

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

Wednesday July 13, 2016
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustee Goldberg, Koessel, Lewis, McDonald, Treasurer Peirce and Clerk Bell.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Fire Chief Sigg, Community Development Director Peterson 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 unanimously.
- Article 4.** **Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
- Article 5.** **Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Township Board Minutes of 6/22/16.
 - b. Receive and File Reports
 - 1. Fire Department's Monthly Report – May, 2016
 - c. Education Requests
 - 1. Ben Swayze –MLGMA Summer Conference – July 26-29 – Midland, MI
 - d. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Letter from Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs – Re: Video Franchise Operations.
 - 2. Letter from Charter Communications – Re: Channel Line-up.
 - 3. Letter from Michigan Public Service Commission – Re: Public Hearing.
- Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee McDonald to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6.** **Financial Actions**
- a. **Consider Approval of June 2016, Payables, Payroll and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the June 2016, Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion carried unanimously.
 - b. **Consider Approval of Pay Draw #3 for the Cascade Rec Park Improvements (Basketball Court/Dog Park).**
Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee McDonald To approve Pay Draw # 3 for the Cascade Rec Park Improvements in the amount of \$32,806. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7.** **Unfinished Business**

**Article 8. New Business
053-2016**

a. Public Hearing – A Resolution Regarding the Proposed Township Hall Project.

Supervisor Beahan reviewed the timeline regarding the proposed Township Hall Project and a new timeline on proposed “repairs” to the existing Township Hall.

Trustee McDonald gave some background on the Infrastructure Committee’s recommendations.

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

Chris Taylor, 6027 Champagne Ct., Thanked the Board for listening to residents. Recommends a “citizens” committee to be formed to work with the Infrastructure committee moving forward on other places/things that might be used for the Township Hall Building.

Kenneth Carey, 2929 Thornapple River Dr., voters need to be informed thru direct mailings.

Frank Drew, 1730 Mont Rue, thanked the Board on their consideration in the matter of the proposed Township Hall.

Consider “spending limits” in the future.

Dan Pullet, 3534 S. Applecrest Ct., out of respect and humility I appreciate very much the consideration of all the feedback you received. Possibility of looking at shopping center (Prevo) for a government agency.

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

b. Consider Approval of Resolution from Infrastructure Committee Regarding the Proposed Township Hall Project.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve “version 2” of the Resolution from the Infrastructure Committee Regarding the Proposed Township Hall Project. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

054-2016

a. Public Hearing – A Request for a Lot Split at 4834 Town Centre Dr.

Community Development Director Peterson reviewed the request with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Goldberg to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Mitulkumar Patel, 5960 Glen Ellyn Ct., owns lot and has been approached by a buyer who would like to put a hotel there. (4) story...(100) rooms.

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

b. Consider Approval for Request of a Lot Split at 4834 Town Centre Dr. (roll call)

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the request of a lot split at 4834 Town Centre Dr. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

055-2016 **Consider Approval to hire a contractor for pathway repairs.**
Community Development Director Peterson reviewed the bids for the proposed pathway repairs. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve Lawns of Distinction with the bid of \$43,702.50 for pathway repairs. Motion carried unanimously.

056-2016 **Consider a Resolution to Support the Kent County Board of Commissioners Millage Subcommittee Report and Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for a Dispatch Surcharge.**
Manager Swayze reviewed the recommendation with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Clerk Bell to approve the Resolution to Support the Kent County Board of Commissioners Millage Subcommittee Report and Recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for a Dispatch Surcharge. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
Ken Yonkers candidate for County Drain Commissioner was present to address the Board.
Irene Drew, 1730 Mont Rue Dr., thank the Board for all their efforts on the proposed Township Hall project. Pathways on Cascade Road have serious pot holes.
Kent County Community Policing Officer Ryan Roe was present to update the Board on happenings in Cascade Township.

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

- Project Updates:
 - Ribbon cutting ceremony for the playground
 - Last Friday we had the DEQ on site for the Schoolhouse Creek project.
 - Contractor in Tassell Park due to flooding over the past couple of years, we have had a significant amount of rock wash out along the base of the dam.
 - Ribbon cutting for the Drury Hotel was last week.
- Fourth of July again was a great event. I send my thanks to Chief Sigg and the Fire Department.

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

- Also wanted to thank Chief Sigg for a great Fourth of July parade again.
- With new filtration system capturing the de-icing fluids off the airplanes...I know there were a lot of questions about that when that went in. We talked about monitoring it...have we done a test? Manager Swayze responded that we have done the initial base line study.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Reviewed several positive projects that have happened in the Township this year... Drury Hotel...Redwood Apts...YMCA.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Wants to restore the trust that the people had in us as a Board...that we are here to do what is best for the community...we are in this together...we are not advisories.

Trustee Goldberg offered the following comments:

- When is the next Finance Committee scheduled? Manager Swayze responded July 27th.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Clem Bell, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor