

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD HELD NOVEMBER 10, 2025.

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

Prayer for guidance by Jim Wierenga

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Members present: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

Also present: Justin Stadt, Superintendent; Andy Rienstra, Assistant Superintendent

Absent: John Schwalm

#251110-01 – Approval of Agenda as presented for November 10, 2025

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to approve the agenda as presented.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

#251110-02 – Consumers Energy Update with Rich Houtteman

Rich Houtteman was unable to make the meeting.

#251110-03 – Fire Department Monthly Update with Chief DeWitt

Chief DeWitt gave an update on the Georgetown Fire Department.

#251110-04 – Communications, Letters and Reports Received for Information to be Filed:

- [Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2025](#)
- [Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2025](#)
- [Tax Memo](#)
- [Michigan Fair Elections Institute Letter and Certificate](#)
- [Fire Department Reports October 2025](#)
- [Third Quarter 2025 Investment Report](#)
- [Traffic Counts Report – Ottawa County Road Commission](#)
- [Ottawa County Sheriff's Department Report September 2025](#)
- [Jenison Historical Association Autumn Newsletter](#)

#251110-05 – Public Hearing and Resolution for (LIQ2503) Taco Veloz (A.K.A. Senor Taco), 420 Baldwin St

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Kevin Kelly, to open the public hearing.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

Members of the public were present; comments were made by the following:

- Pete Plowman- 6877 Creekridge Ct
- Isaias Manriquez-Vargas – 8095 Parkway Dr.

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Kevin Kelly, to close the public hearing.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Kevin Kelly, to approve the resolution to issue liquor license LIQ2503 to Taco Veloz (A.K.A. Senor Taco), as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Roll Call

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

Attachments:

- [Taco Veloz Layout](#)
- [Taco Veloz Lease, 420 Baldwin Ste B – Fully Executed 4.10.2025](#)
- [Explanation of Compliance with Ordinance Requirements 10.9.2025](#)
- [Liquor License Application 10.9.2025](#)
- [Local Government Approval Form LCC106 Resolution](#)
- [420 Baldwin Survey](#)
- [Articles of Organization](#)

#251110-06 – Public Comments for Items Remaining on the Agenda.

Members of the public were present; comments were made by the following:

- Sandy Bloem-Roskamp – 2487 Cedarwest Dr.
- Don McCloskey- 3540 Baldwin St.
- Pete Plowman – 6877 Creekridge Ct.

#251110-07 – Consent Agenda

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to grant the following:

- [Approval of the Township Board Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2025](#)
- [Approval of the Township Bills for October 27, 2025](#)
- [Approval of the Township Bills for November 10, 2025](#)
- [Approval of the Grand Rapids Press 2026 Contract](#)
- Approval of the Annual Renewal of the Following Liquor Licenses for 2026:
 - o Liquor License (LIQ0901) for Sunnybrook Golf Club LLC, 624 Port Sheldon St, as requested. The initial liquor license was approved by the Township Board on December 14, 2009 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ1601) Peppino's Pizza, 135 Chicago Dr, as requested. The initial liquor license was approved by the Township Board on February 8, 2016 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ1602) The Win, 7628 Georgetown Center, as requested. The initial liquor license was approved by the Township Board on March 14, 2016 and has been renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ1702) Licari, GNL Group, 3627 Baldwin St, as requested. The initial license was issued June 12, 2017 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ1901) Los Ranchos, 1814 Baldwin St, as requested. The initial license was issued December 9, 2019 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ2001) Rebounders, 7500 Baldwin St, as requested. The initial license was issued February 10, 2020 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ2401) Dunes Golf and Bar, 7561 Cottonwood Dr, as requested. The initial license was issued August 12, 2024 and renewed each year.
 - o Liquor License (LIQ2502) Golden Grounds Coffee, 10327 42nd Ave, as requested. The initial License was issued August 11, 2025. This is their first renewal.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

#251110-08 – Policy 2025-01 Water and Sewer Rate Increase Policy

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to approve Policy 2025-01, Water and Sewer Rate Increases Policy, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to amend Policy 2025-01, Water and Sewer Rate Increases Policy, to adjust the dates in item D under Procedures regarding ending the monthly billing program from “the 12/2/25 billing date and billing from 10/1/25 to 12/1/25” to “the 03/03/2026 billing date, which bills from 12/01/25 through 03/02/26” in order to give more notice of the change to monthly utility billing customers.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION TO AMEND CARRIED

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED

Attachments:

- [Policy 2025-01 – FC – Amended](#)
- [Policy 2025-01 – Final](#)
- [Timeline Example](#)

#251110-09 – Kreekfield Drive Street Light Resolution

Moved by Amy Grasman, seconded by Kevin Kelly, to allow Gary Veldink to recuse himself for this item.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm, Gary Veldink

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Amy Grasman, seconded by Kevin Kelly, to approve the streetlight resolution for Kreekfield Dr, as recommended by the Utilities Committee.

Roll Call:

YEAS: Gene DeWitt, Kelly Kuiper, Jim Wierenga, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm, Gary Veldink

MOTION CARRIED

Attachments:

- [Kreekfield Dr Street Light Resolution](#)

#251110-10 – Port Sheldon Sewer Repair

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to contract with Dean’s Excavating for an amount not to exceed \$111,000 for sewer repair, as recommended by the Utilities Committee.

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED

Attachments:

- [Deans Port Sheldon and 12th Ave Quote](#)

#251110-11 – Public Comment

Members of the public were present; public comments were made by the following:

Nancy Pochron- 6402 36th Ave.
Pete Plowman – 6877 Creekridge Ct.

#251110-12 – Discussion and General information

Discussion took place.

#251110-13 – Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Gary Veldink, seconded by Amy Grasman, to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM

YEAS: Jim Wierenga, Kelly Kuiper, Gene DeWitt, Gary Veldink, Amy Grasman, Kevin Kelly

NAYS: None

ABSENT/ABSTAINED: John Schwalm

MOTION CARRIED.

Jim Wierenga, Supervisor

Kelly Kuiper, Clerk