

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES
Meridian Municipal Building – Town Hall Room
March 16, 2016 - APPROVED**

SPECIAL MEETING

PRESENT: Chair McConnell, Vice-Chair Schools, Commissioners Jackson, Sarver and Dickmann

ABSENT: Commissioner Kielbaso

STAFF: Harmony Gmazel, AICP, Associate Planner

OTHERS: None

1. CALL SPECIAL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair McConnell called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

Approved by consent without objection.

3. REVIEW/RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WUP #16-01 (Ingham Co. Drain Commissioner)

The Commission had specific questions for the applicant, which will be forwarded to the ICDC's representative in the coming week. Potential recommendations discussed:

- In order to positively impact recreation in the Township, the Commission recommends that future pathway improvements found on the Township Pathway Master Plan be incorporated as a part of this project. There are multiple alternatives for a pathway connecting Jolly Oak Drive with areas to the north across the Smith Drain. We recommend this potential linkage be coordinated with any future projects in the area.
- The angle of southern most outlet structure between the drain and east wetland should be softened in order to allow for natural flow between the two areas.
- Please provide a detailed planting plan.

4. OTHER

The Commission accepted the Township Pedestrian Pathway Master plan for review at their April 6 meeting.

5. PUBLIC REMARKS

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Approved by consent without objection at approximately 7:15p.m.