

DeWITT CHARTER TOWNSHIP
1401 W. Herbison Road, DeWitt, MI 48820
July 10, 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 Phyllis Daggy, and Trustees: Dave Fedewa, Steve Musselman, Brian Ross, and David Seeger

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT Manager Rodney Taylor & Police Chief Brian Russell

AGENDA **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to approve the Agenda, as presented.**

CONSENT AGENDA **Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the following: approval of the Township Board Minutes of June 26, 2017 and Executive Session for same date; approval of General Fund Vouchers 67654-67686; and receive and file the Zoning Board of Appeals Draft Minutes of June 21, 2017. Motion voted and carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT None

COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS None present.

CORRESPONDENCE Correspondence included the following: Michigan Public Service Commission Public Hearing Notices; Michigan Townships Association Membership Renewal response; Clinton County Road Commission non-motorized pathway/paved shoulder information; Lt. Mark Nelson retirement notice; Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award; Delta Township Fire Chief thank you for coverage assistance; Clinton County Drain Commissioner notice for brush spraying; May statistics from the Clinton County Sheriff; SCCMUA June Director's Report; Thank You from the employees.

NEW BUSINESS Manager Taylor's memo, dated July 7, 2017, was reviewed and discussed. He pointed out that this issue has been discussed at both the joint Board/Planning Commission meeting and the most recent Planning Commission meeting. It was noted that although the consensus was not unanimous, the vast majority of the Board, Planning Commission members and staff believe that the Township should move forward with this project.

Zoning Ord Update
Clear Zoning

Motion by Ross, second by Seeger, to authorize the Township Clerk to execute the agreement with Giffels & Webster for conversion of the Township's Zoning Ordinance into the Clearzoning product at a price not to exceed \$21,500. Motion voted and carried.

MERS Contribution Rate Change **Mosier moved, Daggy seconded, to authorize the Township Clerk to execute the two amendments to the Defined Benefit Adoption Agreement with MERS to change the employee contribution rates, effective 1-1-18, for the Supervisory and Non-Supervisory units of the POLC Union. Motion voted and carried.**

Curbside Recycling-Granger Manager Taylor's memo, dated May 9, 017, was reviewed and discussed again, some additional information provided since the presentation made by Granger in May. Some questions remain, such as what options are available if notice is given to terminate the 25 year contract. The pros and cons of the available options were discussed at length and no action was taken.

Police-Sergeant Position Police Chief Russell's memo, dated July 5, 2017 was reviewed and discussed.

Mosier moved, Seeger seconded, to approve adding a fourth Sergeant position in the Police Department, as recommended by Chief Russell. Motion voted and carried.

Herbison Road Pathway Project Manager Taylor's memo, dated July 7, 2017, provided additional figures for the Herbison Road Pathway Project. He explained that bids were accepted this date, and the project is slightly less than originally projected.

Ross moved, Musselman seconded, to authorize the Road Commission to proceed with the Herbison Road Pathway project in an amount not to exceed \$844,100 for the pathway construction, contingencies, and easements with the Township share not exceeding \$449,051 and funds coming from the 425 Fund. Motion voted and carried.

Appointment of Election Commission **Musselman moved, Daggy seconded, to appoint Trustees Seeger and Musselman to the Election Commission for a term ending 12/31/17. Motion voted and carried.**

Resolution 2017-07-13 Clerk Mosier presented the Resolution approving moving Precinct 1 & 2
Moving Polling Pcts from Herbison Woods School to the DeWitt Junior High School. It was
1 & 2 noted that this change will best serve the school district and voters of Precincts 1
& 2, and after approval by the Board, the changes will be submitted to the State
and voters will be noticed as required by law.

**Musselman moved, Seeger seconded, to adopt Resolution 2017-07-13 moving
the Polling location for DeWitt Township Precincts 1 & 2.**

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

MML Workers Comp **Musselman moved, Seeger seconded, to authorize the Clerk to cast a
Fund Board of ballot for the Slate of Officers of the Michigan Municipal League
Trustees Election Workers' Compensation Fund Board of Trustees. Motion voted and
carried.**

Cemetery Rules **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to adopt the amended Cemetery Rules
& Regulations and Regulations, effective July 10, 2017. Motion voted and carried.**

Resolution 2017-07-12 **Galardi moved, Mosier seconded, to adopt Resolution 2017-07-12, honoring
Lt. Nelson Lt. Mark Nelson.**

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

PUBLIC/STAFF Chief Russell reported that Officer Rennaker will be returning to work this week
and COMMENTS that Officer Greenman will be leaving for another tour of active duty. He also
noted that he has received a couple of calls about allowing golf carts on certain
Township streets but he will not be pursuing this matter at this time.

Manager Taylor reported the following: Remy Chandler reassessments will be
done for 2018/19; he is working with Bath Township and the City of DeWitt to
investigate possibilities to partner on Building and Fire Inspection Services.

BOARD COMMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT **Seeger moved, Musselman seconded, to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Motion voted and carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Mosier, Clerk

Rick Galardi, Supervisor