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

June 12, 2017

OPENING BUSINESS

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm at the Cascade Town Hall. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were Supervisor Gary Sieck, Chairman Jimmy Hoss, Supervisor Lenny Laures, Supervisor Arlen Heathman, Clerk/Treasurer Sara Rudquist, and Assistant Clerk/Treasurer Lois Freed. Supervisor Michael Black was absent.

Deputy Sheriff Tracey Pagel provided a public safety report. There were 85 calls in the last month.

The minutes for the May 8, 2017, Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Laures to approve the minutes as provided. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the Joint Powers claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Heathman to approve and pay the claims of \$5,846.61 and net payroll of \$10,663.34 as presented. Supervisor Laures abstained. All others voted in favor. The motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township Cash Control Statement and bank statement. Supervisor Laures moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve the Cash Control Statement with an end of the month balance of \$251,233.71 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed. It was noted that the development bond for Salley Hill has been renewed with an expiration date of August 1, 2020.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Laures and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to approve the current month claims of \$44,147.96 and net payroll of \$4,341.44 as presented. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

Andrew Forliti of Smith Schafer & Associates, Ltd. presented the results of a favorable annual audit review of the financial statements of Cascade Township for the year ended on December 31, 2016. Supervisor Sieck moved and Chairman Hoss seconded the approval of the audit results. All voted in

favor and the motion passed. The audit will be submitted to the Minnesota State Auditors' office before the end of June 2017.

Craig and Terry Johnson gave an update on Majestic Meadows. Approximately half of the lots have been sold. Mark Cochran presented a letter from Mark Welch of G-Cubed stating that at the request of the Johnsons the ditches, drainage ways and storm water treatment basin were inspected and all issues have been resolved.

Discussion regarding the Uniform Ordinance Regulating Dangerous Dogs was tabled until there is further clarification from the state.

Supervisor Heathman explained the right of the Township to obtain an ORI number that allows access to a portion of funds received from fines issued in Cascade's jurisdiction at a rate of 2/3 of the fine. An application needs to be filled out. Supervisor Sieck moved to authorize Supervisor Heathman to apply for the ORI number. Chairman Hoss seconded, and all voted in favor. The motion passed.

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve the Olmsted County Public Works Maintenance Agreement as presented. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

The Olmsted County Public Works Department annual bridge inspection report was presented.

Mitch Dvorak, 5415 Country Club Road SW, presented a request to put in a second driveway to his property from Westchester Drive NW. After discussing the possibility of temporarily storing dump trucks at the property in addition to building a shed, the Board recommended Mr. Dvorak talk to TCPA about applications and possible zoning issues.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

Supervisor Heathman moved to express interest to Olmsted County GIS Division regarding the consolidation of the Boundary and Annexation Survey. Chairman Hoss seconded. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

Supervisor Laures updated on the progress of the new canoe launch. The area has been cleared and progress continues. Mrs. Brenda DeCook (Salley Hill Development) again requested that signs be posted detailing hours of operation and the boundaries of the public access with some type of barricade preventing vehicles from driving beyond the proper boundaries.

Supervisor Laures reported that the Oak Bluff septic system was built during the switch between the county and TCPA for zoning. Due to this timing, no permits were issued. Recent testing has shown that there is a significant deviation from the standards, making certification of the septic system impossible as it is currently. The system will have to be modified or reconstructed.

Supervisor Laures reported that Rochester City Engineer contacted him regarding a farm field that has been eroding across a bike path on Overland Drive. Soil and Water has since stepped in and the issue has been resolved.

Supervisors Sieck and Laures provided a Wilmar v. Cascade Township lawsuit update regarding the mediation that began January 31, 2017. Litigation continues to move forward towards a document

agreeable to both parties. Counter offers continue as clarification of the issues is the goal. Citizens' concerns are being considered.

Commissioner Adolphson reported that there was not a Planning Commission meeting in May. There will be a meeting Tuesday, June 20, at which time CUP 2007-01 Lisa M. Van Getson, will be reviewed along with presentation of the Salley Hill preliminary replat.

Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran provided a road maintenance report. He presented a quote for an electrician to replace lighting in the garage bay with LED options for \$2,665 with a potential rebate of \$285. Additionally, he reported that the first mowing has been completed, new loader purchased, and road repairs progressing nicely. There will be some budget remaining for patching and seal coating as allowed. The 55th Street project will have a 5 day shut-down beginning today. Supervisor Heathman mentioned some complaints of citizens regarding dust on the north portion of 60th Ave NW. (Supervisor Michael Black joined the meeting at 7:45pm.) Citizen Chuck Wallace reported that a culvert on Buck Ridge Drive backs up water due to a difference in height between the culvert and base of the ditch.

Supervisor Black reported on the OCTOA meeting. Clerk/Treasurer Rudquist reviewed the Township mail. Supervisor Heathman inquired regarding the Joint Powers insurance coverage as it pertains to the vehicles sitting in storage in the garage bay. Supervisor Black will check into the status.

It was noted that upcoming meetings include June 20, Planning Commission Meeting, and June 22, MAT Summer Short Course.

Supervisor Laures moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded approval to replace the lighting in the garage bay with LED, as presented by Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran, the next time a bulb goes out. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

It was moved by Supervisor Sieck and seconded by Supervisor Black to adjourn. All voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.

Ten citizens registered their attendance at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Rudquist
Clerk/Treasurer
Cascade Township

Chairman Jimmy Hoss

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