

MINUTES
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, August 10, 2005
7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Julien, Treasurer Carpenter, Clerk Goodyke, Trustees Beahan, Koessel, Parrish and Currier.
Absent: None
Others Present: Manager Cravens, Deputy Clerk Biegalle, Engineer Brian Vilmont, Reporter Beller and those listed on Supplement #1.

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

Article 3. Manager Cravens requested that an item be added to the Agenda regarding an Update of the Thornapple Elementary School Waterline Project.
Supervisor Julien asked that Case No. 068-2005 be added to Article 9.
Motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Township Board Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 7/27/05.
- b. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 7/18/05
- c. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. Building Department Month End Report for July 2005.
 2. Kent County Sheriff Department East Precinct Quarterly Report – April 1, 2005 – June 20, 2005.
 3. Treasurer’s Department Bank Balance Report for June 2005.
 4. Treasurer’s Department Bank Balance Report/Tax Accounts for June 2005.
 5. Treasurer’s Department Analysis of Invested Funds as of June 2005.
- d. Receive and File Communications
 1. Letter from Office Of Governor – re: Amtrak Resolution
 2. Letter from Kent County Road Commission – re: Meeting on September 13, 2005.
- e. Education Requests
 1. Jay Cravens – re: Conference Fee for Michigan Association of Planning, September 14th-17th - in Mackinac Island.

The Consent Agenda was approved on motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Trustee Parrish.

Supervisor Julien questioned Article 10. Managers Comments of the 7/27/05 Board Meeting Minutes regarding the action the Board asked Manager Cravens to take contacting neighbors to get their opinion on the noise/dust generated by the motocross track. There was consensus within the Board that it was asked of Manger Cravens to contact the Lee’s and

suggest to them to get their neighbors opinion on the noise/dust. The correction was duly noted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Financial Actions (None)

a. Consider Approval of Bills, Transfers, and Payroll for July 2005. Motion to approve Bills, Transfers, and Payroll for July 2005 was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Carpenter. Trustee Koessel questioned a line item in the Bills regarding an item under miscellaneous expenses. Manager Cravens stated it was for the conveyance of property in Caravelle Village. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Consider Approval of Public Utilities Financial Reports for July 2005.

Motion to approve the Public Utilities Financial Reports for July 2005 was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Consider Approval of General/Special Funds Financial Reports for July 2005.

Motion to approve the General/Special Funds Financial Reports for July 2005 was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6 Public Actions (None)

Article 7. Public Comments

Article 8. Unfinished Business (None)

Article 9. New Business

064-2005 Consider Adoption of the 2006-2011 Capital Improvements Program Document.

Manager Cravens reviewed the CIP as an outline of a schedule of public service expenditures over the ensuing six-year period.

Manager Cravens reminded the Board to qualify for the CIP Program, it must have a minimum cost requirement of \$10,000.

Manager Cravens stated the document includes a capital improvements budget that shows which projects are scheduled to be funded for the upcoming year. These items will be included in the budget process in the fall and reviewed by the Board.

Discussion followed.

Motion to approve the adoption of the 2006-2011 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) document was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Beahan. Motion carried unanimously.

065-2005 Consider Amending the Laraway Lake Weed Harvesting Special Assessment District to Include the Repair,

Replacement and Installation of a Drainage Pipe to Maintain Lake Levels.

Manager Cravens reviewed the request from the residents within the Laraway Lake Week Harvesting Special Assessment District regarding the lake drainage pipe.

Mr. Owen Pyle of 1944 Boxthorn Ct. addressed the Board regarding amending the Special Assessment District to include the replacement of this drainage pipe. These costs would be rolled into the week harvesting special assessment cost that everyone is currently charged.

Manager Cravens explained the replacement cost cannot be rolled into the current special assessment without the Township Board amending the original special assessment district to expand its purpose. This would require a series of public hearings with the affected property owners.

Mr. Jim Kusmierski of 2019 Laraway Lake Drive stated that one quarter of his property was under water. Mr. Kusmierski said he would be in favor in amending the Special Assessment District to include the lake drainage pipe.

Supervisor Julien explained the process that needed to be followed regarding establishing a Special Assessment District, which included having 51% of the twenty-four property owners sign a petition and filing it with the Township. Manager Cravens will distribute a petition to both Mr. Pyle and Mr. Kusmierski.

066-2005 Consider Amendment to Continue GO! Bus Service in Cascade Charter Township.

Motion to approve the Amendment to Continue GO! Bus Service in Cascade Charter Township was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Beahan. Motion carried unanimously.

067-2005 First Reading of Proposed Noise Ordinance Amendment – Waste Haulers

Manager Cravens reviewed the map presented to the Board showing the parcels affected by the proposed noise ordinance. Manager Cravens then reviewed the Proposed Noise Ordinance Amendment – Waste Haulers. Manager Cravens explained the proposed language is for introduction. Discussion followed. The consensus is to move forward and schedule a Public Hearing for late August or early September. Discussion followed.

068-2005 Update on Tammarron/Thornapple Elementary Waterline.

Manager Cravens updated the Board on the progress of the Thornapple Elementary waterline. Manager Cravens explained there has been an alternative recommendation to go down Hillsboro rather than up Shadyview. An easement was being pursued by the school system. They were still in negotiations. Supervisor Julien asked if it was going to cost anymore to go down

Hillsboro rather than Shadyview. Engineer Vilmont stated the costs were the same.
Engineer Vilmont stated the reason for moving the waterline from Shadyview to Hillsboro was closer access to the school.
Supervisor Julien stated that a letter should be sent to the residents on Hillsboro and Shadyview informing them of the change. It was also suggested that the Township offer the Shadyview residents the same cost this year as the Hillsboro residents.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Manager Cravens reminded the Board the Great Lakes Chorus would be performing for our third Summer Concert Series on Thursday, August 11th at 7:00 p.m.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Beahan asked that the Board Goals be reviewed at the next Board Meeting.
Treasurer Carpenter reported a new program offered by the Treasurer's Office for residents to pay their taxes through an "Easy Pay" plan offered by National City Bank.
Treasurer Carpenter also reported the Historical Society Meeting to be held on September 1st will be hosting Ray Gaylord.
Clerk Goodyke stated the Library Construction was off to a good start...fund raising goals have been met.
Trustee Parrish reported on the Metro Council Budget crisis has been averted for now.
Supervisor Julien thanked Clerk Goodyke for all his hard work on the fund raising efforts for the Cascade Library Enrichment Center.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Michael R. Julien, Supervisor