

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

Wednesday, March 25, 2015  
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 Koessel, Goldberg and Lewis.  
Absent: Trustee McDonald (excused)  
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)**  
Vincent Kleyla, 2503 Riveredge Dr., was present to address the Board regarding the bike path on Burton (where they are building the new YMCA). Cannot get thru...it is all under construction. Would request the Board take a look at it and see if there is anything they can do to make it passable.
- Article 5.** **Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
    - 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes for 3/11/15.
    - 2. Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes for 12/09/2014.
  - b. Receive and File Various Reports
    - 1. Fire Department Monthly Report for February, 2015.
  - c. Education Requests
    - 1. Debbie Amos – MMTA Basic Institute – April 19-24<sup>th</sup> – Mt. Pleasant, MI
    - 2. Oxana Sourine – Association of Public Treasurers of US and Canada 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference – August 16-18<sup>th</sup> – Chicago, IL.
    - 3. Ken Peirce – MMTA Advanced Institute – April 29- May 1<sup>st</sup> - Mt. Pleasant, MI.
    - 4. Michael Bolt/Todd Stevenson – Fire Department Instructors Conference – April 20-25<sup>th</sup> – Indianapolis, IN
    - 5. Robert Norris/Doug Poolman – Michigan Arson School – May 18-22<sup>nd</sup> – Bay City, MI
- Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 6.** **Financial Actions**
- Article 7.** **Unfinished Business**

**Article 8. New Business**

**021-2015 Consider Approval of Contract with Hamilton Helicopter Inc. for Gypsy Moth Suppression Services.**

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the contract with Hamilton Helicopter Inc. for Gypsy Moth Suppression Services in the amount of \$40,320 (option B). Motion carried.

**Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**  
Kent County Sheriff's Deputy Roe was present to update the Board on happenings in the East Precinct.

**Article 10. Manager Comments**

Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- Yesterday, we had our first of two scheduled meetings for the downtown improvements. This one was more for the businesses.
- The Kent County Road Commission will be coming to the board to talk about the upcoming proposal 1, and specifically on how those dollars would be spent in Kent County.
- We will have a couple of homeowner/contractor events coming up. The Building Dept. is sponsoring two events this year. One is geared more for residents...to learn more about the permitting process. The second one is geared more towards contractors...in getting a little bit more on code details.
- B&G is out getting ready...taking care of the pathway, mulch etc...

**Article 11. Board Member Comments**

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- At the last Board meeting, I asked the question of what happens regarding these big "potholes". His response was to get ahold of the County...they are doing a pretty good job in coming out and filling them.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Brought up the issue of zip codes and their relationship to Cascade Township.

Manager Swayze offered the following regarding Trustee Lewis's request:

-USPS has come up with a process in order to consider changes. It is something that can be initiated either by the Township Board or by residents. Essentially, a formal letter/resolution needs to be written to the Regional Director of the Post office...asking them to consider one of two "common results".

1. To create a new "zip code" for the municipality.
2. To ask for permission for the municipal name to be used, using the current zip codes.

Manager Swayze was instructed to provide a letter and resolution for the Infrastructure Committee to review at their next meeting. Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Point of interest ...the Top 5 taxpayers in Cascade Township:
  - Lacks Plastic Plate
  - Cascade Engineering/Keller Real Estate
  - Consumers Energy
  - Paragon Die & Engineering
  - Meijer

**Article 12. Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 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