

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

Wednesday, October 23, 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, McDonald, Koessel and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Community Planning and Development Director Hendrick,
Attorney Mike Homier-Foster Swift, 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 Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve
the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
a. Nicole Hanson-Executive Director YMCA Mary Free Bed Branch
b. Dr. Jerry Miller-Kent Conservation District
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public
hearing. (Limit comments to 3 minutes)**
1. Tom Richardson-3438 N Applecrest Ct-did not think the fire millage was
presented accurately.
2. Scot VanSolkema- 2570 Orange Ct-supports the solar and battery
ordinances. He questioned the potential office furniture purchases.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
a. Receive and File Minutes
1. Township Board Meeting-10/9/24
2. Planning Commission-9/16/24
b. Receive and File Reports
1. Building Dept Report-Sept 2024
c. Receive and File Communication
Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve
Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Financial Actions

- a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 10/24/2024
 - b. Financial Statements–Sept 2024
- Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

076-2024 Consider Approval of Special Use Permit 2756 Kraft Ave for Ancillary Use of Golf Cart Storing and Selling Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried 6-1.

077-2024 Consider Approval of Introduction to Amend Zoning Ordinance and Appeal of MPSC

- a. Regulate Utility-Scale Battery Energy Storage Systems
- b. Regulate Solar Energy Systems

Motion by Supervisor Lesperance, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve authorization of legal counsel to appeal MPSC 10/10/2024 order. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve introduction and to set second reading/adoption of ordinance for Nov. 6, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

078-2024 Consider Resolution to Approve FY 2025 Budget (Roll Call)

Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

079-2024 Consider Resolution to Approve Road Closure for Triathlon June 7 & 8, 2025 (Roll Call) Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

080-2024 Consider Approval of Comcast Contract Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

081-2024 Consider Approval of Furniture Purchase Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve furniture purchase not exceeding \$75,000. Motion carried unanimously.

082-2024 Review Airport Lawsuit and Next Steps Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Supervisor Lesperance to direct legal counsel to file appeal to the court decision. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Discussion

None

Article 11. Public Comments

None

Article 12. Manager Comments

None

Article 13. Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance. He requested cubicle height of 4ft or lower for Township office furniture.
2. Supervisor Lesperance thanked legal counsel for guidance in Township issues.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Jennifer Jager
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk