

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

Wednesday, March 12, 2008

7:00 P.M.

**Article 1.** Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Present: Supervisor Julien, Trustees Beahan, Koessel, Fox, Goldberg, Treasurer Carpenter and Clerk Goodyke.  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Township Manager Cousins, Planning Director Peterson, Attorneys Dave Otis, Jim Nelson and Steve Stapleton, Cadence Reporter Sheila McGrath and those listed on Supplement #1.

**Article 2.** Supervisor Julien led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Article 3.** The Agenda was revised to include the following:

- **Article 4a 2.** – Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 2/19/08.
- **Article 9. 025-2008** – Consider Resolution for Precinct Consolidation for School Election May, 2008.
- **Article 10b.** – To discuss pending litigation re: Velting Lawsuit.

Motion to approve the revised agenda was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Beahan . Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda**

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
  1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 02/27/08.
  2. Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 02/19/2008.
- b. Receive and File Various Reports
  1. Building Department Report – re: February 2008 Month End Report
- c. Education Requests
  1. Brian Wilson – Code Officials Conference of Michigan – Lansing, MI - April 7-10, 2008.
  2. Jim Walker – 2008 EMS Expo – Amway Grand Plaza, Grand Rapids, MI April 23-27, 2008.

Motion was made by Trustee Fox and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 5. Financial Actions**

- a. Consider Approval of (pre-audit) December 2007 Public Utilities Funds. Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the pre-audit December 2007 Public Utilities Funds. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Consider Approval of (pre-audit) December 2007 General/Special Funds. Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the pre-audit December 2007 General/Special Funds.  
Supervisor Julien addressed the following issues:
  - State Shared Revenue Sales Tax
  - Sewer and Water Implementation Fee
  - Cascade Dam Lease Payments
  - Park Donations
  - Deputy Assessor previous account
  - Complex, Cemetery, Museum Maintenance
  - Insect and Weed Control
  - Regis

- NPD Phase II
- Community Media Center
- Tax Assessing Admin Cost
- Illicit Discharge Plan
- Road Construction
- Go Bus
- Health Insurance Benefits
- Transfer from General Fund to Homeyer Fund

Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Consider Approval of February 2008 Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the February 2008 Payables, Payroll and Transfer. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 6. Public Actions (None)**

**Article 7. Public Comments**

**Article 8. Unfinished Business**

**Article 9. New Business**

**025-2008 Consider Resolution for Precinct Consolidation for School Election May, 2008.**

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve a Resolution for Precinct Consolidation for School Election May, 2008. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Article 10. Closed Session**

Motion to convene into Closed Session was made by Trustee Fox and supported by Trustee Beahan. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

- a. To discuss pending litigation re: Disselkoen Lawsuit
- b. To discuss pending litigation re: Velting Lawsuit.

Motion to reconvene into regular session was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox. Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Julien updated the audience regarding the Velting Lawsuit:  
 -an update only...Judge Booth issued an order in January and that Order has been appealed by the Velting's and their attorney to the Court of Appeals.

-regarding the Disselkoen Lawsuit there will be a facilitative mediation in Lansing, on April 2 at 9:00 a.m. Trustees Goldberg, Beahan and Fox will attend on behalf of the Board.

**Article 11. Manager's Comments**

Manager Cousins offered the following items:

- Went on a tour today with AT&T of video boxes that are installed or going to be installed.

**Article 12. Board Member Comments**

Treasurer Carpenter offered the following:

- Historical Society has made the last payment for reimbursements for the afghans.

- The Historical Society is having a presentation on the Thornapple River Watershed on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Clerk Goodyke offered the following:

- The Cascade Business Association (along with the Heart Walk in May) is going to do a “Taste of Cascade” and they are inviting ten local restaurants.

Supervisor Julien offered the following:

- Thanked Treasurer Carpenter congratulations on announcing her retirement.

**Article 13. Adjournment**

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

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Ron Goodyke, Clerk

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Michael R. Julien, Supervisor