

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

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

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 Peirce, Trustees Koessel, McDonald, Shipley and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Township Manager Swayze, Doug Vredeveld-Vredeveld Haefner, LLC, Deputy Clerk Brott, 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. 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)**
1. Sarah Barnes-6728 Gleneagles Dr-Representing the Tamarron Neighborhood Association re deer population. Has concerns for the safety of young drivers as well as the health of the deer. Manager Swayze gave update.
 2. Rick Dykema-6696 Gleneagles Dr-Lives two doors down from resident Sarah Barnes. Has the same deer population concerns.
 3. Anne England-3415 Glenstone Ct-Re Egypt Creek update. What is the recourse if the owner is violating? Manager Swayze gave update about site visit to the property. Planning Director is composing a letter; ordinances are being reviewed.
 4. Craig Meurlin via Zoom-6333 Thornhills Ct-Requests list for projects for which funding has been approved.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**
- a. Receive and File Minutes
 1. Township Board – 6/8/2022
 - b. Receive and File Reports
 1. Building Department – May 2022
 - c. Receive and File Education Requests
None

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- d. Receive and File Communication
None

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

Article 7. Financial Actions

a. Consider Approval of May 2022 Financial Reports

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

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

037-2022 Consider Accepting the FY 2021 Audit and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Doug Vredeveld, Auditor from Vredeveld Haefner, LLC, presented. Considerable Discussion.

Motion by Supervisor Lesperance, seconded by Trustee Shipley to not accept the FY 2021 Audit and Comprehensive Annual Financial Report pending auditor review of Plante Moran's forensic audit. Motion carried unanimously.

038-2022 Consider A Resolution to Exercise Right of First Refusal to Purchase Tax Foreclosed Property (Roll Call)

Considerable Discussion.

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Clerk Slater to approve a resolution to purchase the tax foreclosed property on 2085 Spaulding Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI for \$5,808.21. Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote. In favor-Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Koessel. Opposed-Supervisor Lesperance, Trustee McDonald, Trustee Noordhoek, Trustee Shipley.

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to approve a resolution to purchase the tax foreclosed property on 2085 Spaulding Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI for either \$5,808.21 or \$70,400. Motion failed 3-4 by roll call vote. In favor-Supervisor Lesperance, Trustee McDonald, Trustee Noordhoek. Opposed-Clerk Slater, Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Koessel, Trustee Shipley.

Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Koessel to approve a resolution to purchase the tax foreclosed property on 2085 Spaulding Ave. SE, Grand Rapids, MI for \$5,808.21. Motion carried 5-2 by roll call vote. In favor-Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Trustee Koessel, Trustee McDonald, Trustee Noordhoek. Opposed-Treasurer Peirce, Trustee Shipley.

039-2022 Consider A Resolution Authorizing Issuance of 2022 Capital Improvement Bonds (Roll Call)

Considerable Discussion.

Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

040-2022 Consider Appointments to the Cascade Township Pathway Committee

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

Article 10. Discussion

1. Trustee Noordhoek mentioned that resident Craig Meurlin has been requesting balances of projects for some time. It should be provided to him.

Article 11. Public Comments – Any comments...whether it is on the Agenda or not. (limit comments to 3 minutes)

1. Chuck Whitley-5030 Sequoia-The SAD Committee is going well.
2. Anne England-Re voting equipment: Will the Township be using the same Dominion tabulators?
3. Craig Meurlin via Zoom-How will the actual disclosure process occur? Manager Swayze responded.

Article 12. Manager Comments

1. River treatment starting Thursday, 6/23. Notices were sent to all property owners within 100 feet of treatment area. The rest of the year's schedule is being set.
2. Local street paving projects starting this week and should last up to three (3) weeks.
3. Received remaining money for PFAS through Representative Peter Meijer's office.

Article 13. Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley-Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Article 14. Adjournment

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

Krissi Brott
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk