

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
September 14, 2020**

The meeting was held as a virtual meeting via Zoom – Meeting #846-2774-5615 – Password – 897226. Public who attended the meeting obtained meeting information and password by sending a request to info@gainestownship.org on the day of the meeting.

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

Opening prayer was given by Osterink.

1. Question of Conflict of Interest

VanderStel will have a conflict of interest with the Gannon Schoolhouse. She will be able to speak from the audience as a citizen of Gaines Township.

2. Approve the Agenda

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to approve the agenda as printed.

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

3. Recognition of Individuals and/or Delegations

None

4. Public Hearing – Rezone Property – 2451 76th Street – Alexander Trails

Motioned by Osterink and supported by Haagsma to open the public hearing on 2451 76th Street.

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

Leon Pratt, 2490 Crystal Meadows, commented that the Plaster Creek divides between Kentwood Public School district and the Caledonia Public School district. His desire is the proposed traffic bridge over Plaster Creek be eliminated as the busses do not need it to access the neighborhood.

Michael Illikainen, 2840 76th Street SE, in addition to the letter in the board packet, spoke about the condition of 76th street. He also noted that the proposed PUD does not meet Gaines Township Master Plan. He noted that existing residents to the north and the south of the proposed PUD are not being considered pertaining to housing density.

Gary VanderStel, 2045 76th Street SE, in addition to the letter in the board packet, spoke about the condition of 76th street as compared to 60th, 68th, and 8th streets which have been improved in recent years. He spoke of the hills, limited sight distances, narrow nature of the road, and the lack of proper

shoulders. He also commented on the lot width being well below the 80' widths which were a point of contention when Crystal Springs PUD was approved.

Motioned by Fryling and supported by Osterink to close the public hearing on 2451 76th Street.

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

5. Public Hearing – Private Streets Ordinance

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to open the public hearing on the Private Street Ordinance.

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

None

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Osterink to close the public hearing on the Private Street Ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - yes, Brew - yes, DeWard - yes, Fryling - no, Haagsma - yes Motion carried.

6. Public Hearing – Major PUD Amendment - 7115 Kalamazoo Avenue

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to open the public hearing on Major PUD Amendment – 7115 Kalamazoo Avenue.

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

None

Motioned by VanderStel and supported by Haagsma to close the public hearing on Major PUD Amendment – 7115 Kalamazoo Avenue.

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

7. Consent Agenda

Motioned by VanderStel and supported by Haagsma to approve the consent agenda including payment of bills for 08/01/2020 through 08/27/2020 in the amount of \$445,141.33.

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

8. Department/Office Reports

A. Clerk

1) Elections Adjudication Software

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Osterink to purchase Election Adjudication Software and computer equipment contingent on securing a grant for half of the \$10,343.00 cost.

ROLL CALL VOTE: DeWard - yes, Fryling - yes, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - no, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - no, Brew - yes Motion carried.

B. Planning

1) Rezone property – 2451 76th Street

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by DeWard to the resolution and the ordinance for 2451 76th PUD creation.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Fryling – no, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink - no, VanderStel - no, Brew - yes, DeWard - yes Motion carried.

2) Private Streets Ordinance

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to approve the Private Streets Ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - yes, Brew – yes, DeWard – yes, Fryling – no Motion carried.

3) Major PUD Amendment – 7115 Kalamazoo Avenue

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to adopt the Major PUD Amendment for 7115 Kalamazoo Avenue expansion of existing building.

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

C. Treasurer's Department

1) BCTV update

9. Recognition of Individuals and/or Delegations.

None

10. Supervisor's Office

A. KEP Technologies (ACD.net) license agreement

Motion by Lemke and supported by VanderStel to approve renewing the KEP Technologies (ACD.net) license agreement

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

B. Gannon School

Kathy VanderStel stepped aside due to conflict of interest. She is able to be part of the discussion as a citizen

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to move forward with the Gannon School Project

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ROLL CALL VOTE: VanderStel - Did not vote, Brew - yes, DeWard – yes, Fryling – yes, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink – yes Motion carried.

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to open bids not to exceed \$5,000 in cost to make preliminary drawings of the Gannon School foundation and educational center addition

ROLL CALL VOTE: DeWard - yes, Fryling - yes, Haagsma - yes, Lemke - yes, Osterink - yes, VanderStel - Did not vote, Brew - yes Motion carried.

VanderStel re-joined as Trustee at 9:04 pm

C. Service Recognition – Sandy Wiltzer, 01/30/2012 – 04/26/2020, Building Department, Planning Commission Secretary, and Zoning Board of Appeals Secretary

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by Lemke to recognize Sandy Wiltzer’s years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

D. Service Recognition – Matthew Wood, 09/08/2015 – 07/30/2020, Paid on Call, Cutlerville Station

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to recognize Matthew Wood’s years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

E. Service Recognition – Shain Bush, 09/20/2018 – 06/01/2020, Paid on Call, Cutlerville Station

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Fryling to recognize Shain Bush’s years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

F. Service Recognition – Geoff Evans, 09/12/2017 – 06/30/2020, Part-Time, Cutlerville Station, Dutton Station

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to recognize Geoff Evans’ years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

G. Service Recognition – Travis Gregg, 05/02/2016 – 07/30/2020, Paid on Call and Part-Time, Cutlerville Station, Dutton Station

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Fryling to recognize Travis Gregg’s years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

H. Service Recognition – Grant Jelsema, 06/01/2020 – 05/30/2020, Paid on Call, Dutton Station

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to recognize Grant Jelsema’s years of service to Gaines Charter Township

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

I. Hiring of four firefighters for Dutton Department

Motioned by Haagsma and supported by Lemke to hire Alex Blehm, Brent Cummings, Stephen Downing, Mike Trenshaw for the Dutton Department.

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

J. Hiring of four firefighters for Cutlerville Department

Motioned by Lemke and supported by Haagsma to hire Ryan Ford, Dan Pratt, Andrew Fittis, Dorian Oestreich for the Cutlerville Department.

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

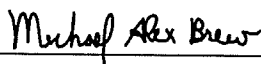
12. Comments & Discussion

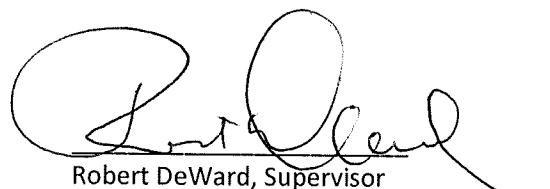
Jason VanderMolen, township Community Policing Officer, spoke of the new format for National night out on October 6, 2020 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. It will be a drive through event where people stay in their cars. Many emergency service departments will have a presence although some will only be present for part of the event.

13. Adjournment

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Lemke to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

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


Michael Brew, Clerk


Robert DeWard, Supervisor

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
FOR THE JOINT MEETING WITH BYRON TOWNSHIP
October 12, 2020**

Present: DeWard, Brew, Lemke, Fryling, VanderStel, Osterink
Absent with notice: Haagsma, Jansan

Opening prayer was given by DeWard and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Supervisor DeWard

2. Question of Conflict of Interest

None.

3. Proposed Agenda

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes.

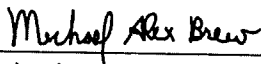
4. Cutlerville Fire Department Budget

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes.

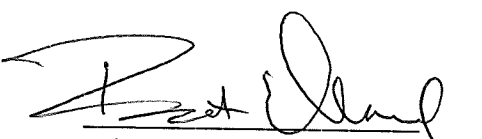
5. CoVID Grant Relief Fund

6. Adjournment at 8:03 pm

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes.



Michael Brew, Clerk



Robert DeWard, Supervisor