

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES
Meridian Municipal Building
October 17, 2012 - APPROVED**

REGULAR MEETING

PRESENT: Vice-Chair Thomas and Commissioners Donahue, Moran, Kielbaso, and Bagdasarian.

ABSENT: Chair Jackson and Commissioner Scherbarth

STAFF

PRESENT: Richard F. Brown, Jr., AICP, Associate Planner

OTHERS

PRESENT: Paul Swartz from Michigan State University and Deborah Alexander from CATA

1. CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- **MOTION** by Commissioner Bagdasarian to approve the agenda with the addition of a second Green Themes presentation by Deborah Alexander of CATA. Supported by Commissioner Moran. Approved 5-0.

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2012 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

- **MOTION** by Commissioner Donahue to approve the minutes with corrections. Supported by Commissioner Bagdasarian. Approved 5-0.

4. GREEN THEMES PRESENTATION BY MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS ARBORIST PAUL SWARTZ ON POROUS RUBBER PAVEMENT

5. GREEN THEMES PRESENTATION BY CATA DEPUTY DIRECTOR DEBORAH ALEXANDER ON THE NEW INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY AT HARRISON AND TROWBRIDGE ROADS

6. CHAIR'S REPORT

Vice-Chair Thomas noted the Commission should prepare a summary of its responsibilities and accomplishments for the newly elected Township Board and HOM-TV is requesting one of the Commissioners remain after the meeting for an interview.

7. COMMUNICATIONS/STAFF REPORT

Associate Planner Brown summarized the following:

- October 2012 Green Gazette
- Approval of Wetland Use Permit #12-07

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

Brief discussion about moving the Commission's meeting date from the third Wednesday of each month to the first Wednesday, with the exception of April due to Spring Break. No objection amongst the Commissioners.

9. **STUDY GROUPS/LIAISON REPORTS**

10. **PUBLIC REMARKS**

None

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

- **MOTION** by Commissioner Bagdasarian to adjourn the Regular Meeting. Supported by Commissioner Kielbaso. Approved 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.