Mosier, Trustee Ross and Trustee Seeger to the Grievance Committee that will hear and decide Step 3 of the Grievance (Rochford). Motion voted and carried.

Res 2017-01-01 James Rundborg **Galardi moved, Mosier seconded, to adopt Resolution 2017-01-01 recognizing James F. Rundborg for his many contributions to the DeWitt Community.**

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

REPORTS & COMMENTS Fire Marshal DeKorte reported that in partnership with several other departments a new series of Firefighter 1 & 11 trainings begins this week. Police Chief Russell reported that the new lighted wristbands have been received and the department will now begin giving them out to joggers and walkers in an attempt to raise awareness and increase safety on our roadways.

Trustee Seeger reported that the next Clinton County Township Officers Association meeting will be on January 26th in Victor Township.

Manager Taylor reported the following: new benches have been constructed and placed on the new pathway between Schavey and Clark Roads, donated by local Eagle Scouts; he provided a numbers update on 2016 road and/or pathway projects, reporting whether the projects are under or over budget; he is organizing a group to work towards a "Howe Road Gateway" project, which will include partners from Springbrook Hills Homeowners Association, Crouner Farms Homeowners Association, the City of DeWitt, the Clinton County Road Commission and the Township.

Supervisor Galardi reported that plans are underway to establish an agenda for the Board/Planning Commission joint meeting to be held on February 6th and Community Development Director Niewiadomski will be facilitating the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Seeger moved, Ross seconded, to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Motion voted and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor