

**MINUTES OF THE  
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Wednesday, November 18, 2015

7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Treasurer Peirce, Clerk Goodyke, Trustee Lewis, Koessel, McDonald and Goldberg.  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Assessor McCarty, DDA/Economic Development Director Korhorn and those listed on Supplement #1.
- Article 2.** Supervisor Beahan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Article 3.** Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4.** **Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**  
Librarian Cutler reminded the Board of the second concert in their Sunday Afternoon “Live” series.
- a. Presentation from Cobalt Community Research**  
Mr. William SaintAmour was present to review the research on the following items:
- Support budget and strategic planning decisions
  - Identify which aspects of the business environment have the strongest relationship with businesses’ overall satisfaction
  - Establish baseline measures
  - Explore what Cascade Township can provide to help attract and retain businesses.
- Article 5.** **Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 11/04/15.
  2. Planning Commission Minutes for 10/19/15.
  3. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes for 10/13/15.
- b. Receive and File Reports
1. Kent County Sheriff Office East Precinct Quarterly Report.
  2. Building Department Monthly Report for October, 2015.
- c. Receive and File Communications
1. Letter from the State of Michigan – re: Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Act.
  2. Letter from Comcast – re: Changes in Channel Lineup and Rates.
- Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6.** **Financial Actions**
- Article 7.** **Unfinished Business**
- Article 8.** **New Business**
- 073-2015 a. Public Hearing – Establish IFT District for Lacks Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> St. & 5631 Kraft Ave.**

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

No public comments.

Assessor McCarty reviewed the request.

A representative, Christopher Thorson from Lacks was present to address questions/concerns from the Board.

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Koessel to reconvene into Regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Consider Resolution to Approve IFT District for New Facility for Lack Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> & 5631 Kraft Ave.**

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution for an IFT District for a New Facility for Lack Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> and 5631 Kraft Ave. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**074-2015**

**a. Public Hearing – Issuance of IFT Certificate for Lacks Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> & 5631 Kraft Ave.**

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

No public comments.

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to reconvene into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Consider Resolution to Approve the Issuance of IFT Certificate for Lacks Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> & Kraft Ave.**

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Resolution to approve the Issuance of an IFT Certificate for Lacks Enterprises at 5555 60<sup>th</sup> & Kraft Ave. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**075-2015**

**Consider Approval of Resolution Authorizing Preparation of Plans and Costs for Public Water Extension on Thornapple River Dr.**

DDA/Economic Development Director Korhorn reviewed the Resolution with the Board. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution Authorizing Preparation of Plans and Costs for Public Water Extension on Thornapple River Dr. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**076-2015**

**Consider Approval of Resolutions for Tris4Health to close public streets for Triathlon on June 12, 2016.**

DDA/Economic Development Director Korhorn reviewed the Resolution. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Resolutions for Tris4Health to close public streets for Triathlon on June 12, 2016. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

- 077-2015 Consider Approval of Resolution to Authorize Consumers Energy to Make Changes to the Cascade Township Lighting System.**  
 Manager Swayze reviewed the changes to our contract with Consumers Energy. They want to convert three mercury vapor lights in the Township to high pressure sodium. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Resolution to Authorize Consumers Energy to Make Changes to the Cascade Township Lighting System. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.
- 078-2015 Consider Approval of 28<sup>th</sup> Street/I-96 Interchange Township Sign.**  
 Manager Swayze reviewed the project regarding the Township sign. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Lewis to table the item and go back to staff and the infrastructure committee try to nail down costs of the additional signs as well as seek alternative design for the sign that meets the established budget. Motion carried unanimously.
- 079-2015 Consider Approval of Resolution to warrant to the 2015 Tax Roll, the Street Lighting Roll, the Delinquent Sewer and Water Assessments, and the Delinquent Sewer and Water Usages.**  
 Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution to warrant to the 2015 Tax Roll, the Street Lighting Roll, the Delinquent Sewer and Water Assessments, and the Delinquent Sewer and Water Usages. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**  
 Jeff DeJong, 2984 Thornapple River Dr. complimented the Board on the improvements at Cascade Rec Park and the road improvements. Also commented on the proposed size of the sign discussed earlier.

**Article 10. Manager Comments**  
 Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- Thursday, November 19, 2015 the Road Commission will be down doing more paving on our village area project.
- Museum Garden project is coming along as well...
- We have our annual review of our rate setting tomorrow morning at the Utility Advisory Board. It looks like our rates for our Cascade residents will be going up somewhere between 1.5 and 2 percent.
- There is another set of data that comes along with the presentation from Cobalt Community Research.

**Article 11. Board Member Comments**  
 Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- A citizen inquired about the island in the middle of Cascade Road. Is there any way this could be illuminated. Supervisor Beahan stated that he has talked with the KCRC regarding the illumination of the island.
- Will the street names go on the mast arms? Supervisor Beahan stated that they would be on the arms and also illuminated.

**Article 12. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Lewis to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

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Ron Goodyke, Clerk

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Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor