

**Jamestown Charter Township Board  
Regular Meeting**

**Monday, January 21, 2019  
Jamestown Township Hall  
2380 Riley St, Hudsonville, MI 49426**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Supervisor Ken Bergwerff, Clerk Candy DeHaan, Treasurer Scott Brouwer, and Trustees Gail Altman, Janet Oskin, Ben Miller and Tim Tacoma.

**Staff Present:** Fire Chief Duane Miedema, Sheriff's Deputies Adam VanDis and A.J. Rietberg, Attorney Mark Nettleton and Library Board Members Deb Fridsma, Marcia Frobish, Marcia Pluim, Larry Walton, John Strick and Dick Patmos.

Starting at 6:03pm, the Township Board met with the Library Board for a Budget Meeting Workshop. Deb Fridsma shared a presentation which included:

- Accomplishments and Celebrations of 2018
- Challenges of 2018
- Proposed 2019-2020 Budget
- Goals: Immediate and Future Goals

Trustee Gail Altman arrived at approximately 6:20pm. Trustee Tim Tacoma arrived at approximately 6:35pm.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Altman, to approve donation of \$60,000 for the 2019-2020 Library budget subject to annual budget process. Roll call vote: Yeas: Altman, Brouwer, DeHaan, Bergwerff, Oskin, Miller and Tacoma. Opposed: None.

Supervisor Bergwerff called the regular portion of Township Board meeting to order at 7:08pm, followed by Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Miller, to approve agenda. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Oskin, seconded by Altman, to approve Township Board minutes of December 17, 2018 and January 5, 2019. Carried by voice vote.

**Public Comment for Items on this Agenda:** Ron Koroleski made a comment about salaries. Robert Vandenberg had a Marihuana Ordinance question.

**Reports** were shared by Fire Chief, Treasurer and Sheriff's Deputy VanDis.

Moved by Oskin, seconded by DeHaan, to approve no more than \$50,000 to upgrade Fire Department vehicles. Roll call vote: Yeas: Tacoma, Miller, Oskin, Bergwerff, DeHaan, Brouwer and Altman. Opposed: None.

Deputy VanDis highly recommended the Citizen's Police Academy, a 9-session program, offered by the Ottawa County Sheriff's Department that is open to the public. Ottawa County Undersheriff Val Weiss introduced Deputy Sheriff A.J. Reitberg, who has been assigned by the Ottawa County Sheriff's Department to work in Jamestown Charter Township.

With the Library currently being without a director, Library Board Treasurer Marcia Frobish shared updates.

Correspondence was received from:

- Abby Pater about use of Township's large parcel west of 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue and north of Greenly
- Cliff Westendorp about remediation update on sold Fire Station property
- Bob Seidel about paving request of Ottogan between 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue
- Nate Verseput about bike paths

**Consent Agenda:** Moved by Oskin, seconded by DeHaan, to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried by voice vote.

**Items for Discussion and/or Action:**

Moved by Altman, seconded by Oskin, to approve the presentation of the bills. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Oskin, seconded by Miller, to approve the paying of the bills. Roll call vote: Yeas: Altman, Brouwer, DeHaan, Bergwerff, Oskin, Miller and Tacoma. Opposed: None.

Brian Boss shared the Water and Sewer Department's 2018 Year in Review and well as upcoming projects. One of the highlights: Brian has been trained and will start testing backflow preventers, keeping the Township from having to hire this to an outside source.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Oskin, for second reading and final approval to rezone parcel #70-18-14-200-005 to the R-1 Residential Zoning District - Ordinance #18-008. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Miller, for second reading and final approval of Complete Prohibition of Marihuana Facilities/Establishments - Ordinance #18-007. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Miller, seconded by Brouwer, to open public hearing for the Jamestown Charter Township Community Recreation Plan. Carried by voice vote.

The following residents had questions/comments:

- Nate Verseput – suggested a few more pathways segments be added for connectivity.
- Jeff Schams – had questions about possible mountain bike/nature trail on our 58 acres near I-196.

Moved by Altman, seconded by DeHaan, to close the public hearing for the Jamestown Charter Township Community Recreation Plan. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Miller, seconded by DeHaan, to approve the Jamestown Charter Township Community Recreation Plan. Carried by voice vote.

A public hearing is set for February 18th, 2019 at the regular Township Board meeting to review and approve the 2019-2020 Annual Budget.

Moved by Tacoma, seconded by Oskin, to approve splitting the cost with Salem Township to have Ottogan Street paved between 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 16th Avenue for no more than \$650,000 paid over 2 years. Roll call vote: Yeas: Tacoma, Miller, Oskin, Bergwerff, DeHaan, Brouwer and Altman. Opposed: None.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Altman, to reappoint Planning Commissioner Jeff Dykstra and replace retiring Commissioner Ted Woltjer with Diane Pater for 3-year terms (2019-2021).  
Carried by voice vote.

Motion by DeHaan, seconded by Oskin, to meet in a closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act to consider material which is exempt from disclosure under Section 13(1)(g) of Michigan's Freedom of Information Act.

The Township Attorney, Mark E. Nettleton, is hereby appointed as Secretary for the purpose of taking minutes of the closed session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Roll call vote to go into closed session. Roll call vote: Yeas: Altman, Brouwer, DeHaan, Bergwerff, Oskin, Miller and Tacoma. Opposed: None.

The Board reconvened at 9:18pm.

**Item(s) for Information:** The 2019-2023 tentative Road Construction schedule for Jamestown roads was shared.

There was a change to Michigan State Law, so we may want to consider amending our current Ordinance Regulating the Ignition, Discharge and Use of Consumer Fireworks in the Township.

**Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda:** Diane Pater mentioned that back of room cannot hear Board conversation. Ron Koroleski asked about Board Correspondence being shared with audience.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

  
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Candy DeHaan, Township Clerk

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Ken Bergwerff, Township Supervisor

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