

MINUTES
CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, April 12, 2006
7:00 P.M.

Article 1. Supervisor Julien called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Julien, Clerk Goodyke, Treasurer Carpenter, Trustees Parrish, Currier, Koessel and Beahan.
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Cravens, Fire Chief Sigg and Deputy Clerk Biegalle.

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

Article 3. The Agenda was revised to include to following:

- **Article 9 027-2006** - Consider Resolution to Adopt the Greater Grand Rapid Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to allow Cascade Township to Apply for Funding and Grant Programs under FEMA Programs.

The agenda was approved as amended on a motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Parrish. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. Approval of Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Township Board Minutes
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes of 03/22/06.
 2. Special Meeting Minutes of 03/30/06.
- b. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
 1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of 03/20/06.
 2. Grand Valley Metro Council Meeting Minutes of 03/02/06.
- c. Receive and File Communications
 1. Memo from Fire Chief Sigg – re: 2006 Fire Grant
 2. Memo from the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Kent – re: 2005 Act 51 Report
- d. Receive and File Various Reports
 1. ~~2005 Fire Department Annual Report~~
 2. Building Department Month End Report for March, 2006.
 3. Fire Department Month End Report for February, 2006.
 4. Treasurer’s Department Bank Balances February, 2006.

A motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the consent agenda.

Trustee Beahan questioned the Fire Department 2005 Annual Report regarding the omission of the MIOSHA Incident/Citation received in 2005. Discussion followed.

Motion by Trustee Beahan and supported by Clerk Goodyke to amend the original motion to remove item d.1. of Article 4 and re-submit on the next regular meeting agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. Financial Actions

- a. Consider Approval of March, 2006 Bills, Transfers and Payroll.
Motion to approve the March, 2006 Bills, Transfers and Payroll was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Consider Approval of Public Utilities Financial Reports for March 2006.
Motion to approve the Public Utilities Financial Reports for March, 2006 was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Clerk Goodyke. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Consider Approval of General/Special Funds for March, 2006.
Motion to approve the General/Special Funds for March, 2006 was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Beahan. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. Public Actions (None)

Article 7. Public Comments (None)

Article 8. Unfinished Business

Trustee Koessel addressed the issue of a time frame for the per diem for the Board Members serving on the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals. Trustee Koessel made a motion to have the per diem become effective April 1, 2006 for the Board Members who serve on the Planning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals. Motion supported by Clerk Goodyke. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 9. New Business

024-2006 Consider Resolution Transferring Funds from the Building Inspection Fund to the General Fund

Manager Cravens reviewed the transfer of funds from the Building Inspections Fund to the General Fund. Motion to approve the Resolution Transferring Funds from the Building Inspection Fund to the General Fund was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Clerk Goodyke. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

025-2006 Consider Contract Award to Myles Excavating for Pathway Repair/Reconstruction Project at Cascade Recreation Park.

Manager Cravens stated the pathway reconstruction project was budgeted for 2006 in the amount of \$125,000. The project was part of the 2005 – 2010 Capital Improvements Plan and 2005 Capital Budget, but was not implemented because of the possibility of receiving a grant from the State. Manager Cravens and our engineers Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber recommend the Township accept the bid from Myles Excavating in the amount of \$77,115. Motion was made by Treasurer Carpenter and supported by Trustee Beahan to Award the Contract for the Pathway Repair/Reconstruction Project at Cascade Recreation Park to

Myles Excavating in the amount of \$77,115. Motion carried unanimously.

026-2006 Consider Resolution Changing Voting Precincts 4 and 6 From the Cascade Christian Church to the Wisner Center Beginning with the August 8, 2006 Primary Election.

Clerk Goodyke has recommended that two precincts (4 & 6) change from the Cascade Christian Church to the Wisner Center. The Township was notified last election that the Cascade Christian Church had remodeled and one of our precincts would need to be moved. Clerk Goodyke stated the advantage of this change lies in the time, risk and effort that goes into set up and tear down for the Buildings and Grounds crew. Motion by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Koessel to Change voting precincts 4 & 6 from the Cascade Christian Church to the Wisner Center beginning with the August 8, 2006 Primary Election. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

027-2006 Consider Resolution to Adopt the Greater Grand Rapids Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to allow Cascade Township to apply for funding and grant programs under FEMA Programs.

Fire Chief Sigg was present to explain the Greater Grand Rapids Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan and how it would affect Cascade Township. Chief Sigg stated that if the Township adopts the resolution, it would allow us to apply for funding and grant programs under numerous FEMA programs. Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Beahan to approve the Resolution to Adopt the Greater Grand Rapids Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to allow Cascade Township to apply for funding and grant programs under FEMA Programs. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Township Manager Cravens submitted the following item for Manager Comments:

- The Laraway Lake issue was growing. Manager Cravens spoke with Township Attorney Dick Wendt regarding the process of the special assessment district. It was determined that the process was going to take some time which was not going to help to get the water level down on the lake. Manager Cravens stated the pipe needs to be repaired and has received two estimates (i.e., \$4,700 and \$5,200). Manager Cravens asked the Board to authorize him to award the contract not to exceed \$5,200 prior to the creation of the special assessment district.

Consensus among the Board members was "to get the job done". Motion by Trustee Parrish and supported by Trustee Koessel to authorize the Township Manager to award a contract for the repair on the Laraway Lake Drain Pipe not to exceed \$5,200, with the

stipulation the cost would be incurred by the Township one time only and the Township would be conducive to taking contributions, no special assessments will be levied at this time. Discussion followed. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Beahan submitted the following comment:

- Questioned whose responsibility it was regarding the erosion on a home opposite Tassell Park. Manager Cravens stated it was the homeowners issue.

Trustee Koessel submitted the following comment:

- Asked that the Board review the status of the 2006 Board Goals at the May 10th Regular Board Meeting.

Treasurer Carpenter submitted the following comment:

- The Historical Society has been diligently working on the new Historical Room in the Wisner Center.

Clerk Goodyke submitted the following comment:

- Vote on May 2nd.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Parrish and supported by Treasurer Carpenter to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Michael R. Julien, Supervisor