

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

Wednesday, February 9, 2011
7:00 P.M.

- Article 1.** Supervisor Beahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Supervisor Beahan, Trustees Goldberg, Koessel, Treasurer Peirce and Clerk Goodyke.
Absent: Trustee Fox and Lewis (excused)
Also Present: Manager Cousins
- Article 2.** Supervisor Beahan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- Article 3.** Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the revised Agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 4. Presentations/Public Comments**
a. Public Comments (Please limit comments to 3 minutes)
No public present.
- Article 5. Approval of Consent Agenda**
a. Receive and File Various Meeting Minutes
1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes for 01/26/11.
2. Kent County Road Commission (KCRC) Minutes of 12/14/2010, 01/06/2011, 01/11/2011.
b. Receive and File Communications
1. Letter from Patricia Meis – re: Thank you to the Fire Dept.
2. Letter from KCRC – re: Act 50 of 1999
c. Receive and File Various Reports
1. Treasurers Department Bank Balances for December, 2010.
d. Education Requests
1. Doug Poolman/Bob Norris – Expert Witness Courtroom Testimony – Tustin MI, April 1-3, 2011.
2. Bob Norris – Fire Investigator II Class – Tustin, MI, March 21-25, 2011.
Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- Article 6. Financial Actions**
a. Consider Approval of January, 2011 Payables, Payroll and Transfers.
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the January, 2011 Payables, Payroll and Transfers. Motion carried.
b. Consider Approval of December, 2010 Public Utility Funds.
Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Trustee Koessel to approve the December, 2010 Public Utility Funds. Motion carried.
c. Consider Approval of December, 2010 General/Special Funds.
Motion was made by Clerk Goodyke and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the December, 2010 General/Special Funds. Motion carried.
- Article 7. Unfinished Business (None)**
- Article 8. New Business**
010-2011 Parks Committee Appointment
Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to approve the Parks Committee Appointment of Sara Homeyer. Motion carried.
011-2011 Approval of Resolution for Charitable Gaming License for Thornapple Elementary School PTO.
Motion was made by Trustee Goldberg and supported by Treasurer Peirce to approve the Resolution for a Charitable Gaming License for Thornapple Elementary School PTO. Motion carried by roll call vote.

Article 9. Public Comments on any other matters. (limit comments to 3 minutes)
No public present.

Article 10. Manager's Comments

Manager Cousins offered the following comments:

- Last Wednesday during the snow storm, we had one or more snowmobiles reported in Burton Park. It took a couple of days to track them down but the Sheriff was alerted by myself and tracked down the offending folks on Friday and have been issued a warning.
- The first monthly employee e-newsletter was put out on Monday. We will be doing this monthly.
- Consumers has notified us there will be some work to be done in Cascade. They will be starting in February with tree cutting from Orange all the way to Laraway Lake. They will also be replacing the wires approximately a week later. This will take them about a month.

Article 11. Board Member Comments

Trustee Koessel offered the following comments:

- Talked to Representative Yonker about a Senate Bill on the floor regarding personal property taxes.
- Obviously we had a lot of snow last week; I think our Ordinance requires that when snow is removed from someone's driveway it should be kept on their property. What if anything can we do ...other than maybe in our newsletter, is to keep the snow on the property of the person whose driveway they plow. It is tough to see around some of those corners right now.

Treasurer Peirce offered the following comments:

- Inquired whether or not we set a date for the Goal Setting Session....discussion followed.

Supervisor Beahan offered the following comments:

- Meeting tomorrow night with the Homeyers, Tom Rooks, Tom MacDonald and myself to go over our Open Space group that started out a few years ago.

Article 12. Adjournment

Motion was made by Trustee Koessel and supported by Trustee Goldberg to adjourn.
Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise M. Biegalle
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Ron Goodyke, Clerk

Robert Beahan, Supervisor