

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF COMMERCE  
TOWNSHIP BOARD QUARTERLY DISCUSSION MEETING  
2009 Township Drive  
Commerce Township, MI 48390  
Tuesday, February 5, 2013, 7:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Zoner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:**           **TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
Thomas K. Zoner, Supervisor  
Vanessa Magner, Clerk  
Susan Gross, Treasurer  
Rick Sovel, Trustee  
David Law, Trustee  
Bob Berkheiser, Trustee  
Robert Long, Trustee (arrived at 7:05)

**Absent:**           None

**Also Present:** Phil Adkison, Township Attorney  
Kathleen Jackson, DDA Director  
Randy Thomas, Insite Properties

**ITEM 1: Sledding Hill Name**

**MOTION** by Gross, supported by Sovel, to accept the recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Committee to name the sledding hill Snowy Ridge.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 2: Byers & Dodge Park Tree Removal**

**MOTION** by Gross, supported by Sovel, to accept the bid from Louie's Tree Service LLC, to remove trees at Byers and Dodge Park as specified and subject to proper insurance. Funds to be paid out of Open Space.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**ITEM 3: Discussion**

Township Attorney, Phillip Adkison, gave a presentation on the DDA statue. Explaining the responsibilities for both Township Board and the DDA.

Kathleen Jackson and Randy Thomas gave an overview of the interest in the property from developers.

The current proposal for the South West quadrant is a multi-family development with 8-12 units per complex. These units will be town homes and garden style.

Randy Thomas has received interest from other developers from different restaurants, senior living and retail.

There is a website available for the property at [www.commercetowneplace.com](http://www.commercetowneplace.com) .

Township Board had discussion that included their ideas and thoughts on potential developments within the Commerce Towne Place.

**ITEM 4: Other Matters**

Robert Long suggests the Township acknowledges Oakland County for the great work done at Byers on the bridge. Would like to see a confirmation from DWSD that the water rates will be going down if a water storage facility is built. Is interested in the Township Engineers, Giffels-Webster, research on Orion Township's water rates since their water tower was installed.

Rick Sovel mentioned the Zoning Board of Appeals may need to schedule bi-monthly meeting instead on quarterly meetings due to the amount of variance requests.

**MOTION** by Sovel, supported by Gross to adjourn at 10:00 p.m.

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Vanessa Wagner". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

**Vanessa Wagner**  
**Clerk, Charter Township of Commerce**