

MERIDIAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP
TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING - **APPROVED** -
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Town Hall Room
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2017 **6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Brixie, Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland
ABSENT: None
STAFF: Assistant Township Manager/Director of Public Works and Engineering Derek Perry, Director of Community Planning & Development Mark Kieselbach, Director of Finance Miriam Mattison, Communications Director Deborah Guthrie, Principal Planner Gail Oranchak, Associate Planner/Economic Development Coordinator Ben Motil

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Supervisor Styka called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS
Supervisor Styka led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. ROLL CALL
The Clerk called the roll of the Board.
4. PRESENTATION (None)
5. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS
Supervisor Styka opened Public Remarks.

Patty McPhee, 5275 Thames Drive, Haslett, believed the resolution in opposition to the Presidential Order banning refugees is unnecessary as the word ban is not used in the Presidential Order.

Aaron Richmond, 1424 Biscayne Way, Haslett, spoke in support of the resolution that opposes the Presidential order banning refugees as he believes the order violates federal laws and targets Muslims. He encouraged Meridian Township to become a Sanctuary City. He relayed information regarding discrimination suffered by a LGBTQ couple in Meridian Township which led to their move to East Lansing.

Neil Bowlby, 6020 Beechwood Drive, Haslett, voiced appreciation to the Clerk for implementation of a new format utilized to produce Board minutes. He addressed the headings used in the Board minutes to characterize the type of meeting held. Mr. Bowlby spoke to the sale of the Walnut Hills Golf Course and the resulting adversarial position between nearby residents and the developer. Since he believed it would be difficult to build on the northern portion of the parcel, Mr. Bowlby spoke to the feasibility of either the Land Preservation Advisory Board or the Township purchasing that portion of this property. He also noted it would be a good addition to the Township's existing park system.

Supervisor Styka closed Public Remarks.

6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT
Assistant Township Manager/Director of Public Works and Engineering Perry reported the following:
 - The 2016 Annual Report will be handed out to Board members at the February 21, 2017 Board Meeting
 - Chinese New Year celebration will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 1:00 P.M. in Meridian Mall

- Special event to be held at the State Capitol on February 16th at 1:30 P.M. to celebrate the 175th anniversary of Enactment Day for Meridian Township

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Deschaine reported his attendance at last week's Economic Development Corporation (EDC) meeting where a \$900 grant was approved for a 3D printer for Haslett Schools. He also noted the Transportation Commission (TC) met for the first time on January 26th, elected its officers and discussed the scope of the TC. He indicated Redi-Ride is scheduled as the discussion topic for the next meeting and staff was requested to provide information from the Redi-Ride subcommittee meetings held in 2016. Upon Board member inquiry, he indicated the TC will meet the fourth Thursday of each month at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Room unless otherwise determined.

Trustee Opsommer reported his attendance at the January 18, 2017 annual goal setting retreat for the Capital Area Transportation Authority's (CATA) Board, and input was provided to staff on assumptions made in producing the upcoming budget.

Treasurer Brixie reported her attendance at the last Economic Development Corporation (EDC) meeting and her second Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) meeting. At the TCRPC, the annual report was received and committee assignments made. Treasurer Brixie indicated she will be serving on the Transportation Committee. She announced winter property taxes are due by February 14, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. Treasurer Brixie reported the Assessor's Review will be held on March 1st, 2nd and 3rd from 9:00 A.M. to noon and 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and is a mechanism to streamline the Assessing Board of Review process. She requested the Township utilize a union printshop for Township business cards, letterhead and envelopes.

Supervisor Styka reported his attendance with staff and Consumers Energy representatives regarding a new outreach to businesses and developers in an effort to increase efficiency in energy usage. He noted his attendance along with staff at a seminar hosted by the Greater Lansing Realtors Association on walkable communities.

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Clerk Dreyfus moved to approve the agenda amended as follows:

- **Add Agenda Item #12D: Resolution Commemorating Black History Month**

Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSENT AGENDA (SALMON)

Supervisor Styka reviewed the consent agenda.

Treasurer Brixie moved to adopt the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

A. Communications

(1) Board Information (BI)

BI-1 Donna Rose, 6207 Cobblers Drive, East Lansing, MI; RE: Revision of the Welcoming Resolution to include persons with disabilities

BI-2 Rhonda Bueche, 4126 Leeward Drive, Okemos; RE: Opposition to the rezoning of the Walnut Hills Country Club

BI-3 Colin Boocker, 10553 Corcoran Road, Haslett; RE: Protection of minority citizens within Meridian Township

- BI-4 Elaine Ackerman (unknown address); RE: Snow Removal
- BI-5 Richard T. Peterson, 6348 Lake Drive, Haslett; RE: Meridian Township as a sanctuary community

- (2) Commission Linkage (CL)
 - CL-1 Donald Dickmann, 5504 Earliglow Lane, Haslett; RE: Resignation from the Environmental Commission

Treasurer Brixie moved that the communications be received and placed on file, and any communications not already assigned for disposition be referred to the Township Manager or Supervisor for follow-up. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

B. Minutes

- (1) **Treasurer Brixie moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the January 7, 2017 Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.**

Trustee Opsommer moved to amend the January 7, 2017 minutes as follows:

- **Add a second bullet point at the top of Page 3 under Agenda Item F to read: “Board member transmission of a communication to the Board recording overtime expenses for minutes taken at Board meetings”**

Seconded by Trustee Deschaine.

Board discussion:

- Request for the communication to be included in the next Township Board packet

VOICE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: Motion carried unanimously.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

- (2) **Treasurer Brixie moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the January 10, 2017 Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

- (3) **Treasurer Brixie moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the January 17, 2017 Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

- (4) **Treasurer Brixie moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the January 24, 2017 Special Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland,
 Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

C. Bills

Treasurer Brixie moved that the Township Board approve the Manager’s Bills as follows:

Common Cash	\$ 1,332,007.23
Public Works	\$ 451,739.93
Trust & Agency	\$ 1,189,600.12
 Total Checks	 \$ 2,973,347.28
 Credit Card Transactions (Jan. 11 to Feb. 21, 2017)	 \$ 10,623.91
 Total Purchases	 <u>\$ 2,983,971.19</u>
 ACH Payments	 <u>\$ 977,273.17</u>

Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor
 Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

[Bill list in Official Minute Book]

10. QUESTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY (None)

11. HEARINGS (None)

12. ACTION ITEMS

A. Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) Appointments

Treasurer Brixie moved to approve the following appointments made by Supervisor Styka to the Corridor Improvement Authority for the periods of time set forth below:

- Mark A. Epolito – for a term ending February 1, 2021**
- Barry Goetz – for a term ending February 1, 2019**
- Todd Huhn – for a term ending February 1, 2021**
- Kellie Johnson – for a term ending February 1, 2019**
- Brian W. Jones – for a term ending February 1, 2021**
- Chris Nugent – for a term ending February 1, 2020**
- Bruce Peffers – for a term ending February 1, 2018**
- Chris Riggerink – for a term ending February 1, 2020**
- Nikki Soldan – for a term ending February 1, 2018**

Seconded by Clerk Dreyfus.

Board discussion:

- Appreciation to the EDC for its work on the creation of the CIA

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Supervisor
 Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

B. Other Board and Commission Appointments

(1) Building Board of Appeals (BBA) Appointment

Trustee Jackson moved to rescind the January 3, 2017 appointment of Donna Kregelka to the Building Board of Appeals. Seconded by Trustee Deschaine.

Board discussion:

- Ms. Kregelka was named 2016 Educator of the Year, but does not have the qualifications required to serve on the Building Board of Appeals

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Deschaine moved to appoint David P. Premoe to fill a vacancy on the Building Board of Appeals for a term ending December 31, 2018. Seconded by Trustee Opsommer.

Board discussion:

- Mr. Premoe has extensive experience in the building profession
- Board meets very infrequently

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(2) Community Resource Commission (CRC) Appointment

Treasurer Brixie moved to appoint Donna Kregelka to the Community Resources Commission for a term ending December 31, 2018. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Brixie moved to appoint Aaron Richmond to the Community Resources Commission for a term ending December 31, 2018. Seconded by Trustee Deschaine.

Board discussion:

- Mr. Richmond would bring diversity to this commission
- Additional appointment would provide the preferable odd number of members to effectively govern
- Concern with obtaining a quorum with a nine-member board
- Length of term is for two (2) years
- Appreciation for the community interest expressed for appointment to this commission

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(3) Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Appointment

Trustee Jackson moved to appoint Susan Fulk of Independent Bank to the Downtown Development Authority for a term ending December 31, 2019. Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Board discussion:

- Independent Bank is located in the “heart” of the DDA

- Request to expand the “net” of DDA applicants by including residents who live within the surrounding area of the DDA district
- Language contained in the law regarding eligibility to serve on the DDA
- Residents within the surrounding neighborhoods have previously requested to be included for consideration to serve on the DDA
- Supervisor will consider additional appointments at the next Board meeting

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(4) Board of Review Alternate Appointments

Treasurer Brixie moved to rescind the January 3, 2017 appointments of Martha Bashore and Charles Hagen to the Assessing Board of Review and appoint Martha Bashore and Charles Hagen as alternates to the Assessing Board of Review for terms ending December 31, 2018. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(5) Communications Commission Alternate Appointment

Treasurer Brixie moved to appoint C. Leslie Charles as an alternate to the Communications Commission for a term ending December 31, 2017. Seconded by Trustee Sundland.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(6) Local Officials Compensation Commission Appointment

Trustee Opsommer moved to appoint Charles Lawler to fill a vacancy on the Local Officials Compensation Commission for a term ending December 31, 2019. Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

C. Resolution in Opposition to Presidential Order Banning Refugees

Trustee Opsommer moved [and read into the record] NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, that we unequivocally denounce policies that adversely impact the culture and diversity that make our community a truly wonderful place to call home and urge the President of the United States to immediately reverse his executive order blocking refugees, immigrants and nonimmigrants from entering the United States, and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the members of the Township Board will work to promote the values expressed by these words, which are engraved on the Statue of Liberty, “Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free.”

Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Board discussion:

- Board member belief the blocking of refugees is a temporary move on the part of the President

Clerk Dreyfus moved to amend the resolution as follows:

- **Amend the seventh WHEREAS clause by striking the second sentence which reads “We only need to look objectively at our own nation’s history to see the irreparable harm that is caused to so many when our government overtly oppresses and persecutes those of a particular faith, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or disability; and”**

Seconded by Trustee Deschaine.

Board discussion:

- Board member belief our government does not overtly oppress and persecute people, but individuals do
- Board member concern the sentence does not speak to the character of our government at all levels
- Federal government has persecuted people in the past, including slavery, indentured servitude and Japanese internment camps during World War II
- Board member concern the ban doesn’t include countries whose citizens have committed terrorist acts in the United States
- Board member belief the first sentence in the seventh whereas clause clearly explains the concern regarding targeting Muslims which makes the second sentence unnecessary

VOICE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: Motion carried 4-3 (Brixie, Deschaine, Opsommer)

Trustee Deschaine moved to amend the resolution as follows:

- **Amend the seventh WHEREAS clause by reinstating the second sentence to read: “We only need to look objectively at our own nation’s history to see the irreparable harm that is caused to so many when our government has, in the past, overtly oppressed and persecuted those of a particular faith, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or disability; and”**

Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Board discussion:

- Request from the maker of the original motion to have the amendment withdrawn in order to have a “unified front” on the resolution
- Citizen from Meridian Township spoke to WKAR-Current State regarding their experience with the federal immigration process

VOICE VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT: Motion failed 2-5 (Dreyfus, Jackson, Opsommer, Styka, Sundland)

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Deschaine, Jackson, Opsommer, Supervisor Styka, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: Trustee Sundland

Motion carried 6-1.

D. Black History Month Commemoration

Trustee Deschaine moved [and read into the record] NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN, that Meridian Township commemorates Black History Month to pay tribute to the generations of African Americans who struggled with adversity and to celebrate the accomplishments, contributions, and history of African Americans. Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Board discussion:

- Okemos Black Student Union volunteered at the Martin Luther King prayer breakfast in Lansing on February 4th
- Commemorative resolution is put forth by Meridian Township each year
- Commemorative resolutions adhere to the spirit of the Welcoming Resolution adopted by this and the previous Board

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Master Plan

Director Kieselbach summarized the Master Plan adoption process as outlined in staff memorandum dated February 2, 2017.

Board and staff discussion:

- Staff desire for the Board to approve the Master Plan for distribution cognizant that additional work needs to be done (addition of pictures, etc.)
- Staff desire for the Planning Commission and Board to come to agreement on the Master Plan prior to the public hearing in order to streamline the process
- Inquiry about the accuracy of the Urban Services Boundary map
- Changes can be made before and after the plan is sent out for public review
- Concern the plan does not cover the “big ideas” and the concepts behind them
- Board member concern the plan is being prematurely distributed
- Board member belief that while technical details are included, the consultant does not have the background and input needed to create a detailed narrative which puts a context on the issues presented in the plan
- Alternative energy, sustainable community practices and use of solar power by the Township are not discussed in detail in the plan
- Board member preference to discuss and resolve differences among Board members first to create a clearer vision for the Township, so that when the public review process is initiated, the feedback will be relevant and useful
- Board member belief the vision of a community should include population projections and community goals
- Recommendation for a study session to review the plan
- Board member agreement that he would like “a narrative” but feels like the narrative was included in the January Goal Session meeting
- Goal 7 in the plan discusses encouraging alternative energy
- Opposition to delaying distribution of the plan
- Concern that if Board review is too extensive, it may take years to release the plan
- Population information and ranges are included in the plan, but not population goals
- The 2005 Master Plan contained an extensive narrative, but one Board member believed the Planning Commission thought it was no longer necessary
- Goals are part of the Board process and are useful, but are not a substitute for specific, measurable action steps the Township should take now, and over a 20 or 30 year period
- Community Surveys data, such as 89% of Township residents are “strongly opposed” to high density apartment complexes, are not included in the plan and could be very useful for Board deliberations
- Suggestion to incentivize sustainability through developer bonuses, such as a density bonus for solar panels on houses
- Small “carriage houses” are an alternative housing option
- Board member reminder the Master Plan is not the Township’s only visioning document
- Board member belief a study session on the Master Plan is not necessary
- Board member clarification that reviewing the plan in a study session is not “delaying” distribution
- Greenspace Plan was not referenced in the plan and should be part of the Master Plan
- Residents value historical aspects of Meridian Township

- Concern if this process does not move forward, the Township could “lose” if a developer presents a project and the plan is not in place
- Condominiums and townhomes proposed in the plan could be a good change for the community
- Board member belief the Master Plan is primarily a land use tool
- Ordinances need to be “brought up to speed” and the Master Plan is one tool in this process
- Distribution of the Master Plan will be placed on the February 21, 2017 Board agenda as an action item

B. Distributed Antennae System (DAS)

Director Guthrie summarized the draft DAS Policy as outlined in staff memorandum dated February 2017.

Board, staff and applicant discussion:

- Consideration of a DAS policy as an action item at the February 21, 2017 Board meeting
- Recommendations were made by the Communications Commission and a DAS subcommittee
- Concern with applicant control over direction of right-of-way placement
- Concern the proposed policy does not reflect the Study Session comments on this topic
- Meridian Township has the ability to control the look and design of DAS systems on private properties
- The Planning Commission and the Planning Department have some control over placement of antennas
- Board member belief we should act as if DAS systems are a “utility”
- Proposed height of 45 feet is too tall
- Belief by the applicant that a minimum height of 35 feet is needed
 - Extra height allows co-location of additional telecom provider equipment
 - Topography can affect distance between poles
 - Tall towers will eventually go away
 - Tall towers cover a 2.5 mile radius
 - Poles with a height of 35 feet require a distance of 1000 feet between them
 - Poles with a height of 25 feet will require 400 foot spacing between poles
- Some communities place antenna on streetlights, even at a 12 foot height
- Importance of a discreet look
- Board member preference that Meridian Township should exhaust all options related to placement of antennas, such as garages and other infrastructure
- Review of policy draft
- Board member preference for proof of customer demand first before a policy is adopted
- Prioritization of antenna placement:
 - Co-location on existing facility outside of the right-of-way (ROW) first
 - Locating a new DAS outside the ROW
 - New DAS in ROW only when all other alternatives are not practical or possible
 - Co-location is preferred first on existing structures
- Board member belief encouraging co-location may result in bigger, bulkier DAS poles and should be a last resort
- Board member agreement with proposed policy that location of antenna on private property should be prioritized and preferred to locating on public property or in the ROW
- Board member concern the first telecom provider to install DAS will be the “big winner” because they can charge other telecom providers to co-locate on their poles
- Staff report that other telecom providers can propose new poles in addition to the poles installed by the first telecom provider
- Board member belief antennas with multiple telecom providers (co-location) look “bad”
- Stealth design is preferred to co-location if the antenna looks cluttered with emitters
- Applicant belief that a community needs to establish design and aesthetic standards

- Streetlights would have to be in place at the location proposed by the telecom provider in order to place antennas on them
 - New streetlights can be installed if desired
 - Concern about constructing new streetlights in order to accommodate DAS antennas
- Applicant belief that within five (5) years, co-location can happen without needing emitters or equipment at the top of the pole (no need for multiple antennas on a single pole)
- Board member preference for ROW placement over non-ROW placement
- Board member preference for placement outside ROW first, then have ROW placement as a secondary location
- Placement of antenna should be based on geography of area
 - Example given of antennas potentially located in ROW in Potential Intensity Change Areas (PICA) zones, such as downtown Okemos or Haslett Village Square
- Creation of an incentive in certain circumstances
- Revenue considerations could be a factor
- Board member preference for a “hybrid” policy where DAS is in ROW when it advances “Township Goals” such as location in targeted re-development areas
- Telecom providers prefer not to approach private property owners
- Concern over driver safety with DAS poles in the ROW, as Genesee County Road Commission Director banned DAS systems in ROW due to safety concerns
- Applicant statement that federal law is restrictive about DAS placement
- Applicant’s belief Meridian Township will have difficulty in regulating the look and design of DAS on private property
- Co-location factors and requirements
- Poles would be built by the telecom provider with co-location capabilities
- Grand River Corridor and mixed use regions are good areas for antennas,
- Possible creation of zones which have different height requirements, based on Master Plan direction
- Board member preference for 20 and 30 foot pole heights
- Suggestion to base restrictions on a street or road designation rather than using zoning as a regulation
 - Schools and parks are examples of where zoning conflicts could exist if DAS is not allowed in residentially zoned areas

14. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Styka opened Public Remarks.

Bill McConnell, 4376 Manitou, Okemos, offered philosophical comments on the Master Plan. He stated the assumption underlying the entire plan is that growth is inevitable, and the Master Plan should shape that growth. Mr. McConnell believed inclusion of the number of people projected to live in Meridian Township is very important and population was not addressed in the Master Plan. He noted infill should help prevent sprawl, and the PICAs, along with the Urban Services Management Area, concentrate development. Mr. McConnell pointed to the Environmental Commission’s recommendation referencing the Township Greenspace Plan and inquired as to where greenspace will be protected. He urged Board members to look at the Parks and Recreation 5 year Master Plan to ascertain what open space means, and to ensure the plan is in harmony with the Parks Master Plan. Mr. McConnell indicated some residents voiced concern with a Master Plan which might encourage a decrease in development in certain designated areas. He believed if Walnut Hills had been designated as open space in 2005, there would be a very different dialogue taking place.

Aaron Richmond, 1424 Biscayne Way, Haslett, voiced his appreciation for appointment to the Community Resources Commission. He urged Board members and the public not to forget what has happened in the past and learn from America’s history.

Supervisor Styka closed Public Remarks.

15. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Deschaine attended a Michigan Townships Association (MTA) training for new Trustees. He questioned the timeline for approval of Board minutes as it relates to the Open Meetings Act.

Trustee Opsommer characterized what he believed was an inaccurate story by local broadcasting concerning CATA's application for a Small Starts Grant. He added the assertion that the grant application was denied is untrue.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Treasurer Brixie moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Styka adjourned the meeting at 9:57 P.M.

RONALD J. STYKA
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

BRETT DREYFUS, CMMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Sandra K. Otto, Secretary