



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864  
Administration Conference Room  
Tuesday, October 14, 2025 5:30 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Curt Armbruster (tier1); Susan Andrews (tier1); Ron Rowe (tier 1); Roger Taylor (tier 1); Steve Culling (tier 2); Larry Wagenknecht (tier2)

STAFF/

TOWNSHIP: Younes Ishraidi

COUNTY: Coe Emens (ICP)

ABSENT: Paul Pratt (ICDC)

OTHERS: Jim Folkening, Lorreta Krol, Jan Fedewa, Michael Christie

### **1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Armbruster called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

### **2. PUBLIC REMARKS**

Several lake residents were in attendance who wanted to participate in tonight's proceedings. They asked about the weeds collecting on shorelines and lake of dog waste stations around the lake. As such, the meeting agenda was modified to include these two items.

### **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The following agenda items were approved unanimously:

- A. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES
- B. CHAIRMAN REMARKS
- C. SHORELINE ISSUES
- D. DOG WASTE STATIONS
- E. PROJECT UPDATES
- F. LLPOA DAM UPDATE
- G. PARK MANAGER REPORT

### **3A. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

The draft September minutes were discussed and then were unanimously approved as submitted.

### **3B. CHAIRMAN REMARKS**

Chair Armbruster stated that the lake consultant will be presenting the 2025 draft annual report during next month's meeting. He also mentioned that harvesting went well this year, and noted that approximately 50 cubic yards of weeds were collected. He added that one of the objectives of harvesting is removal of biomass from the lake.

### **3C. SHORELINE ISSUES**

Lorreta Krol, who owns property at the easterly side of the lake, mentioned that she's happy that we harvest but in her case weeds fragments ended up on her shoreline and was wondering if that is normal, and who's responsible for removing them. Curt responded that the weeds that collected on her shoreline had roots which is an indication that these weeds have not been harvested, and

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informed Ms. Krol that removal of the weeds is her responsibility. Michael Christie added that he hires a contractor to remove the weed cuttings that collect on his shoreline. Park Manager Emens added that few garden clubs will take the weeds if they are delivered to them, and he'll send an email with the contacts he has for these clubs. Ms. Krol also noted that the harvesting was late this year. In response, Younes stated the reason for that is the second herbicide treatment was later than usual this year.

### **3D. DOG WASTE STATIONS**

It was brought to the committee's attention, by Jan Fedewa and Lorreta Krol, that dog waste has been observed along Lake Drive in higher quantities than in recent times. They complained that there are no adequate dog waste stations as there was in the past. After a brief discussion the committee voted unanimously to authorize the Township to use the Lake's special assessment funds to procure, install, and maintain indefinitely up to 5 dog waste stations along Lake Drive and nearby roads adjacent to the lake. Younes stated that he'll research areas where these stations can be installed on Township and County owned parcels, outside the ROW. Jim Folkening informed the committee that the Northshore condos will allow the installation of one of the stations on their property.

### **3E. PROJECT UPDATES**

Younes provided the following updates:

- No real progress on completing a couple of remaining punch-list items related to the lift station project at the boat launch. He noted the Township is withholding large retainage to ensure proper completion of these items.
- The Township is planning another sanitary sewer rehab project for the system downstream of the lift station, with anticipated work to take place during the second half of 2026.

### **3D. LLPOA DAM UPDATE**

Susan reported to the committee that the 2026 State budget has earmarked \$750,000 to go towards the proposed dam improvement project. She noted that it is not clear at this time when the project will be re-bid. Jim Folkening stated that the drain Commissioner's office has agreed to clear the area of the spillway from the dam to Marsh Road this fall.

### **3E. PARK MANAGER REPORT**

Park Manager Emens provided the following updates:

- The parking lot for the County Park south has been paved and they are currently applying pavement markings.
- Coe Commented that the shoreline and the bioswale demonstration projects look very good.

## **4. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.