

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

Wednesday, June 25, 2014
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Clerk Goodyke, Treasurer, Peirce, Trustee Lewis, Koessel and Goldberg (arrived at 7:15p.m.)
Absent: Trustee McDonald
Also Present: Manager Swayze and those listed in 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 Trustee Koessel to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Scott VanSolkema, 2570 Orange Ct., was present to address the panhandling that has been going on in the Township.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 06/11/14.
 - 2. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 06/02/14.
 - 3. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes of 05/13/2014.
 - b. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Fire Department Monthly Reports for April/May, 2014.
 - c. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Letter from Department of Transportation – re: Traffic Signal LED Upgrades
 - 2. Memo from Clerk Goodyke – re: SDM License for Harvest Health.
- Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. Consider Approval of May, 2014 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the May, 2014 General/Special Funds. Motion carried.
 - b. Consider Approval of May, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the May, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion carried.
 - c. Consider Approval of Pay Draw #1 for the Oak Terrace Water Main Project.**
Motion was made by Trustee Peirce and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Pay Draw #1 for the Oak Terrace Water Main Project. Motion carried.
- Article 7. Unfinished Business**
- Article 8. New Business**
- 047-2014 Consider Approval of Resolution to Provide Deferment from Summer Taxes without Penalty for Certain Taxpayers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke is to approve Resolution to Provide Deferment from

Summer Taxes without Penalty for Certain Taxpayers. Motion carried by roll call vote.

048-2014 Audit Presentation – Consider Approval of 2013 Audit as presented.

Phil Saurman from Hungerford, Nichols was present to review the 2013 audit with the Board. Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the 2013 Audit. Motion carried.

Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)

Deputy Ryan Roe from the Kent County Sheriff's Department was present to update the Board on happenings in Cascade Township.

Article 10. Manager Comments

Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- The 4th of July is coming...we met today with the Sheriff's Department.
- Sent out a draft committee schedule, to have regular standing meetings for all our committees. I will publish it and starting 2015 it will become part of our yearly calendar.
- Infrastructure meeting next week...we will be talking about two items at this meeting; Thornhills Drain project and a proposed scope of services from Fishbeck to explore School house Creek.
- Rob & I met with the County today to talk about Fire Dispatch. The County is once again interested in charging Townships for dispatch services.
- Talked to Jan Holst...she is recovering from her fall.
- Former Manager Cousins accepted a job as the Interim Manager in Ithica, MI.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- On the 4th of July...Cascade Rd. (north side) is there going to allow parking? Deputy Roe responded that you should be able to park on the shoulder.
- I think it's time we re-visit the panhandling issue.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Very proud of our "bean counters" in this Township. I thought the audit again was fantastic and a "tip of the hat" to everyone that is involved.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- We finally received the tax rates from the units of government that we collect taxes for...Lowell went up a little bit.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- Looking for help for the 4th of July Celebration.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor