

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

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Koessel, McDonald, and Shipley.
Absent: Trustee Lewis (excused)
Also Present: Manager Swayze, DDA/ED Director Korhorn, Attorney Dick Wendt 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 Koessel and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 4. Presentations**
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
Ron McCollin, 1400 Dewberry Place, passed out a flier. Drain that was worked on seems to be generating more sand than it ever did...it is filling in the bayou.
Kerry Gorsuch, 3044 Thornapple River Dr., Shallow bayou...it is getting worse not better.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes**
 - 1. Regular/Township Board Minutes for 7/12/17.
 - 2. Planning Commission Minutes for 6/19/17.
 - 3. Downtown Development Authority Minutes for 5/16/17.
 - b. Receive and File Reports**
 - 1. Cascade Inspection Services Report for June 2017.
 - 2. Treasurer's Department Report for March 2017.
 - c. Receive and File Communications**
 - 1. AT&T Michigan – re: Annual Video Report to the MPSC.
 - 2. Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs - re: New Class “C” License for X-Golf Grand Rapids LLC.(5761 28th Street)
 - d. Education Requests**
 - 1. Lou Berra/Phillip Johnson – Michigan Association of Planning – Mackinac Island, MI – September 27-29, 2017.
 - 2. Doug Poolman – Michigan Fire Inspectors Society – East Lansing, MI – September 12-15, 2017.
 - 3. Mildred Pinder – MGFOA 8th Annual Fall Training Institute – Frankenmuth, MI – September 24 – 27, 2017.
 - 4. John Makuch – Critical Thinking (PHL1010) – Columbia Southern University – Summer 2017.
- Motion was made by Clerk Slater and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Article 7.

Financial Actions

- a. **Consider Approval of June 2017 Payroll, Payable and Transfers.**
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve the June 2017 Payroll, Payable and Transfers. Motion carried.
- b. **Consider Approval of June 2017 General/Special Funds.**
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve the June 2017 General/Special Funds. Motion carried.
- c. **Consider Approval of Change Order #1 and Pay Draw #2 for the Thornapple Hills Drain Restoration Project.**
Motion was made by Trustee Shipley and supported by Trustee McDonald to approve Change Order #1 and Pay Draw #2 for the Thornapple Hills Drain Restoration Project in the amount of \$31,238.70. Motion carried.

Article 8.

Unfinished Business

Article 9.

New Business

- 044-2017 Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds and Other Matters Related Thereto.**
Manager Swayze reviewed the resolution with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Sale and Issuance of Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds and Other Matters Related Thereto. Discussion followed. Motion carried by roll call vote.
- 045-2017 Consider Approval of Consultant for Branding/Marketing Plan for the Downtown Development Authority.**
DDA/ED Director Korhorn presented the recommendation of the DDA to the Board. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Trustee Shipley and supported by Clerk Slater to approve Q+M for a Branding/Marketing Plan for the Downtown Development Authority in the amount of \$25,000. Motion carried.
- 046-2017 Consider Approval of a Resolution to Exercise Right of First Refusal for the Purchase of Tax Foreclosed Property at 6410 Burton Street.**
Manager Swayze reviewed the proposal with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee McDonald and supported by Trustee Shipley to approve a Resolution to Exercise Right of First Refusal for the Purchase of Tax Foreclosed Property at 6410 Burton Street. Motion carried by roll call vote.
- 047-2017 Consider the Purchase of Lawn Mowing Equipment for the Buildings and Grounds Department.**
Manager Swayze reviewed the purchase with the Board. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Shipley to purchase the used 2015 Toro Z Master for \$10,000. Motion carried.

048-2017 Consider Appointments to the Building Authority.
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Treasurer Peirce to appoint Benjamin Swayze, Steve Peterson and Oxana Sourine to the Building Authority. Motion carried.

Article 10. Public Comments – Any comments...whether it is on the Agenda or not. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
Tom Richardson, 3438 North Applecrest Ct., addressed the Board regarding Trustee Shipley’s ability to carry out the oversight required of Board members with the public confidence. Mr. Richardson is concerned with Trustee Shipley’s involvement with the hiring of the new Fire Chief.
Deputy Ryan Roe was present to showcase the new speed signs.
Scott Wilbur, Michigan State Police Sargent, informed the Board they will have several cars out on 96 in Cascade Township looking for some targeted enforcement.
Ron McCollin, 1400 Dewberry Place, cleaning out weirs.

Article 11. Manager Comments
Manager Swayze offered the following comments:

- We have some road work that will be starting up in the Township shortly.
- Received the start date for the 28th St. – Kraft Ave. interchange project which is August 21.

Article 12. Board Member Comments
Trustee McDonald offered the following comments:

- Wanted to address a comment made by Trustee Shipley last meeting regarding “without you this Board is worthless.” I feel what we do is valuable all the time.

Trustee Shipley offered the following comments:

- Thank you to all who attended...everyone’s input is important.
- Traveled thru Middleville and it was “packed” with people. They have “Music on the Riverbank” every Friday. I would like to see that in our Township.

Article 13. Adjournment
Motion was made by Treasurer Peirce and supported by Trustee Shipley to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Susan B. Slater, Clerk

Robert S. Beahan, Supervisor