

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD  
FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING  
July 27, 2020**

Present: Deward, Brew, Lemke, Haagsma, VanderStel, Osterink, Fryling  
Absent: None

Opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by DeWard.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by Supervisor DeWard

**2. Question of Conflict of Interest**

None

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by Fryling to approve the agenda.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Motion carried.

**4. Final Interview two candidates for Township Manager Position**

a. Mark Jansen

b. Kevin Catlin

**5. Closed Session to discuss interviews**

Motioned by Osterink and supported by VanderStel to move to closed session to discuss interviews at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: DeWard - yes, Fryling — yes, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - yes Brew - yes Motion carried.

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by Lemke to end closed session at 7:18 pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Fryling — yes, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - yes, Brew - yes, DeWard - yes Motion carried.

**6. Recognition of Individuals and/or Delegations**

Peter Meijer – Congressional Candidate addressed the board

Shirley Bruursema addressed the board acknowledging regret that the Heritage Festival would not be able to be held due to logistical problems with social distancing and timing. She also acknowledged Crystal Osterink for her many years of service to the township.

**7. Supervisor's Office**

**A. Purchase of Property at 3076 68<sup>th</sup> Street**

Motion by Lemke and supported by Fryling to purchase the parcel at 3076 68<sup>th</sup> Street with the condition that the parcel must be purchased immediately by the adjacent homeowner who will pay all costs

ROLL CALL VOTE: Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink – yes, VanderStel - yes, Brew - yes, DeWard – yes, Fryling – yes Motion carried.

**B. Selection of candidate for Township Manager position**

Motioned by Fryling and supported by Haagsma to hire Mark Jansen for the Gaines Charter Township Manager position.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - yes, Brew - no, DeWard - no, Fryling – yes, Haagsma - yes Motion carried with 5 yes votes and 2 no votes.

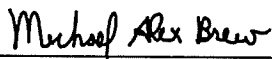
**8. Comments & Discussion**

None

**9. Adjournment**

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Motion carried.



Michael Brew, Clerk



Robert DeWard, Supervisor