

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

Wednesday, July 10, 2024

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 Shipley, McDonald, Koessel and Noordhoek  
Absent: None  
Also Present: Finance Director Nenciarini, Engineer Thorne, Assessor  
Genter, Community Planning & Development Director Hendrick, Deputy  
Clerk Jager, Danielle Bouchard-McKenna Associates, Manager Smith 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 the  
agenda. 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) Ryan Bruneau-7109 Hidden Ridge Dr-commented on the Master Plan.  
2) Kenneth Carey-2929 Thornapple River Dr-commented on the Master  
Plan.
- Article 6. Approval of Consent Agenda**  
a. Receive and File Minutes  
1. Township Board Meeting-6/26/24  
b. Receive and File Reports  
1. Treasurer's Department Report-April 2024  
c. Receive and File Communication  
Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve  
the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Article 7. Financial Actions**  
a. Request for Invoices to be paid on 7/11/2024  
Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve.  
Motion carried unanimously.

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**Article 8. Unfinished Business**

None

**Article 9. New Business**

**055-2024 Consider Approval of Contract for Pedestrian Improvements on Cascade Rd Bridge** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve budget amendment and contract. Motion carried unanimously.

**056-2024 Consider Approval of Special Use Permit and Site Plan Review for Outdoor Storage at 5824 Kraft Ave** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Treasurer Korstange to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**057-2024 Consider Creation of Industrial Development District (IDD) at 5824 Kraft Ave**

- a. **Public Hearing** Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Noordhoek to open Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Brent Case from The Right Place thanked the Township for considering the IDD. Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to close Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Consider Approval of Resolution (Roll Call)** Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**058-2024 Consider Industrial Facilities Tax (IFT) Abatement for 5824 Kraft Ave for Trane U.S. Inc.**

- a. **Public Hearing** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee Koessel to open Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Clerk Slater to close Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. **Consider Approval of Resolution (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Koessel, seconded by Trustee Shipley to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**059-2024 Consider Resolution to Approve of 2024 Tax Deferment (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee McDonald, seconded by Trustee Koessel to approve. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**060-2024 Consider Resolution to Approve Township Master Plan per Recommendation from the Township Planning Commission (Roll Call)** Motion by Trustee Shipley, seconded by Trustee McDonald to approve with updates as directed to staff. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**Article 10. Discussion**

None

**Article 11. Public Comments**

1. Ken Van Der Kolk-7200 Leyton-inquired on the 5824 Kraft tax abatement amount.
2. Rod Schultz-Orange Ct-commented on hotel ordinance.
3. Scot Van Solkema-2570 Orange Ct-commented on multiple Township owned parcels and brought in a large weed representing lack of landscape care.
4. Kenneth Carey-inquired on noise ordinance as pertains to jake braking.
5. Liz Kramb-3410 Winterberry Ct-clarified tax abatement amounts and thanked the Township Board for their work.
6. Nick Katsarelas-2985 Burrwick-commented on Cascade Township sign on 28<sup>th</sup> St.

**Article 12. Manager Comments**

1. Compliments to all involved in the Independence Day parade.
2. Survey is coming for Rec. Park Master Plan.
3. Farmland Preservation fundraiser at Culvers was very successful.
4. Public comment questions were addressed.

**Article 13. Board Member Comments**

1. Trustee Shipley thanked those in attendance.
2. Treasurer Korstange addressed the crosswalks in the Township Village.
3. Supervisor Lesperance responded to Township development concerns.

**Article 14. Adjournment**

Motion by Clerk Slater, seconded by Trustee Shipley to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

Jennifer Jager  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by:

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Grace Lesperance, Supervisor

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Susan B. Slater, Clerk