

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

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Wisner Center

2870 Jacksmith Ave SE

Grand Rapids, MI 49546

And Virtual Zoom Meeting

7:00 P.M.

HYBRID FORMAT

- Article 1.** Supervisor Lesperance called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
Present: Supervisor Lesperance, Clerk Slater, Treasurer Korstange, Trustees Shipley, Rissi, Noordyke and Noordhoek
Absent: None
Also Present: Manager Smith, Finance & Budget Director Nenciarini, Deputy Clerk Jager, Leslie Abdoo-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 Noordhoek to approve. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 4.** **Presentations**
City of GR Water Rate Study-Tai VerBrugge
- 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 11/5/25-Regular Meeting
 11/10/25-Work Session & Closed Session
 2. Planning Commission-9/22/25
 3. Historical Society-10/2/25
b. Receive and File Reports
 1. Building Dept-Oct 2025
 2. Zoning Enforcement-Oct 2025
 3. Treasurer's Report-Oct 2025
c. Receive and File Communication
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve Consent Agenda.
Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7.** **Financial Actions**
a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 11/20/25
b. Financial Statement-Oct 2025
Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 8. Unfinished Business

None

Article 9. New Business

071-2025 Consider Approval of Resolution for Special Assessments on Winter 2025 Tax Bill (Roll Call) Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve resolution. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

072-2025 Consider Approval of Authorization of Budget Amendment Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

073-2025 Consider Approval of Payment of Claims at Year-End Motion by Trustee Rissi, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

074-2025 Consider Approval of 2026 Township Boards & Commissions Meeting Schedule Motion by Trustee Noordyke, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve with removal of first April meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Article 10. Discussion

None

Article 11. Public Comments

Public comment was made by:

1. Mark Ansara-1799 Platinum Falls Dr
2. David Martin-2715 Snow Ave
3. Scot VanSolkema-2570 Orange Ct
4. Doug Lee-8613 52nd St
5. Nick Katsarelas-2985 Burrwick Dr
6. Rod Schultz-2562 Orange Ct
7. Michelle Lauer-2992 Overlook Summit
8. Mark Demarest-6614 Brookhills Ct (virtual)
9. Tricia Ruffer-6902 Burger Dr

Article 12. Manager Comments

1. Tree lighting ceremony is Dec 6, 5 pm at the Cascade Historical Museum. Santa will be at the Stone House with cookies immediately following.
2. In response to public comment, lights on the Cascade Bridge are well received.
3. Steps for Zoning Ordinance public input and meetings were outlined.

Article 13. Board Member Comments

1. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance and for public input.
2. Trustee Noordyke thanked those in attendance and thanked Manager Smith for coordinating opportunity for public input. He requested ideas and specific concerns be brought to the Zoning Ordinance public events.
3. Trustee Rissi thanked those in attendance.
4. Trustee Noordhoek commented on housing affordability.
5. Treasurer Korstange thanked those in attendance for comments and thanked Manager Smith and staff for quick response to provide opportunities for public input on the Zoning Ordinance.
6. Supervisor Lesperance appreciated Manager Smith and staff for developing Zoning Ordinance input sessions.

Article 14. Adjournment

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Shipley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Jennifer Jager
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

Susan B. Slater, Clerk