

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

Wednesday, October 10, 2007

7:00 P.M.

Cascade Branch of the Kent District Library, Wisner Center
2870 Jacksmith, S.E.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Julien, Trustees Beahan, Koessel, Fox, Goldberg and Treasurer Carpenter.
Absent: Clerk Goodyke
Also Present: Fire Chief Sigg, Deputy Clerk Biegalle 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 4e. 1, 2 & 3 re:** Building and Fire Department Month end Reports for September, 2007 and Treasurer's Department Bank Balances for August, 2007.
 - **Article 5b. & c. re:** Consider Approval of September 2007 General/Special Funds and Public Utilities Funds.
 - **Article 5d. re:** Consider Resolutions to Approve Amending the 2007 Budget. The Board will strike this item from this agenda and add it to the October 24th agenda due to the lateness of the reports received.
- Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the revised agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Approval of Township Board Minutes
 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes 8/8/07
 - b. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Planning Commission Minutes for 9/17/07.
 - c. Receive and File Communications
 1. Letter from Grand Rapids Township re: 3rd Quarter Billing for Fire Inspection Services.
 - d. Education Requests
 1. Jim Walker and Jeff Knowles – Confined Space Rescue Awareness – Oct. 22-25 – West Olive, MI.
 - e. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. Building Department Month End Report for September, 2007.
 2. Fire Department Month End Report for September, 2007.
 3. Treasurer's Department Bank Balances for August 2007.
- Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.
- Article 5. Financial Actions**
- a. Consider Approval of September 2007 Payables, Payroll, and Transfers. Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the September 2007 Payables, Payroll and Transfers as presented. Motion carried.
 - b. Consider Approval of September 2007 General/Special Funds. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to approve the September 2007 General/Special Funds. Trustee Koessel questioned several entries within the Funds. Interim

Manager Beahan explained that we had switched accounting software this month. Interim Manager Beahan was asked to check into several issues regarding the report. Motion carried.

- c. Consider Approval of September 2007 Public Utilities Funds. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the September 2007 Public Utilities Funds. Motion carried.
- d. ~~Consider Resolutions to Approve Amending the 2007 Budget.~~

Article 6. Public Actions (None)

Article 7. Public Comments

Article 8. Unfinished Business (None)

Article 9. New Business

078-2007 Consider Approval of Kent County Road Commission Local Road Construction Authorization for Drainage Improvements for 6548 Burton St.

Interim Manager Beahan reviewed the request. The Board asked Interim Manager Beahan to contact the second homeowner and inquire whether or not they would want drainage improvements done on their property also. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox to approve a total of not to exceed \$5,000.00 of the Township share to authorize the Kent County Road Commission to perform Drainage Improvements. Motion carried.

079-2007 Presentation by Kent District Library – re: Annual Report.

Representatives from the Kent District Library (Martha Smart, Diane Cutler and Charles Fry) were present to make a formal presentation of the KDL Annual Report.

Diane Cutler presented a proposal to the Board regarding additional security enhancements for the Library. Discussion followed. The Board directed Interim Manager Beahan to get input from the other parties involved and then decide what is the right thing to do.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Interim Manager Beahan offered the following:

- Mildred Pinder has been very helpful in implementing the BS&A Software.
- Closed Session is scheduled for the next Regular Board meeting to discuss the Disselkoe lawsuit.
- Update on Burton St...up to Linda, it has been paved. They are ahead of schedule on the base coat...they are up to Arbor Tree and from Arbor Tree to Linda, they have the sewer laid, it is not a gravel base yet but they have the sand/dirt back in and looking at by Saturday getting beyond Linda and up to Irene.
- Had the second resident meeting regarding the Burton St. Project.
- Recommend the Budget Work Session (Oct. 17th) be postponed until the new manager starts on the 23rd of October.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Beahan offered the following:

- Update on Clerk Goodyke

Trustee Goldberg offered the following:

- Thanked Interim Manager Beahan for all his hard work on the Burton St. sewer project and going thru all the budget items.

Trustee Koessel offered the following:

- Also thanked Interim Manager Beahan for all his hard work on the Burton St. project.

Treasurer Carpenter offered the following:

- October 24th is the Community Foundation Life Preserver Barn Party.
- Treasurers Department has over 30 small claims cases. (tax amounts under \$3,000/personal property taxes)

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Goldberg to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Township Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Michael R. Julien, Supervisor