

MINUTES

Cascade Charter Township
THORNAPPLE RIVER SAD AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING
February 6, 2022 at 5:30pm
Cascade Charter Township Hall
5920 Tahoe Dr. SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

ARTICLE 1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm.

Members Present: Members Trustee Shipley, Leann Rowland, Scott Rissi, Thomas Keith, Chuck Whitley (Zoom) and Jeff Carpenter (Zoom)

Members Absent: Michael Wiegand

Others Present: Township Manager (TM) Ben Swayze,

ARTICLE 2. Approve the current Agenda

Motion was made by Member Shipley to approve the agenda as written. Supported by Member Rissi. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 3. Acknowledge Visitors & Public Comment

There were not any visitors who wished to comment at this time.

ARTICLE 4. Approve the Minutes of the December 5, 2022 Meeting

Motion was made by Member Rissi to approve the minutes. Supported by Member Shipley. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 5. 2022 Water Quality Testing Results

TM Swayze reviewed the provided 2022 water quality testing results. The results are now housed on the Township website, which will serve as a repository for the data going forward. The site also includes previous Township tests. Questions was raised if the Township should host previous testing results from the River Association, or if River Association should host Township data as well. Recommendation was that River Association should link or otherwise direct members to Township website if they are interested in the data. Question was raised about utilizing the eblast list to get the information out to the SAD members. TM Swayze indicated that staff would do that, possibly with an update on the 2023 weed program as well.

ARTICLE 6. State Uniform Waterway Marking System

TM Swayze indicated he had been in contact with 3 companies interested in providing service on this project to the Township. Discussion ensued regarding the process for procurement. Recommendation that the committee/Township utilize an RFP process similar to that which was used for the weed management program. Manager Swayze indicated that he would prepare one for the next meeting for consideration.

Member Rissi indicated he would be able to provide boat rides to prospective bidders as part of the bidding process. Manager Swayze indicated the goal would be to get a contractor selected prior to drawdown so that they could observe during that time.

ARTICLE 7. Roundtable Q & A

None

ARTICLE 8. Public Comment

None

ARTICLE 9. Adjournment

Motion was made by Member Rissi to adjourn. Supported by Member Rowland. Motion carried 5-1 with Trustee Shipley dissenting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Approved by the Thornapple River SAD Ad-Hoc Committee – 3/6/23