

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

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustees Lewis, Koessel, Fox, Goldberg, Clerk Goodyke and Treasurer Peirce.
Absent: None
Also Present: Fire Chief Sigg 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 Fox and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments**
- a. Public Comments (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Mr. Vince Kleyla, 2503 Riveredge Dr., S.E., was present to express his interest in getting involved in Cascade government.
Marti and Daniel Faase (son), 7664 Aspenwood Dr., S.E. was present for an American Government experience in regards to wanting to attend a Township meeting.
Kent County Sheriff Officer Vogelzang was present to update the Board. Officer Vogelzang reported that at the end of the year she will be going back to road patrol. Ryan Rowe will be her replacement.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes**
1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes for 09/14/11.
- b. Receive and File Communications**
1. Letter from Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce –
Re: Renewal of Membership.
2. Letter from Bill Waite – re: Cascade July 4th Event & Laura the Elephant.
- c. Receive and File Various Reports**
1. Building Department Monthly Report for July, 2011.
Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Financial Actions (None)**
- Article 7. Unfinished Business (None)**
- Article 8. New Business**
- 069-2011 Consider Purchase of New Medical Unit.**
Fire Chief was present to review the request to purchase a new medical response unit to replace Medic 7 which is a 2001 Chevrolet Suburban. Chief Sigg stated the low bidder was Berger Chevrolet at \$36, 110.46. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the purchase of the 2012 Suburban from Berger Chevrolet at the cost of \$36,110.46. Motion carried unanimously.

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Consider Hiring a Fulltime Fire Inspector.

Chief Sigg explained the need for a Fulltime Fire Inspector. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the hiring of a fulltime Fire Inspector and make any necessary budget adjustments in 2011 to accommodate the actual spending that we contemplate with this proposal then formulate next year's budget to project the savings that we anticipate. Motion carried unanimously.

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Consider Naming Request for the Burton Park Paths.

Supervisor Beahan stated that an application has been filed and has gone to the Infrastructure Committee. A total of \$30,000 has been pledged as a consideration for naming the paths...they would be named the Sarah and Mike Julien Hiking Trails. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the naming request for the Burton Park Paths to Sarah and Mike Julien Hiking Trails. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Article 10. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- The airport issue is gotten a lot of attention lately. I suspect we will be hearing a little more about in the next few weeks.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- A quick update on Summer tax collection:
 - As of this afternoon we have collected 94.71% of the outstanding taxes; which is 2% above last year and 2% the year before.

Trustee Fox offered the following comment:

- Near Meijer the 28th Street boulevard is coming along nicely.

Article 11. Adjournment

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Fox to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert Beahan, Supervisor