

JAMESTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
November 18, 2013 7:00 p.m.

**UNAPPROVED
MINUTES**

- 11-18-01 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Bergwerff.
- 11-18-02 Opening prayer was given by Dan Jensen.
- 11-18-03 Members present: Gail Altman, Scott Brouwer, Ruth Pruis, Ken Bergwerff, Janet Oskin, Dan Jensen and Tim Tacoma. Absent: None.
- 11-18-04 Motion by Altman seconded by Brouwer to approve the agenda as presented.
Carried.
- 11-18-05 The minutes of the regular meeting held October 21, 2013 were approved as presented.
- 11-18-06 Opportunity was given for public comment for items on the agenda. Ron Koroleski wished to address the street light proposal for 8th Ave. and M-6 and the vestibule remodel. He was given permission to address these issues when they come up for discussion.
- 11-18-07 Motion by Altman seconded by Jensen to approve the consent agenda.
Carried.
- 11-18-08 There was no correspondence received.
- 11-18-09 Steve Boss of Boss Environmental presented the board with an overview of the SAW grant resolution and answered questions. Motion by Tacoma seconded by Oskin to approve the Resolution Authorizing the SAW Grant Agreement and application for the grant for water and sewer improvements. The request will include payment for water meter replacement, a condition assessment and an asset management plan, as well as various other items for a total of \$370,000. **Carried.**
- 11-18-10 The Supervisor introduced Thomas Timmermans from Timmermans Environmental Services, Inc. to the board. Mr. Timmermans requested the board permission to write a SAW Grant Application for Jamestown Township for a watershed management plan of Rush Creek. He stated that this is a DEQ approved request. The following questions were asked of Mr. Timmermans: Would applying for this additional SAW grant jeopardize in any way the Township's current SAW water/sewer application? How much would it cost to the Township for them to write the grant? If Jamestown gets the watershed management grant, would the Township need to submit matching funds? Are

Georgetown and Hudsonville applying for the grant since they are a part of the Rush Creek Drainage system? The board was assured that there was minimal impact on the water/sewer request by the Township, no cost for writing the grant unless Jamestown is chosen, no matching funds are required and that if we get the grant Georgetown and Hudsonville would share in the benefits. Tacoma reminded the board that Rush Creek only covers part of the Township and that maybe a grant should be written for Black Creek also. Motion by Oskin seconded by Altman to have Timmermans Environmental Services, Inc. write a grant for Rush Creek and also for Black Creek. Black Creek is subject to approval from the DEQ. **Carried.**

- 11-18-11 Discussion was held regarding the status of road improvement funds. The treasurer projects enough money (including the 2014 tax money) to pave approximately 1/2 mile of road next year. The road millage comes up for renewal on the August 2014 election. The supervisor suggested using millage money to resurface deteriorating roads in developments. Discussion centered around this issue since people on gravel roads have waited years for their road to be paved, assuming their turn would come. Bergwerff said people in developments would not vote for the millage if they have to pay for their roads to be repaved. Pruis pointed out that everyone uses the main roads that are paved (or gravel), while the roads in developments are not used by the general population to get to where they need to be and that perhaps a portion should be covered by the Township, while the major part should be by the developments. Tacoma asked for an estimate for repaving a development street and also an estimate for a half mile (Mason or 28th). This will be brought to the next meeting. Pruis also requested a list of paved road improvements from the County for 2013 and 2014.
- 11-18-12 Motion by Tacoma seconded by Altman to accept the resolution to transfer parcel #70-18-10-300-058 to the County. **Carried.**
- 11-18-13 Master plan draft: The Supervisor said we will look at this next month when he will have Planner Ransford present.
- 11-18-14 The first reading was held for the Zoning Text Amendment Ordinance.
- 11-18-15 Several items were brought to the board for information: A correction in the Zoning map error for Sound Off was noted. Copy attached. There was an update on the paving of Greenly St., the turn around for 12th Ave. and a street light at 8th and M-6. Also noted was that the vestibule in front of the office building will have some remodeling done. The money for this was set aside when the addition to the building took place.
- 11-18-16 Motion by Oskin seconded by Jensen to present the bills. **Carried.**

11-18-17 Motion by Tacoma seconded by Brouwer to pay the bills. **Roll call vote:
Carried.**

11-18-18 Opportunity was given for public comment for items not on the agenda.
Koroleski suggested that the board look at ways of saving money and question some of the bills. Bergwerff assigned him the task of finding ways to reduce costs without cutting services and to make a report on his findings.

11-18-19 Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Ruth Pruis
Jamestown Township Clerk