

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF OSHTEMO
TOWNSHIP BOARD
JOINT BOARDS MEETING
May 17, 2016**

A joint meeting of the various boards of the Township was held at the Township Hall. Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

TOWNSHIP BOARD
Supervisor Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Clerk Deb Everett
Trustee Nancy Carr
Trustee Dusty Farmer
Trustee Zak Ford

PLANNING COMMISSION
Millard Loy
Fred Antosz

ZBA
Cheri Bell
Neil Sikora
Bob Anderson
Mike Smith

DDA
Libby Heiny-Cogswell

FRIENDS OF THE PARKS
Wes Freeland
Libby Heiny-Cogswell
Deb Everett

SoDA
Joe Gesmundo
Libby Heiny-Cogswell

Also present were Parks Director Karen High, Planning Director Julie Johnston, Township Attorney James Porter, and Public Works Director Marc Elliott.

Friends of the Parks – Parks Director High provided information on the Music in the Park and Movies in the Park summer programs and information on the planning phase of a capital campaign to fund the Drake Farmstead Master Plan.

Township Board – Engineer Elliott provided updates on upcoming sewer/water projects for Atlantic Avenue and North 10th Street, the commercial rear access off Atlantic for businesses located on South 9th Street, and goals for adding sidewalks and non-motorized facilities in various locations.

Supervisor Heiny-Cogswell advised ongoing discussions regarding implementation plans for sewer, road improvements, working to establish a building authority with Cooper Township, the police committee is working with the County and Sheriff's Office toward a 2017 contract, and the Fire Department will be discussing staffing issues with the Board.

Planning Commission – Planning Director Johnston advised work is underway to update the zoning ordinance, work will begin late summer on the Master Land Use Plan update.

DDA – Planning Director Johnston advised work is underway to seek grants for sidewalks through the district, the DDA has a façade improvement grant program in place, and is working with the Oshtemo Methodist Church to remove the car wash adjacent to the DDA owned northwest corner of Stadium Drive and 9th Street.

SoDA – Planning Director Johnston advised board discussion has been held regarding sidewalk and/or path from West Michigan to Stadium and ongoing maintenance.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

DEBORAH L. EVERETT
Township Clerk

Attested: ELIZABETH HEINY-COGSWELL
Supervisor