

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF YPSILANTI
MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2012 WORK SESSION**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo at approximately 6:00 p.m. in the Ypsilanti Township Civic Center Board Room, 7200 S. Huron River Drive, Ypsilanti Township.

Members Present: Supervisor Brenda L. Stumbo, Clerk Karen Lovejoy Roe, Treasurer Larry Doe, Trustees Stan Eldridge, Jean Hall Currie, Mike Martin and Scott Martin

Members Absent: None

Legal Counsel: Wm. Douglas Winters

**FORD HERITAGE PARK PAVILION DISCUSSION – TRUSTEES
ELDRIDGE AND SCOTT MARTIN**

Trustee Eldridge stated that he, Trustee Scott Martin and Sandra Andresen had met regarding a pavilion at Ford Heritage Park. They also had met with Superior Playground Structures who provided the prints free of charge. He explained the cost to build was approximately \$380,000 - \$400,000 and they were looking for the Board to approve assisting with the YCUA & DTE fees, not to exceed \$5,000. Trustee Eldridge added that Ms. Andresen understood that the Township did not have the funds to construct the pavilion so she planned to raise the funds privately.

Trustee Scott Martin provided information on the YCUA costs. He said he had not yet been able to obtain costs from DTE.

Sandra Andresen, Park Commission Chairperson provided clarification concerning the location of the pavilion

1. REVIEW AGENDA

Supervisor Stumbo briefly reviewed the agenda with further discussion on the following items:

Lakeview Streetlights Public Hearing

Trustee Eldridge said he had been contacted by several residents, claiming there were several rental properties in that vicinity, and he wanted to make sure the actual owners were verified regarding the petitions.

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Clerk Lovejoy Roe briefly explained the process for creating a Special Assessment District and stated that the only calls she received were to request additional lighting.

Supervisor Report

Supervisor Stumbo said she would like DTE to attend a Work Session to do a presentation regarding the new Smart Meters.

Don Hazzard, Township resident, stated that he had trouble getting information from the phone numbers DTE provided. He said someone did say they could not opt out of the new meter program but they would have DTE contact him back if he left his name and number. He requested a presentation from DTE with the State Representative and State Senator present.

Supervisor Stumbo agreed and asked Clerk Lovejoy Roe to set up a meeting with everyone.

Arloa Kaiser said the letter stated that residents need to call DTE if anyone in the home was on a heart monitor.

Trustee Mike Martin said DTE had come to his home to install the new meter and his wife told them they didn't want it and they left. He felt residents needed to know exactly what was going on.

Trustee Hall Currie said DTE had installed a new meter at her home while she was gone.

OLD BUSINESS

2nd Reading Ordinance No. 2011-420, Fish Bait Container

Supervisor Stumbo stated she had sent a letter to the City of Ypsilanti requesting that they adopt the same ordinance.

Attorney Report

Attorney Winters provided a brief update on the status of the properties located at 639 N. Mohawk, 40 Campbell, 952 S. Grove, as well as the mobile home parks on S. Harris and on Michigan Ave. He also provided an update on the Kircher properties that were currently in bankruptcy.

2. Other Discussion

Supervisor Stumbo stated that there were residents interested in a chicken ordinance. Discussion followed.

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The Board referred the chicken ordinance issue to Joe Lawson, Planning Director and the attorney to work with residents to present it to the Planning Commission.

Arloa Kaiser asked if a three-year dog ordinance had been drafted.

Treasurer Doe said the attorney had brought it, some changes had been made and hopefully, they would have it ready in time for the Dog Clinic that was being held in June.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Lovejoy Roe, Clerk