

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

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

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 Koessel, Shipley, McDonald and Noordhoek  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Manager Smith, Deputy Clerk Jager, Parks & Rec Dir Melanie  
Manion, Chief Magers 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. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**  
Representative Skaggs – Legislative Update
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public  
hearing. (Limit comments to 3 minutes)**  
1. Scot VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct-expressed support of Allan Cox  
memorial.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**  
a. Receive and File Minutes  
1. Township Board Meeting–11/15/23  
b. Receive and File Reports  
1. Building Dept Report October 2023  
2. Treasurer Dept Report October 2023  
c. Receive and File Education Requests  
None  
d. Receive and File Communication  
None  
Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve the  
Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 7. Financial Actions**

- a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 12/14/2023
- b. Approval of 2023 Budget Amendments  
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve.  
Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 8. Unfinished Business**

None

**Article 9. New Business**

**096-2023 Consider Resolution to Dedicate Pathway in Memory of Allan Cox (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee McDonald to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**097-2023 Consider Approval of Contract for Playground Construction at Wycliffe Park** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**098-2023 Consider Approval of Contractor for Pavilion Construction at Friendship Park** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee McDonald to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**099-2023 Consider Approval of TRI-COM HazMat Trailer Replacement** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Koessel to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**100-2023 Consider Resolution to Relocate Precinct 2 (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**101-2023 Consider Resolution to Relocate Precinct 9 (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**102-2023 Consider Approval of 2024 Meeting Schedule** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**103-2023 Consider Approval of 2024 Appointments to Township Committees and Commissions** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**Article 10. Discussion**

None

**Article 11. Public Comments**

1. Ralph Moxley-1757 Hillsboro Ave-thanked Rep. Skaggs for funding on pedestrian bridge; and volunteered to help with invasive species. He reported the model train show went well and is still available to be viewed.

**Article 12. Manager Comments**

Manager Smith clarified any confusion on unfunded liability in the budget and confirmed it is 70% funded. He thanked Max Benedict for the Allan Cox memorial pathway. Manager Smith thanked the Board for passing budget amendments and announced job openings for Planning Director and Finance Director.

**Article 13. Board Member Comments**

1. Trustee McDonald shared Christmas gifts from Koeze with the Board members and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
2. Trustee Koessel said Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.
3. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance at the meeting and noted the Burton Street bridge was open.

**Article 14. Adjournment**

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee McDonald to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 8:23 pm.

Jennifer Jager  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

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Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

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Susan B. Slater, Clerk