

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
November 7, 2023**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on November 7, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 6582 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Oonk, Clerk Kraak, Treasurer Veldheer, Trustees Brink, Salisbury and Bosma. Absent: Riemersma

Supervisor Oonk called the meeting to order.  
Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Invocation offered by Clerk Kraak.

Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2023 Board Meeting.  
Trustee Salisbury supported the motion which passed.

Public Comment: Representative Brad Slagh gave an update on what is happening in Lansing.

Business Items:

- a. Discussed the grant opportunity for a National Fitness Court. It was decided to pass on the 2023 grant to take time for further research.
- b. The Disbursement Policy Resolution was tabled for further review by our attorney.
- c. Trustees Brink, Salisbury and Bosma volunteered to begin a manager search committee. They will provide updates to the board on their progress.
- d. Treasurer Veldheer motioned to deny the request from Overisel Township to share half the cost of repairing Ottogan Street. Trustee Salisbury seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Salisbury and Bosma. Absent: Riemersma.

Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION** – Will continue working on a solar energy ordinance.
- b. **BOARD OF APPEALS** – Approved the request of Corewell Health to increase the height on three directional signs for additional visibility and safety on the Zeeland Hospital campus.
- c. **PARKS & RECREATION** – ZBPW grant was awarded for benches around the pickleball court at Drenthe Grove. Ordinance signs have been posted at VanZoeren Woods.
- d. **ROADS** – Received the list of subdivision repair needs from Ottawa County and will be meeting in January.

Supervisor Report:

- Cemetery Purchase Update – Attorney Weiss has written up a buy/sell agreement with Roger and Helen Nagelkirk. Waiting on a survey after the corn is harvested and expect to close in January.
- Renovation Update – Demo started in the basement today. The basement is expected to be complete around Thanksgiving and then we will move downstairs with temporary desks while work continues on the main level. Midwest Construction expects to be finished by mid-January. Furniture dealers will be in assessing office furniture needs this week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm  
Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Kraak –Clerk