

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

Wednesday, August 23, 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: Interim Township Manager Andrzejewski, Deputy Clerk Jager,
Planner Hilbrands, Parks and Rec. Dir. Manion, Engineer Thorne, Attorney
Scott Hogan-Foster Swift 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 McDonald to approve the
agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4. Presentations**
a. Parks and Rec. Dir. Manion gave Parks Committee Quarterly Report
- Article 5. Public Comments-Anything on the Agenda not scheduled for a public
hearing. (limit comments to 3 minutes)**
1. Tom Tooley-3455 Charlevoix Dr-spoke in support of higher density
residential housing.
2. Tom Richardson-3438 N. Applegate Ct-spoke in support of higher
density residential housing.
3. David Caldon-Varnum attorney-represented the airport in opposing the
Airport Commerce zoning amendment.
4. Scott VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct-inquired if it's possible to use the
house next to Tuffy be used as rental property by the Township.
Treasurer Korstange responded it is to be demolished soon.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
a. Receive and File Minutes
1. Township Board Meeting – 8/9/23
2. Planning Commission Minutes – 7/10/23
b. Receive and File Reports
None

- c. Receive and File Education Requests
 - 1. Todd Pell-MFIS Fall Conference-Mt. Pleasant, MI 9/26-29/23
 - 2. Brett Boonenberg-MFIS Fall Conference-Mt. Pleasant, MI 9/26-29/23
 - 3. Jeff VanTil-MIAM Fall Conference-Clare, MI 10/19-20/23
 - 4. Brian Wilson-COCM Fall Conference-Shanty Creek, MI 9/26-29/23
 - 5. Dennis Rowlander-COCM Fall Conference-Shanty Creek, MI 9/26-29/23
 - 6. Thomas Hanson-COCM Fall Conference-Shanty Creek, MI 9/26-29/23
 - 7. Brian Hilbrands-Planning MI Fall Conference-Traverse City, MI 10/4-6/23
 - 8. Madison Smith-Jacoby- Planning MI Fall Conference-Traverse City, MI 10/4-6/23
- d. Receive and File Communication
None

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 7. Financial Actions

- a. Consider Approval of June 2023 Financial Statements
- b. Consider Approval of July 2023 Financial Statements
- c. Consider Approval of July 2023 Payroll, Payables and Transfers
- d. Consider Approval of Mid-Year Budget Amendments
- e. Request for Invoices to be paid on 8/24/2023

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

069-2023 Consider Approval of Tuffy Lease Assignment Offer

Considerable discussion. Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to table item pending information on amount still owed on the property. Motion carried unanimously.

070-2023 Consider Approval of Design Selection RFP for KDL Library-Cascade Branch Interior Upgrade

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Clerk Slater to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

071-2023 a. Public Hearing for Amendment to Forest Hills Golf Course/Watermark Condominiums PUD Ordinance to allow Cigar Bar as a Permitted Use at Clubhouse

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to open Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. No public comment. Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to close Public Hearing. Motioned carried unanimously.

b. Consider Amendment to Forest Hills Golf Course/Watermark Condominiums PUD Ordinance to allow Cigar Bar as a Permitted Use at Clubhouse (Roll Call)

Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasure Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

072-2023 Consider Resolution to Amend the Centennial Park Overlay District Ordinance Pertaining to Permitted Density for Residential Uses (Roll Call)

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

073-2023 Consider Resolution to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Pertaining to Airport Commerce (AC) Zoning District and to Revise the Mapped Districts (Roll Call)

Motion by Treasurer Korstange, seconded by Trustee Koessel to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

074-2023 Consider Approval of Outdoor Gathering Permit for Metro Cruise

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

075-2023 Consider Employee and Elected Official Service Provider Policy Prohibiting Business with Township/Conflict of Interest

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Supervisor Lesperance to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

076-2023 Consider Approval of Transportation Agreement with Hope Network

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

Article 10. Discussion

None

Article 11. Public Comments

1. Jeff Hughes-7250 Red Bud Lane-encouraged deer management plan.
2. Scott Alsgaard-Hope Network-clarified cost increase with larger bus.
3. James White-Rapid rider-shared Rapid data.
4. Rob Dewey-5805 Snow Ave-inquired re progress of Snow Avenue paving project.

Article 12. Manager Comments

1. Appreciated Board's work on tightening up purchasing policy.

Article 13. Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley-Thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting.
2. Trustee McDonald- Requested BS&A training to monitor zoning infractions, expiring dates of permits etc.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Treasurer Shipley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:11 pm.

Jennifer Jager
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk