

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

Wednesday, January 11, 2017
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Treasurer Peirce, Clerk Slater, Trustee Koessel, Lewis, McDonald and Shipley.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Swayze, DDA/Economic Development Director Korhorn, Community Development Director Peterson 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 McDonald to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Kenneth Carey, 2929 Thornapple River Dr., reminded the Board regarding his “drainage” issues.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 - 1. Regular Township Board Minutes for 12/14/16.
 - b. Receive and File Reports
 - 1. Building Department Monthly Report for December, 2016.
 - 2. Treasurer Department Monthly Report for November, 2016.
 - c. Education Requests
 - 1. Ben Swayze – Michigan Municipal Executives Winter Institute – Kalamazoo – 1/31/17 thru 02/03/17.
 - 2. Doug Poolman – Michigan Fire Inspector Winter Conference – East Lansing – 1/19/17 thru 1/20/17.
 - d. Receive and File Communications
 - 1. Comcast – Changes (11/16, 11/29 and 12/20/16)
 - 2. State of Michigan Notice of Hearing – DTE Case No. U-18195.
- Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Slater to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
- a. **Consider Approval of Pay Draw for the 28th St. Sidewalk from Hotel Ave. to Drury Hotel.**
Director Korhorn reviewed the application for payment. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the pay draw in the amount of \$25,025.00. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Unfinished Business**
- Article 8. New Business**
- 001-2017 a. Public Hearing – Amend Meijer PUD to allow for a new Hotel.**

Director Peterson reviewed the request with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Lewis to move into public hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Motion was made by Trustee Lewis and supported by Trustee Shipley to reconvene into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Consider Approval of an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #11 of 2002, The Meijer/Romano Planned Unit Development Project.

Discussion pursued with the Developer. Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #11 of 2002, The Meijer/Romano Planned Unit Development Project. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

002-2017 Consider Approval of Resolution of Support for Redevelopment Liquor License.

Director Korhorn was present to review the opening of the Fowling Warehouse in the Thornapple Center and their need for a liquor license. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the Resolution of Support for a Redevelopment Liquor License for Fowling Warehouse GR, LLC, 6797 Cascade Rd., S.E. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

003-2017 Consider Approval of Outdoor Gathering Permit for Schmohz Brewing.

Manager Swayze reviewed the application for the outdoor gathering permit from Schmohz Brewing. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Lewis to approve the Outdoor Gathering permit for Schmohz Brewing for August 19th (from noon to 7p.m.) Motion carried unanimously.

004-2017 Consider Approval of Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions.

Supervisor Beahan reviewed the appointments with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the appointments to the Construction Board of Appeals, Board of Review and Downtown Development Authority. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Article 10. Manager Comments

Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- The Personnel/Finance Committee met today to review the MERS report we received.
- Infrastructure Committee also met last week to discuss the beginning of our local road program for 2017.
- We may see the plans for the hotels that were announced down near the airport. We are starting to see a lot of potential development in that corner of the Township as is Caledonia, Gaines and Kentwood. Looking to start up the regional planning group “Four Corners Group” again.

- Rob has been appointed to a couple of positions...Executive Committee of the Grand Valley Metro Council and the Chair of the Township Supervisors Association.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- Have we had any contact with Tim Haagsma in regards to the No Right Turn on Thornapple River Dr.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Thank you to the previous Infrastructure Committee on standing fast on the improvements to Kraft Ave. from 28th St. to Burton.

Trustee Lewis offered the following comments:

- Making a comment on a Consent Agenda Item: Comcast cutting their costs.

Trustee McDonald offered the following comments:

- The Cub Scout Pack from Thornapple (3464) they asked Tom to speak on the role in Government. Talked about the Gathering Space at the Library.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- Wanted to remind everyone of their committee assignments.

Article 12. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Susan B. Slater, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor