

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

Wednesday, November 6, 2024

Wisner Center

2870 Jacksmith Dr SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49546

And Virtual Zoom Meeting

7:00 P.M.

HYBRID FORMAT

- Article 1.** Supervisor Lesperance called the meeting to order.
Present: Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Korstange,
Trustees Shipley, McDonald, Koessel and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Community Planning and Development Director Hendrick,
Manager Smith, H.R. Director Murawski and those listed in the Supplement
- Article 2.** Supervisor Lesperance led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Article 3. Approval of Agenda**
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve
the agenda with addition of L-4029 2024 AMENDED Millage Tax Rate
Request (Now New Business Item 083.5-2024.) Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
None
- Article 5. Public Comments - Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public
hearing. (Limit comments to 3 minutes)**
None
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Minutes
 - 1. Township Board Meeting–10/23/24 and Work Session 10/17/24
 - 2. Planning Commission-10/7/24
 - b. Receive and File Reports
 - 1. Treasurer’s Dept-Aug 2024
 - c. Receive and File Communication
- Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve
Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Financial Actions**
- a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 11/7/2024
Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

**083-2024 Consider Resolution to Adopt Amendment-Zoning Ordinance
(Roll call)**

a. Regulate Utility-Scale Battery Energy Storage Systems

b. Regulate Solar Energy Systems

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve.
Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**083.5-2024 Consider Approval of L-4029 2024 AMENDED Millage Tax Rate
Request** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to
Approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**084-2024 Consider Introduction of Consumers Energy Franchise Ordinance
(Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to
approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**085-2024 Consider Resolution to Approve Annual Exemption Option from
Public Act 152 (Roll call)** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by
Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

086-2024 Consider Adoption of Township Manager Evaluation Policy
Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Clerk Slater to approve with
amended timeline within sixty days of anniversary date of hire. Motion
carried unanimously.

087-2024 Consider Resolutions to Honor Trustees

Clerk Slater read the Resolutions honoring Trustee McDonald and Trustee
Koessel for their many years of service to the Township. Motion by Clerk
Slater, seconded by Supervisor Lesperance to approve resolution for
Trustee McDonald. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Clerk Slater,
seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve resolution for Trustee Koessel.
Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Discussion

None

Article 11. Public Comments

1. Diedre Deering, 6012 Burton SE
2. Jeff Dionne, 2984 Thornapple River Dr SE
3. Cindy Janes, 1071 Honey Creek NE
4. Ken Yonker, 3820-100th St, Caledonia
5. Lulu Brown-KDL Cascade Branch Manager
6. Scott Rissi, 7238 Cascade Rd SE
7. Rob Beahan, 3148 Thornapple River Dr SE
8. Joann King, 6820 Burton SE

All spoke their thanks and appreciation to Trustee McDonald and Trustee Koessel for their service to Cascade Township.

Article 12. Manager Comments

Manager Smith also thanked the two retiring Trustees; he's looking forward to working with the new Trustees.

Article 13. Board Member Comments

- a. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance.
- b. Nearly all Board members thanked the two retiring Trustees-who in turn thanked those who came to show support this evening.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to adjourn.
Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Sue Slater
Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk