

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

Wednesday, June 11, 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, McDonald, Koessel and Goldberg.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Assessor McCarty, Assistant to the Manager Korhorn 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 Goldberg to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
- a. KDL Annual Report for 2013**
Staff from KDL was present to review their Annual Report with the Board.
 - b. Tom Czerwinski, Senior Millage Presentation**
Mr. Czerwinski re-acquainted the Board with the mission and goal of the Senior Millage.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 05/28/14.
 - 2. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 05/19/14.
 - b. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Treasurer's Monthly report for April, 2014
 - 2. Building Department Monthly Report for May, 2014.
 - c. Education Request
 - 1. Roger McCarty/Jeff Miller – Michigan Assessor Association Conference – Plymouth, MI – August 3-6th.
 - d. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Letter from Comcast – re: Channel Changes
 - 2. Letter from Lisa Posthumus Lyons – re: Generally Accepted Agricultural and Management Practices (GAAMPs)
- Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. Consider Approval of Final payment for the Tassell Park and Peace Park Repairs.**
Manager Swayze was present to request approval of the final \$1,000 for the project to Flier Brothers Independent Excavators so we may apply for our re-imburement from FEMA. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Final payment for the Tassell Park and Peace Park repairs in the amount of \$1,000. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Unfinished Business**

Article 8. New Business

041-2014

a. Public Hearing – Request for Approval of IFT Exemption Certificate for New Facility for MEDBIO Inc.

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

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

b. Consider Approval of Resolution to Approve an IFT Exemption Certificate for New Facility for MEDBIO Inc. (roll call)

Assessor McCarty reviewed the application for new Personal Property for MEDBIO.

Chris Williams from MEDBIO was present to answer any questions from the Board.

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Resolution to Approve an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for MEDBIO Inc. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

042-2014

Review and Consider Plans for the Museum Gardens Project.

Assistant to the Manager Korhorn reviewed the Gateway Park Concept being introduced for the Museum Gardens on the corner of Thornapple River and Cascade. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the plans submitted for the Museum Gardens. Motion carried unanimously.

043-2014

Review and Consider Plans for the Old 28th St. Realignment.

Assistant to the Manager Korhorn reviewed the plans for the realignment of Old 28th St. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the proposed plans for the Old 28th St. realignment. Motion carried unanimously.

044-2014

Consider Approval of Compensation and Classification Study, Compensation Policy and 2014 Wage Adjustments.

Manager Swayze reviewed the process taken in putting together the updated Compensation and Classification Study, Compensation Policy and 2014 Wage Adjustments. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Compensation and Classification Study, Compensation Policy and 2014 Wage Adjustments. Motion carried unanimously.

045-2014

Consider Approval of 2014 Local Road Improvements.

Manager Swayze presented the 2014 Local Road Improvement recommendations. Recommendations made to the Infrastructure Committee was to go with the recommended projects from the KCRC with the exception of the Thornapple Elementary School area. The total projected cost to the Township would be \$196,000.00. We would recommend the Board also approve a

budget amendment of \$46,000 to the local road program. Discussion followed regarding the recommended projects. Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the recommendations of the Infrastructure Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

046-2014 Consider Approval of Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.

Supervisor Beahan submitted the following appointments:

- Zoning Board of Appeals: Louis Berra
- Downtown Development Authority Steve Stephan

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the appointments recommended by Supervisor Beahan. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Janet Ogden, Cascade Township's Residential Appraiser was present to talk about the Compensation and Classification Study to specifically address her wages.

Article 10. Manager Comments

Manager Swayze addressed the following items:

- We had an opportunity to meet with an engineer from Fishbeck out of their Lansing office who specializes in natural storm drain restoration. We walked sections of School House Creek to understand some of the issues going on down there. They are currently are in the process of developing a scope of services for us to do a study to determine what is causing the erosion in certain sections of the creek and what can be done to fix it.
- We met with the Airport today. They are planning on starting the storm water treatment cells.
- Fishbeck conducted the soil sampling for our base line environmental study...they are currently doing the analysis.
- This Friday the DNR is coming out to do a site visit for our grant application down at the Cascade Rec Park. We are hoping to make a good impression on them.
- Our B&G supervisor is leaving on Friday after 8 years here with the Township.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- I would encourage the Board to get a copy of the Compensation Study and look at the municipalities that were used. There were a lot of municipalities used comparable to our size and it showed the average wage paid for those positions in that area and showed what percentage we were of that. When we looked at the study we relied on their information.
- The intersection of Thornapple River Dr. and Cascade Rd...since the No Right Hand Turn sign has been put up, I have seen more problems than I did before.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- We had a triathlon last Sunday.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Clerk Goodyke to adjourn.
Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor