

**MINUTES**  
**CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
Wednesday, April 27, 2005  
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Present: Supervisor Julien, Clerk Goodyke, Treasurer Carpenter, Trustees Beahan and Parrish.  
Absent: Trustees Koessel and Currier.  
Others Present: Manager Cravens, Deputy Clerk Biegalle, Planning Director Peterson, Building Inspection Department Head Visser, Fire Chief Sigg, Building and Grounds Foreman McSorley, Assessor Cleveland, Engineer Davis, Attorney Huff and those listed on Supplement #1.
- Article 2.** Supervisor Julien led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Article 3.** The revised agenda was approved on motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Clerk Goodyke. The motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
    - 1. Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes of 03/08/05
    - 2. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 4/04/05
    - 3. Cascade Township Downtown Development Board Meeting Minutes of 2/15/05.
    - 4. Cascade Township Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of 3/7/05.
  - b. Receive and File Communications
    - 1. Letter from Lowell Area Schools - re: Summer Property tax levy in 2005.
  - c. Receive and File Various Reports
    - 1. Fire Department March 2005 Report
    - 2. Treasurer's Department Bank Balance Report for February, 2005.
  - d. Education Requests
    - 1. Dean Korhorn – 2005 Annual Arson School, Midland, MI
    - 2. Judith Hedke-Roger McCarty – Michigan Assessor Association Conference, Crystal Mountain Resort.
  - e. Approval of Township Board Minutes
    - 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 3/9/05.
    - 2. Regular Meeting Minutes of 3/23/05.
    - 3. Regular Meeting Minutes of 4/13/05.

The Consent Agenda was approved on motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Carpenter. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 5. Financial Actions (None)**

**Article 6 Public Actions**

**a. Public Hearing – IFT District and Exemption Certificate for Davidson Plyforms, Inc.**

Motion by Treasurer Carpenter supported by Trustee Beahan to open the public hearing. Motion carried.

Assessor Cleveland reviewed the application for an abatement for a New Industrial Facility Certificate to be located at 5505-33<sup>rd</sup> Street S.E. Presently Davidson Plyforms, Inc. have 41 employees and is projecting an additional 26 new jobs within 2 years of project completion. Assessor Cleveland recommends the Exemption Certificate be granted for a period of 12 years.

Andy Knoll/VP of Finance from Davidson Plyforms was present for questions.

Motion by Trustee Beahan supported by Treasurer Carpenter to close public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 7. Public Comments**

Supervisor Julien welcomed Boy Scout Troop 345.

**Article 8. Unfinished Business**

**030-2005 Consider Approval of Resolution for Goodwood Boat Launch.**

Planning Director Peterson reviewed the Resolution regarding the Goodwood Boat Launch. The Township's attorney reviewed the conditions of approval spelled out in the Resolution before the Board (Section VIII a-h).

Discussion followed. Motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to approve the Resolution Approving a Special Use for a Boat Ramp/Boat Launch on a riverfront property within the Goodwood Plat as requested by the Goodwood Plat Owners Association, and subject to certain conditions and requirements. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Article 9. New Business**

**035-2005 Consider Approval of IFT District and Exemption Certificate for Davidson Plyforms, Inc.**

Motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Parrish to approve the Resolution Establishing an Industrial Development District for Davidson Plyforms, Inc. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to approve the Resolution to Approve Application for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Davidson Plyforms, Inc. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**036-2005 Consider Approval of Proclaiming May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005 as Arson Awareness Week.**

Fire Chef Sigg presented the request for proclaiming the week of May 1-7, 2005 as Arson Awareness Week. Motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to Approve the Resolution Proclaiming May 1-7, 2005 as Arson Awareness Week. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**037-2005 Consider Approval of a Settlement Agreement for Just Compensation with LLW Investments.**

Manager Cravens submitted a Settlement Agreement and Release between Cascade Charter Township and LLW Investments regarding the conveyance of property that they owned on 28<sup>th</sup> St. Motion by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Clerk Goodyke to Authorize Manager Cravens to sign the Settlement Agreement for Just Compensation with LLW Investments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**038-2005 Consider Forwarding Building & Grounds/Thornbrook Building Plans to the Planning Commission for Site Plan Approval.**

Manager Cravens, Phil Davis from Fishbeck, Carr and Huber and Building Inspection Department Head Visser reviewed the preliminary plans for the Building & Grounds/Thornbrook Plans. Discussion followed. Manager Cravens was asked to meet with staff and a sub committee to discuss the plans further and bring back to the Board in four weeks. No action taken.

**039-2005 Consider Approval of Resolution for Increased Cemetery Grave Opening and Closing Fees.**

Clerk Goodyke presented the Resolution regarding the increase in grave opening fees from \$400.00 to \$500.00. Clerk Goodyke compared Cascade's grave opening costs with several other Townships grave opening costs. Motion by Trustee Parrish and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to approve the Resolution to increase Cascade's grave opening fees to \$500.00. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**040-2005 Consider Approval of Resolution Proclaiming May 1<sup>st</sup> – May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005 as Chemical Awareness Week.**

Motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Resolution Proclaiming May 1-7, 2005 as Chemical Awareness Week in Cascade Township. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Article 10. Manager's Comments**

Manager Cravens report included the following:

- The summer concerts to be held at Leslie E. Tassell Park are all booked. Leslie Tassell's grandson, David will talk at the initial concert.
- The sub-committee for the B&G Building will consist of Treasurer Carpenter, Trustee Beahan and Clerk Goodyke.

**Article 11. Board Member Comments**

Clerk Goodyke reported on the Septic Meeting held last week.

Attendance was good.

Trustee Parrish asked if anyone was attending the Road Commission meeting.

**Article 12. Adjournment**

Motion by Trustee Parrish and supported by Trustee Beahan to adjourn.

Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 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