

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

Wednesday, May 14, 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, McDonald and Goldberg.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Planning Director Peterson and those listed in Supplement #1.
- Article 2.** Supervisor Beahan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Article 3. **Approval of Agenda****
Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. **Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)****
Jim Knack, 6601 Waybridge was present to address issues with a forth coming agenda item: Pit Stop Catering would like to request a Public Hearing in front of the Township Board.
Ed Holmes, 6569 Waybridge also was present to request a Public Hearing in front of the Board regarding the Pit Stop Catering zoning request.
- Article 5. **Approval of Consent Agenda****
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 04/23/14.
 - 2. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 02/18/14.
 - b. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Building Department Report for April, 2014.
 - 2. Kent County Sheriff Office – East Precinct Quarterly Report for Jan 1 – March 31, 2014.
 - c. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Michigan Liquor Control Commission – re: Forest Hills Concessions, L.L.C.
 - 2. Letter from Comcast – re: Government Affairs Liaison.
 - d. Education Requests
 - 1. Ken Davis – I.A.E.I. Michigan Chapter Summer Meeting – Mt. Mt. Pleasant – June 12-13, 2014.
 - 2. Denise M. Biegalle – Employer Association HR/Legal Conference & Annual Meeting Luncheon – Grand Rapids – May 20, 2014.
- Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. **Financial Actions****
- a. **Consider Approval of April, 2014 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis To approve the April, 2014 General/Special Funds as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. **Consider Approval of April, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the April, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers as submitted.
Motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Unfinished Business (None)

Article 8. New Business

036-2014 Consider Approval of Letter of Support and Contribution Toward the Grant Application for a Feasibility Study for the Coast to Coast Rail Corridor Coalition.

Planning Director Peterson introduced Mr. John Langdon from the Michigan Passenger Rail Association to present the concept of beginning a rail passenger service from Holland to Detroit. The Planning Commission recommendation would be to provide a letter of support and a \$5,000 contribution toward the grant application for a feasibility study. Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the letter of support and the \$5,000 contribution towards the grant application for the feasibility study. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Kenneth Carey, 2929 Thornapple River Dr. was present to address the Board regarding drainage issues on his property.

Article 10. Manager Comments

Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- Rob & I attended the neighborhood meeting the YMCA put on over at NOTO's. It was a very good presentation. I think the YMCA did a good job in addressing some of the concerns some of the residents had about the project.
- The Cascade Township Fire Department will be participating in a County-wide emergency exercise.
- Attended a West Michigan Partnership Meeting today. The Board did approve a contractor for our marketing plan. The contractor chosen was Revel out of Muskegon County.
- There has been talk of Comcast status in the State of Michigan...with their merger with Time Warner.
- We have the final draft of the audit. We are doing our internal review currently.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- The Planning Commission meeting Monday night...it should be a lively affair.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Also attended the Open house at NOTO's (i.e., YMCA) was very well done.
- Oxana, Janet and I did our annual collection of personal property taxes trip today. We visited approximately 10 businesses...we collected about \$3,000.

Clerk Goodyke offered the following comments:

- Just gearing up for the August Election.

Trustee Goldberg offered the following comments:

- Inquired about the comment made earlier in the meeting regarding the public hearing requirement for Type 1 and Type 2.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor