

Minutes
Cascade Charter Township
Park Committee Special Meeting
Friday, November 4, 2022
8:00 A.M.
5920 Tahoe Dr SE

ARTICLE 1. Chair Wanty called the meeting to order at 8:05 A.M.
Members Present: Chair Ginny Wanty, Joe Engel, Mike Reese, Windy Korstange, and Supervisor Grace Lesperance
Members Absent: Eileen Boekestein (excused)

Others Present: Planning Director Hilbrands, Township Manager Swayze, Township Engineer Aric Thorne, Planning Administrator Madi Dodge, and Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Jim Macdonald.

ARTICLE 2. Approve the current agenda

Motion was made by Member Engel to approve the current agenda. Supported by Member Reese. Motion carried 5 to 0.

ARTICLE 3. Acknowledge visitors and those wishing to speak

There was no one that wished to speak.

ARTICLE 4. Review and Discussion of Parks Budget

Manager Swayze attended the meeting to discuss the Parks Committee budget. For budget approval, there needs to be a capital improvement plan that goes to staff and committees followed by a review from the Board of Trustees. The four main items to discuss consisted of items that needed to be included in the 2023 budget, items in the budget that can be taken out, evaluating the CIP through 2028, and obtaining feedback on the illustrative budget.

The committee liked the general format of the budget with the understanding that it will be a living document.

Some items the committee would like added to the budget included funds to prepare for a millage (\$50,000), a Master Plan for Rec Park (\$25,000), parking improvements at Burton Park, invasives species work, erosion controls at Peace Park, deer management at Burton Park, Wycliff Improvements (\$300,000), replacement of signage and map improvements for parks and trails, and tree plantings in the open space budget for Burton Park

Manager Swayze, Planning Director Hilbrands, and B&G Supervisor MacDonald will have a meeting to discuss CIPs.

Manager Swayze will request the Board to allocate funds toward future acquisitions.

ARTICLE 5. Adjournment

Motion was made by Member Engel to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Member Korstange. Motion carried 5 to 0. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Engel, Secretary