

Jamestown Charter Township Board Meeting  
September 16, 2013 7:00 p.m.

- 09-16-01 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Supervisor Bergwerff.
- 09-16-02 Opening prayer was given by Ken Bergwerff.
- 09-16-03 Members present: Gail Altman, Scott Brouwer, Ruth Pruis, Ken Bergwerff, Janet Oskin, Dan Jensen and Tim Tacoma. Absent: None.
- 09-16-04 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Oskin to approve the agenda, moving item 8 (k) to the beginning of the agenda. **Carried.**
- 09-16-05 The minutes of the meeting of August 19, 2013 were approved with a request from Bergwerff that resolution 08-19-22 read "a grant from GVMC instead of MDOT.
- 09-16-06 Opportunity was given for public comment for items on the agenda. Cornetta Camenga commented regarding the private cemetery ordinance and suggested the board adopt something like Overisel's, of which she gave a copy to the Supervisor.
- 09-16-07 Motion Jensen seconded by Tacoma to approve the consent agenda. **Carried.**
- 09-16-08 Correspondence: No correspondence was received.
- 09-16-09 Brad Slagh, Ottawa County Treasurer made a presentation to the board and public regarding the process of properties that go to the County for delinquent taxes.
- 09-16-10 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Oskin to increase the sewer rates to Jamestown sewer customers by 10% effective for the next billing cycle (November 22, 2013). The rate will change for metered customers from \$4.00 to \$4.40 / 1000 gal. and for flat rate customers from \$90.25/quarter to \$99.28/quarter. This rate increase is caused by an increase of 17% that is charged by Ottawa County to the Township. **Carried. (Memo attached.)**
- 09-16-11 No action was taken on the Ordinance for keeping animals and poultry in the Township. Action will be postponed until additional information has been received. **Carried.**
- 09-16-12 Motion by Jensen seconded by Brouwer to set a public hearing for a request from Speed Wrench for and IFT (tax abatement) for the regular board meeting on October 21, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. or later. **Carried.**

- 09-16-13 The cemetery ordinance was discussed at length. Oskin requested that a trust be set up to cover the possibility of future costs to the Township. She also wanted to see a trustee of the family in charge of the plot. Altman was in favor of it being allowed only on main roads so there wouldn't be a problem of extension of roads in the future. Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Tacoma to approve the ordinance with the following provisions: 1. That it be in AR zoning only, 2. That it be only in places with access to a public road, and 3. That the setbacks be determined by the Planning Commission. Roll call vote: Yes: Bergwerff, Tacoma and Pruis; No: Altman, Brouwer, Jensen and Oskin. **Motion failed.**
- 09-16-14 All-Phase amended plat request was for an expansion of the previously requested area and was given the board for information.
- 09-16-15 Motion by Oskin seconded by Tacoma to approve the tentative preliminary plat plan for Spring Grove Farms Phase 3. **Carried.**
- 09-16-16 Action on the Subdivision Ordinance (Ordinance # 13-004) was postponed for the Planning Commission to review.
- 09-16-17 Motion by Tacoma seconded by Oskin to approve the Fireworks Ordinance (Ordinance #13-003) as presented. **Carried.** (Copy attached.)
- 09-16-18 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Jensen to approve support of resolution HB 4624, a resolution that will prohibit fire departments from preventing fire fighters from being employed by other departments. **Carried.**
- 09-16-19 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Altman to approve a resolution to oppose HB 4785, a resolution proposing that the State of Michigan dramatically increase the registration and certification fees for both employees and equipment involved in EMS response services. **Carried.**
- 09-16-20 Bergwerff requested that the board go into closed session to discuss the trade and purchase of property on 24th and Greenly. The Properties are owned by the Township and the Pater family. Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Jensen to meet in closed session pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act to consider the purchase of real property. Roll call vote: Yes: Tacoma, Jensen, Oskin, Bergwerff, Pruis, Brouwer and Altman. Opposed: None. **Carried.** The board went into closed session at 8:35 p.m. Tom Saladino, fire chief, requested and was given permission to attend the closed session.
- 09-16-21 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Jensen to return to open session at 9:45 p.m. Roll call vote: Yes: Tacoma, Jensen, Oskin, Bergwerff, Pruis, Brouwer and Altman. Opposed: None. **Carried.**

- 09-16-22 Motion by Bergwerff seconded by Jensen to call a special board meeting for Monday, September 30, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the exchange of the corner parcel for equivalent acreage and to purchase the rest of the Pater land. Bergwerff and Jensen will meet with the Paters prior to the meeting.  
**Carried.**
- 09-16-23 Motion by Tacoma seconded by Brouwer to present the bills. **Carried.**
- 09-16-24 Motion by Jensen seconded by Oskin to pay the bills. **Roll call vote:**  
**Carried.**
- 09-16-25 Opportunity was given for public comment. No comments at this time.
- 09-16-26 Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 p.m.

Ruth Pruis,  
Jamestown Charter Township Clerk