



**CASCADE**  
--- TOWNSHIP ---

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**CASCADE TOWNSHIP**  
**OLMSTED COUNTY-MINNESOTA**  
**BOARD MINUTES**

April 10, 2023

**OPENING BUSINESS**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Hegrenes at 6:00pm. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were Supervisors Dean Hegrenes, Brad Brech, Gary Sieck, Mike Black and Arlen Heathman, Road Maintenance Supervisor Pat McGowan and Clerk/Treasurer Sara Rudquist.

The minutes for the March 13, 2023, Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Brech and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to approve the minutes as corrected. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

The minutes for the March 14, 2023, Board of Canvass Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Heathman and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to approve the minutes as corrected. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Board reviewed the minutes from the Annual Town Meeting held on March 14, 2023.

Deputy Sheriff Dean Thompson presented the public safety report. There were 126 calls for service since the last meeting.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed the Joint Powers Board claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Brech and seconded by Supervisor Black to approve and pay the Cascade Township portion (\$35,147.58) of the total monthly claims including total payroll of \$21,147.51. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township Cash Control Statement and bank statement. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to accept the Cash Control Statement with an end-of-the-month balance of \$1,076,121.28 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township claims and payroll. Supervisor Brech moved and Supervisor Heathman seconded to approve and pay the current month's claims of \$93,479.68 (#3286-3302) and gross pay of \$6,411.00 as presented. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Road Maintenance Supervisor Pat McGowan gave the monthly report. The snow storm April 1 put several trees down in Cascade Township. Crew will start spring clean-up, sweeping, ditch work, and prep for the summer road season.

## **NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS**

Jered Staton and Roger Ihrke, TCPA, explained the information from the City of Rochester regarding an orderly annexation agreement plan of an area east of 60<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, north of Highway 14, and south of Vallyhigh Drive. It would include 19<sup>th</sup> Street, the RPU Westside substation and the solar farm. Following discussion, Board directed TCPA to invite the affected residents and business owners to the May meeting and to request a copy of the letter(s) of support the city has received in this regard. Mr. Dohrmann's property issues will be on hold until decisions are made about annexation.

Mr. Heath Loy reported that he has been in touch with a structural engineer specializing in old buildings and will have a report on the status of his barn for events. The IUP will have to be amended also in view of the second access issues.

Mr. Dan Mulholland, Hallmark Terrace, alerted the board that they are considering a proposal to add 15 mobile homes on the ponds once decommissioned. It would require a variance with the DNR set-back regulations. There is also uncertainty as to implications for the SSD.

Board discussed the status of the Hallmark Terrace private road as it pertains to the township trucks for snowplowing and a turnaround. Board directed Pat McGowan and Brad Brech to draft a letter that would serve as documentation for this private road use and bring it to the next meeting for approval.

Supervisor Hegrenes reported that the final draft request for the PSIG has been submitted for the SSD. The books on that project will be closed. There is a small punch list of items for Elcor that will be addressed this spring.

Pat McGowan reported on the road tour. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Brech seconded to approve the road tour recommendations as follows, allowing Pat to move forward with road work as proposed, and expend any ARPA funding pending allowance by resolution approval next month. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

- Wear coat over reclaimed roads of 2022:
  - Portland Court NE
  - 55<sup>th</sup> Street NE
  - Kristin Drive NW
  - Kristin Lane NW
  - Hamilton Lane NW
  - Westchester Drive NW
- Reclaim and base coat:
  - Chelsea Lane NW
  - Buckthorn Road NW
- Patching and crack filling as budget allows

Supervisor Black and Pat McGowan presented the updated 40-year road plan. At this point the township funds 1 mile per year, but as the plan demonstrates, the budget need is for 1.5 miles per year.

Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Heathman seconded to approve the land lease agreement with Gloria Schultz for 2023. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Board reviewed and updated the reorganizational items. Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve the reorganization as spelled out. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bard Stadvold, 619 Portland Court, explained a water issue he is having following the reconstruction of Portland Court. Board explained that the wear coat will be applied this year along with final adjustments as needed.

### **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Cheryl Adolphson gave the Planning Commission update. The April Planning Commission meeting is canceled.

It was noted that a quorum of the Cascade Town Board may be present at the following meetings:

- Tuesday, March 21, 9:30am – 10:00am – Board of Appeal and Equalization

It was moved by Supervisor Brech and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to adjourn. All voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Eight citizens registered their attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Rudquist  
Cascade Township Clerk/Treasurer

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Chairman

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