

MINUTES

Cascade Charter Township Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 24, 2005
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Julien, Clerk Goodyke, Trustees Beahan, Currier, Koessel, and Parrish
Absent: Treasurer Carpenter
Others present: Assistant to the Manager Otey, Planner Peterson and those listed on Supplement #1
- Article 2.** Supervisor Julien led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
- Article 3.** Clerk Goodyke suggested that Article 9 item 070-2005 be dropped from the agenda since the resolution from REGIS was not completed by their attorneys. Supervisor Julien suggested adding the Resolution approving and Authorizing and Execution of a Water Connection and Service Agreement with Forest Hills Public Schools as article 9 item 074-2005 and moving the noise Ordinance Amendment to article 9 item 070-2005 to accommodate the residents who were there. Motion to approve the agenda as amended by Clerk Goodyke supported by Trustee Beahan. Motion approved unanimously.
- Article 4. Approval of the Consent Agenda**
- a. Approval of Township Board Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 8/10/05.
 - b. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 8/01/05.
 - c. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. Fire Department Month End Report for July 2005.
 2. Memo- re: Spring Clean Up Day - 2005
 - d. Receive and File Communications
 1. Letter from the Garnsey's – re: 4th of July Canoe Race
 2. Letter from Alan and Carole Reighard – re: 911 call
 - e. Education Requests
 1. Dean Korhorn – re: Fall Educational Seminar, September 13th-16th – Lansing, MI.
 2. Mike Deem – re: Annual Planning Conference, September 15th-17th – Mackinac Island.
 3. Ron Goodyke – re: MERS 59th Annual Meeting, September 20th-22nd – Dearborn, MI

Trustee Koessel pointed out that in the Board Minutes of 08-10-05 Article 5 (a) he questioned the line item in the bills regarding miscellaneous expense regarding transfer of property in Caravelle Village not Trustee expense. The correction was noted and will be reflected in the minutes. It

was also noted in Article 9, Case 068-2005, that the sentence “Also letting the residents on Shadyview know the process to establish a Special Assessment District” should be deleted. Motion to amend by Koessel supported by Beahan carried unanimously.

Motion to approve as amended by Parrish supported by Beahan passed unanimously.

Article 5. Financial Actions (None)

Article 6. Public actions

a. Public Hearing to consider Proposed Noise Ordinance—Waste Haulers

Motion by Parrish supported by Beahan to open the public hearing at 7:15 p.m. carried unanimously.

Assistant to the Manager Otey reviewed the issues outlined in her memo. Cascade Residents, who live in the Forest Hills Condominiums, Mary Trusock, Carol Garey, and Ward Schenk along with Grand Rapids resident Sam Luchese explained the deleterious effect the noise caused by the trash haulers has on their ability to sleep after being awakened at 3:00 a.m. Steven Benner and Jim Paulak offered to work on some solutions to fix the problem. A motion to close the public hearing by Trustee Koessel, supported by Trustee Parrish passed unanimously.

Article 7. Public Comment (none)

Article 8. Unfinished business (none)

Article 9. New business

069-2005 Consider Adoption of a resolution to allow Cascade Christian Church to close Hurley Street to hold a Church Picnic on Sunday September 11, 2005.

Clerk Goodyke pointed out they have held this event in the past with no problems and recommended approval. Motion by Koessel supported by Parrish passed unanimously.

070-2005 Consider adoption of proposed Noise Ordinance Amendment
Clerk Goodyke stated he felt the ordinance would have unintended negative consequences on commercial properties adjacent to residential properties that cause no problem to the neighborhood to which they are adjacent. Trustee Currier suggested that the solutions offered by Mr. Benner seem disingenuous since he waited until now to offer any solution when he should have responded long before. More discussion followed. Motion by Koessel supported by Parrish to approve the Amendment as written carried.

Ayes—5 Nays—1 (Goodyke) Absent - 1

- 071-2005 Consider DDA recommendation for Streetlights and Street Trees on 28th Street from Old 28th to Thornhills**
Assistant to the Manager Otey reviewed her memo and presented the samples of the two light fixtures under consideration. Pat Cornelisse confirmed her recommendation that the break at Thornhills would be a good transition, if we want to switch to slightly different fixture to save money. Assistant to the Manager Otey confirmed that there are sufficient funds in the 2005 budget for this project. Clerk Goodyke stated that he favored the less expensive (alternate 1) AAL fixture to save \$19,000 and pointed out that the quality of the two was comparable and difference in appearance is almost negligible when you consider that the fixtures are 20 feet up and usually are not closely observed by the public. Discussion followed. Motion by Koessel, supported by Currier to accept the Buist bid for \$123,845.00 and keep the more expensive Lumec fixture and accept the Twin Lakes bid for \$15,390.00 for street trees passed.
Ayes—5 Nays—1 (Goodyke) Absent - 1

- 072- 2005 Progress report 2005 Township Goals**
Assistant to the Manager Otey presented the summary of the status of the 10 goals. Supervisor Julien complimented the staff on the completion of four goals already. He encouraged Planner Peterson to continue to look into open space property if the Grand River owners are not willing to talk. He suggested that a personal visit with the owners might work as it did in the past with the Tassell Park property. Dates, location and format for meetings with all boards and commissions were discussed. Trustee Koessel suggested we find out from the other boards what works best and decide at the next meeting. Trustee Parrish suggested that we contact Grand Rapids to find out how they are doing on the wireless issue to see if we should continue to move forward. Supervisor congratulated the Foundation Members for their enthusiastic work on the telephone directory

- 073-2005 Presentation On Septic Systems in Cascade Township**
Planner Steve Peterson presented interesting information on numbers of septics, failures, etc. and possible remedies to the waste disposal situation in Cascade.

- 074-2005 Consider resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of a Water Connection and Service Agreement with Forest Hills Public Schools.**
Assistant to the Manager Otey reviewed her memo. This resolution approves and authorizes execution of a water connection and service agreement with Forest Hills Public Schools. The water line will go down Tammarron to Birkdale to Hillsboro. Motion by Koessel and support by Goodyke to approve the resolution.

Article 10. Manager's Comments.

Discussion followed regarding the Shadyview residents. Otey reported that 17 notices had been sent out informing them that the route changed from Shadyview to Hillsboro and asking them to respond to indicate: 1) if they were in favor of extending the water line down their street and 2) if they were interested in connecting if this happened. 10 of the 17 responded so far with six indicating they were interested in the water extension and four of these six said they were interested in connecting. Motion by Koessel to extend the line down Shadyview and keep the price the same as we indicated it would be as we originally presented it when we thought their street was the route chosen supported by Currier carried.

Article 11. Board Member Comments.

Trustee Parrish questioned the Fire Department incident during the practice burn. Discussion followed.
Trustee Koessel brought up the matter of pay for the Board representatives to the Planning Commission and Zoning Board. The MTA recommends paying them.
Trustee Beahan questioned the progress on the Laraway Lake Special Assessment District. He reminded members that the final concert will be Thursday September 8. He also reminded members about the Foundation Walk event
Julien questioned what action is being taken to fix the violations of junk in a yard on Laraway Lake Road

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Koessel (yes, Koessel, not Parrish) supported by Parrish carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald H. Goodyke
Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Michael R. Julien, Supervisor