

**ZEELAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
December 4, 2018**

The Zeeland Charter Township Board held a Regular Board meeting on December 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 6582 Byron Road, Zeeland, Michigan. Members present: Supervisor Nykamp, Treasurer Barkel, Clerk Kraak, Trustees Brink, Overweg, Oonk and Riemersma.

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

Motion made by Trustee Brink to approve the minutes of the November 20, 2018 meeting. Trustee Oonk supported the motion which passed.

Business Items:

- a. Heather Wood-Gramza, Director at Howard Miller Library and Kevin Plockmeyer, Zeeland Assistant City Manager, presented some of the changes that have happened at the library during the last 3 years of our contract and requested renewing our Library Service Agreement Contract for the next 3 years. Zeeland Township was asked to provide funding of \$125,000 for 2019, \$130,000 for 2020 and \$135,000 for 2021. Trustee Brink motioned to approve the Library Services Agreement Contract Renewal at the requested funding. Trustee Riemersma seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Barkel, Oonk, Overweg, Riemersma and Brink.
- b. Trustee Oonk motioned to approve Jeff Salisbury as a new member of the Fire Committee. Treasurer Barkel supported the motion which passed.
- c. Fire Chief Phil Hunderman shared a cost benefit analysis for the proposed new part-time firefighter/EMT position as well as explaining several non-economic benefits this position would provide. Trustee Oonk motioned to approve hiring for this new position effective January 1 at a rate of \$20/hour. Treasurer Barkel seconded the motion which passed unanimously with a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Barkel, Kraak, Oonk, Overweg, Riemersma and Brink.
- d. After reviewing bids for the Community Center renovation, Trustee Riemersma motioned to approve Van Rhee Builders bid of \$113,890 to be completed by March 31, 2019. Trustee Overweg seconded the motion which passed will a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Barkel, Oonk, Overweg, and Riemersma. NAYS: Brink.
- e. Trustee Tom Oonk submitted a Letter of Resignation as trustee to the board effective January 1, 2019. Trustee Brink motioned to accept this resignation. Trustee Riemersma seconded the motion which passed will a roll call vote: AYES: Nykamp, Kraak, Brink, Overweg, and Riemersma. NAYS: Barkel. ABSTAIN: Oonk

Committee Reports:

- a. **BOARD OF APPEALS** – Will be meeting Thursday December 6.

- b. **ROAD COMMITTEE** – Received the grading report from the Ottawa County Road Commission. They will be scheduling a meeting early next year to discuss which projects should be completed next.
- c. **PARKS & RECREATION** –Drenthe Grove bathroom addition is waiting on Semco Energy before being able to continue work.

Supervisor's Report: Christmas lights have been hung in Gord Ellens Park.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm
Respectfully submitted,
Kate Kraak – Clerk