

WINDSOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 26, 2012
MEETING ROOM – 7:30 P.M.

Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Butler with the Pledge of Allegiance.
Present: Butler, Towsley, Blust, Blair, Kline, Marsh, Myers
Absent: none

Blust moved and Blair seconded to approve the agenda as amended which was to add Combining Tax Bills under New Business. Carried unanimously.

Marsh moved and Blust seconded to approve the consent agenda which contained the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried unanimously.

Sgt. Doug Burkhardt, Eaton County Sheriff Department reported that in the past two weeks we have had 86 calls with 43 being traffic.

Blair gave report from Planning Commission.

No sewer board meeting.

Chief Miller gave report from Emergency Service Department. He reported that the new ambulance has been ordered.

Towsley moved and Blair seconded to accept Steve Reedy's retirement with appreciation for all of his years of service effective June 21, 2012. Carried unanimously.

Butler moved and Towsley seconded to accept Dave Eastman's resignation effective June 26, 2012. Carried unanimously.

Blust moved and Towsley seconded to add Joshua McCourt to the Paramedic Paid On Call Roster. Carried unanimously.

Supervisor shared that Coyote Grill (now closed) has requested an extension on their Liquor License.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Pam Austin stated that she objects to any cut in the salaries of the Clerk and Treasurer.

Jaye Bergamini read the statutory duties of the Clerk and Treasurer and feels the Treasurer salary is too high and the Clerk is okay. She also discussed voting on

pay by family members.

Sara Morrison stated that the township should be run like a business and much needs to be done in the computerizing area. The salary should fit the skills. She also feels all members should vote as they were elected to do that.

Bruno Tews questioned the changing of the salaries when the current salaries were on the sheet give to potential candidates when they picked up petitions. It was stated that the sheet says "proposed salaries".

SALARIES

Blair stated that these salaries are for the position not the person. Butler read from the MTA book about Conflict of Interest. Myers stated that these are elected positions and we are not out recruiting people for the jobs. Towsley stated that she feels with a new clerk that both officers should be in the office five (5) days a week not four (4) like currently being done. Kline feels the Clerk should be higher than the Treasurer and Marsh stated that some salaries are maybe too low and some too high in the survey.

After much discussion **Myers moved and Blair seconded to change the work week to 35 hours and set the salaries effective with the new term (11/20/12) to Clerk \$40000 and to Treasurer \$38000. Carried unanimously.**

SEWER BOARD:

Blair moved and Towsley seconded to accept the resignation from Sewer Board from Duane Stiles effective May 2012. Carried unanimously.

Blair moved and Kline seconded to appoint Kern Slucter to the Sewer Board as our second representative effective immediately. Carried unanimously.

TAX BILLS:

Blust explained that there is a new law that will allow a jurisdiction to combine tax bills under \$100 to just the summer bill. If there are any special assessments you would still need to do a winter bill or any November voted taxes. If no second bill is issued the jurisdiction would have to pay the amounts.

Blust moved and Butler seconded that Windsor Charter Township does not combine the summer and winter bills. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Jaye Bergamini asked about the Fire Billing Ordinance. She would like the Township to approach our State Representative about a fund for reimbursement on state highways for non insured drivers that require emergency personnel.

Mary Jane Kandler expressed concerns over the large cut in salaries.

Cris Morrison expressed concern over the way the salary issue was handled.

Pam Austin asked if the salaries were vs. the election and change afterwards.
Would residents see a cut in taxes if budget is cut.

Bruce Porter introduced himself as a Republican Candidate for Eaton County Drain Commissioner and gave his plans for the office if he is elected.

Sara Morrison asked that the Board look into the water park that did not happen in Lansing Township and see if they would be interested in coming to the Windsor Township property on Creyts Road.

With no further business **Towsley moved and Blust seconded to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously. Adjourned at 9:05 PM**

Linda Towsley, Clerk