



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

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

October 9, 2017

**OPENING BUSINESS**

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm at the Cascade Town Hall. All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The minutes for the September 11, 2017, Board Meeting were reviewed by the Board. It was moved by Supervisor Black and seconded by Supervisor Hoss to approve the minutes as provided. Three voted in favor. Supervisors Heathman and Sieck abstained. The motion passed.

Road Maintenance Supervisor Mark Cochran presented the road report. The work on 7<sup>th</sup> Street with aprons, ditch clean-up and surfacing is nearing completion. There will still be some patch clean up where it was built up a little high. Wear coat will be applied next year if approved. Will also put extensions on culverts where it has washed out next year as approved. Paving on Hadley Court has been completed. Jaguar Communications has finished Windbreak and Shady Lane areas. Reclamation looks good. They hope to be complete soon, weather permitting. The hiring process for 2 part-time snow plow operators is moving along. Applications have been slow in coming in. There will need to be a decision soon in this regard. The need for un-budgeted striping on roadways was presented

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to get the striping done, up to a cost of \$3,000.00. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

**CONTINUING BUSINESS**

The Board reviewed the Joint Powers claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Heathman and seconded by Supervisor Black to approve and pay the claims of \$921.46 and net payroll of \$11,745.51 as presented. All voted in favor. Supervisor Laures abstained. The motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township Cash Control Statement and bank statement. Supervisor Hoss moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded to approve the Cash Control Statement with an end-of-the-month balance of \$226,809.27 as presented. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the Cascade Township claims and payroll. It was moved by Supervisor Black and seconded by Supervisor Sieck to approve and pay the current month claims of \$19,249.47 and payroll of \$3,452.99 as presented. All voted in favor, and the motion passed.

### **NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS**

There was discussion about the letter from City of Rochester regarding the 1976 Orderly Annexation Agreement. Supervisors Black and Lares volunteered to meet and clarify the terms.

Supervisor Black moved and Supervisor Sieck seconded that Cascade Township volunteer to try the electronic pollbooks at the March election as presented by Pam Fuller under the condition that it will not slow the process down and at the discretion of the Clerk. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

The 2018 meeting schedule was presented. Supervisor Lares moved to approve with the change that the Annual Election runs from 5:00-8:00pm and that the Annual Meeting begins at 8:00pm. Supervisor Black seconded. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

### **DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

Supervisor Heathman moved and Supervisor Black seconded to opt out of the 2020 Census LUCA Operation. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Supervisor Black presented a need for other options for the township credit card that do not involve one of the supervisors personally guaranteeing the credit card. Suggestion was made to ask MAT for options.

Supervisor Black reported on Continuous Improvement Plan – Ordinance Maintenance. Supervisor Black and Citizen Chuck Wallace spent time earlier in the year reviewing the ordinances. They found some redundancy throughout, but nothing requiring updating. Supervisor Lares suggested that the Planning Commission review the Subdivision Ordinance and the road width specifications.

Deputy Sheriff Tracey Pagel presented the public safety report. There were 73 calls for service over the last month.

The Olmsted County Public Works engineering bill was presented and deemed our responsibility for the bridge on East River Road. These costs need to be tracked for future reimbursement.

The MAT Property Valuation report was discussed. There have been no significant structural changes in the last 5 years.

Supervisor Sieck reported on the Wilmar Investments, LLC v. Cascade Township lawsuit. Both parties need to agree on an engineer for the approved inspections.

The Board discussed the Salley Hill development and Mr. Roger Loken situation.

Commissioner John Friederichs reported on the September Planning Commission meeting. CUP 11-01 (Steve Buehler) requested that the review be moved to October. CUP 07-01 (Lisa Van Getson) was finalized and found in compliance. Planning Commission recommends revoking CUP 16-01 (Pat

Ryan). TCPA has given 30 days to come into compliance. Supervisor Laures moved to instruct TCPA to schedule a public hearing for revocation of CUP 16-01 at the November 13, 2017, Board Meeting should Mr. Ryan be found noncompliant on October 17, 2017, at the Planning Commission meeting. Supervisor Sieck seconded. All voted in favor. The motion passed.

Supervisor Laures reported on the L & R meeting. Supervisor Heathman reported on the OCTOA meeting.

It was noted that upcoming meetings include October 14, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Legal Seminar at New Haven town hall; October 17, 7:00pm, Planning Commission Meeting. It was also noted that the November Planning Commission meeting (if needed) will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 7:00pm, due to a conflict with the OCTOA meeting that month. The Minnesota Association of Townships' Annual Conference will be held on November 16-18 at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester.

Chuck Wallace mentioned that there may be a homeowners' association meeting held at the town hall in the near future. He also inquired as to specific truck patterns as a part of the lawsuit resolution.

It was moved by Supervisor Black and seconded by Supervisor Heathman to adjourn. All voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 8:25pm.

Five citizens registered their attendance at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Rudquist  
Clerk/Treasurer  
Cascade Township

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Chairman Jimmy Hoss

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