

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO**  
**Township Board Minutes**  
**Special Meeting**  
**December 10, 2014**

The Oshtemo Township Board held a special meeting at the Township Hall. Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell  
Clerk Deb Everett  
Treasurer Nancy Culp  
Trustee Nancy Carr  
Trustee Dusty Farmer  
Trustee Lee Larson  
Trustee Grant Taylor

Also present was Township Attorney James Porter, Fire Chief Mark Barnes, members of the citizen ad-hoc Police Committee Scott Ernstes, Jack Shepperly, Jim Taylor, Dave Bushouse, Jim Sterenberg, Keith Bearup and 5 interested people.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mike Sage, commented he lives in the Leisure Time Condominiums; there are concerns with numerous past and recent suspicious activities including break ins and attempted break ins, and while he supports law enforcement, feels there is no follow up to calls to the Sheriff's Department. He inquired what can the residents do to help support law enforcement.

**STRATEGIC PLANNING – POLICE PROTECTION LEVEL OF SERVICE**

Fire Chief Barnes provided information presented previously from the Center for Public Safety Management (CPSM), the consultant contracted by the Township to assist in the police protection issue. He also presented a list of outputs/results for the Board to consider in formulating a request for proposal (RFP) for police protection services.

Lengthy discussion was held on items to be included with the list narrowed to include clearance rates by type, crime rates, acceptable response times to high priority calls, officer initiated citizen and business contacts, number of directed patrol assignments completed, alignment of deployment with workload updated regularly, reporting and analysis to the Township, minimum staffing of two officers 24/7, Township input of command officer selection, assign officers to Township for one year minimum, identify Oshtemo through signage, labeling, and specifically reporting to the Township on traffic accident rates/severity, calls for service by type, coordinates to allow development of GIS mapping, traffic citations/warnings, use of force rates, and citizen complaints with outcomes

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

**Deborah L. Everett**  
**TOWNSHIP CLERK**

**Attested: Elizabeth Heiny-Cogswell**  
**TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR**