

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

Wednesday, May 9, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustees Koessel and McDonald.
Absent: Trustee Lewis (excused) and Trustee Shipley (unexcused).
Also Present: Manager Swayze and those listed in Supplement #1.

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

Article 3. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Article 4. Presentations

Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (limit comments to 3 minutes)

Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 04/25/18.
- b. Receive and File Reports
 - 1. Cascade Inspection Services Report – April 2018
 - 2. Treasurer’s Report – November 2017
- c. Receive and File Communication
 - 1. Comcast Letter Re: Programming Updates
 - 2. Charter Letter Re: Programming Updates
 - 3. Charter Letter Re: Programming Updates

Motion was made by Clerk Slater and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Article 7. Financial Actions

- a. Consider Approval of March 2018 General and Special Fund Financial Reports
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the March 2018 General and Special Fund Financial Reports.
Motion carried.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

Article 9. New Business

032-2018 Consider Approval of a Bid for the Township Space Needs and Facilities Study Project
Manager Swayze reviewed the Township Space Needs and Facilities Project. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to award the bid for the Township Space Needs and Facilities Study Project to Progressive A&E in the amount of \$61,720. Motion carried.

033-2018 Consider Approval of a Resolution to Amend the Articles of Incorporation of the Grand Valley Metro Council (Roll Call)
Manager Swayze reviewed the Resolution with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Koessel to Approve the Resolution to Amend the Articles of Incorporation of the Grand Valley Metro Council to add the Village of Caledonia as a member. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Article 10. Public Comments – Any comments...whether it is on the Agenda or not. (limit comments to 3 minutes)

Chris Afendoulis, 240 Edgehill, introduced himself as a candidate for the State Senate.

Mark Rohde, 3087 Thornapple River Dr., made an endorsement for Progressive A&E. Would like to compliment Ben regarding the presentation on the pathways.

Bud Tinney, 2968 Overlook Summit, “Thank you for listening to our concerns and your decision tonight regarding the pathways.”

Kerry Gorsuch, 3044 Thornapple River Dr., also agreed with decision on pathway. Also asked the Township to “take care of the river a little bit...pull some trees out, drag some shallow spots and make it more useable for us that live on it.”

Jim Petrie, 3032 Thornapple River Dr., commented on pathway “what you tried to do is ridiculous.” Also had issues with the proposed pathway from Burger to Thornhills.

Kenneth Carey, 2929 Thornapple River Dr., navigation on the river is getting more and more difficult. Also had questions about the pathway relative to the granting of easements.

Jeff Dionne, 2984 Thornapple River Dr., “Our family supports the bike path.” Also addressed erosion on Thornapple River Dr.

Ron McCollum, 3010 Thornapple River Dr., spoke regarding a new building relative to leasing a building.

David O’Donnoghue, 7667 Apple Hill Ct., addressed the Board regarding the proposal to change the ordinance in respect to the assessment fees for connecting to sewer.

Article 11. Manager Comments

Manager Swayze an update on putting a question on the upcoming ballot to address the expiration of the pathway millage regarding the proposed pathway recommended for Thornapple River Dr. Manager Swayze stated if the Board wanted to put a millage question on the ballot in regards to the pathway system, this section of pathway will not be included.

Manager Swayze also offered the following comments:

- Our road work is going in full force.
- We have been working with the Right Place on two very significant economic development projects that we are hoping to unveil to the public coming up in the next couple of meetings.

Article 12. Board Member Comments

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comment:

- Commended Consumers Power on how they communicated with residents regarding the power outage this week.

Trustee McDonald offered the following comment:

- Inquired on when the Master Plan meetings were going to start. Manager Swayze responded the internal kick-off meeting will be soon. Trustee McDonald had concerns regarding the Master Plan and Facility Plan running concurrently and wanted to make sure the public was aware of the differences.

Trustee Koessel offered the following comment:

- Asked Clerk Slater if there were plans to send out notices regarding the changes made in the election process. Clerk Slater responded there has been a timeline put together.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comment:

- REGIS and Grand Valley Metro Council's re-organization has resulted in impacting their revenue and expenses in a positive manner.

Article 13. Adjournment

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee McDonald to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Susan B. Slater, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor