

Jamestown Charter Township Board
Monday, January 15, 2024
Jamestown Township Hall
2380 Riley Street, Hudsonville, MI 49426
MINUTES

Supervisor VanHaitsma called the meeting to order at 7:00pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and opening prayer by Clerk DeHaan.

Board of Trustees Present: Supervisor Laurie VanHaitsma, Clerk Candy DeHaan, Treasurer Scott Brouwer and Trustees: Derek McCormick, Jim Miedema, Ben Miller and Tim Tacoma.

Also Present: Attorney Mark Nettleton and Fire Chief Duane Miedema.

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

Moved by Brouwer, seconded by McCormick, to approve the Township Board minutes of December 18, 2023. Carried by voice vote.

Public Comments for items on the agenda: None

Reports: Reports were shared by Fire Chief Duane Miedema and Water/Sewer Operator Brian Boss.

Moved by Tacoma, seconded by DeHaan, to add Wetlands Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase Agreement to Items of Discussion. Carried by voice vote.

There were 4 December burials in Jamestown Cemeteries.

There was no Board correspondence.

Items for Discussion and/or Action:

Moved by Miedema, seconded by Miller, to approve the presentation of the bills. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Tacoma, seconded by McCormick, to approve the paying of the bills. Roll call vote: Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Moved by Miedema, seconded by Brouwer, to approve the Planner's 2024 Agreement for Services Contract. Roll call vote Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Miedema, to approve \$5,000 payment for Wetland Mitigation Bank Credit Purchase Agreement with Gunnell Farms, LLC. Roll call vote Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Preliminary budget components continued to be discussed by the Board.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Tacoma, to raise the election inspector's rates starting immediately to \$16/hour regular inspector and \$18/hour for Co-chair. Roll call vote Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Moved by Miedema, seconded by Brouwer, to verify that the Planner's 2024 Agreement notes that Greg Ransford be required to attend Planning Commission meetings whenever possible. Roll call vote Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Moved by VanHaitsma, seconded by DeHaan, to agree to pay per diem rate of \$300/day for trustee participation in the federal court-ordered mediation in the Jamestown Shores et. al v. Jamestown Township case. Roll call vote Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Trustee McCormick agreed to represent Jamestown Township along with Supervisor VanHaitsma for the requested mediation.

Motion by DeHaan, seconded by Miller, to meet in a closed session at 8:17pm 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: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Opposed: None.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:52pm.

Items of Information:

MEMBA update: Our Attorney continues to work with the Ottawa County Water Resources Department to finalize the Lease Agreement that was approved last month between Jamestown Charter Township and Rush Creek Drainage District.

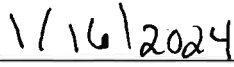
Jamestown Community Park update: Mitigation payment that was approved during this meeting will hopefully allow the park process to progress.

Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda: None

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Miedema, to adjourn at 8:56pm. Carried by voice vote.



Candy DeHaan, Township Clerk



Date

Laurie VanHaitsma, Township Supervisor

Date