

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD JULY 22, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Jim Wierenga at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer for guidance by Richard VanderKlok

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Members present: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, Carol Scholma, Jason Minier, Becky Steele, John Schwalm, Michael Bosch,

Also present: Daniel Carlton, Township Superintendent

Absent: None

Dan Hamming, Fire Chief, presented information on the emergency response to the storm.

Sgt. Jeff Steigenga thanked the Board for support during his tenure with the Township and listed some accomplishments that have occurred.

Dan Carlton, Superintendent, presented information on the storm and noted that there were no backups or problems with water and sewer from the storm.

#190722-01 - Agenda as presented for July 22, 2019

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Carol Scholma, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#190722-02 - Communications, letters and reports: Received for information, to be filed:

- a. [June 24, 2019](#) Utilities Committee
- b. [July 10, 2019](#) Planning Commission meeting minutes
- c. [Summer 2019](#) JHA News letter
- d. [Balance sheet](#) and [GL Report](#)

#190722-03 – Public Comments for items remaining on the agenda

There were no public comments.

#190722-04 - Consent agenda

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by John Schwalm, to grant the following.

Michael Bosch removed two items from the consent agenda, the sidewalk waiver request for 2700 Chicago Dr. and for 303 Wisner on 44th St.

- a. Approval of minutes of the previous board meeting on June 24, 2019.

- b. Approval of the regular monthly bills for [July 5, 2019](#) and [July 19, 2019](#), and [utility bills](#) and [visa bills](#).
- c. Denial of the request to waive the installation of the sidewalk for Cottonwood Heights Church; however, to approve the postponement of the installation of sidewalk to sometime in the future because this is an existing church structure in a residential neighborhood where sidewalks are not currently required, subject to negotiation of an agreement with the Superintendent, as recommended by the Utilities Committee. ([application](#), [required](#))
- d. Denial of the [sidewalk waiver request](#) for 5672 Cory Dr., as recommended by the Utilities Committee, because sidewalks currently exist on all neighboring and adjoining properties. ([picture showing entire neighborhood and adjoining area completed with sidewalks](#)).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#190722-05 – (REZ1903) Ordinance 2019-04 To change from (LDR) Low Density Residential to (RR) Rural Residential a parcel of land described as P.P. # 70-14-08-200-067, located at 3405 Bauer Rd., Georgetown Township, Ottawa County, Michigan.

**Georgetown Charter Township
Ottawa County, Michigan
(Ordinance No. 2019-04)**

At a regular meeting of the Georgetown Charter Township Board held at the Township offices on July 22, 2019 beginning at 7:00 p.m., Township Board Member Richard VanderKlok made a motion to adopt this Ordinance because the proposed zoning designation is **consistent** with the Master plan and the Future Land Use Map for the area; the area is **capable** of sustaining the uses within the RR district without addition public funds; the uses allowed within the RR district are **compatible** with the neighboring uses, as recommended by the Planning Commission, and to adopt the staff report as finding of fact, which motion was seconded by Township Board Member John Schwalm:

**AN AMENDMENT TO THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
ZONING ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, AND MAP**

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF GEORGETOWN (the “Township”) ORDAINS:

ARTICLE 1. The map of the Georgetown Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(REZ1903) Ordinance 2019-04 To change from (LDR) Low Density Residential to (RR) Rural Residential a parcel of land described as P.P. # 70-14-08-200-067, located at 3405 Bauer Rd., Georgetown Township, Ottawa County, Michigan.

Except as expressly modified by the above, the balance of the Zoning Map of the Georgetown Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

ARTICLE 2. Severability. In the event that any one or more sections, provisions, phrases, or words of this Ordinance shall be found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity or the enforceability of the remaining sections, provisions, phrases, or other words of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE 3. Except as specified above, the balance of the Georgetown Charter Township Zoning Ordinance, as amended, and map shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

ARTICLE 4. Effective Date. The provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect upon the expiration of seven (7) days from the date of publication of this Ordinance or a summary of its provisions in accordance with the law.

The vote in favor of adopting this Ordinance was as follows:

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, Carol Scholma, Michael Bosch, Jason Minier, Becky Steele, John Schwalm
Nays: None
Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY AND ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by Georgetown Charter Township Board at the time, date, and place specified above pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: _____, 2019

By _____
Richard VanderKlok
Georgetown Charter Township Clerk

#190722-06 – Sidewalk Waiver for 2700 Chicago Dr.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by Richard VanderKlok, to uphold the denial of the [sidewalk waiver request](#) for 2700 Chicago Dr., as recommended by the Utilities Committee, because this is an area previously identified by the committee as a board goal to create pedestrian friendly streets.

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, Carol Scholma, Jason Minier, Becky Steele, John Schwalm

Nays: Michael Bosch

MOTION CARRIED.

#190722-07 – Sidewalk Waiver for 303 Wisner on 44th St.

Moved by Becky Steele, seconded by John Schwalm, to uphold the denial of the [sidewalk waiver request](#) for 44th St. on property identified as 303 Wisner, as recommended by the Utilities Committee, because this is an area previously identified by the committee as a board goal to create pedestrian friendly streets.

Yeas: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, Carol Scholma, Jason Minier, Becky Steele, John Schwalm

Nays: Michael Bosch

MOTION CARRIED.

#190722-08 – Public Comment

There were public comments.

#190722-09 – Discussion and General information

#190722-10 - Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Becky Steele, to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Jim Wierenga, Supervisor

Richard VanderKlok, Clerk