

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

Wednesday, March 14, 2012

7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Lewis, Koessel, Janes and Goldberg.
Absent: Clerk Goodyke
Also Present: Manager Cousins, Chief Sigg, Deputy Clerk Biegalle 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 Janes to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments

a. Public Comments (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)

Dick Jasinski, Commercial Realtor, 3724 Winshire Dr., Grand Rapids, MI was present to address the new Class C Liquor License available in Cascade Township. Mr. Jasinski stated that he has a client of his that owns a restaurant in downtown Grand Rapids that wants to expand and open up a Japanese Steak House and has signed a lease for the Carlo's O'Kelly's building along 28th St.

Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 02/22/12.
 - 2. Regular Planning Commission Minutes of 01/23/12 & 02/21/12.
 - 3. Kent County Road Commission Board Meeting Minutes of 01/24/12 & 02/14/2012.
- b. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Letters from Comcast – re: Channel Lineups & XFINITY Enhancements
- c. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Monthly Fire Department Report for February, 2012.
 - 2. Annual Cascade Township Fire Department Report for 2012.
 - 3. Monthly Building Department Report for February, 2012.
 - 4. Treasurer's Department 2011 Tax Collection Report.
- d. Education Request
 - 1. Treasurer Ken Peirce – MMTA Basic Institute – April 22 – 27, 2012 – Mt. Pleasant, MI.

Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Janes to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Financial Actions

a. Consider Approval of February, 2012 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the February, 2012 Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. **Consider Approval of 2012 Budget Adjustments.**
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the 2012 Budget Adjustments. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 7. Unfinished Business (None)

Article 8. New Business

- 014-2012 Consider Approval of Proposed Pay-off of Bonds.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the action to pay off the Municipal Note for the Tassell Park construction and the Phase 3 Pathways construction Bonds. Motion carried unanimously.
- 015-2012 Consider the Formulation of Standards for the Approval Process for New Class C Liquor Licenses.**
Manager Cousins reviewed the memo from Clerk Goodyke regarding the Liquor License awarded by the State based on our census population. We have received “interest” from other places. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Treasurer Peirce to consider the formation of the standards for approval of a Class C Liquor License and assign the responsibility to the Infrastructure Committee and then work on a process that would be brought back to the Board as soon as possible for approval. Motion carried unanimously.
- 016-2012 Consider Approval of Resolution to Consolidate Precincts 1&7 and 3&4 for the School Election to be held on May 8, 2012.**
Motion was made by Trustee Janes and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Resolution to Consolidate Precincts 1 & 7 and 3 & 4 for the School Election to be held on May 8, 2012. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.
- 017-2012 Consider Adoption of Proposed NSF Policy.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the adoption of a NSF Policy. Motion carried unanimously.
- 018-2012 Consider Approval of the use of an Electronic Payment Process for Taxes and Permits with Chemical Bank.**
Trustee Koessel asked to be excused as he is employed by Chemical Bank. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Treasurer Peirce to excuse Trustee Koessel. Motion carried unanimously.
Trustee Koessel left the meeting.
Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the use of an Electronic Payment Process for Taxes and Permits with Chemical Bank. Motion carried.
Trustee Koessel re-entered the meeting.

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

Article 10. Manager’s Comments
Manager comments included the following:

- On March 28th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. there will be an open house in the Good/Skutt room for the public to comment on the re-construction of Thornapple River Dr. between 48th & 52nd Sts.
- The next Michigan Economic Development Partnership is moving forward.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comment:

- Has there been any updates on the airport issue with retaining the glycol. Supervisor Beahan stated that there had not been any further correspondence. There is a meeting scheduled the first part of April.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comment:

- Wanted to thank the Board for the approval of his educational request.

Trustee Janes offered the following comment:

- Just curious from staff...how is the draft snow removal ordinance progressing? Manager Cousins stated it was on the Infrastructure committee agenda for March 28th.

Trustee Goldberg offered the following comment:

- Stated that there was a Bill that has passed the House and has been sent on to the Senate that would basically do away with the practice of allowing public officials to attend meetings and cast votes via telecommunications equipment.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor