

WINDSOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – Tuesday, March 26, 2013
TOWNSHIP MEETING ROOM, 300 W. Jefferson, Dimondale, MI – 7:30 P.M.

AMENDED

1. CALL TO ORDER. Meeting was called to order by supervisor Butler with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Butler, Dailey, Keefe-Lewis, Marsh, Braman, and Myers. Absent: Blair.

Fire Officers Presentation: Mike Roberts of Delta Township Fire Department awarded a plaque in appreciation for Windsor Township's Fire Department participation in the six-month officer training class.

2. APPROVE THE AGENDA. **Myers moved / Marsh seconded, to approve the agenda. Carried unanimously.**

3. Minutes of March 12 meeting. **Myers moved/ Marsh seconded, to approve the minutes of the previous meetings as amended. Carried unanimously.**

4. Treasurer's Report for February 2013. **Butler moved/ Keefe-Lewis seconded, to approve the treasurer's report. Carried unanimously.**

5. General Fund Bills for February 2013. **Myers moved/ Marsh seconded to approve the general fund bills. Carried unanimously. Marsh moved / Braman seconded, to approve the payroll. Carried unanimously.**

6. REPORTS:

SHERIFF'S DEPT. Sgt. Doug Burkhardt reported that between March 11 and 24, Windsor Township had 83 events, of which four were traffic violations.

PLANNING COMMISSION. None.

SEWER BOARD. None.

EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPT. Chief Miller reported 38 runs: 32 EMS (209 to date) and six fire runs (35 to date). There is a request to put on a HUGH HEWARD canoe race and to allow **residents** PARTICIPANTS to camp out at the park on Friday evening April 26. This has been done for the last several years. **Butler moved/ Dailey seconded, to allow the campers at the park on Friday evening, April 26. Carried unanimously.**

ASSESSOR. Assessor Preston reported that the assessment roll has gone to Equalization. The Board of Review met over five days and there were 57 appeals. Three were agricultural, four were commercial, and 50 were residential. Forty-one appeals were granted, 16 denied, and three poverty exemptions were given. The assessor is anticipating a favorable review from Equalization. An additional \$20 million in new assessed value has been brought into the township.

OTHER REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS. Marsh reported that Eaton

County Road Commission has no money and has the same programs as last year, as far as matching money. Funding has been approved for Canal Road, however, the work will not be done until next year and the Windsor and Canal intersection will be worked on this summer.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS. Jaye Bergamini commented that there is a junkyard on Scout Road and had a question on payroll taxes. Bruno Tews commented that the clerk has been a target of criticism, and he questioned the conduct by public officials, as well as residents giving public comment at the township board meetings. He asked if this is representative of the type of community that Windsor Township residents want to have. He is concerned that a toxic environment has been created. Chris Richardson-Beagle commented that to alleviate confusion the township bills need to be presented on a monthly basis, from the 1st of the month through the 31st. She said that the environment has been toxic, some constituent comments were not Christian like, and that everything in the office is in the process of getting organized.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Board of Review. Preston reported above.

Sale of Creyts Road Property. Butler reported that after May 1, 2013, there are only two more bond payments on the property but the township may not extend the payments, however, it may refinance the payments but at a higher interest rate. The potential buyer's realtor will reply to Butler. The property would first be farmed, and then developed into moderate-density housing.

The truck stop on Lansing Road has been sold and the **Poor** POUR House has been purchased and awarded a liquor license. The new owner will begin work in May.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

Special Meeting. **Myers moved / Braman seconded to hold a special meeting on Tuesday, April 2 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the township finances. Carried unanimously.**

10. HEAR PUBLIC PRESENT ON ANY TOPIC. Eaton County Commissioner Roger Eakin stated that unless the state comes up with funding, the only option is to put a road millage on the ballot. He said that a coating will be put on: Holt Hwy (Dimondale to M 99), Windsor Highway (Old Lansing Road west), Nixon Road (Old Lansing Road south to Vermontville Highway), and for Billwood (Canal to Creyts). **Dick McMann spoke about Comments heard from Jaye Bergamini.** SHERRI HENDERSON ADDRESSED COMMENTS MADE BY COMMISSIONER EAKIN.

11. ADJOURNMENT. **Myers moved / Marsh seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Carried unanimously.**

Linda Keefe-Lewis, Clerk

SUPERVISOR:
CLERK:

DATE APPROVED: