

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES - **APPROVED** -
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
349-1200, Town Hall Room
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2000, **6:00 P.M. — 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees
McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers and Such
ABSENT: None
STAFF: Township Manager Gerald Richards, Director of Community Planning & Development
Mark Kieselbach, Director of Engineering & Public Works Roger Buell, Police Chief
Gary Gibbons, Director of Finance Diana Hasse, Attorney Steve Schultz

1. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

Supervisor McCullough called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY

Treasurer Klunzinger asked general questions of Manager Richards regarding his internal investigation of possible violations of the Township Personnel Policy by Police Officers.

3. DISCUSSION ON 7:00 AGENDA ITEM TOPICS

The following 7:00 p.m. agenda items were discussed:

- Consent Agenda
- Budget hearing
- Board Meeting dates
- Budget Amendments

Manager Richards informed the Board of the receipt of a resignation from the Assistant to the Treasurer.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Central Park Drive Property - Eyde Request

Mark Clouse, Financial & Legal Counsel, Eyde Company, discussed the Eyde Company's request of September 13th (BD-1) regarding the Central Park Drive parcel.

Gary Gieger, President & CEO, Neighborhood Cinema Group, spoke regarding the nature of the proposed cinema.

Bob Lilly, J.D.N. Development, spoke regarding the proposed development of a Kohl's Department Store on the site.

Board Members discussed the request and proposed an informational hearing on the topic during its October 3rd Regular Meeting.

5. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor McCullough opened Public Remarks.

Sam Bono, 1435 Ivywood Drive, Okemos, spoke regarding possible violations of Act 388.

Joan Guy, 1083 Woodside Drive, Haslett; spoke regarding possible violations of Act 388.

Anne Woiwode, 5088 Powell Road, Okemos, spoke in opposition to the Eyde request (BD-1).

Charles Louis Willems, 1387 Hickory Island, Haslett; spoke regarding previous communications to the Board discussing public disclosure of documents.

Julie Brixie, 2294 Hamilton Road, Okemos, spoke in opposition to the Eyde request (BD-1).

Patricia Hagen, 4135 Wabaningo, Okemos, spoke in opposition to the Eyde request (BD-1).

John Veenstra, 320 Piper Road, Haslett, spoke against a criminal investigation of possible Act 388 violations.

Supervisor McCullough closed Public Remarks.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor McCullough adjourned the Work Session at 7:08 p.m.

BILL McCULLOUGH
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Paul J. Cassidy, Secretary

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Gary Gibbons, Assistant Fire Chief Dale Monnier, Attorney Steve Schultz

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor McCullough called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor McCullough introduced Webelos 2 pack #246 (Bennett Woods) to lead in the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Webelos 2 pack #246 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA — OR CHANGES

Treasurer Klunzinger moved to approve the agenda as submitted and consent agenda to include items #3 (APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES - September 5, 2000); 4 (COMMUNICATIONS); 12A (Set Public Hearing - 2001 Budget); 16A (Bills); 16B (3rd Quarter Budget Amendments); 16C (Credit Card Policy); 17A(3)i (Police Officer Appointments); 17A(5)i (1999 Sidewalk Repair Program - Resolution #5); 17A(5)ii (Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathways (Amendments) - Set Public Hearing). Seconded by Trustee Such.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

3. CORRECTION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES (See Consent Agenda)

- A. September 5, 2000, Work Session
- B. September 5, 2000, Regular Meeting

4. COMMUNICATIONS (See Consent Agenda)

A. Board Deliberation (BD)

- BD-1 Mark K. Clouse, Esq., Financial & Legal Counsel, Eyde Company; RE: Request to Amend Central Park Drive Property Agreement
- BD-2 Kirk Squiers, Trustee; RE: Resignation from the Zoning Board of Appeals
- BD-3 Randall Schaetzl, 2294 Hamilton Road, Okemos; RE: Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathway
- BD-4 Steve Stier, 5317 Okemos Road, East Lansing; RE: Opposition to Rezoning #00120 (Fairmont)

B. Board Information (BI)

- BI-1 Michigan Townships Association Legislative Fax, September 8, 2000 edition
- BI-2 Michigan Townships Association Capitol Currents September 2000 edition
- BI-3 John D. Ferry, Jr., 4459 Hickorywood Drive, Okemos; RE: Summer Taxes
- BI-4 Michigan Townships Association Special Bulletin; RE: Proposal 002

C. On File in Clerk's Office (OF)

- OF-1 Okemos Public Schools Board of Education September 11, 2000 Meeting Agenda
- OF-2 Michigan Department of Consumer & Industry Services Bureau of Construction Codes Bulletin August 2000 edition

- OF-3 Okemos Public Schools Board of Education September 18, 2000 Meeting Agenda, and August 28, 2000 Meeting Minutes
- OF-4 Ingham Intermediate School District 2000 Tax Rate Request, Form L-4029, and 2000 Summary of Winter Debt Levy for Okemos Public and Williamston Community Schools

D. Staff Response (SR)

- SR-1 Director of Public Works and Engineering Roger Buell; RE: Notice to Property Owners of Termination of 2000 Pathway Construction Special Assessment

5. QUESTIONS OF ATTORNEY

Trustee McGillicuddy asked if the Police Officers broke any laws. Attorney Schultz stated there was a review of the Township's Personnel Policy and State Law dealing with political activities by public employees while "on the clock." Attorney Schultz stated the statute and the personnel policy are consistent. Attorney Schultz stated this matter was handled as a personnel issue and investigated as such by Manager Richards in accordance with policy.

6. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor McCullough opened Public Remarks.

Scott Fairmont, 4429 Apache Drive, Okemos, spoke as the applicant in favor of Rezoning #00120 (Fairmont)

Max Neils, 2250 Raby Road, East Lansing, spoke in opposition to Rezoning #00120 (Fairmont)

Donald Twohy, 2202 Haslett Road, East Lansing, spoke in opposition to Rezoning #00120 (Fairmont)

Supervisor McCullough closed Public Remarks.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer Klunzinger moved to adopt the Consent Agenda to include items: #3 (APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES - September 5, 2000); 4 (COMMUNICATIONS); 12A (Set Public Hearing - 2001 Budget); 16A (Bills); 16B (3rd Quarter Budget Amendments); 16C (Credit Card Policy); 17A(3)i (Police Officer Appointments); 17A(5)i (1999 Sidewalk Repair Program - Resolution #5); 17A(5)ii (Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathways (Amendments) - Set Public Hearing). Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

Therefore, the above actions were taken with the votes as follow:

A. CORRECTION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES (Agenda Item #3):

Treasurer Klunzinger moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the September 5, 2000 Work Session and Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

B. COMMUNICATIONS (Agenda Item #4):

Treasurer Klunzinger 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 Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,
Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Set Public Hearing - 2001 Budget (October 3, 2000) (Agenda Item #12A):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved that the Township Board set a public hearing for the proposed 2001 Budget and Property Tax Millage Rate for the Regular Meeting of October 3, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,
Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- D. MANAGER'S BILLS (Agenda Item #16A):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved that the Township Board approve the Manager's Bills as follows:

General Fund/Special Revenue	\$ 602,677.91
Public Works	\$ 276,507.73
Public Safety Bldg Debt - Interest	\$ 44,195.00
Proctor Drain Debt	\$ 169,909.00
Total	<u>\$1,093,286.64</u>

Seconded by Trustee Such.

[Bill list for 9/19/00 in Official Minute Book]

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,
Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- E. 3rd Quarter Budget Amendments (Agenda Item #16B):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved that the Amended 2000 Budget as reflected on pages 2 and 3 of the memorandum to the Township Board from the Finance Director, dated September 19, 2000. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,
Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Credit Card Policy (Agenda Item #16C):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved that the proposed Credit Card Policy Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,
Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

[Signed and Sealed Resolution in Official Minute Book]

- G. Police Officer Appointments (Agenda Item #17A(3)i):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved ratification of Gregory Michael Primeau and Brian S. Canen

to the positions of Police Officer contingent upon successful completion of those items stipulated in the conditional offer of employment. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- H. 1999 Sidewalk Repair Program - Resolution #5 (Agenda Item #17A(5)i):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved to approve the 1999 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Repair Public Improvements Special Assessment District #1 Resolution No. 5, which approves the special assessment roll; designates: the project as "1999 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Repair Public Improvements Special Assessment District #1", the assessment roll as "1999 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Repair Public Improvements Special Assessment District #1 Special Assessment Roll"; and the district as the "1999 Order to Maintain Sidewalk Repair Improvements Special Assessment District #1; adopts the amount of \$65,223.92 as the final amount for the assessment roll; and orders and directs the assessment roll to be paid and collected. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

- I. Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathways (Amendments) - Set Public Hearing (Agenda Item #17A(5)ii):
Treasurer Klunzinger moved that a public hearing to receive comments on the existing Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathways be set for October 3, 2000. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such
Nays: None
Motion carried unanimously.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee Milliman commented that he enjoyed the Heritage Festival.

9. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor McCullough discussed the receipt of the resignation of Trustee Squiers from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Trustee Squiers moved to appoint Trustee Such to the remainder of the Board Representative's term on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Trustee Milliman.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

10. CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Helmbrecht reported the absentee ballots will be available by September 26th and mailed the first week of October.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Klunzinger thanked Assistant to the Treasurer/Deputy Treasurer Lisa Grysen who is departing the Township to work for the City of DeWitt.

12. TOWNSHIP BOARD

- A. Set Public Hearing - 2001 Budget (October 3, 2000) (See Consent Agenda)

13. SPECIAL HEARINGS/APPEALS (None)

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (None)

15. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

A. Unfinished Business

(1) Zoning Amendment #95010 (Township Board), Chapter 81

Director Kieselbach introduced the proposed Zoning Amendment.

Trustee Milliman moved that the Township Board hereby Introduces for Publication and Subsequent Adoption Ordinance No. _____, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of Meridian Township Michigan, by Amending Chapter 81, Deleting Chapter 83, Chapter 88 and Chapter 89, Renumbering Chapter 84, Chapter 85 and Chapter 86 and Amending and Renumbering Chapter 87." Seconded by Trustee Squiers.

Board Members discussed the lengthy development of Chapter 81.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McGillicuddy, Milliman, Squiers, Such, Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: None

Motion carried 7-0.

[Signed and Sealed Resolution in Official Minute Book]

B. New Business

(1) Rezoning #00120 (Fairmont)

Director Kieselbach introduced the request to rezone 5550 Okemos Road from RR (Rural Residential) to RA (Single Family-Medium Density)

Trustee Squiers moved that the Township Board hereby Introduces for Publication and Subsequent Adoption Ordinance No. _____, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map of Meridian Township Pursuant to Rezoning Petition #00120 from RR (Rural Residential) to RAA (Single Family-Low Density)." Seconded by Treasurer Klunzinger.

Board Members discussed:

- Possible Development as RR (Rural Residential)
- Planning Commission Recommendation
- Surrounding Uses
- Comprehensive Development Plan
- Projected Traffic of Development
- Site Distance on Okemos Road
- Splitting the Rezoning
- Impact of PUD on development
- Maximizing Housing vs. Minimizing Developmental Impact
- Uses of Wetland area
- Preservation of Open Space

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Milliman, Squiers, Such, Supervisor McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: Trustee McGillicuddy

Motion carried 6-1.

[Signed and Sealed Resolution in Official Minute Book]

16. MANAGER'S REPORT, INVOICES & BILLS

A. Bills (See Consent Agenda)

B. 3rd Quarter Budget Amendments (See Consent Agenda)

C. Credit Card Policy (See Consent Agenda)

17. BOARD MEMBER, BOARD COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Standing Committee Reports

- (1) Physical Operations & Activities (None)
- (2) Financial Planning and Budgeting (None)
- (3) Personnel
 - i. Police Officer Appointments (See Consent Agenda)
- (4) Planning and Development (None)
- (5) Infrastructure
 - i. 1999 Briarwood, Kinawa View, Hidden Lakes Subdivision Sidewalk Repair Program - Resolution #5 (See Consent Agenda)
 - ii. Master Plan for Pedestrian/Bicycle Pathways (Amendments) - Set Public Hearing (See Consent Agenda)

Trustee Such reported the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 20, 2000 at 5:15 p.m. He reported there would also be another meeting in two (2) weeks to consider a pipeline ordinance.

- (6) Public Safety
Clerk Helmbrecht reported the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 25th at 5:15 p.m.
- (7) Recreation
Trustee Milliman reported the Fall and Winter Recreation Guide is available.

B. Special Committees

Trustee McGillicuddy reported the next meeting of the Meridian Volunteer Council is scheduled for October 3rd at noon.

C. Liaison Representative Reports (None)

18. OTHER REPORTS

19. NEW BUSINESS

20. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor McCullough opened public remarks.

Satnam Bhugra, 2163 White Owl Way, Okemos, spoke.

Sam Bono, 1435 Ivywood Drive, Okemos, presented some questions for the Township Manager.

Ganesh Reddy, 3614 Ponderosa, Okemos, spoke in opposition to the Eyde Rezoning request (BD-1).

21. FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (None)

22. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor McCullough adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

BILL McCULLOUGH
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Paul J. Cassidy, Secretary