

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

Wednesday, July 12, 2017

7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Lewis Koessel, Shipley and McDonald.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, Fire Inspector Poolman, 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 Clerk Slater and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Nick Katsarelas, 2985 Burrwick Dr. was present to comment on the agenda item regarding the proposed proposal from Sabo Public Relations LLC. Mr. Katsarelas spoke against the approval of the above mentioned proposal.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 6/28/17.
 - b. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Kent County Road Commission – re: “No Turn on Red” at Cascade Road and Thornapple River Drive.
 - c. Education Requests
 - 1. Steve Peterson/Stephanie Fast – Michigan Association of Planning – Mackinac Island, MI - September 27-29, 2017.
- Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Financial Actions**
- Article 8. Unfinished Business**
- Article 9. New Business**
- 038-2017 a. Public Hearing –Ordinance to amend Chapter 155, Article 11, titled Construction Codes Fire Prevention Standards, of the Cascade Charter Township General Ordinances.**
- Manager Swayze reviewed the reasoning behind the adoption of the new Code. Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Shipley to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Trustee Shipley and supported by Clerk Slater to reconvene into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Consider Approval of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 155, Article 11, titled Construction Codes – Fire Prevention Standards, of the Cascade Charter Township General Ordinances.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to Amend Chapter 155, Article 11, titled Construction Codes – Fire Prevention Standards, of the Cascade Charter Township General Ordinances. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

039-2017 Consider Approval of the Communications, Public Relations and Marketing Considerations proposal from Sabo Public Relations LLC.

Manager Swayze reviewed the recommendations made by the governance committee with the Board. Discussion followed. Supervisor Beahan introduced Mary Ann Sabo. Ms. Sabo gave a brief overview of her company. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Communications, Public Relations and Marketing considerations proposal from Sabo Public Relations LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

040-2017 Consider Approval to hire contractor for pathway repairs.

ED/DDA Director Korhorn reviewed the pathway bids with the Board. Motion was made by Clerk Slater and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the contractor Katerberg Verhage at the cost of \$66,552.25. Motion carried unanimously.

041-2017 Consider Approval of Outdoor Gathering Permit for the Cascade Metro Cruise Warm-Up.

ED/DDA Director Korhorn reviewed the request. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the Outdoor Gathering Permit for the Cascade Metro Cruise Warm-Up. Motion carried unanimously.

042-2017 Consider the Approval of the Public Utilities Easement to the City of Grand Rapids and authorize the Township Manager to execute the document on behalf of the Township.

Manager Swayze reviewed the easements (part of the Thornapple River Utility Extension Project) with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the public utilities easement to the City of Grand Rapids and authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the document on behalf of the Township. Motion carried unanimously.

043-2017 Consider an appointment to the Planning Commission.

Motion was made by Trustee Shipley and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the appointment of Phil Johnson to the Planning Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Public Comments – Any comments...whether it is on the Agenda or not. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
Ron McCollin, 1400 Dewberry Place, was present to thank everyone for the Thornapple River Utility Project. Commented on “pop up” shops in Muskegon that we might consider.

Article 11. Manager Comments
Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- Posting for the Fire Chief is now up.
- Had a good meeting with the Finance Committee this morning. They have been working on a possible Bond refunding (open space bonds).
- Infrastructure meeting tomorrow morning...will get an update from the engineering firm regarding the township hall rehab project.

Article 12. Board Member Comments
Trustee Shipley offered the following comments:

- Thanking everyone for coming.
- Boy Scout in the audience.
- Mr. Supervisor, you have sold this old Eskimo on buying a refrigerator. I certainly hope the warranty and the refrigerator continues to work well...so that this Eskimo doesn't have any spoiled meat unexpectedly.

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- In helping with lining up the floats this year during the 4th of July parade, I was apprehensive at first with the new venue...it worked out really well. I want to thank all those in the Township that helped put the Celebration together.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- Wanted to thank everyone that was involved in the 4th of July Celebration. It was a really good event.

Article 13. Adjournment
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Shipley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Susan B. Slater, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor