

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
October 20, 2015**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on October 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 6582 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Nykamp, Clerk Kraak, Treasurer Myaard, Trustees Barkel, Brink, Oonk, and Overweg.

1. Supervisor Glenn Nykamp called the meeting to order.
Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Invocation offered by Trustee Brink.
2. Motion made by Trustee Oonk to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2015 meeting.
Trustee Barkel seconded the motion which passed.
3. Motion made by Treasurer Myaard to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2015 Work Session. Seconded by Trustee Overweg. Motion carried.
4. Citizen Participation / Public Comment. None.
5. Business Items:
 - a. Public Hearing to Establish an Industrial Development District at 3625 80th Ave. Zeeland MI. Supervisor Nykamp opened the Public Hearing. Ms. Kerri Burns and Mr. Jeremy Vonk from Devon Manufacturing Co. and Mr. Ken Rizzio from Lakeshore Advantage presented information about the company and answer questions.

Trustee Brink motioned and Barkel seconded to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Trustee Brink motioned to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 823 TO ESTABLISH AN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT IN ZEELAND TOWNSHIP.** The location of the Industrial Development District is 3625 80th Ave, parcel 70-17-08-200-007. Trustee Oonk seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote.
 - b. Public Hearing for 2016 Budget Approval. Supervisor Nykamp opened the Public Hearing. The board discussed various parts of the budget.

Trustee Oonk motioned and Trustee Barkel seconded to close the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Trustee Brink motioned to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 824 – 2016 ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BUDGET.** Clerk Kraak seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote.
 - c. Amendments to the 2015 Budget. Amendments include lighting costs for Drenthe Grove, waste water costs, and elections.

Trustee Barkel motioned to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 825 - 2015 ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 20, 2015.**
Trustee Oonk seconded the motion which passed with a roll call vote.

- d. Approve the Appointment of Josh Jekel into the Probationary Fire Program.

Deputy Fire Chief Jekel described the purpose of the program is to give both the department and potential candidates an appropriate amount of time to evaluate the suitability of the candidate before enrolling him/her into the Fire Academy.

Trustee Oonk motioned to approve the appointment of Mr. Josh Jekel into the Probationary Fire Program. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- e. Re-Name Fire Station No.3. The board decided to rename the building at a later date. "Fire Station No. 3" will be removed from the building.

6. Zoning Administrator's Report. The number of building permit applications was down in September. However, October is picking up.

7. Clerk's Comments. None.

8. Treasurer's Comments. We sent a check in the amount of \$871,000 to Holland Township for the City of Zeeland waste water project.

9. Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION.** Worked on Mixed Use Ordinance. Attorney Bultje made some changes to the proposed ordinance.
- b. **FIRE.**
 - i. Dave Walcott will be undergoing extensive treatment. In his absence, Tom Rosine will be filing reports and coordinating EMS.
 - ii. New Truck No. 633 is in the process of getting lighting, paint, air/oxygen tanks installed.
 - iii. Will be purchasing five new EMS jackets, approximately \$300 each.

Trustee Oonk motioned to replace three sets of turnout suits and ten new helmets at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Treasurer Myaard seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote.

- c. **ROADS.** Ransom St. is 99% complete. Installed a guard rail on Quincy St. Trustee Oonk was approached by a neighbor concerning semi-trucks on 88th St. Oonk encouraged board members to have residents submit names of trucking companies violating the trucking ordinance.
- d. **PARKS/RECREATION.** Supervisor Nykamp had two signs printed stating VanZooeren Woods is closed for the season. So far, about 4 people have asked for permission to remove wood.
- e. **CEMETERY.** Supervisor Nykamp would like to make a decision concerning Sunday burials by the next board meeting on November 3, 2015.

10. Attorney Issues. None.

11. Supervisor's Report.

- a. Fire Prevention Week at Schools. Wood Bridge and Adams Elementary schools thanked Matt Westrate, Dan Veltema, Dusty Bradford, Theo Kok, and Brock Bruce for giving an excellent presentation to the students.
- b. Board members are invited to attend the Zeeland Historical Society Annual Event.
- c. Supervisor Nykamp discussed Deputy Huizenga's activity report.
- d. Supervisor Nykamp and Treasurer Myaard attended the Sgt. Plant Bridge dedication.

12. Citizen / Public comment. Zoning Administrator Mannes posed a question on behalf of a developer concerning the timeframe for paving 84th Ave. Supervisor Nykamp responded there are no plans to pave 84th Ave in the near future.

13. Additional Board Comment. None.

14. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Kraak – Clerk

Lisa Freeman – Recording Secretary