



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
PARK COMMISSION WORK SESSION MINUTES  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864  
517.853.4600, Town Hall Room  
Tuesday, November 14, 2017; 6 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Michael McDonald; Vice Chair Mark Stephens; Commissioner Amanda Lick;  
Commissioner Annika Schaetzl; Commissioner Courtney Wisinski  
ABSENT: None  
STAFF: LuAnn Maisner, Parks and Recreation Department Director

**1. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER**

Chair McDonald called the work session to order at 6:05pm

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Richard Turchot announced that Nokomis Learning Center will be hosting a Native American Arts and Crafts event on Sunday, December 10 from 10 am-4 pm.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Stephens asked to add a new item 6 – Lake Lansing Marsh Proposed Project Update.

Commissioner Stephens moved **TO APPROVED THE AGENDA AS AMENDED**. Commissioner Schaetzl seconded

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**4. WILL GOODALE MEMORIAL KICKBALL FUN DAY**

Director Maisner shared that she had met with Haslett resident, Shane Goodale who is interested in hosting a fundraising event for his scholarship fund in memory of his son, Will, will who passed away two years ago at age 10. Will loved playing kickball and Mr. Goodale thought that hosting a kickball fun day would be a great way to engage the community. This may also be a great time for the Park Commission to host a ribbon cutting for Towner Road Park and let Mr. Goodale host his event there at the same time. A proposed date is September 16, 2018. The Park Commissioners, by consensus, encouraged staff to move forward with the planning.

**5. OTTAWA HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD PARK MEETING RECAP**

Director Maisner provided a report from the neighborhood meeting held at Ottawa Hills Park in October together with a list of items that could be done in 2018 to increase the usability and aesthetics of the park. The Commissioners reviewed the report.

**6. LAKE LANSING MARSH PROPOSED PROJECT**

Commissioner Stephens reported that he spoke with a representative from the DNR fisheries and wildlife division about grant opportunities for cleaning the culvert and improving the habitat area at Lake Lansing Marsh and the potter preserve.

7. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

NONE

8. **ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION**

Chair McDonald adjourned the work session at 7:03pm.