

**MINUTES OF THE GEORGETOWN TOWNSHIP FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

Present: Jim Wierenga, Richard VanderKlok, members; Daniel Carlton, Township
Superintendent
Absent: Carol Scholma

#180221-01 - Finance Committee Minutes of February 7, 2018

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Jim Wierenga, to approve the Finance Committee minutes as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#180221-02 – Mowing Contract – Package #2 for 2018 and 2019

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Jim Wierenga, to recommend to the Township Board to approve the low [bid](#) of \$61,430.00 from 20/20 Lawn Care Landscaping.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#180221-03 – Recognition as a Charitable Organization

Moved by Jim Wierenga, seconded by Richard VanderKlok, to recommend to the Township Board to approve the request to recognize the organization as a charitable organization as follows:

LOCAL GOVERNING BODY RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSES

At a regular meeting of the Georgetown Township Board, called to order by Jim Wierenga, on February 26, 2018, at 7:30 p.m., the following resolution was offered:

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, that the request from Operation Appreciate Freedom, of Jenison, Michigan, county of Ottawa, asking that they be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining charitable gaming licenses, be considered for _____ (approval/disapproval).

Yeas:

Nays:

Absent:

MOTION CARRIED AND RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

I certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution offered and adopted by the Georgetown Township Board at a regular meeting held on February 26, 2018.

Signed: _____
Richard VanderKlok, Clerk
1515 Baldwin, Jenison, MI 49428

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#180221-04 – Postponed from Board - Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 2018-08, Distillery Ordinance Revision

The committee reviewed the language as follows and forwarded it to the Board for consideration.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-08

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GEORGETOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP LIQUOR LICENSE AND CONTROL ORDINANCE TO ADD A NEW AND REVISED SUBSECTION 4-6(a)(18) (AND DELETE SUBSECTIONS 4-6(a)(19) AND (20)) REGARDING DISTILLERIES AND TASTING FACILITIES RELATED THERETO.

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

Article I. A new and revised Subsection 4-6(a)(18) is hereby added to the Georgetown Charter Township Liquor License and Control Ordinance (which will amend the existing Subsection 4-6(a)(18)) to read as follows:

(18) Any premises that has a distillery that produces spirits on site or has a distillery that produces spirits on site that also serves such spirits to customers on site are prohibited unless the activities, sales or dispensing regarding the spirits produced on site is limited to the following:

- a. The manufacturing and distillery of spirits.
- b. The sale of spirits in sealed bottles or containers to customers (not to be consumed on site).
- c. Allowing members of the general public to taste or sample such spirits produced on site. However, customers may not be charged a fee or other monetary consideration for such sample and the sample may not involve the mixing of spirits with any other alcoholic drinks. The spirits produced on site may be mixed with non-alcoholic

drinks such as soda pop, quinine water, juice, fruit, ice cream, drink mixes or any other non-alcoholic beverages for testing or sampling, but no fee or other monetary consideration shall be charged.

- d. If any food is served to customers on site or there is any fee for sampling any spirits produced on site, then the requirements of Subsections 4-6(a)(15) and (16) for a restaurant shall apply. If the distillery qualifies as a restaurant and receives all approvals from the Township for a restaurant, then any samples given to members of the public on site may involve a fee or a monetary consideration and the spirits produced on site may be sold for consumption on site and may be mixed with other beverages for on-site consumption if the appropriate liquor license is obtained from the Township and the state and all other Township ordinance requirements are met.

A distillery that is open to the public shall also comply with all of the following:

- i. The distillery may be open to the public only from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- ii. The distillery shall have no more than 10 seats for members of the public unless it also meets the requirements for a restaurant pursuant to Subsections 4-6(a)(15) and (16). If all of the requirements for a restaurant are met, the 10 seat limitation shall not apply.

The Township Board may attach conditions to the operation of any such distillery.

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This new Subsection 4-6(a)(18) shall replace and supersede Subsections 4-6(a)(18), (19) and (20) previously adopted by the Township Board for Georgetown Charter Township on December ____, 2017.

Article II. Except as specified above, the balance of the Georgetown Charter Township Liquor License and Control Ordinance, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force

and effect.

Article III. Severability. In the event that any one or more sections, provisions, phrases, or words of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment shall be found to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the validity or the enforceability of the remaining sections, provisions, phrases, or other words of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment, and the balance of this Ordinance/ordinance amendment shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Article IV. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective upon the expiration of the thirtieth day after publication after adoption. This ordinance was read for the first time on _____, 2018, published on _____, 2018, read for the second time and adopted by the Georgetown Charter Township Board on _____, 2018, published for the second time on _____, 2018, and effective thirty days from second publication.

Richard VanderKlok, Clerk
Georgetown Charter Township

#180221-05 – Metro Act Permit Request

The consensus of the committee was to recommend to staff to deny the application at this time based upon their proposal to install an above ground line which doesn't meet ordinance regulations. If the proposal is revised to have the line underground, it could be approved.

#180221-06 – Library Construction – Focus Group Discussion

The committee reviewed the Focus Group ranking [tabulation](#).

#180221-07 – Library Construction

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded Jim Wierenga, to approve the [quote](#) from Progressive AE to serve as architect for the library construction project.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#180221-08 – 16th Ave. Sidewalk

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Jim Wierenga, to recommend to the Township Board to rescind the motion adopted by the Georgetown Charter Township Board on August 14, 2017 (Case No. 170814-04) effective immediately which approved the ordering of the installation of sidewalks on both sides of 16th Avenue from the existing sidewalk south to Van Buren on the north side of Ponstein from the existing sidewalk to 16th Avenue, to be installed no later than June 30, 2018, as requested by residents and as recommended by the Utilities Committee, which rescission of the earlier approved motion shall be without prejudice to the Georgetown Charter Township Board revisiting the matter later at some time in the future.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#180221-09 – Ice Center Update

The committee reviewed options to privatize the ice center.

#180221-10 – Cell Tower Leases

The committee discussed options for the sale of cell tower leases.

#180221-11 – Communications, Letters and Reports**#180221-12 – Public Comments**

No public was present and there were no public comments.

#180221-13 – Other Business**#180221-14 – Adjournment**

Moved by Richard VanderKlok, seconded by Jim Wierenga to adjourn at 9:17 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.