

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

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustee Goldberg, Lewis, Koessel, Treasurer Peirce and Clerk Goodyke.
Absent: Fox
Also Present: Manger Cousins, Planning Director Peterson, Assistant to the Manager Otey, Officer Julie Vogelzang and those listed on Supplement #1.

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

Article 3. Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the proposed Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 09/08/10.
 2. Regular Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Minutes of 07/13/10.
 3. Regular Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 08/09/2010.
- b. Receive and File Communications
 1. Letter from Charter – re: Broadcast TV Surcharges.
 2. Invitation from MDOT – re: Developing the Michigan State Rail Plan.
- c. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. Building Department Monthly Report for August, 2010.
- d. Education Requests
 1. Brian Wilson – Code Officials Conference - Traverse City, MI – Sept. 28 – Oct 1, 2010..
 2. Steve Peterson – Michigan Association of Planning Annual Conference – Detroit, MI – Oct. 20 – 22, 2010
 3. Bill Cousins – Michigan Association of Planning Annual Conference – Detroit, MI – Oct. 20 – 22, 2010

Motion was made Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Financial Actions

- a. Consider Approval of August, 2010 General/Special Funds.
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the August, 2010 General/Special Funds. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Consider Approval of August, 2010 Public Utility Funds
Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the August, 2010 Public Utility Funds as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Consider Approval of 2010 Budget Adjustments.
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the 2010 Budget Adjustments to the following Funds:
 - General Fund
 - Cemetery Trust Fund
 - Fire Fund
 - Police Fund
 - Hazmat Fund

- CCT Open Space Fund
- Pathways Fund
- Improvement Revolving Fund
- DDA Fund
- Building Fund
- Library Fund
- A.Homeyer Open Space Fund

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 6. Public Actions

Officer Vogelzang reported on what had been going on in the area this past month.

Article 7. Public Comments

Article 8. Unfinished Business

082-2010 Consider Removal of items from caretaker home at Cascade Burton Park.

Planning Director Peterson suggested that the Board stick with the plan that was outlined back in August of parting out the house and going with Brian Poppema who offered to buy a few things...remove them himself then offer the items to Home Repair Services/Habitat for Humanity.

Discussion followed. Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Clerk Goodyke to table the item and ask staff to get numbers (quantification) regarding the options discussed. (Option #1 - find someone who would be willing to tear the house down for the value of what is in the home and Option #2 – Moving the house to Windcrest and try to sell it)

088-2010 Consider Approval of Revision to Water & Sewer Agreement with the City of Grand Rapids.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to remove this item from the table. Manager Cousins reported on the “three year smoothing” for the volume of billed portion of the rates. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the Revision to Water & Sewer Agreement with the City of Grand Rapids. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Article 9. New Business

093-2010 Consider Approval of Revised Resolution for Act 328 Exemption of New Personal Property Certificate for Cascade Engineering Inc. for 3400 Innovation Ct. and 5041 36th St.

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Revised Resolution for Act 328 Exemption of New Personal Property Certificate for Cascade Engineering Inc. for 3400 Innovation Ct. and 5041 36th St. Motion carried by roll call vote.

094-2010 Consider Approval of Resolution to Approve the Levy of the 2010 Millage Rates for Cascade Township.

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Resolution to approve the Levy of the 2010 Millage Rates for Cascade Township. Motion carried by roll call vote.

- 095-2010 Request for Approval of Gypsy Spray Program for 2011.**
 Manager Cousins reviewed the contract for the 2011 spraying program. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Gypsy Spray Program for 2011 at a fee of \$8500. Motion carried.
- 096-2010 Consider Approval of the Proposed Capital Improvement Plan.**
 Assistant to the Manager Otey was present to review the Plan. She explained that this was just a tool to help the Board when they are planning the Budget for the next year. It is a six-year document. It addresses the larger physical improvements that are \$10,000 and over. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the proposed Capital Improvement Plan as submitted. Motion carried.
 Ayes – 4 Nays- 2(Peirce/Goldberg) Absent-1(Fox)
- 097-2010 Consider Setting a Public Hearing for Sewer Use Ordinance.**
 Assistant to the Manager Otey stated that this was an Ordinance that the City of Grand Rapids has asked us to adopt. Manager Cousins stated that for the most part this ordinance is what provides for what someone can and cannot discharge into the sewer system. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to set a Public Hearing for the October 27th Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.
- 098-2010 Consider Approval of Resolutions for Tris 4 Health to close public streets for Triathlon on June 25, 2011.**
 Assistant to the Manager Otey stated that a majority of the event will take place in Ada Township and then east towards Lowell and Ionia County. Cascade Township is hosting a majority of the running events. The Resolutions presented are for Thornapple River Dr., from Laraway Lake to the north boundary and that would be a closure from approx. 7:30a.m. to 9:30 a.m. The second resolution is for a lane closure on Cascade Road, the west bound lane from Thornapple River Drive to Thorncrest, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Andy Vidro from Tris4Health was present to answer any questions from the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution to close Thornapple River Drive on June 25, 2011. Motion carried by roll call vote. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Resolution to close Cascade Rd. (1 westbound lane) on June 25, 2011. Motion carried by roll call vote.
- 099-2010 Consider Approval of Contractor to Pave Cascade Recreation Park (west) Parking Lot and Pedestrian Pathway on Burton St.**
 Planning Director Peterson reviewed the bid with the Board. Katerburg VerHage is the low bid at \$114,427.20. That is the path up Burton St. to Burton Park; path from Burton St. to parking lot at Burton Park and west parking lot at Cascade Recreation Park. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the recommendation removing the path from Burton St. to parking lot at Burton Park in the amount of \$13,988.25, but the monies be taken from the Open Space Millage or to utilize the donation monies to construct the Burton St. path to Burton Park in the amount of \$61,151.45. Motion carried.

100-2010 Consider Approval of Resolution Authorizing 2010 Budget Adjustment to Pathways Fund.
No action needed.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Manager Cousins offered the following comment:

- We had an interesting evening with the storm that blew thru last night. It has created three or four days of power outages and tree work. The fire department ran 24 calls from 6:00 p.m. last night to 6:00 a.m. this morning.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comment:

- I like the reconstruction of the intersection of Cascade Rd. and Hall. The only thing we are going to have to keep an eye on is the coordination of lights now, because you get a green light and then you hit the red light.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comment:

- Would like to say thank you to our Supervisor on the Peace Park program. I was in attendance and Rob did a magnificent job in presenting the history of it and where we are at and where we are going.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- An update on summer tax collections as of the 16th....we have collected 90.86% of the outstanding taxes. Which is pretty close to where we were last year at this time.
- We received the last \$120,000 from the State for the Park Grant.

Clerk Goodyke offered the following comment:

- Would also like to congratulate Rob for a job well done.
- Sandra and I went thru the first reading of some question regarding the codification of our Ordinances.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert Beahan, Supervisor