

CASCADE CHARTER TOWNSHIP
KENT COUNTY, MICHIGAN
(Resolution No. 39-2021)

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE AD HOC THORNAPPLE RIVER SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 COMMITTEE, SPECIFYING ITS DUTIES AND COVERING OTHER MATTERS.

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board for Cascade Charter Township, County of Kent, State of Michigan, held at the Cascade Library – Wisner Center, 2870 Jacksmith Dr. SE in said Township on September 22, 2021 7:00 o’clock p.m., Eastern Daylight Time

PRESENT: Members Koessel, Lesperance, McDonald, Noordhoek, Peirce, Shipley, Slater

ABSENT: Members _____

The following preamble and resolution were offered for adoption by Township Board Member McDonald and was seconded by Township Board Member Shipley :

RECITALS

A. The Township Board for Cascade Charter Township (the “Township”) has established and created the Thornapple River Special Assessment District No. 1 (the “SAD”) which will be applicable within the stretch of the Thornapple River in the Township located between the Cascade Dam (downstream) and 60th Street (upstream). Pursuant to the SAD, a number of improvements and maintenance will be done to that stretch of river over 15 years.

B. All decisions regarding the SAD (including, but not limited to, the expenditure of funds, entering into contracts with third-party service and product providers, whether special assessments will increase annually and related matters) shall be made by the Township Board. Nevertheless, the Township Board deems it in the best interest of the Township and its residents,

property owners and visitors to receive public input and advice regarding those matters. Toward that end, the Township Board establishes the Thornapple River Ad Hoc Committee (the “Committee”) to advise the Township Board regarding the SAD as well as other matters of public interest regarding the portion of the Thornapple River involving the SAD.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Committee is hereby created and established to advise the Township Board regarding the various aspects of the SAD in the portion of the Thornapple River involved in the SAD.
2. The Committee will be recommendatory and advisory only.
3. The Committee shall comply with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, being MCL 15.261 *et seq.* (the “OMA”). Such compliance shall include, but not be limited to, holding only public meetings, posting the meetings ahead of time as required, allowing reasonable public comment at the public meetings and preparing and adopting written minutes of each meeting.
4. The Committee shall be comprised of five (5) members. At least one (1) member of the Committee shall also be a member of the Township Board. The other members of the Committee shall be representative of the various interests pertaining to the Thornapple River. At least one (1) of these members shall be a current member or designee of the Board of Directors of the Cascade Thornapple River Association, a 501 (c)(7) corporation, at the time of appointment.
5. The Township Manager, or his/her designee, shall serve as an ex officio member of the committee but shall have no voting rights

6. Members of the Committee shall be appointed and approved by the Township Board for three-year terms. The terms of the members shall end on December 31 and any new term shall begin on January 1.

7. Members of the Committee may be removed by the Township Board after a hearing for cause.

8. The Committee shall meet at least twice per calendar year.

9. On or before February 1 of each calendar year, the Committee shall make its written recommendations to the Township Board regarding the SAD for the upcoming spring, summer and fall seasons and for the balance of the calendar year involved.

10. This Resolution shall become effective one day after its enactment.

The vote on the motion to adopt this Resolution was as follows:

YEAS: Koessel, Lesperance, McDonald, Noordhoek, Peirce, Shipley, Slater

NAYS: _____

ABSENT/ABSTAIN: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Susan B. Slater
Susan B. Slater, Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of Cascade Charter Township, County of Kent, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on September 22, 2021, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Dated: 9/20/21

Susan B. Slater
Susan B. Slater, Township Clerk