

MINUTES
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 12, 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 Currier, Beahan and Koessel. Trustee Parrish arrived at 7:15 p.m.
Absent: Treasurer Carpenter
Others Present: Manager Cravens, Planning Director Peterson, Building Inspections Director Visser, Deputy Clerk Biegalle, Reporter Wilson, Diane Cutler/Cascade Library and those listed on Supplement #1.

Article 2. Supervisor Julien led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Article 3. The agenda was revised to include the following:

- Article 5e. – Consider Pay Application No. 3 Dan Vos
Construction re: Library Enrichment Center Construction.

The agenda was approved with the above stated revision on motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel. The motion carried.

Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Township Board Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 9/28/05.
- b. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes 9/19/05.
 2. County Road Commission Meeting Minutes 9/13/05.
 3. Grand Valley Metro Council Meeting Minutes 9/1/05.
- c. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. Building Department Month End Report for Sept. 2005
 2. Treasurer's Department Bank Balance Reports for August, 2005.
 3. Memo from Planner, Steve Peterson – re: Commencement and completion of construction.
- d. Receive and File Communications
 1. Letter from Stephen D. Channer – re: Trash Collection

The consent agenda was approved on motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Beahan.

Clerk Goodyke asked if the Board could discuss Mr. Channer's letter. Manager Cravens stated that it was being looked into at staff level and would report back to the Board at the next regular meeting. Discussion followed.

Supervisor Julien asked Manager Cravens to send Mr. Channer's letter to the various Neighborhood Associations to poll their opinions. Motion carried.

Article 5. Financial Actions

- a. Consider Approval of Bills, Transfers, and Payroll for Sept. 2005
Motion to approve Bills, Transfers, and Payroll for September 2005 was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Currier.
Trustee Koessel inquired about the high dollar amount of the Nextel phone bill for the Building & Grounds Dept. Manager Cravens stated that the foreman was on vacation and would be back next week. Manager Cravens will get back with the Board on the costs. Trustee Koessel also inquired about the Verison phone bill for the Building Inspections Dept. Motion carried.
- b. Consider Approval of Public Utilities Financial Reports for Sept. 2005
Motion to approve the Public Utilities Financial Reports for September, 2005 was made by Trustee Beahan and supported by Trustee Koessel. Motion carried.
- c. Consider Approval of General/Special Funds Financial Reports for Sept. 2005.
Motion to approve the General/Special Funds Financial Reports for September, 2005 was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Parrish. Motion carried.
- d. Consider Approval of Resolutions amending various funds in the 2005 Budget.
Motion to approve the Resolutions amending various funds in the 2005 Budget was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Parrish.
Manager Cravens reviewed the following fund budget adjustments:
- General Fund
 - Fire Fund
 - Police Fund
 - Dam Repair fund
 - Pathways Fund
 - Improvement Revolving Fund
 - DDA Fund
 - Building Inspection Fund
 - Library Fund
 - August Homeyer/Open Space Preservation Fund
 - Library Learning Center Construction Fund
 - Cemetery Trust Fund
 - Windcrest/Wendell/Maracaibo Shores Fund
 - Forest Shores Fund
- Discussion followed. Motion carried by roll call vote.
- e. *Consider Pay Application No. 3 Dan Vos Construction re: Library Enrichment Center Construction.*
Motion to approve Pay Application No. 3 to Dan Vos Construction was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Beahan.
Motion carried by roll call vote.

Article 6 Public Actions (None)

Article 7. Public Comments

Article 8. Unfinished Business

058-2005 Consider Approval of Amending the Zoning Ordinance re: Term Limits.

Supervisor Julien stated that all Board members should be familiar with the term limit issue and have reviewed the proposed changes. Motion to approve the Amending of the Zoning Ordinance regarding Term Limits was made Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel. Clerk Goodyke stated that he felt the proposed changes were a good compromise. Supervisor Julien commended Planning Director Peterson and Trustee Koessel for working with the Planning Commission and their perseverance with this issue. Supervisor Julien made a statement for the record that as Township Supervisor he has the responsibility/duty to appoint members to the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and other Boards. In the past there was a practice, which he inherited, that if basically people showed up and tried to participate, the second term was automatic. So virtually everybody served on the Planning Commission and ZBA for six years. Supervisor Julien would like to suggest that at least under this township supervisor, that neither the second nor the third term should be considered automatic. Because nine years is a long time, and we have to have new blood on each of these boards from time to time, so that we get people like Claude Robinson on these Boards. Supervisor Julien would like to point out that for the remainder of his term he is going to look for a mix of experienced people and new people. Supervisor Julien feels that this preserves the strength of these Boards. Trustee Koessel questioned Supervisor Julien on his statement. Discussion followed. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Article 9. New Business

087-2005 Consider Approval of Resolution to Allow the Forest Hills School Cycling Team to put on a Cycling Road Race.

Planning Director Steve Peterson reviewed the request stating the resolution was needed in order for the Kent County Road Commission to issue a permit for a Bicycle Race in Cascade Township. Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the Resolution to Allow the Forest Hills School Cycling Team to put on a Cycling Road Race. Motion carried by roll call vote.

088-2005 Review of the 2006 Budget Making Process

Manager Cravens reviewed the Budget Calendar with the Board.

089-2005 Construction Update – Wisner Community Center

Building Director Visser gave the Board a construction update to the following:

- Excavation went well.
- Foundation is poured.
- Block Walls are complete.
- Ice/water shield was to be installed today.
- Curb and gutter this week.

Emergency preparedness within the Wisner Community Center was discussed regarding the following change orders:

- The installation of the restroom/showers in the basement at a cost of \$14,000.
- Consideration of an emergency generator at the cost of approx. \$35,000 – \$40,000.

Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to authorize the above mentioned change orders. Motion carried.

Supervisor Julien inquired if we had announced this addition to the library as the Wisner Community Center. Clerk Goodyke stated that it had not been announced yet, as the Wisner's have been out of town.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Township Manager Cravens submitted the following items for Manager Comments:

- Staff is looking at plans from other communities regarding Emergency Preparedness. They are looking at developing a draft plan within the next three months and bringing it to the Board and opening it up to public comment.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Parrish reported the Metro Council has purchased a pavement management system. This is a diagnostic tool for roads.

Clerk Goodyke invited all the Board members to swing by the Library and view the site. Clerk Goodyke also mentioned the possibility of having a forum on the issue of garbage collection inside Cascade Township to get some input from the residents.

Trustee Beahan gave an update on the Stop ALS Foundation.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion was made by Trustee Parrish and supported by Trustee Koessel to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Michael R. Julien, Supervisor