

**MINUTES OF THE
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**
Wednesday, September 14, 2016
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustee Koessel, Goldberg, McDonald, Lewis,
Treasurer Peirce and Clerk Bell.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, DDA/ED Director Korhorn and those listed on
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 McDonald to
approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Tim Tornga, 5691 Watermark Ct., addressing the Board with the issue brought at
last month's meeting regarding raising chickens. He is opposed to this zoning
change.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 08/24/16.
 - b. Receive and File Reports
 - 1. Building Department Monthly Report for August, 2016.
 - 2. Treasurer's Department Monthly Report for July, 2016.
 - c. Education Requests
 - 1. Sandra Korhorn – Michigan Downtown Association State
Conference – Traverse City, MI – October 13-14, 2016.
 - 2. Brian Wilson – Code Officials Conference of Michigan –
Frankenmuth, MI – September 27-30, 2016.
 - 5. Mildred Pinder – MERS Annual Conference – Traverse City –
September 28-29, 2016.
- Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to
approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. **Consider Approval of August, 2016 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee
Goldberg to approve the August, 2016 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.
Motion carried unanimously
- Article 7. Unfinished Business**
- Article 8. New Business**
- 070-2016 Consider Approval of MERS 2016 Officer and Employee
Delegates to the Conference.**
Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk
Bell to approve the MERS 2016 Officer and Employee
Delegates to the Conference. Motion carried unanimously.

- 071-2016** **a. Public Hearing – A Request for Approval of Preliminary Plans and Preparation of Proposed Sewer Improvement on Thornapple River Dr.**
 DDA/ED Director Korhorn reviewed the special assessment process for the proposed sewer improvement.
 Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to open the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.
 Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee McDonald to reconvene into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Consider Approval of Resolution Approving Preliminary Plans and Preparation of a Special Assessment Roll for Proposed Sewer Improvement on Thornapple River Dr.**
 Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution approving Preliminary Plans and Preparation of a Special Assessment Roll for Proposed Sewer Improvement on Thornapple River Dr. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

- 072-2016** **Consider Resolution for Permits to work in the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Right-of-Way.**
 DDA/ED Director Korhorn reviewed the resolution. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Resolution for Permits to work in the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) Right-of-Way. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

- 073-2016** **Consider Resolution for “Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day”.**
 Motion was made by Clerk Bell and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the Resolution for “Prisoner of War/Missing in Action Recognition Day”. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
 Jeff Dionne, 2984 Thornapple River Dr., thanking the Board for their approval of the Thornapple River Water & Sewer improvements. Also thanked for the traffic control on Thornapple River Dr. from last month’s meeting. . .still needs attention relative to the speed. Have concerns regarding an abandoned house at 2985 Thornapple River Dr.
 Ken Clapp, 6800 Tricklewood Ct., would love to tear down the house at 2985 Thornapple River Dr., but there is no sewer.

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

- Infrastructure Committee did meet last week and discussed the possibility of asking the Planning Commission to revisit the “chicken” ordinance. At this point they have decided not to ask the Planning Commission to revisit that ordinance.
- Project Updates:
 -Our RFP is out for the Thornapple Hills Drain Project
 -Schoolhouse Creek Project – we did get our letter back from the MDEQ. They looked favorably on the project.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- It's been a couple of meetings ago that we had Tim Haagsma here...regarding Thornapple River Dr./Cascade Rd. intersection. I am not opposed to safety but I am getting concerned with people "cutting" thru on Hurley to Orange St. Need to have Tim come back to us with an alternative solution with the intersection.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Proud to see the new Cascade Township sign at the hotel.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Today was the last day to pay taxes on time.
- The stretch between Hall and Burton St. is beautiful.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Clem Bell, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor