

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

Wednesday, February 8, 2017
7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Koessel,
McDonald and Shipley.
Absent: Trustee Lewis
Also Present: Manager Swayze, DDA/ED Director Korhorn, Engineer Mike Berrevoets
and those listed in Supplement #1.

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

Article 3. Approval of Agenda
Supervisor Beahan requested the agenda be amended to suspend the rules for the
presentations/public comment section of the agenda so we can have dialog about the
proposed Fowling Warehouse coming to Cascade.
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to amend the
motion as stated above. Motion carried.

Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments
Supervisor Beahan introduced Laura Sullivan from the Fowling Warehouse. Ms.
Sullivan provided the audience with a brief overview of the business.
Several Residents were present to discuss the following:

- How many decibels is the horn?
- Noise issues?
- Music?
- Why Cascade?
- Is this type of clientele and social aspect that we want to bring into our
neighborhood town of Cascade?
- How does a place like this fit into the overall plan for Cascade?
- Welcomes the business to the Township of Cascade...
- Liquor license...how obtained?
- Not in my backyard...
- Disappointed in process moving forward
- Seating Capacity of the building...
- Mis-match of location and the nature of business
- Not supported by community
- Hamtramck is all commercial...median home prices are \$51,800. In Cascade
median home prices are \$286,600.
- Capacity level of people

Deputy Roe stated the Hamtramck police had nothing but good things to say about the
Fowling Warehouse.

- Parking

Supervisor Beahan again reiterated this was an allowable use in the Village Business
District by right.

Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 1/25/17.
 2. Regular DDA Minutes for 11/15/16.
- b. Receive and File Reports
 1. Building Department Monthly Report for January, 2017.
- c. Education Requests
 1. Vince Milito – MIAM Spring Conference – Clare, MI – April 27-28, 2017.

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

- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. **Consider Approval of December, 2016 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the December, 2016 General/Special Funds. Motion carried.
- b. **Consider Approval of January, 2017 Payroll, Payables and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the January, 2017 Payroll, Payables and Transfers. Motion carried.

Article 7. Unfinished Business

Article 8. New Business

- 006-2017 Consider Approval of Bid for the Thornapple River Dr. Utility/Road Project.**
DDA/ED Director Korhorn reviewed the bids for the project. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Slater to approve the Bid for the Thornapple River Dr. Utility/Road Project to K&R in the amount of \$623,476.50. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

- Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Craig Merlin, Donnegal Lane, discussed Library Project.
Stan Grunske, 3056 Thornapple, questioned Thornapple River Dr. Utility/Road Project.

Article 10. Manager Comments

Article 11. Board Member Comments

- Trustee Shipley offered the following comments:
- Wanted to thank the people in the audience for coming to the meeting.
- Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:
- Road repair ... 28th St from Buttrick to Snow.
- Trustee McDonald offered the following comments:
- Made comments regarding the bringing of new business within the Township.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Clerk Slater to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Susan B. Slater, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor