

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
September 19, 2023**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on September 19, 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, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

Supervisor Oonk called the meeting to order.  
Recited the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Invocation offered by Trustee Salisbury.

Trustee Brink motioned to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2023 Board Meeting. Trustee Salisbury supported the motion which passed.

Trustee Bosma motioned to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2023 Budget Work Session. Treasurer Veldheer supported the motion which passed.

**Business Items:**

- a. Supervisor Oonk opened the public hearing for the 2024 Annual Budget. Treasurer Veldheer motioned to close the public hearing. Clerk Kraak supported the motion which passed.

Clerk Kraak motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #954 ESTABLISH SUPERVISOR SALARY**. Trustee Brink seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #955 ESTABLISH CLERK SALARY**. Trustee Bosma seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

Trustee Bosma motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #956 ESTABLISH TREASURER SALARY**. Trustee Salisbury seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

Clerk Kraak motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #957 ESTABLISH TRUSTEE SALARY**. Treasurer Veldheer seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #958 2024 BUDGET**. Trustee Riemersma seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.

- b. Trustee Salisbury motioned to approve a bid of \$63,800 for Nykamp Trucking to supply slag for the Van Zoeren path. Trustee Brink seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote:  
AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.
- c. Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve a letter of support to include in a grant request for BL196 bridge project. Trustee Salisbury seconded the motion which passed.

- d. Treasurer Veldheer motioned to approve **RESOLUTION #959 MORATORIUM ON SOLAR FARMS**. Clerk Kraak seconded the motion with passed with a roll call vote: AYES: Oonk, Kraak, Veldheer, Brink, Riemersma, Salisbury and Bosma.
- e. Discussion regarding the attorney position of the Sand Mine. Trustee Riemersma will look for names of engineers with sand mile experience to bring to the board for more discussion.

Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION** – Approved site plan for a two-story medical office building at 8251 Westpark Way (70-17-20-200-029)
- b. **PARKS & RECREATION** – The Grove pond has cleared up well after the algae treatment. No swimming signs are posted.
- c. **ELECTION** – Local clerks are concerned with the delay on Ottawa County Commission approval for the Early Voting Administrative Services Agreement as deadlines approach.

Public Comment: Citizen of Highland View Subdivision is concerned about the future plan for a park at the current sand mine site.

Supervisor Report:

- There are some logistical issues with the bike path connection between Byron and Adams along 76<sup>th</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Ave that is slowing down progress on engineering.
- Bids have gone out for the office renovation project and should be back by the end of the month.
- Zeeland Recreation's 5 year plan is in progress. An open house for input has been scheduled at the Drenthe Grove on October 10 from 5-8.
- Some septic issues have come up around Riley and 80<sup>th</sup> Ave. We will like have more discussion in the future on a possible sewer extension.
- Shared last month's expenditure detail report.
- Chips Groundcover will be putting up a Christmas display again this year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm  
Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Kraak –Clerk