



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
LAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court, Haslett  
Meridian Service Center Lunchroom  
Wednesday, September 19, 2019 6 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Jon Mayes; Vice-chair, James Kielbaso; Board Member Roland Harmes, Board Member Jamie Hiller; Board Member Mark Stephens  
ABSENT: Board Member Kirk Lapham; Board Member Yu Man Lee  
STAFF: Jane Greenway, Parks and Land Management Coordinator; Kelsey Dillon, Park Naturalist and Stewardship Coordinator  
TOWNSHIP: Township Trustee, Dan Opsommer  
OTHER: None

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Mayes called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Trustee Opsommer moved **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA**. Seconded by Board Member Kielbaso.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**3. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

Trustee Opsommer moved **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF July 10, 2019 REGULAR MEETING**. Seconded by Board Member Stephens.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Davis Foster Preserve Barn Discussion

- Board members instructed staff to get quotes on the barn restoration.

B. Tree Bank Discussion

- LPAB members reviewed the Tree Protection Ordinance from Canton, Michigan.
- Members liked the idea of creating a tree bank system that would benefit the parks, land preserves and open spaces in Meridian Township.

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- Board members instructed staff to research tree banking ordinances and work with the planning department to develop a draft for review.
- C. 2019 Deer Management Program Overview
  - Staff reviewed the program with LPAB members.
  - Board Member Roland Harmes is concerned with using ground blinds in the program.

### 8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

### 9. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

None

### 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Land Preservation Advisory Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 2019, 6 pm, Meridian Service Center

### 11. CLOSED SESSION

Board Member Hiller moved **TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION**. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

Roll Call:

AYES: Chair, Jon Mayes; Vice-chair, James Kielbaso; Board Member Roland Harmes, Board Member Jamie Hiller; Board Member Mark Stephens; Township Trustee, Dan Opsommer

NAYS: None

The Board moved into closed session at 7:52 pm.

Trustee Opsommer moved **TO ADJOURN THE CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO THE OPEN SESSION**. Seconded by Board Member Stephens.

Roll Call:

AYES: Chair, Jon Mayes; Vice-chair, James Kielbaso; Board Member Roland Harmes, Board Member Jamie Hiller; Board Member Mark Stephens; Township Trustee, Dan Opsommer

NAYS: None

The Board reopened the meeting at 8:00 pm.

### 12. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Hiller moved **TO ADJOURN THE MEETING**. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer. Chair Mayes adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.