

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
May 5, 2015**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on May 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 6582 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Nykamp, 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 Overweg
2. Supervisor Nykamp motioned to appoint Trustee Brink to lead meeting. Motion seconded by Treasurer Myaard. Motion carried.
3. Motion made by Trustee Oonk to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2015 Board Meeting. Trustee Barkel seconded the motion which passed.
4. Motion made by Trustee Barkel to approve the Minutes of April 30, 2015 Special Board Meeting. Motion seconded by Trustee Oonk. Motion carried.
5. Additions or Deletions
6. Citizen Participation / Public Comment.
7. Business Items:
 - a. Approval of Zeeland Charter Township Proposed Truck Route.

Trustee Oonk motioned to approve **ORDINANCE NO. 373 APPROVING THE PROPOSED TRUCK ROUTE ON 88TH AVE. NORTH OF RILEY TO GENTEX CORP. DRIVE**. The ordinance will be effective 31 days after approval. Trustee Barkel seconded the motion. Motion passed with a roll call vote.
 - b. Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program (PA 116) for Ken, Dawn, Laura & Dale Brouwer.

Treasurer Myaard motioned and Trustee Oonk seconded to approve the application for a Farmland and Open Space Preservation Program. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - c. Drenthe Grove Rental Agreement Fee Increases

Trustee Barkel motioned to approve the fee increases recommended by the Drenthe Grove Association. Trustee Oonk seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - d. Approve Cemetery Mowing Contracts.

Trustee Oonk motioned to approve the submitted mowing contracts for the 2015 mowing season. Trustee Barkel seconded the motion. Motion passed with a roll call vote.

Township Hall Spring Bark & Clean Up	\$412 plus bark
Township Hall and Lawn Maintenance	\$1,960 annual
West Drenthe Cemetery	\$1,960 annual
Vriesland Cemetery	\$1,753 annual
East Drenthe Cemetery	\$1,542 annual
Park & Ride	\$45 / mowing
Gordon St. properties	\$55 / mowing

- e. Approve Payment for Fourth of July Fireworks.

Treasurer Myaard motioned to approve spending \$2,487 on fireworks. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed with a roll call vote.

- f. Appoint Township Clerk.

Trustee Barkel motioned to appoint Ms. Kate Kraak as Zeeland Township Clerk for the period remaining in the term. Ms. Kraak will receive the same compensation as former Clerk Evink. Treasurer Myaard seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote.

8. Committee Reports:

- a. **PLANNING COMMISSION**. Received a request from Mr. Jim Brower to rezone four parcels from Commercial to Agriculture.

The Board heard for First Reading the recommendation from the Planning Commission to rezone parcels 70-17-02-400-027, 030, 035, & 036 from Commercial to Agriculture. The board will vote on this recommendation at a future meeting.

- b. **MACC & MACC TECH**. Supervisor Nykamp attended a recent meeting. Several issues were discussed including the State proposal on the May 5th ballot.
- c. **ROADS**. A recent meeting with Ottawa County discussed proposed county road projects for 2015.
- d. **PARKS/RECREATION**. Monday night ball games were cancelled at the Drenthe Grove. Barnabas Ministries will hold games on Tuesday evenings.

9. Attorney Issues – None.

10. Supervisor’s Report – None.

11. Citizen / Public comment. Mr. Camden Miner, student at Hudsonville Public High School, attended the meeting for a class assignment. He was accompanied by his mother, Ms. Becky Miner.

12. Additional Board Comment. The board discussed plans to improve VanZoeren Woods. Trustee Brink read a thank you card from Outdoor Discovery Center for a recent donation from Zeeland Charter Township.

13. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Freeman – Recording Secretary