

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2020**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Public Safety Building at 6522 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Nykamp, Clerk Kraak, Treasurer Veldheer, Trustees Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Overweg.

Supervisor Nykamp called the meeting to order.
Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
Invocation offered by Trustee Riemersma.

Trustee Overweg motioned to approve the minutes of the July 21, 2020 meeting. Trustee Salisbury supported the motion which passed.

Public Comment: Received an update from Brad Slagh on what the Michigan House of Representatives have been working on later. They have finished the 2020 budget. This term they are focusing on the education restart plan, budget, rural broadband and property tax review and reform.

Business Items:

- a. Trustee Brink motioned to approve **ORDINANCE #408 TO RE-ZONE PARCEL 70-17-33-200-039 FROM AGRICULTURAL TO R-1.** Trustee Salisbury seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote:
AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Overweg, Riemersma, and Salisbury.
- b. An ordinance to amend Chapter 12 PUD Planned Unit Development District had a first reading.
- c. Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve the updated CIP. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote:
AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Overweg, Riemersma, and Salisbury.
- d. Treasurer Veldheer discussed scanning old building permits to have easy digital access and less need for storage space. Trustee Riemersma motioned to approve spending up to \$20,000 for Alcogare LLC to begin this process. Treasurer Veldheer seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote:
AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Overweg, Riemersma, and Salisbury.
- e. Manager Oonk presented updated fire department job descriptions. The only real change was for the Deputy Fire Chief position. Experience would only require Officer Rank. Trustee Salisbury motioned to approve the new job descriptions. Treasurer Veldheer seconded the motion which passed.

Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION**– Continued reviewing the request from the Ottawa County Road Commission for a special use permit for soil removal from parcel #70-17-29-100-010. Main issues brought up were fencing and road damage from extra truck volume. Issue tabled until the next meeting.
- b. **BOARD OF APPEALS** – Will meet August 25.

- c. **FIRE COMMITTEE** – Hose and ladder testing are complete. Looking into purchasing a light tower and another Lucus CPR tool.
- d. **PARKS & RECREATION** – The Drenthe Grove pickle ball court construction will begin next week. Will start the planning phase for the west half of VanZoeren Woods soon. The 64th Ave bike path construction has been postponed to the spring of 2021. Contractors are very busy this year and it is expected the bids will be lower next year.
- e. **ROADS** - Trustee Riemersma motioned to have Treasurer Veldheer present the 2021 Budget with a .5 mil reduction in the Road Fund levied. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed with a roll call vote:
AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Veldheer, Overweg, Riemersma, and Salisbury. Nays: Brink

Supervisor/Manager Report

- A letter was received from Overisel Township requesting Zeeland Township contribute half the cost of the culvert replacement on Ottogan Street east of 48th Street. The board questioned why Allegan County wasn't paying for work on a county road and declined to contribute to the cost of replacement.
- Water main work is almost complete on the Wyoming Water System affecting Zeeland Township. The sprinkling ban is expected to be lifted very soon.
- Ottawa County Policing Report for July was delivered to the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Kraak –Clerk