

**MINUTES OF GAINES CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
August 12, 2019**

Present: Fryling, Osterink, Burnside, DeWard, Lemke, Haagsma, VanderStel

Absent with notice: None

Also in attendance: Cliff Bloom, Township Attorney

Opening prayer was given by Trustee Fryling 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

Kathy VanderStel stated a conflict with the StoneCo project; she will recuse herself during the public hearing.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Fryling to accept VanderStel's recusal from the StoneCo public hearing.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Motion carried.

3. Proposed Agenda

DeWard added the proposal to repair the Dutton Fire Department siren to the agenda under the Supervisor's office, item (f).

Motion by Burnside and supported by Haagsma to approve the agenda as amended.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Motion carried.

4. Recognition of Individuals and/or Delegations

- **Public Hearing:** StoneCo Rezoning and PUD

Motion by Burnside and supported by Haagsma to open the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Fryling – yes, Osterink – yes, Burnside – yes, DeWard – yes, Lemke – yes, Haagsma – yes, VanderStel – yes. Motion carried. Trustee VanderStel left the podium.

- Stan Bosscher spoke in opposition of the mining project.
- Doretta Anema spoke in opposition of the mining project.
- Meaghan Minkus spoke in opposition of the mining project.
- Genie Eardley, Attorney for Doretta Anema, spoke in opposition of the mining project.
- Ken Vermeulen, Attorney for StoneCo, responded to statements made by previous speakers. Genie Eardley returned and responded to his statements.
- Jennifer Ike spoke in opposition of the mining project.

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Burnside to close the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Osterink – yes, Burnside – yes, DeWard – yes, Lemke – yes, Haagsma – yes, Fryling – yes. Motion carried.

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Motion by Haagsma and supported by Burnside to adjourn any decision on the StoneCo project until the August 19, 2019 Special Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Burnside – yes, DeWard – yes, Lemke – yes, Haagsma – yes, Fryling – yes, Osterink - yes. Motion carried. Trustee VanderStel returned to the podium.

- Dan Veldhuizen gave an overview of the Township’s 2018 financial audit.
- KDL Annual Report: Shirley Bruursema and Lindsey Dorfman spoke about the report; Anjie Gleisner informed the Board that she is leaving and introduced Dawn Lewis as the new manager of the Gaines Branch.
- Fire Chief Paul Sheely gave Ken VanHall a commendation award from the Dutton Fire Department for his exemplary leadership at a multi-car accident scene on M-6.
- Gaines Community Officer Jason VanderMolen gave his monthly report.

5. Consent Agenda

Motion by VanderStel and supported by Haagsma to approve the consent agenda including payment of bills for 7/9/19 through 7/26/19 in the amount of \$185,447.30.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Motion carried.

6. Department/Office Reports

A. Clerk’s Office

None.

B. Planning Department

None.

C. Treasurer’s Office

- 1) 2nd Quarter Financial Report

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to accept the Treasurer’s 2nd Quarter Financial Report, subject to audit.

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

D. Assessing Department

None.

E. Water and Sewer Department

None.

7. Recognition of individuals and/or delegations

Shirley Bruursema informed the Board that the Heritage Festival was planned for October 12th.

8. Supervisor's Office

A. Keyless entry for upper level door

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Lemke to approve the proposal for keyless entry to be installed on the upper floor building department door by Oceans Omega, for \$1,639.00.

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

B. Resolution to establish 9/20/19 as Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day

Motion by Fryling and supported by Haagsma to approve the resolution providing for the designation of September 20, 2019 as "Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day.

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

C. Cutlerville Fire – personnel promotion

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to approve Kurt Wierenga's promotion to Lieutenant at the Cutlerville Fire Department.

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

D. CDBG Applications – resolution to support

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Osterink to approve the resolution supporting the applications for Community Development Block Grant Funding.

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

E. Dutton Fire Department – Invitation to participate in Railtown's Dine for a Difference event

Motion by Haagsma and supported by VanderStel to allow the Dutton Fire Department to participate in the fundraising event at Railtown Brewing, to benefit their firefighter's association.

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

F. Dutton Fire Department – Repairs to tornado siren

Motion by Haagsma and supported by Burnside to approve the quote for \$2,651.00 to repair the tornado siren at the Dutton Fire Department.

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

9. Comments & Discussion

Fryling commented that he would like to put Consumer's Energy on the next agenda; he said there are streetlights out all over the Township that they have been made aware of for months and have not fixed them but continue to charge us for them.

DeWard updated the Board on the Revolution Farms issues, and reminded them of the special meeting next Monday, August 19th at 5:30.

10. Adjournment

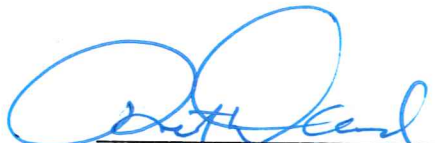
Motion by Burnside and supported by Osterink to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m.

VOICE VOTE: All Ayes. Meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED: September 9, 2019



Angela Burnside, Clerk



Robert DeWard, Supervisor