

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

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

7:00 P.M.

**Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Treasurer Peirce, Clerk Goodyke, Trustee Lewis, Koessel, Janes and Goldberg.  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Manager Cousins, Planning Director Peterson, Assistant to the Manager Korhorn, Assessor McCarty and those listed in Supplement #1.

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

**Article 3.** Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments**

**a. Public Comments (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)**

- David DeBruyn, 2628 Knightsbridge was present as a representative from the Grand Rapids Public Museum/Grand Rapids Amateur Astronomical Association. Mr. DeBruyn asked if there could be an addition to the Agenda this evening for the purpose of the approval to use the Rec Park on August 11, 2012 after dark (overnight) to observe meteors, stars and the moon.
- State Senator David Hildenbrand addressed the Board regarding updates on items being worked on at the State level.

**Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**

- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
  1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes of 07/11/12.
- b. Receive and File Various Reports
  1. Building Department June, 2012 Report.
- c. Education Requests
  1. Roger McCarty – I.A.A.O Conference – Kansas City, MO – September 9-12, 2012.
  2. Jeff Miller – MAA Short Course – Personnel/Labor Relations – Novi, MI – September 5-7, 2012.
  3. Todd Stevenson – Fire Prevention Code Enforcement – On Line Course – August 1, 2012.  
Todd Stevenson – Interactions of Hazardous Materials – On Line Course – August 1, 2012.  
Todd Stevenson – Legal Aspects of Fire Protection – On Line Course – October 10, 2012.

Motion was made by Trustee Janes and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Discussion followed regarding the education requests. Upon the request from Clerk Goodyke, item c2 was removed from the Consent Agenda. Upon the request of Treasurer Peirce, item c3 was removed from the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Pierce to deny the education request for Jeff Miller. Discussion followed. Motion failed.

Ayes – 2(Goodyke, Peirce)                      Nays-5

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the education request for Jeff Miller. Motion carried.

Ayes – 5    Nays-2(Goodyke, Peirce)

Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Clerk Goodyke to deny all (3) education requests for Todd Stevenson. Discussion followed. Motion failed.

Ayes -2(Goodyke, Peirce)                      Nays-5

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Janes to approve the (3) education requests for Todd Stevenson. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Ayes-5

Nays-2(Goodyke, Peirce)

**Article 6. Financial Actions**

**a. Consider Approval of June, 2012 General/Special Funds.**

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the June, 2012 General/Special Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Consider Approval of June, Public Utilities Funds.**

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the June, 2012 Public Utilities Funds. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 7. Unfinished Business (None)**

**Article 8. New Business**

**062-2012**

**a. Public Hearing on Request for Approval of an Exemption Certificate for a new facility for Dickinson Press Inc.**

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Assessor McCarty reviewed the request from Dickinson Press Inc. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Clerk Goodyke to reconvene into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Consider Approval of Resolution to Approve Application for Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Dickinson Press, Inc. (roll call)**

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Fox to approve the Resolution for application for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for Dickinson Press, Inc. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**063-2012**

**Consider Approval of the Year One Summary Report for the Strategic Plan.**

Manager Cousins presented the Summary to the Board. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Lewis to receive and accept the reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**064-2012**

**Consider Approval of the Selection of a Museum Painting Contractor.**

Manager Cousins reviewed the bid proposals for the Museum painting project. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Janes and supported by Clerk Goodyke to approve the bid from Speese Painting Company in the amount of \$23,491.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**065-2012**

**Consider Approval of Private Road Exception for Tannenbaum Dr.**

Planning Director Peterson was present to review the Private Road Exception. The Planning Commission has held a public hearing on this matter at the July 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. The only comments received were in support of the exception. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Private road exception for Tannenbaum Dr. Motion carried unanimously.

**066-2012**

**Consider Approval of Ordinance to Amend Certain portions of the Cascade Charter Township Sign Ordinance. (roll call)**

Planning Director Peterson was present to review the specific changes to the sign ordinance. These changes come from several recent variances that have been granted. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve

the Ordinance to Amend certain portions of the Cascade charter Township Sign Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**067-2012 Consider Approval of Ordinance to Amend Section 4.30.5 of the Cascade Charter Zoning Ordinance. (roll call)**  
Planning Director Peterson stated these recommended changes are also the result of recent actions of the Planning Commission. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Ordinance to amend Section 4.30.5 of the Cascade Charter Zoning Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**068-2012 Consider Approval of Bid for the Centennial Park Project–Phase 2.**  
Assistant to the Manager Korhorn was present to review the bids received for the Centennial Park Project – Phase 2. Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber reviewed the bids and recommended the project be awarded to Strain Electric in the amount of \$561,610.00. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the recommendation by Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Janes to add to our Agenda approval of the use of the Rec Park for the observation of the Celestial Event. Motion carried unanimously.

**069-2012 Consider Approval for the use of the Rec Park for the Observation of the Stars.**  
Discussion regarding whether or not it was an insurance issue for us to have the park open after the normal closing hour. Make an exception to the rules of the park to allow this event to take place after closing. Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Janes to approve the use of the Rec Park for the Observation of the Stars with the above mentioned stipulations. Motion carried unanimously.

**\*070-2012 Consider Approval of a Request by GRAHA to grant a one Day Liquor License at the Patterson Ice Arena for a Charity Event.**  
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the request subject to determining whether or not we need a public hearing held in order to do a formal approval of the one day liquor license. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**

**Article 10. Manager’s Comments**

Manager Cousins offered the following comments:

- Sent out a doodle for setting the goals for year #2. The expectation is that we would meet at 3:00 p.m. in the afternoon...go until 5:00 p.m. to talk about goals; and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to meet with staff to finalize and detail all the goals.
- We are working on the 2013 Budget.
- The sculpture that we talked about not too long ago...for outside the Wisner entrance is expected to be started next week.

**Article 11. Board Member Comments**

Clerk Goodyke offered the following comments:

- Often in the past when we have had parties that want to use alcohol at one of our facilities in the Township we have had to do Resolutions recognizing that we know that they are there and we have done due diligence as far as the building and the police / fire reports. The Liquor Commission has since said that local approval is no longer necessary. But we are going to have one...Grand Rapids

Hockey Association (GRAHA)...they have done this before with our approval. They are going to have it at their facility on Patterson. Planning Director Peterson interjected that there should be some sort of formal action by the Board as the P.U.D. ordinance for that development actually prohibits alcohol there. Discussion followed.

\*Motion was made by Trustee Janes and supported by Clerk Goodyke to amend our Agenda to Consider Approval of a Request by GRAHA to grant a one Day Liquor License. Motion carried unanimously. (See Article 8. 070-2012)

**Article 12. Adjournment**

Motion was made by Trustee Janes and supported by Treasurer Peirce to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

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Ron Goodyke, Clerk

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Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor