

**Jamestown Charter Township Board**  
**Monday, November 18, 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 Trustee Miedema.

**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 Ross Leisman, Sheriff's Deputy Eric Smith.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Miller, to approve the agenda with the addition of Legislative update from Brad Slagh during Items for Discussion and/or action. Carried by voice vote.

Moved by Brouwer, seconded by McCormick, to approve the Township Board minutes of October 21, 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, Water/Sewer Administrator Brian Boss and Zoe Willoughby-Barker from Patmos Library.

On December 11<sup>th</sup> Jamestown Meijer will be hosting their annual "Shop with a Hero" event.

There were two burials for September and two burials for October in Jamestown Cemeteries.

**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.

Community Park Update: Asphalt was finished up as of earlier today, trees have been planted, entry gate has been installed and grass for soccer field is in progress.

Paperwork was distributed at this time by the Supervisor concerning in-kind donation for soccer fields as well as estimated costs of future amenities.

Moved by Tacoma, seconded by McCormick, to:

- (1) Approve and accept the in-kind donation from the Heyboer Family for the construction of the following improvements to the Township Community Park (the "Amenities"):
  1. Restroom building and utility connection;
  2. Sidewalk along parking lot and around the restroom building;
  3. Irrigation System (including restoration);
  4. Irrigation Well; and
  5. Soccer Field Equipment (including 8 different sized goals, nets, corner markers, striping equipment).
- (2) Authorize the Township Supervisor, in consultation with the Township Engineer, to review and approve the design and construction of the Amenities and accept the Amenities on behalf of the Township; and
- (3) Authorize and direct the Township Supervisor, with the assistance of the Township Attorney, to prepare and execute an agreement between the Township and the Heyboer Family for the naming of the soccer fields at the Township Community Park as the "Heyboer Soccer Fields" to acknowledge the Heyboer Family's in-kind donation of the Amenities to the Township.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Miller, Miedema, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma.  
 Nay: DeHaan. Motion passed.

Paperwork was then distributed by the Supervisor concerning signage for the Jamestown Community Park. Moved by Tacoma, seconded by McCormick, to approve the quote of \$9,045 from Postma Signs for park sign. It was discussed that a QR code be added to the sign directing visitors to where they can donate towards additional park amenities. Roll call vote: Yeas: Miller, Miedema, VanHaitsma, Brouwer, McCormick and Tacoma. Nay: DeHaan. Motion passed.

Motion by DeHaan, seconded by Brouwer, to meet in a closed session at 7:41pm 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.

Mika Meyers Attorney, Ross Leisman, 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. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in open session at 8:19pm.

**Items of Information:** MEMBA Park agreement is still awaiting signature from Water Resources Commissioner Joe Bush.

**Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda:** None.

Moved by DeHaan, seconded by Brouwer, to adjourn at 8:21pm. Carried by voice vote.

  
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 Candy DeHaan, Township Clerk

11/19/2024  
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 Laurie VanHaitsma, Township Supervisor

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