

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

Wednesday, December 11, 2024

Wisner Center

2870 Jacksmith Dr SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49546

And Virtual Zoom Meeting

7:00 P.M.

HYBRID FORMAT

- Article 1.** Supervisor Lesperance called the meeting to order.
Present: Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Korstange, Trustees Shipley, Rissi and Noordhoek
Absent: Trustee Noordyke (Excused)
Also Present: Finance Director Nenciarini, Parks & Facilities Director Dan Zwick, Manager Smith, Deputy Clerk Jager and those listed in the Supplement
- Article 2.** Supervisor Lesperance led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Article 3. Approval of Agenda**
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
Cascade Rec. Park Master Plan Concept
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (Limit comments to 3 minutes)**
None
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
a. Receive and File Minutes
 1. Township Board Meeting-11/20/24
 2. Planning Commission-10/21/24
b. Receive and File Reports
 1. Building Dep-Oct 2024
 2. Treasurer Report-Sept & Oct 2024
c. Receive and File Communication
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Financial Actions**
a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 12/12/2024
Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 8. Unfinished Business**
None

Article 9.

New Business

091-2024 Consider Approval of 2025 Independence Day Firework Display Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Rissi to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

092-2024 Consider Approval of Payment of Claims at Year End Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

093-2024 Consider Approval of Budget Amendment 2024 Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Rissi to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

094-2024 Consider Approval of 2025 Township Boards & Commissions Meeting Schedule Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

095-2024 Consider Approval of Board & Committee Appointments

- a. **Downtown Development Authority** Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Zoning Board of Appeals** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Rissi to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. **Pathways Committee** Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. **Election Commission** Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. **Planning Commission** Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. **Village Design Review Committee** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. **Board of Review** Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. **Township Board Standing Committee Appointments** Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10.

Discussion

None

Article 11.

Public Comments

1. Richard Schaafsma-2471 Burton Woods Ct-commented on obsessive neighbor placing signs and overstepping boundaries by trying to enforce the park ordinance. He inquired on how often the park rules are truly being broken.
2. Mrs. Schaafsma-2471 Burton Woods Ct-has been frightened by the aggressive enforcement of neighbor.
3. Scot VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct-inquired on enforcement of private advertisement sign removal and the hotel ordinance. He also inquired on the clearing of pathways.

Article 12.

Manager Comments

1. The Board is aware of the issues on the easement of Burton Park. An invitation was extended to meet with the Manager on concerns.
2. New Planning & Zoning Administrator will be addressing the private signs that need to be removed and the Hotel Ordinance enforcement.

Article 13. Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance.
2. Clerk Slater wished all Merry Christmas.
3. Treasurer Korstange thanked Chairman Ralph Moxley for his service on the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. She expressed his expertise and passion will be greatly missed. Thank you for public comments from residents on Burton Ct.
4. Supervisor Lesperance concurred and thanked the residents from Burton Ct. for their public comment. She encourages all to enjoy the parks and wished all a Merry Christmas.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Jennifer Jager
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk