

**Jamestown Charter Township Board**  
**Monday, October 21, 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, Sheriff's Deputy Eric Smith.

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

Moved by Miller, seconded by McCormick, to approve the Township Board minutes of September 16, 2024. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by McCormick, seconded by Miedema, to approve the Township Board minutes of October 7, 2024. Carried by voice vote.

**Public Comments for items on the agenda:** None

**Reports:** Reports were shared by Fire Chief Duane Miedema, Treasurer Scott Brouwer and Jamie Jewell from Patmos Library.

Fire Fighter Bob Nyenhuis has retired. 650 people attended the Annual Fire Department Pancake Breakfast on October 12, with \$4,700 raised.

Patmos Library Board has hired a new Administrative Director, Zoe Willoughby-Barker.

There were two pieces of correspondence, one from Ottawa GOP regarding Election Integrity and a second from Ottawa County Clerk Justin Roebuck regarding digital imaging of ballots.

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

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

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

Moved by VanHaitsma, seconded by Miedema to approve the Heritage Planned Development – Final Plan and Planned Development Ordinance #24-006 incorporating the Township engineer’s recommendation for performance guarantee. In discussing the proposed final plan and ordinance, Trustees expressed public health, safety and welfare concerns regarding: the traffic impact of the proposed development on 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue; conflicts between school buses and traffic at drop off and pick-up times; a lack of a deceleration lane and turn lane; a lack of a “through” connection or turn-around within the development to facilitate school buses; and the change in the location of sidewalks at the entrance (closer to the road to accommodate wetlands). Roll call vote: Yeas: Miedema, VanHaitsma, Nay: Miller, DeHaan, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion failed.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Tacoma, to approve Resolution R24-010 to accept conveyance of real property relating to township sanitary sewer system. Roll call vote: Yeas: Miller, Miedema, DeHaan, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Motion carried.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by McCormick, to request that Jim Ondersma be paid for scheduled meetings for the Township when his presence is requested. Carried by voice vote.

**Items of Information:** Jamestown Community Park update: Sidewalks are going in.

**Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda:** Trustee McCormick expressed his appreciation of serving on the board these past 4 years; it was a great experience. Trustee Tacoma mentioned, as a reminder, that the Planning Commission will meet one week earlier in November.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Brouwer, to adjourn at 7:32pm. Carried by voice vote.

  
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Candy DeHaan, Township Clerk

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Laurie VanHaitsma, Township Supervisor

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