

CASCADE TOWNSHIP

OLMSTED COUNTY – MINNESOTA BOARD MINUTES

JUNE 1, 2009

Members present were: Chairman Lenny Laures, Supervisor Arlen Heathman, Supervisor Harold Atkinson and Clerk\Treasurer Joe Vroman.

Call to order at 6:00 pm at The Calvary Evangelical Free Church Meeting Room. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guest present: Michael Brown, Dr. Michael Herman and Robert Hansen

Sheriff Deputy's Report:

None

Township Board Continuing Business.

- A motion by Atkinson to approve the minutes from the May 11th meeting, seconded by Heathman, motion approved.
- Supervisor Heathman made a motion to pay the June Joint Powers bill of \$20,378.33, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved.
- A motion to pay the remaining Cascade bills was made by Laures, seconded by Atkinson, all voted in favor to pay the total bills of \$28,979.78, motion approved
- Treasurer Vroman gave the financial report at the meeting. The checkbook balance at the end of the May 11, 2009 meeting was \$250,327.32. Added to that total was the deposit in May, checking interest of \$144.34 for an end of the May checking balance of \$250,471.66. Checks written at this meeting totaled \$28,979.78 for an ending checking balance on June 1, 2009 of \$221,491.88. Motion to approve the treasurers report was made by Heathman, seconded by Laures, Atkinson abstained, motion passed.

Township Board New Business

At 6:45PM, Dr. Michael Herman from Northern Valley Animal Clinic appeared before the Board to discuss the revised agreement for renewing the Cascade Township Impound Agreement. The question involved the last sentence of the agreement pertaining to the Township paying the euthanasia fee to Northern Valley even though the dog was turned over to Paws and Claws for adoption and the euthanasia fee transferred also. Discussion followed on this point and dog licensing for the Township. An agreement was reached and the sentence in question will be removed and a new agreement will be sent to the Township for approval. Clerk Joe Vroman will add a note to the Township website about dog licensing at Northern Valley Animal Clinic as the authorized agent for Cascade Township dog licenses.

At 7:00PM, Mark Baker from Rochester Public Works came before the Board to discuss annexation agreement for 1.0 acre on East River Road and a Construction Permit agreement. Discussion followed on both agreements. A motion by Heathman to sign the Construction Permit agreement only based on information at hand, seconded by Atkinson, motion approved. The Board did not sign the Annexation agreement as they wanted to learn more about the drainage issues.

Robert Hanson (Bob the Bug Man) of 6698 Buck Ridge Court NE came before the Board with questions about running a home based business out of his home in a residential area. Some discussion followed on what qualifies as a home based business, etc. He was given a copy of planning and zoning requirements for Cascade Township for his review. He will get back to the Board as to his status of applying for a conditional use permit or moving his business.

Chairman Laures asked for discussion on some sort of recognition for Stan Whiting for his voluntary work in maintaining the status of the American flag at the Cascade shop. He raises and lowers the flag each day and changes the flag to half staff on certain days. A motion by Heathman to get a gift certificate to Michael's restaurant for \$65.00 in appreciation from Cascade Township for the dutiful display of the American Flag. This was seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

The Board discussed the pending resignation of Planning Commission Chairman Jay Hesley at the June 16th Planning Commission meeting and choosing a replacement for that Board. The Board reviewed the remaining names from the list of candidate names that were interviewed at the October 1, 2007 meeting plus one additional of Mike Brown. After much discussion, the Board decided to appoint Joe Kocer to the upcoming open position on the Planning Commission pending his approval with alternate Mike Brown. The remaining people interested in this position are:

Bill Kittley	6558 Chippewa Lane NW	282-6477
Terry Thronson	512 Portland Court NE	282-2519
Jim Burrington	2424 75 th Street NW	280-0128
Jim Evans	5994 13 th Avenue NW	206-4463
Brad Bishop	6614 Crest View Lane NW	287-1877
David Wilson	6513 West River Road NW	285-5994
Michael Brown	6002 Buckhill Court NW	280-9083
John Port	6553 Chippewa Lane NW	252-2039

The Charter Cable Resolution, a motion by Heathman to approve the resolution and allow Chairman Laures to sign it pending clarification of a franchise fee. This was seconded by Laures, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Motion by Heathman, Seconded by Atkinson, motion passed.

Submitted: Joseph Vroman, Clerk