

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
BOARD MEETING  
January 3, 2017**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on January 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 6582 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Nykamp, Clerk Kraak, Treasurer Barkel, Trustees Brink, Oonk, Overweg & Riemersma.

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

- 17-01** Motion made by Trustee Brink to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2016 meeting. Trustee Oonk supported the motion which passed.

Business Items

- a. Consumer's Energy Presentation / Rich Houtteman  
Mr. Houtteman presented Treasurer Barkel with a tree planting grant check from Consumers Energy for \$2,500.00, which ZCT used to purchase and plant a variety of 36 trees along the west border of Drenthe Grove.
  - b. Approve Parkway Electric Bid of \$5,305.00 for Fire Station #2 New Lighting  
Request for bids were sent to four local companies. Parkway Electric was the only bid received.
- 17-02** Trustee Oonk motioned to approve the Parkway Electric bid for \$5,305.00 for new lighting at Fire Station #2. Treasurer Barkel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously with a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Barkel, Overweg, Riemersma, Brink, Oonk. NAYES: None.
- c. Approve Tom Wentzel New Fire Committee Member  
Trustee Oonk highly recommended Tom Wentzel for a three year term to serve on the Fire Committee. Tom was a former Zeeland firefighter, and has a lot of experience.
- 17-03** Trustee Oonk motioned to approve Tom Wentzel as a new Fire Committee member for a three year term. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Barkel, Overweg, Riemersma, Brink, Oonk. NAYES: None.

Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION.**  
Trustee Brink stated there will be a meeting on January 10.
- b. **PARKS & RECREATION**  
Supervisor Nykamp stated there will be a meeting the end of January or in February to meet with Zeeland Recreation and Drenthe Grove Association to discuss future plans for grove use.
- c. **CEMETERY**  
Clerk Kraak advised that new cemetery software is scheduled to be installed in February.

## Supervisor's Report

### a. MI-Deal Request

Supervisor Nykamp recommended that ZCT pay a \$180.00 one-year membership renewal fee to take advantage of discounts on items purchased for the township. MI-Deal is a State of Michigan extended purchasing program which allows local units of government to use state contracts to buy goods and services.

- 17-04** Trustee Brink motioned to approve \$180.00 MI-Deal one-year membership renewal fee. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Barkel, Overweg, Riemersma, Brink, Oonk. NAYES: None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Kate Kraak – Clerk  
Beth DeBoer – Recording Secretary