

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

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

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, Rissi, Noordyke and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Finance & Budget Director Nenciarini, Manager Smith, Fire Chief Magers, Fire Marshall Pell, Engineer Thorne, Deputy Clerk Jager 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**
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-1/8/25
 2. Planning Commission-12/16/24
b. Receive and File Reports
 1. Treasurer Report-Nov 2024
c. Receive and File Communication
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Rissi to approve Consent Agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Financial Actions**
a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 1/23/25
Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve.
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 8. Unfinished Business**
None

Article 9.

New Business

004-2025 Consider Approval of Purchase of Replacement Fire Department Vehicle Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordyke to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

005-2025 Consider Approval of 2025 Local Roads Program with Kent County Road Commission Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Rissi to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

006-2025 Consider Approval of Thornapple River SAD Treatment Contract Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

007-2025 Consider Approval of Award of the Construction Services Contracts for Interior Renovation at the Cascade Library Building and Amend the FY25 Budget Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Clerk Slater to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

008-2025 Consider Approval of First Reading of Ordinance Amendment to Chapter 282-Parks and Recreation Areas Motion by Trustee Noordyke, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

009-2025 Consider Approval of Planning, Parks and ZBA Committee Appointments Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

010-2025 Consider Approval of Zoning Ordinance Update Ad Hoc Committee & Appoint Members Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10.

Discussion

None

Article 11.

Public Comments

1. Nick Katsarelas-2985 Burrwick SE-appreciated the improvements on the bridge; questioned how Township will involve community with ideas for development of site.
2. Scot VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct-requested illegal signs removal throughout the Township. He inquired why residence is prohibited on 20-acre parcel of Shaggy Pines Dog Park.

Article 12.

Manager Comments

1. Township newsletter will be sent soon and contains updates on the Tuffy property.
2. Road variances will be discussed with Kent County Road Commission.
3. Township office will remain open in inclement weather.

Article 13.

Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance.
2. Trustee Noordyke, in light of the tragic fires in California, expressed thanks to Fire Chief Magers and the Township Fire Department for their thorough and professional work. He welcomed Robert Cribbs to service on Planning commission.

3. Trustee Rissi echoed agreement with Trustee Noordyke's comments.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Noordyke to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Jennifer Jager
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk