

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

Wednesday, July 28, 2010

7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustee Fox, Goldberg, Koessel, Lewis, Clerk Goodyke, and Treasurer Peirce.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Cousins, Planning Director Peterson, Building Inspection Director Visser, and those listed on Supplement #1.

Article 2. Supervisor Beahan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Article 3. Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes of 06/09/10.
- b. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Letter from Comcast – re: Conversion to Digital
- c. Receive and File Various Reports
 - 1. Building Department June, 2010 Monthly Report.
 - 2. Fire Department June, 2010 Monthly Report.
 - 3. Gerald R. Ford International Airport Midyear Report – July 2010
- d. Education Requests
 - 1. Mildred Pinder – MGFOA Annual Fall Institute – September 19-22 – Grand Rapids, MI
 - 2. William Cousins - MGFOA Annual Fall Institute – September 19-22 – Grand Rapids, MI
 - 3. Bob Norris – Vehicle Fire Investigation – October 4-8, 2010 – Tustin, MI
 - 4. Roger McCarty – Property Tax Exemption & Authorities – Sept. 29 – Oct. 1 - Grand Rapids, MI
 - 5. Jeff Miller – Statistics in Assessing – Oct. 20-22, 2010 – Traverse City, MI
 - 6. Janet Ogden – Personal Property – Sept. 29 – Oct. 1, 2010 – Grand Rapids, MI.

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

Article 5. Financial Actions

- a. **Consider Approval of June, 2010 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the June, 2010 General/Special Funds. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Consider Approval of June, 2010 Public Utilities Funds.**
Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the June, 2010 Public Utilities Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Public Actions

a. Report from the Community Services Officer.

Officer Julie Vogelzang reported on what had been going on in the area the last couple of weeks.

Article 7. Public Comments

Article 8. Unfinished Business

Article 9. New Business

066-2010 Presentation of KDL Annual Report

KDL Members were present to review the Annual Report of Kent District Library.

067-2010 Consider Approval to Construct Bathrooms at Cascade Burton Park.

Planning Director Peterson was present to review the additional detail the Board asked for in June regarding the construction of bathrooms at Cascade Burton Park. The Infrastructure committee met to go over the plans. The committee and staff is recommending approval to go forward to what we have. He thinks the cost we talked about in June, approximately \$50,000.00, will be enough to do this work. It also includes that additional concrete work on the inside horse stall areas as well as paying the fees for hooking up to water. There are a few additional things than strictly the bathrooms. Building Inspection Director Visser was present to answer any questions the Board might have regarding the bathrooms. Discussion followed.

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the proposal to construct bathrooms at Cascade Burton Park in the amount of \$50,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

068-2010 Consider Approval of Mountain Bike Race.

Planning Director Peterson reviewed the request. The Parks committee has discussed this as well with Amy Waugh and recommends approval to allow them to have their bike race. We have had them give is a security deposit. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the Mountain Bike Race at the Cascade Recreation Park on October 31st, 2010. Motion carried unanimously.

069-2010 Consider Approval of the Use of the Recreation Park by Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association.

Planning Director Peterson reviewed the request. This event is done in the evening after the Park is closed. It seems to be a very “low key” event. Motion was made by Trustee Fox and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the use of the Cascade Recreation Park by Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association. An amendment was made to include requiring an insurance policy. Motion carried unanimously.

070-2010 Consider Approval of Cascade Business Association Block Party on August 26, 2010.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Cascade Business Association Block Party on August 26, 2010 at the “grass area” next to the Township Library. Motion carried unanimously.

071-2010 Consider Approval of New Entertainment Permit for Meadowood Liquor License.

Trustee Goldberg asked to be excused from the discussion as Meadowood is a client of the law firm for which he works. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis that Trustee Goldberg be excused from this discussion. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Goodyke reviewed the request. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and Trustee Lewis to approve the new entertainment permit for Meadowood Liquor License. Treasurer Peirce asked that the item be tabled until the 2010 summer taxes were paid. Discussion followed. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Ayes – 5 Nays – 1 (Peirce) Excused – 1 (Goldberg)

072-2010 Consider Resolution for the Replacement of a Light at 1815 Linson Ct.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the Resolution for the Replacement of a Light at 1815 Linson Ct. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 10. Manager’s Comments

Manager Cousins offered the following comments:

- Firefighter and Lt. position in the Fire Dept postings are out. The application deadline is August 9th.
- Cascade Engineering was awarded a MEGA grant by the MEDC on July 20th and they will be coming to the Board shortly for a PA328 tax adjustment request.
- Lack’s will be meeting with staff next week, to continue working on their ground water remediation issues and a possible ordinance for the Board to act on.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Fox offered the following comments:

- Reminder the four Thursdays in August the Community Foundation sponsors the Concerts in the Park.

Trustee Goldberg offered the following comments:

- Place on the record my endorsement of our Treasurer Ken Peirce for doing a fine job.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Reminder of Concerts in the Park.

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- At the corner of Bridgewater and Thornapple River Dr., if you look to the north toward Ada there are bushes that are growing out there. I can’t believe that they can hide whole cars. They are very close to the intersection. I’m not sure if it is the County that comes and cuts those down...if it is we should make them aware of it.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- Would like to thank John Sigg for the job he did when Bill was on vacation.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert Beahan, Supervisor