

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

Wednesday, June 14, 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, McDonald, Shipley and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Planning Director Hilbrands, Zoning Administrator Smith-Jacoby, Regional Manager Brown-KDL, Carlita Gonzalez-KDL, Executive Director Werner-KDL, Doug Vredevelde-Vredevelde & Haefner, Administrative Assistant Stine, 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 Trustee Noordhoek to approve the agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
a. KDL Community Reports
Carlita Gonzalez-KDL presented the KDL Community Reports.
b. 2022 Annual Audit
Doug Vredevelde reviewed the draft of the 2022 Audit.
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public hearing. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
1. Ginny Wanty-6255 Heathmoor Ct-Re Parks and outdoor space at library: Bicycles should be available for check-out. Work on Wycliffe Trailhead Park concept building should begin soon.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
a. Receive and File Minutes
1. Township Board Meeting – 5/24/23
2. Planning Commission – 5/1/23 & 5/15/23
b. Receive and File Reports
1. Treasurer’s Department – April 2023
2. Building Department – May 2023
c. Receive and File Education Requests
1. Todd Stevenson & Josh Dettwiler – NFPA 1700-Evidence-Based Structural Firefighting – June 24-25, 2023 – Valparaiso, IN
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. Consider Approval of April 2023 Financial Statements

b. Consider Approval of May 2023 Payables, Payroll and Transfers

Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee McDonald to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

049-2023 Consider a Resolution to Approve an Amendment to the Township Master Plan (Roll Call)

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

050-2023 Consider a Parks Committee Appointment

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve the Parks Committee Appointment and accept Treasurer Korstange's resignation from Planning Commission and Parks Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

051-2023 Interim Manager

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to meet with the Interim Township Manager candidate on Friday, June 16, 2023, at 1:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Discussion

1. Cascade Charter Township Business Liquor License – Applications are due 6/27/23 at 5:00 pm.

Article 11. Public Comments

1. Babak Shahbodaghloo-5070 28th St-Wants to know what has happened since September when he was applying for a liquor license? He received information from the State of Michigan; talked about the process.
2. Badrie Shahbodaghloo-5070 28th St-Outlined the process they went through to try to get a liquor license; felt there was no response.
3. Rod Schultz-2562 Orange Ct-Re Zoning Administrator: International Beverage bricks are falling.
4. Joseph Albright-6224 Pinta Ct-Re Caravelle Village: Advised of three (3) absentee landlords near him. Suggests a solution to issue permits to allow rentals with a \$10K bond, and they forfeit \$1K per call, and a refund upon sale.
5. Scot VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct-Re properties in violation: There should be signs and stickers in the village.
6. Brian Holcomb-3415 Glenstone Ct-Re Egypt Creek Landscaping: What is going to be done with this matter?

7. Tom Richardson-3438 N. Applecrest Ct-Took issue with Trustee Shipley's comment about lynching, even if metaphorical. Public officials should conduct themselves without violence.
8. Ken Van Der Kolk-7200 Leyton-There was a Closed Session regarding hotels. What is being done?
9. Joseph Albright-Re Peace Park: Who makes the rules for hunters? Suggested setting live traps for deer.

Article 12. Manager Comments
None

Article 13. Board Member Comments
1. Trustee Shipley-Thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting. Apologized for his comments to resident Richardson.

Article 14. Adjournment
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

Krissi Brott
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk