



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

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**CASCADE TOWNSHIP, OLMSTED COUNTY**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

August 18, 2020

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Roll Call: Commissioner Dean Hegrenes, Commissioner Brad Brech, Commissioner David Lucas, Commissioner Nicole Brueck all present. Commissioner Cheryl Adolphson present via phone.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees: Clerk/ Treasurer Sara Rudquist, Supervisor Arlen Heathman, 6 members of the community

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from July 21, 2020 were reviewed with no changes. Commissioner David Lucas made a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Adolphson seconded this motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Call to Audience: nothing to add to agenda

Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Maintenance review: None Scheduled or planned this month

Study Session: No Study Session

Public Hearing: Trails of Cascade

- Commissioner Hegrenes moved to open the public hearing, Commissioner Brueck seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Public hearing was opened at 6:04pm.
- Bill Tointon presented information regarding Trails of Cascade on behalf of applicant, Eugene Reller.
- Roger Ihrke, TCPA, presented staff report. Part of staff report was variance request to add 6 feet of width to the road vs. public land in the subdivision.

The following community members spoke during the public hearing:

- Loren Schiedt – has concern regarding the traffic on 75<sup>th</sup> Street and 18<sup>th</sup> Ave and the amount of accidents at the intersection and wants to know what will be done regarding this.
- Jim Schueller – noted that comments he had submitted to staff before the meeting had been explained and answered and that he was okay with the explanation received.
- Mike Splittsteosser – concerns regarding the drainage pond by his property. Knowing it will be a wet pond, the concern of mosquitoes was raised.

3 calls to audience for comments for proposal – none heard. 3 calls to audience for comments against proposal – none heard.

- Vote to recommend to approve variance proposal presented by developer and staff regarding expanding the road 6 feet wider vs. public land in the subdivision per ordinance. Commissioner Hegrenes motioned to approve this variance. Commissioner Lucas seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.
- Vote to recommend to approve updated platte and development plan. Approval is contingent on:  
Approval of township engineer  
Approval of septic inspector  
Approval of Olmsted County Environmental Review
- Recommend to approve with the following changes:  
The north easement, which is 30 feet, must be made 33 feet, the standard for the township. The utility easement on the roads will be made 15 feet, which is 5 feet wider than the standard 10 feet.  
The north easement will be graded and seeded but will not have any rock or bituminous surface.  
The road connection stub, for future connection to 73<sup>rd</sup> Street, will be graded and have a crushed rock roadbed, no bituminous surface.

Continuing Business: Tabled review of staff work on CUP 20-01 review checklist until September.

Cascade Township Zoning Ordinance Review/Update tabled until September.

New Business:

Commissioner Hegrenes gave an update from the town board meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

Commissioner Hegrenes made a motion to adjourn at 7:42pm. Commissioner Brueck seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted: Nicole Brueck, Scribe

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Brad Brech, Chairperson

