

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
March 21, 2017**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on March 21, 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 & Riemersma. Absent: Trustee Overweg.

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

- 17-12** Motion made by Treasurer Barkel to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2017 meeting. Trustee Oonk supported the motion which passed. Absent: Trustee Overweg

Citizen Participation / Public Comment. None

Business Items

- a. Board of Review Report - Sixteen appeals were heard and 13 were granted, decreasing total taxable value by \$577,537 and total assessed value by \$833,100. Seven exemptions were granted for disabled veterans.
- b. Winter Tax Report – We currently have \$276,405.26 delinquent taxes outstanding of approximately 4500 parcels. Letters have been sent out for some older delinquent personal property taxes.
- c. The Ottawa County MTA meeting will be held on March 28 in Polkton Township
- d. Drenthe Grove Report – Zeeland Recreation’s request to use the Drenthe Grove for youth lacrosse, softball and football has been given additional consideration. A plan for a future bathroom is also being evaluated.

Zoning Administrator’s Report

We have received 12 new building permits since the beginning of the year. Redwood Living’s project has begun.

Committee Reports:

- a. **ROADS**
Two projects are scheduled in August for Adams Street from 88th-64th and 64th-48th Avenue.
- b. **BUILDINGS & GROUNDS**
Will meet soon to discuss repairs or renovations to Fire Station #3, as well as a name change to correctly reflect its use.
- c. **PARKS & RECREATIONS**
Discussed spring and summer plans to finish clean up in VanZoeren’s Woods.

Attorney Issues. Ron Bultje will be at the next board meeting to discuss the new water/sewer rate schedule.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm
Respectfully submitted,
Kate Kraak – Clerk