

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

Wednesday, January 14, 2015
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustee Goldberg, McDonald, Koessel, Lewis, Treasurer Peirce and Clerk Goodyke.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Fire Chief Sigg, ED/DDA Director 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 Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke 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 Board Meeting Minutes of 12/10/14.
 - 2. Downtown Development Meeting Minutes of 10/21/14.
 - 3. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes of 11/11/14.
 - b. Education Requests
 - 1. Vince Milito – Mechanical Inspectors Spring Conference – Clare, Michigan – March 26-27, 2015.
 - 2. Vince Milito – Code Officials 2015 Winter Conference – Lansing, Michigan – February, 3-4, 2015.
 - 3. Firefighter Steven Drake – Medical Training – Rockford, Michigan – February 3, 2015.
 - 4. Firefighter David Lintemuth – Medical Training – Rockford, Michigan – February 3, 2015.
 - c. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Building Department Summary Report for 2014.
 - 2. Treasurer’s Department Report for November 2014.
 - 3. Fire Department Report for November 2014.
 - d. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Comcast – re: New ChannelsMotion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. **Consider Approval of November, 2014 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the November, 2014 General/Special Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Consider Approval of November, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.

Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the November, 2014 Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Unfinished Business

Article 8. New Business

001-2015 Consider Plans for the Enhanced Intersection at Thornapple River Dr. and Cascade Rd.

ED/DDA Director Korhorn reviewed the projects as a “whole”. Mike Berrevoets was present to give the Board the detail on the projects. The DDA Board has seen these projects and have voted to do some wider cross walks, stamped concrete, signal improvements including mast arms at the intersections (removing some of the wires in the area). The KCRC was positive about these improvements. Construction will begin on these projects when school gets out in June. The re-alignment of Old 28th St. at Cascade Rd. will also be done at this time along with the re-development of the Museum Gardens.

Trustee Lewis asked if after this construction will the no turn right sign come down. Director Korhorn stated part of all the work being done will include the KCRC installing a dedicated right turn lane for Thornapple River Dr. onto Cascade Road. There will still be some “no turn on red” options there...it will be a modified signal. Discussion followed regarding the no right hand turn signal. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the re-done intersection as presented on Cascade Rd. and Thornapple River Dr. with the change that we request the KCRC to make it a full time right turn on red movement between the hours of 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. on weekdays. Trustee McDonald stated he would like to wait until we get a recommendation from the KCRC.

Trustee Goldberg amended the motion with support from Trustee Koessel to say during morning rush hour times on weekdays as determined by the KCRC. Township Manager Swayze asked for clarification on whether or not the project moves forward with or without the approval of the KCRC on the no turn on red. Trustee Goldberg stated that the project is a definite improvement even if we got stuck with a sign that has these limited movements, the benefit is far greater with the change that without it...so I would like to see the request for the change made. Motion carried unanimously.

- 002-2015 Consider Plans for the Enhanced Intersection at Cascade Rd. and 28th St.**
Engineer Berrevoets reviewed the plans with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Mc Donald and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Plans for the Enhanced Intersection at Cascade Rd. and 28th St. Motion carried unanimously.
- 003-2015 Consider Plans for the Mid-Block Crossing on Cascade Rd.**
Engineer Berrevoets reviewed the plans with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the plans for the Mid-block Crossing on Cascade Rd. Discussion followed. Motion carried.
Ayes – 6 Nays – 1 (Peirce)
- 004-2015 Consider Approval of Fireworks Delegation of Authority Agreement.**
Chief Sigg was present to review the Agreement with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke. Motion carried unanimously.
- 005-2015 Consider Approval of Cascade Road Sewer Project – Increase in Scope.**
Manager Swayze reviewed the project with the Board. The Infrastructure Committee has determined it would be in the best interest of the Township to replace this section of forcemain now. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve Option 3 (proposed by the Engineers) of the Cascade Road Sewer Project. Motion carried unanimously.
- 006-2015 Acceptance of Phase I and Consider Authorization of Phase II of the Township Facility Master Plan.**
Dan Durkee from Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber was present to review Phase I with the Board. Discussion followed. Manager Swayze proceeded to inform the Board on the proposed Phase II of the Township Facility Master Plan. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported By Trustee Lewis to accept Phase I study and also Authorize Phase II to get a better picture of what options we have. Motion carried unanimously.
- 007-2015 Consider Approval of Supervisor Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Supervisor appointments to

the Construction Board of Appeals and the Board of Review. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Supervisor appointments to the DDA. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
Diane Cutler was present to discuss Library issues with the Board.

Article 10. Manager Comments

Township Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- I have the Trustee Budget books with me tonight.
- We are having a retirement Party for Steve Bennett/Firefighter on Friday at 6:00 p.m.
- We are moving forward with the technology upgrades that we budgeted for 2015. This involves computer replacements, we did budget to expand our tablets, including the Board members, along with the Wisner Center upgrades.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- I will be gone for the month of February.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor