



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD – REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2025 6:00 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS
3. ROLL CALL
4. PRESENTATION
 - A. Treasurer Deschaine Recognition
 - B. 2026 Township Budget
5. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS
6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT
7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
9. CONSENT AGENDA
 - A. Communications
 - B. Minutes
 - (1) September 2, 2025 Regular Township Board Meeting
 - (2) August 19, 2025 Township Board Meeting Closed Session
 - C. Bills
 - D. Temporary Treasurer's Appointment
 - E. Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc. Agreement
 - F. Form L-4029 Tax Rates
 - G. Surplus Equipment Disposal
 - H. Online Payments Update
10. HEARINGS
 - A. 2026 Township Budget
11. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Planned Unit Development 25-012-3560 Hulett Road
 - B. Ordinance 2025-07-Parking Lot Landscaping Standards Updates – Final Adoption
12. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. 2026 Township Budget
 - B. Township Board Listening Session
13. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
14. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS
15. ADJOURNMENT

All comments limited to 3 minutes, unless prior approval for additional time for good cause is obtained from the Supervisor. Appointment of Supervisor Pro Tem and/ or Temporary Clerk if necessary. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Meridian Township Board by contacting: Township Manager Tim Dempsey, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864 or 517.853.4258 - Ten Day Notice is Required.

Meeting Location: 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864 Township Hall

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4. B

To: Township Board
From: Tim Dempsey, Township Manager
Date: September 12, 2025
Re: Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

The [2026 Budget document](#) was distributed to the Board at the September 2 meeting and I provided a brief overview. Staff will provide a more extensive presentation at the September 16 meeting, proceeding the public hearing the same evening.

2026 Recommended Budget

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2025 Progress

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Key Highlights

- Township Board Listening Sessions
- Senior/Community Center Task Force
- Celebrate Meridian
- Summer Concert Series
- Recycling Events
- Haslett Village Square Brownfield Plan
- Schultz Pathway & Boardwalk
- August Special Election
- 90 Employee Traffic Items
- Push-In Ceremony for New Fire Engines
- National Night Out
- Harris Nature Center Events
- Farmers' Market
- Haslett Village Square Brownfield Plan
- Local Road Program

2026 Recommended Budget The Bottom Line....

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Total Budget	\$68,893,832
Total General Fund Revenue	\$29,586,132
Total General Fund Expenses	\$29,910,488
Proposed Use of Fund Balance	\$324,356

Budget Challenges for 2026

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- **Wages**
- **Pension Debt**
- **Healthcare**
- **Infrastructure and Capital Improvements**
- **Headlee/Proposal A**

Pension Funding Levels

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Unit	% Funded 2023	% Funded 2024	% Funded 2025
DPW	77%	74%	73%
Police Department	66%	65%	62%
Fire Department	51%	49%	49%
Admin Professionals	79%	75%	75%
Teamsters	80%	75%	70%
TOTAL MERS*	74%	74%	75%

* Includes Surplus Funds

Modified Pension Funds - 2017

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Unit	% Funded 2023	% Funded 2024	% Funded 2025
Clerical	115%	113%	101%
DPW	86%	82%	81%
Fire	89%	93%	89%
Command/Patrol*	98%	97%	82%

*2020

2026 Pension Contributions

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Annual Required Contribution (ARC)*	\$4,389,300
Police Millage	\$750,000
Fire Millage	\$750,000
2025 MERS Payment	\$5,889,300

* Assumes 6.93% Rate of Return

100% Funding Scenario

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To accelerate to a 100% funding ratio in 10 years, estimated monthly employer contributions would be **\$463,130** instead of **\$365,775**, or nearly **\$1.2M** per year.

Preliminary Healthcare Bids

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Healthcare Plan	Expected Net Costs	\$ Increase	% Change 2025-2026
2025 BCN/BCBSM	\$2.2M	-	-
2026 BCN/BCBSM Status Quo	\$2.8M	\$587K	26%
2026 BCN/BCBSM Revised	\$2.7M	\$560K	25%
2026 Priority Health	\$2.6 – \$2.8M	\$403K – \$532K	18-24%

Taxable Value & Assessed Value

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General Fund Summary

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- Initial budget requests were ~\$1.6M above revenue
- Identified saving and temporary reductions:
 - Eliminate contribution to local roads (\$280K)
 - Delay other capital improvements (\$221K)
 - Delay BS&A software upgrades (\$250K)
 - Staffing adjustments (\$193K)
 - Eliminate HSA contributions (\$127K)
 - Use of Fund Balance (\$325K)
 - No MERS supplemental payment (\$443K)

Staffing Summary

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Fulltime Staff

<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2026</u>
162	164	166	170	174	175

- Eliminated the Director of Project Management & Operations position
- Adjusting Utility Supervisor role to third Utility Bookkeeper position
- Reducing intern positions
- Adding water Utility Worker in DPW

Fund Balance Projections

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December 31, 2026 Estimate	Projected Amount	Percent of GF	Minimum Target	Target %
General Fund	\$12,311,555	40%	\$7,500,000	–
Capital Projects Fund	\$822,983	3%	\$3,500,000	–
Pension Stabilization Fund	\$1,775,023	6%	\$2,000,000	–
	\$14,909,561	49%	\$13,000,000	25%

Capital Projects Fund

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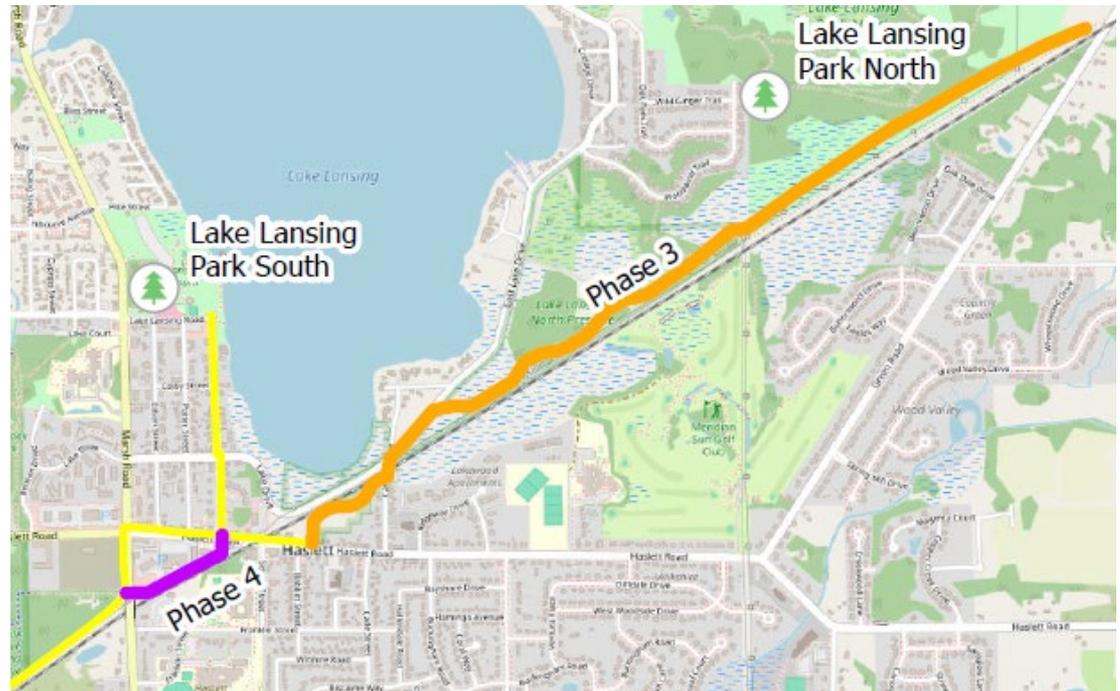
2026 Expenditures - \$640,000

- Elevator modernization in Township Hall and Public Safety buildings (\$210,000)
- Public Safety building solar array (\$300,000*)
- Service Center generator design and purchase (\$80,000)
- Senior Center preliminary work (\$50,000)

Pathway Projects

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MSU to Lake
Lansing Phase III



Local Roads

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Progress To Date

- 44 miles of reconstructed roads
- 94 miles of preventative maintenance

2026 Program

- \$6.4M in additional reconstruction



2025 Motor Pool

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Total Vehicle Purchases: \$1,101,200

Parks and Recreation

- Passenger van, Gators (2), and mower

Police

- Patrol vehicle and command vehicle
- Detective vehicle upfitting

Public Works

- Vactor truck, backhoe, and Cushman Truckster

Water and Sewer Funds

- No change in ready-to-serve fees
- No change in sewer consumption rates
- 9.5% increase in water consumption (3.7% average bill)

Water and Sewer System	Average Quarterly Bill	% Higher Than Meridian Township	2026 Average Quarterly Bill	% Increase from 25 to 26	% Higher Than Meridian Township
Grand Ledge	\$435	104.2%	\$495	13.8%	116.2%
Lansing	\$300	41.0%	\$331	10.3%	44.7%
Mason	\$317	49.0%	\$329	3.7%	43.8%
Delhi Township	\$304	42.6%	\$325	7.0%	41.8%
East Lansing	\$265	24.4%	\$317	19.6%	38.4%
Williamston	\$299	40.6%	\$299	0.0%	30.8%
Bath Township	\$240	12.8%	\$260	8.4%	13.7%
Meridian Township	\$213	N/A	\$221	3.8%	N/A

Water and Sewer Funds - Projects

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PROJECT	WATER	SEWER
Timberlane/Roseland Water Main	\$480,000	
1600 block of Haslett Road Water Main	\$352,000	
Forest Hills Lift Station		\$1,000,000
Sanitary Sewer Line Rehab Work		\$1,720,000
Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)	\$180,000	\$180,000
Totals:	\$1,102,000	\$2,900,000

Parks and Recreation Projects

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- Trailhead project near Township's Service Center (\$150K, *dependent on NRTF grant*)
- Wonch Park and Harris Nature Center kayak launches (\$150K)
- Nancy Moore Park pavilion and restroom updates (\$150K)
- Cricket planning and field (\$50K)
- Red Cedar River Water Trail project (\$10K)

Looking Ahead

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- Finalize healthcare costs
- State budget and revenue sharing
- Collective bargaining: 2025 (1), 2026 (3), 2027 (3)
- Okemos Consolidated Drain project - 2027

Summary



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- Conservative financial stewardship - needs, not wants
- Increasing costs balanced with strategic investments
- Continued taxable value growth
- Staff and employees willing to work collaboratively

“Prime Results....Prime Community”



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**CONSENT AGENDA
BOARD
COMMUNICATIONS**

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Public Comment – Proposed “Authentix Okemos” Apartments (Central Park Entrance) – Request for Study Access & Consideration of Alternatives
Date: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 3:28:45 PM
Attachments: [Image.png](#)

Dear Kiran,

Thank you for your email. I would like to inform you that your original message was sent to the Planning Commission on Monday, August 25.

I’m confirming your email, sent to the Township Board today on Tuesday, September 2, has been received and will be included in the next Board Packet — the September 16 Regular Meeting of the Township Board.

[Communications to the Township Board](#) received through the board@meridian.mi.us email address will be included in the Board packet as part of the official record. If communication is received after publication of an upcoming Board packet, it will be included in the following packet as part of the official record.

Please feel free to reach out if you need further assistance.

Sincerely,



Angela Demas

Meridian Township Clerk

[REDACTED]
Main: [REDACTED] | Direct: 517.853.4304
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864
meridian.mi.us/elections



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To check your voter registration status, request an absent voter ballot or to track your ballot, please visit www.michigan.gov/vote

From: Kiran R <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 2:04 PM
To: Bmozzetti@cproperties.com <[REDACTED]>; Planning Commision (DG)

[REDACTED] >; Tim Schmitt <[REDACTED]>; Brian Shorkey <[REDACTED]> Board <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: Public Comment – Proposed “Authentix Okemos” Apartments (Central Park Entrance) – Request for Study Access & Consideration of Alternatives

Some people who received this message don't often get email from [REDACTED]

Hello, I submitted a public comment regarding the proposed Authentix Okemos development but did not see my email included in the September 2 Board packet. Could you please confirm receipt and ensure it is added to the official record? Thank you.

Kiran

CPE Resident

On Mon, Aug 25, 2025 at 11:29 AM Kiran R <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Members of the Meridian Township Planning Commission,

I am a resident of **Central Park Estates** in Okemos. Following the developer’s town hall and my correspondence with the Planning Department, I’m writing to submit public comment regarding the proposed “**Authentix Okemos**” multi-family project at the entrance to our subdivision, and to request access to the supporting studies in advance of formal review.

Key concerns from our neighborhood:

1. **Traffic & Safety:** We are concerned about increased congestion and turning conflicts on **Central Park Drive, Belvedere Ave, and Grand River Ave**, and pedestrian safety for families walking/biking in a single-family neighborhood. We request the **full traffic impact study** be made available for public review prior to any hearing or decision.
2. **Zoning, Density & Compatibility:** The proposed **high-density (252 units)** is incompatible with adjacent single-family homes. Residents purchased here with the understanding that only limited development would be feasible in this area; the current concept appears to expand beyond that.
3. **Wetlands & Habitat:** The plan appears to impact wetlands and the surrounding habitat that are part of the neighborhood’s character and stormwater resilience. We request the **wetland delineation** and any **EGLE submittals/reviews**, as well as the **stormwater management plan**, including detention sizing, routing, and maintenance responsibilities.

4. **Schools & Services:** Okemos schools are already strained; families report overcrowding (e.g., lockers/classrooms). The developer's estimate of **50–60 students** should be supported with methodology and enrollment distribution by grade level, plus consultation input from the school district.
5. **Alternatives & Public Interest:** Several residents support evaluating **alternative sites** already disturbed (e.g., the long-vacant lot near **Hamilton & Okemos Rd** by Douglas J) to reduce environmental and neighborhood impacts. Some also request the Township consider acquiring the remaining parcel portion for a **preserve/sanctuary** if practical.

Requests:

- Please post or provide **early public access** to the traffic study, wetland delineation/EGLE correspondence, stormwater design, and any settlement-agreement amendment materials **as soon as they are received**, so residents can review before the Planning Commission meeting.
- Please **include this email in the public record** for the **August 25, 2025** meeting (or the first Planning Commission hearing at which this proposal is considered).
- Kindly **notify me directly** of all hearings, study releases, and staff reports so I can share updates with Central Park Estates residents.

We appreciate the Commission's careful consideration of neighborhood compatibility, environmental protection, and infrastructure capacity before any action on this proposal. Our goal is to participate constructively and ensure decisions reflect community input and long-term public interest.

Thank you for your time and service.

Sincerely,

Kiran

Resident, Central Park Estates, Okemos, MI

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Litigation Hold Notice-Records Related to 4835 Country Way E Apt 501, Okemos, MI 48864
Date: Wednesday, September 3, 2025 10:15:45 PM
Attachments: [Request #FOIA-2025-79.pdf](#)
[#FOIA-2025-79 Formal Appeal #1.pdf](#)
[#FOIA-2025-79 Formal Appeal #2.pdf](#)
[Manager Timothy H. Dempsey Response Letter on Behalf of Meridian Township.pdf](#)
[#FOIA-2025-79 Formal Appeal #3.pdf](#)

Some people who received this message don't often get email from [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Dempsey, Mr. Schmitt, and Members of the Meridian Township Board,

This letter serves as a formal Litigation Hold Notice.

In light of the unresolved health and safety concerns related to the property at 4835 Country Way E Apt 501, Okemos, MI 48864, my formal FOIA appeals, and the official determination letter from Meridian Township Manager Timothy H. Dempsey, dated August 19, 2025, I have a reasonable anticipation of litigation.

As a result, Meridian Township and its agents have a legal duty to preserve all documents, correspondence, and electronically stored information (ESI) related to this matter. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Plumbing blueprints, schematics, and sewer connection maps for the property at 4835 Country Way E Apt 501, Okemos, MI 48864, the 4835 building of Countryway East Apartments, and for Apt 501 (Parcel Tax ID 22-251-002).
- All code enforcement records, inspection reports, complaints, and emails related to the property, including those from my initial complaints and the August 2024 inspections.
- Internal communications between all Township departments (including the Community Planning Division, the Fire Marshal, and the Township Manager's office) regarding this property and my requests.
- All records related to the Township's FOIA responses and appeals regarding my requests, #FOIA-2025-79 and any others.

Please be aware that this duty to preserve evidence is immediate and applies to all forms of information. Do not alter, delete, or destroy any of these records, regardless of their format.

This notice is a separate matter from my pending FOIA appeal, but the outcome of that appeal will affect the scope of future litigation.

This email constitutes a formal record of my notice to Meridian Township.

Sincerely,

Michael Inga

[REDACTED]

Lansing, MI 48906

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Request #FOIA-2025-79 [Click here](#) to scroll down and download your records.

Dear FOIA Coordinator, Pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231 et seq., I respectfully request the following records pertaining to the property known as Country Way East Apartments (parcel address 4800 Countryway Dr, Okemos, MI 48864; Parcel Tax ID 22-251-002), owned by Country Way East LLC and DTN Management Co., as listed in Meridian Township's Parcel Viewer. This covers Building 4835 (4835 Country Way E, Okemos, MI 48864), Unit 501, and any shared infrastructure on the parcel. Please treat each numbered item below as a separate FOIA request: 1. Code enforcement records (violations, citations, penalties, complaints, correspondence, litigation) issued to the listed owners of Parcel 22-251-002, from January 1, 2015 to present. 2. Emergency response records impacting public health or safety, incidents involving fire hazards, electrical failures, or plumbing failures for the same period. 3. Infrastructure documents for Building 4835 and Unit 501, including: (a) Plumbing blueprints and schematics (water supply, drainage) (b) Sewer connection maps (storm and sanitary) (c) Stormwater/sanitary system diagrams (easements, underground piping) (d) Inspection reports, permits, or maintenance logs for the adjacent sump pit (including its discharge outlet and system connection). 4. The August 2024 inspection report for Unit 501 (conducted by Frank Christmas) and all email correspondence I sent via Meridian Township's portal to Frank Christmas. To locate these, my records may appear under: Names: Michael Inga, Michael H Inga, Michael Henry Inga Emails: michael.inga907@gmail.com, mike.inga907@outlook.com This request is being submitted in good faith due to a potential plumbing cross-connection or contamination issue that may pose a public health risk, I was informed by the facilitator, who was sent to respond to a sewage backup that impacted the entire first floor of the building, that my unit's floor drain may have improperly backed up with sewage, which should not occur under proper system design. I was informed that my unit was the only sub floor unit to have sewage come through the floor drain, as the other unit's floor drains are supposedly attached to a different drainage system and did not back up. I request waiver or reduction of any fees or deposit, as disclosure primarily benefits the public by revealing health and infrastructure risks. I do not consent to any non-statutory extension beyond the timeline allowed under MCL 15.235(2). If any portion is denied, please cite the specific exemption under MCL 15.243 and release all segregable non-exempt portions. I request inspection rights under MCL 15.233(1) and electronic copies where feasible; otherwise, please provide physical copies by mail or schedule them for pickup. Thank you for your prompt attention. Sincerely, Michael Henry Inga Address: 903 N Sycamore St Lansing, MI, 48906 Phone: 616-438-3939 Email: michael.inga907@gmail.com

Submitted

Sat, Jul 12, 2025

Status

Completed

Name of Requestor

Michael Henry Inga

Address

[REDACTED]

State

Michigan

Zip

48906

Your Preferred Method of Contact (Selecting email will expedite responses)

Email

Email

[REDACTED]

Description of Request (Be as specific as possible, including name, dates, case numbers, etc, if known.)

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Michael H Inga, Michael Henry Inga Emails: [REDACTED]

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I prefer to receive the requested records as (*select one*):

Electronic

Consent to Non-Statutory Extension of Township's Response Time

I have requested a copy of records or a subscription to records or the opportunity to inspect records, pursuant to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, Public Act 442 of 1976, MCL 15.231, et seq. I understand that the township must respond to this request within five (5) business days after receiving it, and that response may include taking a 10-business day extension. However, I hereby agree and stipulate to extend the township's response time for this request until: I do not consent to any non-statutory extension beyond the timeline allowed under MCL 15.235(2).

Records Located on Website

If the township directly or indirectly administers or maintains an official internet presence, any public records available to the general public on that internet site at the time the request is made are exempt from any labor charges to redact (separate exempt information from non-exempt information). If the FOIA coordinator knows or has reason to know that all or a portion of the requested information is available on its website, the township must notify the requestor in its written response that all or a portion of the requested information is available on its website. The written response, to the degree practicable in the specific instance, must include a specific webpage address where the requested information is available. On the detailed cost itemization form, the township must separate the requested public records that are available on its website from those that are not available on the website and must inform the requestor of

form, including digital media, the township must provide the public records in the specified format (if the township has the technological capability) but may use a fringe benefit multiplier greater than the 50%, not to exceed the actual costs of providing the information in the specified format.

Request for Copies/Duplication of Records on Township Website

I hereby stipulate that, even if some or all of the records are located on a township website, I am requesting that the township make copies of those records on the website and deliver them to me in the format I have requested above. I understand that some FOIA fees may apply.

Yes

I hereby agree and stipulate to the township using overtime wages in calculating:

Labor to copy/duplicate

false

I hereby agree and stipulate to the township using overtime wages in calculating:

Labor to Locate

false

Are you requesting with an indigence discount?

No

Are you making this request on behalf of a nonprofit Organization?

No

Requested Documents

File ↑	Size	Upload Date
FOIA 2025-79 - Responsive Records (Enclosure 2).pdf	1.97 MB	08/19/2025
FOIA 2025-79 Appeal (Enclosure 1).pdf	444.84 KB	08/19/2025
FOIA 2025-79 response.pdf	445.12 KB	08/19/2025
MCL 15.240 (Enclosure 4).pdf	9.14 KB	08/19/2025

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FORMAL APPEAL OF DEEMED DENIAL - FOIA Request ID #FOIA-2025-79
Submitted July 12, 2025

Michael I <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Thu, Aug 7, 2025 at 2:56 PM

Dear Ms. Demas and Honorable Members of the Meridian Township Board,

This letter serves as a formal appeal of the deemed denial of my Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, **FOIA Request ID #FOIA-2025-79**, which was submitted through your online portal on **Saturday, July 12, 2025**.

Pursuant to MCL 15.235(2), a public body is required to respond within five (5) business days after receiving the request. For a request received on a non-business day, this five-business-day period begins on the next business day. Therefore, the Township was required to respond by **Friday, July 18, 2025**.

Meridian Township's initial response, an email from Emily Gordon, Deputy Clerk, was dated and received on **Tuesday, July 22, 2025**. This response was **two (2) business days late**, having been provided outside the statutory five-business-day period required by MCL 15.235(2). This procedural failure alone rendered the attempted extension invalid.

Furthermore, even in this untimely response, the Township stated: "Because of the need to search for and retrieve records, notice is hereby given that the Township will require an additional ten (10) business days to respond to your request. The Township will provide a response to your request no later than August 4th."

It is now **Thursday, August 7, 2025**, and I have received no further response or the requested records from Meridian Township. Therefore, pursuant to **MCL 15.235(3)**, my FOIA request is now formally and unequivocally "**deemed denied**" due to Meridian Township's repeated failure to respond within the statutory time limits, including its own stated extended deadline of August 4, 2025.

This pattern of non-compliance, particularly given previous difficulties in obtaining records from Meridian Township, indicates a potential arbitrary and capricious violation of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Please be advised that **MCL 15.240(7)** provides that if a court determines a public body has arbitrarily and capriciously violated the Act by refusal or delay, the court shall award \$1,000 in punitive damages to the requesting person, in addition to a \$1,000 civil fine to the state, and reasonable attorney's fees, costs, and disbursements.

I demand that Meridian Township comply with its duties under the Michigan FOIA. I expect a formal response to this appeal, as required by **MCL 15.240(2)**, within the statutory timeframe provided for appeals to the head of a public body.

Please be aware that if Meridian Township fails to properly address this formal appeal within the statutory timeframe, I will be left with no option but to file a lawsuit in Circuit Court to compel disclosure and seek all applicable statutory damages, costs, and attorney's fees.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael Henry Inga
[REDACTED]

Lansing, Michigan, 48906

**FORMAL APPEAL (CONTINUED): INCOMPLETE RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST
ID #FOIA-2025-79**

Michael I <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Thu, Aug 7, 2025 at 4:44 PM

Dear Ms. Demas and Honorable Members of the Meridian Township Board,

This email serves as an immediate continuation and amendment to my formal FOIA appeal submitted earlier today, August 7, 2025, regarding FOIA Request ID: #FOIA-2025-79.

At August 7, 2025 3:11PM, I received an email from the Township stating that my request, FOIA-2025-79, has been "completed" and inviting me to download response documentation.

Upon review, I must unequivocally state that the Township's response is incomplete and does not fulfill my FOIA request or the Township's legal obligations under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act.

Specifically, the following critically important documents, explicitly requested in my original FOIA request (item #3), were not provided:

- Plumbing blueprints and schematics (water supply, drainage) for Building 4835 and Unit 501.
- Sewer connection maps (storm and sanitary) for the property.
- Stormwater/sanitary system diagrams (easements, underground piping) for the property.
- Inspection reports, permits, or maintenance logs for the adjacent sump pump (including its discharge outlet and system connection)

Furthermore, the Township's "completed" email and the provided documents fail to include any written explanation for the omission of these records, nor do they cite any specific legal exemption under MCL 15.243, or a certificate of non-existence, as explicitly required by MCL 15.235(5) for any denial, partial or full.

I must note as well that I received only complaints and code enforcement correspondence for the property that were received by the township from myself. Over the past 10 years as listed on my request, I find it odd that I was the only complaint for this entity. The above list of unprovided documents is not a comprehensive list of everything not addressed, but are those that I wish to bring the most immediate attention to.

This incomplete response, coupled with the lack of required explanation, constitutes a further partial denial of my FOIA request.

I reiterate my formal appeal to the head of the public body (the Township Board) for the reversal of this partial denial. I demand immediate disclosure of the missing records or, if they are legally exempt or do not exist, a proper, statutorily compliant written notice of denial explaining the basis for non-disclosure.

I expect the Township Board to fully address this appeal and ensure complete compliance with the Michigan FOIA within the statutory timeframe for appeals.

Please be aware that if Meridian Township fails to properly address this formal appeal within the statutory timeframe, I will be left with no option but to file a lawsuit in Circuit Court to compel disclosure and seek all applicable statutory damages, costs, and attorney's fees.

Sincerely,

Michael Henry Inga
[REDACTED]

Lansing, Michigan, 48906



August 19, 2025

Via Electronic Mail

Michael Henry Inga

[REDACTED]

Lansing, MI 48906

[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Inga:

Re: FOIA Appeal Determination: Partial Denial Upheld with Explanation

This written FOIA Appeal Determination is on behalf of Meridian Charter Township (the "Township") in response to your Michigan Freedom of Information Act Appeal ("FOIA Appeal") that was received by the Township on August 7, 2025. MCL 15.240(3). Note that the Township Manager, Tim Dempsey, has been designated the "head of the public body" and is authorized to process FOIA appeals under the Township's FOIA Procedures and Guidelines. See *Forner v Dep't of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs*, unpublished per curiam opinion of the Court of Appeals, issued April 22, 2021 (Docket No. 354488), p 16 ("nothing in the plain language of MCL 15.240 prohibits the head of a public body from employing personnel to act on behalf and under the authority of the head of the public body. Accordingly, the director of a public body is permitted to delegate the review of FOIA denial appeals to an agent within the public body").

Your FOIA appeal has been attached as **Enclosure #1**. The original FOIA request that is the subject of the FOIA Appeal reads, in part, as follows:

I respectfully request the following records pertaining to the property known as Country Way East Apartments (parcel address 4800 Countryway Dr, Okemos, MI 48864; Parcel Tax ID 22-251-002), owned by Country Way East LLC and DTN Management Co., as listed in Meridian Township's Parcel Viewer. This covers Building 4835 (4835 Country Way E, Okemos, MI 48864), Unit 501, and any shared infrastructure on the parcel. Please treat each numbered item below as a separate FOIA request:

- (1) Code enforcement records (violations, citations, penalties, complaints, correspondence, litigation) issued to the listed owners of Parcel 22-251-002, from January 1, 2015 to present.*
- (2) Emergency response records impacting public health or safety, incidents involving fire hazards, electrical failures, or plumbing failures for the same period.*

- (3) *Infrastructure documents for Building 4835 and Unit 501, including:*
- (a) *Plumbing blueprints and schematics (water supply, drainage)*
 - (b) *Sewer connection maps (storm and sanitary)*
 - (c) *Stormwater/sanitary system diagrams (easements, underground piping)*
 - (d) *Inspection reports, permits, or maintenance logs for the adjacent sump pit (including its discharge outlet and system connection).*
- (4) *The August 2024 inspection report for Unit 501 (conducted by Frank Christmas) and all email correspondence I sent via Meridian Township's portal to Frank Christmas.*

Your Requests #1, #3, and #4 are granted, in part, as to existing, non-exempt public records falling within the scope of each request that are sufficiently described so as to enable the Township to locate those records. MCL 15.235(7)(c). The relevant responsive records have been attached herein at no cost (**Enclosure #2**). Please note that the Township reserves the right to charge a reasonable fee as contemplated in the FOIA for future requests.

After reviewing the initial request, the FOIA appeal, and the associated documents, the Township Board affirms the partial denial of your request. MCL 15.240(2)(b). Pursuant to MCL 15.235(5), the Township has provided the below explanation as to the reason for the partial denial.

As to the partial denial, Request #2 is denied because the requested records do not exist. To the best of the Township's knowledge, information, and belief, under the information provided by you or by any other description reasonably known to the Township, the specific records you requested in Request #2 do not exist and are not possessed by the Township. MCL 15.235(5)(b). Enclosed, please find a Certification of No Public Records to that effect (**Enclosure #3**). Note that the Township confirmed with the Fire Marshal that there are no records of emergency responses that would be responsive to your specific request.

As for Request #3, an additional search of the Township's records has discovered potentially responsive records that may have been inadvertently left out of the previous disclosure. Specifically, these records appear to be water connection applications, authorizations to construct water mains and sewer systems at the applicable property, maintenance agreements, water main easements, inspection records, and diagrams/blueprints showing water mains and sewer lines. Note that the Township has construed these documents as being responsive to Request #3. Accordingly, Request #3 is granted as to existing, non-exempt public records falling within the scope of the request that were sufficiently described to enable the Township to locate the records. Additionally, note that the Ingham County Drain Commissioner's Office is the entity responsible for stormwater infrastructure within the Township, and thus additional records may be retained by the Ingham County Drain Commissioner's Office. You may want to submit an additional FOIA request to the Ingham

County Drain Commissioner's Office to seek additional relevant records regarding stormwater infrastructure.

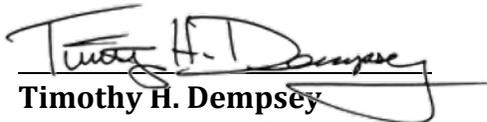
As for Request #4, the Township has confirmed that the relevant inspection reports and email correspondence have been included in the responsive records. While searching its files to confirm that all records have been included in the disclosure, the Township discovered a related inspection report from August 2024. This additional report has been included in the records.

In the FOIA appeal, you state "I received only complaints and code enforcement correspondence for the property that were received by the township from myself . . . I find it odd that I was the only complaint for this entity." In response to your FOIA appeal, the Township FOIA Coordinator contacted several Township Departments to confirm that all responsive records had been disclosed. The Township received confirmation that the only code enforcement matters (e.g. complaints) on the parcel are the ones initiated by you.

Since the Township has upheld the partial denial of your request, you have the right to seek judicial review of this decision, as stated in Section 10 of the FOIA. MCL 15.240(1)(b). If you seek judicial review and prevail in whole or in part, the Court may award you reasonable attorney's fees, costs, disbursements, or other actual compensatory or punitive damages. *See id.* A copy of MCL 15.240 has been enclosed herein (**Enclosure #4**).

A copy of the Township FOIA Procedures and Guidelines and Written Public Summary of the same are available at no cost at the following link: <https://www.meridian.mi.us/about-us/departments/clerk-s-office/foia-freedom-of-information>.

Sincerely,



Timothy H. Dempsey
Meridian Charter Township, Manager
On behalf of the Meridian Charter Township Board
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864
(517) 853-4000

Enclosures:

- (1) Inga FOIA Appeal
- (2) Responsive Records
- (3) Certificate of No Public Records
- (4) MCL 15.240

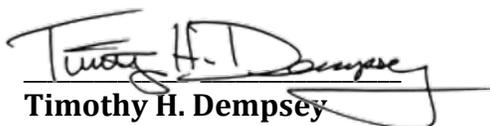
Enclosure #3

CERTIFICATE OF NO PUBLIC RECORDS

I hereby certify that: Meridian Charter Township (the "Township") has made a good faith effort to identify the public records requested in your FOIA request. Please see below:

(2) Emergency response records impacting public health or safety, incidents involving fire hazards, electrical failures, or plumbing failures for the same period.

On behalf of the Township's FOIA Coordinator, I hereby certify that the Township was unable to locate any responsive public records to the above portion of your Freedom of Information Act Request. See MCL 15.235(5)(b).



August 19, 2025

Timothy H. Dempsey
Meridian Charter Township,

FORMAL APPEAL OF DEEMED DENIAL - FOIA Request ID #FOIA-2025-79
Submitted July 12, 2025

Michael I <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Wed, Aug 27, 2025 at 12:22 PM

I am writing to file a third appeal concerning my Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated July 12, 2025. This appeal is in response to the Township's latest communication received on August 19, 2025, which, despite its claims, remains an effective denial of my request for specific records.

Points of Appeal

- **Failure to Produce and Certify Non-Existence of Requested Documents:** My original request, specifically item 3, sought records for Building 4835 and Unit 501, including:
 - Plumbing blueprints and schematics (water supply, drainage)
 - Sewer connection maps (storm and sanitary)

In your response, you granted this request "in part" and provided records for water mains and sewer lines outside the building. However, you failed to provide the specific blueprints and schematics for the building and my former unit. This is a crucial distinction. Furthermore, you did not provide a certification that these specific documents do not exist.

Your response, which states that "an additional search... has discovered potentially responsive records," acknowledges the possibility of further records but does not satisfy my request. Your failure to either provide the requested records or certify their non-existence, as you did for Request #2, constitutes a denial under Michigan FOIA, MCL 15.235(5)(b). The Township cannot claim it has fully responded when it has omitted key documents and failed to provide a valid reason for their non-disclosure.

- **Introduction of New, Contradictory Records:** Your response included a document dated July 17, 2025, which purports to be a copy of my August 2024 sewage complaint. This document contains new information, including notes on a call with the landlord company representatives, and contradicts the original, contemporaneous report. The original report noted the possibility of a cross-connection, a public health concern that justified my request. The new document, created after my FOIA request was filed, attempts to reframe the incident as an AC line backup, a conclusion that is inconsistent with the initial findings of your own code official and my firsthand experience.

This new document appears to have been created to address the issues raised in my FOIA request, rather than to serve as a genuine, pre-existing record. It undermines the integrity of the FOIA process and demonstrates a lack of transparency. The Township cannot create records after the fact to retroactively close a public health and safety concern without providing the original, supporting documentation.

For these reasons, I maintain that my FOIA request has been effectively denied. I urge the Township Board to reconsider this matter and direct the FOIA Coordinator to **either provide the requested documents for the building and unit or to provide a formal, certified statement that those specific records do not exist.**

Meridian Township has a legal and ethical duty to be transparent with its residents, particularly on matters of public health and safety. The records I have requested are directly relevant to a potential infrastructure problem that was identified by a Township official, and their disclosure is in the public interest.

I am also CC'ing the Meridian Township Board to ensure this appeal becomes part of the public record and for transparency.

I look forward to a prompt and complete resolution of this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael Inga

[REDACTED]
Lansing, MI, 48906

From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Water Meter and Water/Sewer Bill for 1473 Haslett Rd.
Date: Monday, September 8, 2025 3:07:16 PM

Hi Ms. Morrow,

Thank you for your email. As we have previously discussed, the Township does not release attorney-client privileged information. The reconciliation bill that you paid was a lawful bill based on the customer's metered water consumption. In accordance with the Township's Code of Ordinances, that amount will not be credited back to the account.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Dan Opsommer

Deputy Township Manager
Director of Public Works & Engineering
[REDACTED]
Work: [REDACTED] 0 | Fax: 517.853.4099
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864

From: Tiffany Morrow <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, September 8, 2025 2:38 PM
To: Tim Schmitt <[REDACTED]us>; Dan Opsommer <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Scott Hendrickson <[REDACTED]us>; PW <[REDACTED]>; [REDACTED]; Tim Dempsey <[REDACTED]>; Board <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Water Meter and Water/Sewer Bill for 1473 Haslett Rd.

Dear Mr. Schmitt and Mr. Opsommer,

Thank you for your last email on July 5. Thank you for working through the reconciliation issues we raised.

As mentioned in the email we sent on June 30th, we were able to investigate the legality of this retroactive bill and we found the following pertinent to this situation:

Michigan Admin Code R 460.113

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efforts to replace or repair equipment so that not more than 2 estimated bills are issued.

Michigan Admin Code R 460.126a

If a utility undercharges a customer, in cases that do not involve unauthorized use of utility service, the utility may back bill the customer for the amount of the undercharge during the 12-month period immediately preceding discovery of the error.

The Defense of Laches

An affirmative defense that depends principally on the requisite of intervening circumstances that would render inequitable the retroactive bill being issued by Meridian Township to the current occupants of 1473 Haslett Rd. The doctrine is concerned with unreasonable delay, and must prove a lack of due diligence on the part of Meridian Township resulting in some prejudice to The Well Education Center.

Meridian Ordinance Section 78-97

Charges for all water services rendered by the system shall be billed and collected at least quarterly.

What occurred in this situation between Meridian Township and The Well Education Center is the following:

- Meridian Township failed to convey to the customer that they were unable to obtain an actual meter reading and were estimating our bills.
- Meridian Township failed to communicate to us that their meter was not transmitting data accurately.
- Meridian Township did not replace or repair the malfunctioning equipment within 2 billing cycles.
- Meridian Township estimated more than 2 bills.
- In billing the current occupant at 1473 Haslett Rd. and in the absence of the former occupant, Meridian Township is inequitably requiring an irresponsible party to make payments for water usage they did not use.
- Meridian Township was delayed in the assertion of their legal right to collect payment, which it is practicable to assert according to Michigan Law.
- 1473 Haslett Road was not billed for all water services in the quarterly time frame noted in Meridian Township ordinance.

We received notification that there is **a bill of \$24.00 due 9/19/25 on our account**, invoice # 20250829-UB-41842-01660.

Due to Meridian Township failing to comply with Michigan Law, and unlawfully charging 1473 Haslett Road, there should be a **credit of \$211.16 on this account:** HASL-001473-0000-04.

Please let us know when this \$24.00 balance has been pulled from the credit on our account. Thank you.

Best regards,

Tiffany Morrow
The Well Education Center
thewell-educationcenter.com
1473 Haslett Rd. Haslett, MI
517-927-1501

On Sat, Jul 5, 2025 at 1:56 PM Tim Schmitt <[REDACTED].us> wrote:

Mrs. Morrow,
I'll allow Deputy Manager Opsommer to respond to the bulk of your email, but I wanted to respond to the \$24 issue. As a commercial account, the property should have been on monthly billing, rather than quarterly, which is when our residential accounts are read. We are in the process of correcting this throughout our system, but I have reversed the change to your account for the time being, while we work through the reconciliation issues you are raising. So the charge is correct, but has been removed from the bill and we will revisit the transfer of this account to the correct billing cycle in the future.

Sincerely,

Timothy R. Schmitt, AICP
Director of Community Planning and Development
[REDACTED]
W [REDACTED]
5151 Marsh Road | Okemos, MI 48864
meridian.mi.us

From: Tiffany Morrow <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, June 30, 2025 11:46 AM
To: Dan Opsommer <[REDACTED].us>
Cc: Scott Hendrickson <[REDACTED]>; PW <[REDACTED]>; [REDACTED] Tim Schmitt <[REDACTED].us>; Tim Dempsey <[REDACTED]>; Board <[REDACTED].us>
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STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
LANSING

GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

ELIZABETH HERTEL
DIRECTOR

July 15, 2025

Meridian Township
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864

Dear Township Clerk:

As required by Section 722.121a of the Child Care Organizations Act 116 as amended, "The director of the department shall notify the clerk of the city, village, or township and the legislature of the location of new and existing licensed child caring institution or foster family group home within the boundaries of the cities, villages, and townships in this state. The notification shall be given within 30 days after the licensing of a new organization."

Heartland Lansing-CM331002833
1909 Tahoe Circle
Okemos, MI 48864

This is notification that the above Child Caring Institution/Foster Family Group Home license has been opened effective 06-13-2025.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ashleigh Brotherson".

Ashleigh Brotherson, Division Director
Division of Child Welfare Licensing
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF LANSING

3209 W. MICHIGAN AVENUE
LANSING, MICHIGAN 48917

NOTICE OF DRAFT MASTER PLAN

LANSING CHARTER TOWNSHIP, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN

August 26, 2025

On behalf of the Lansing Charter Township Board of Trustees and in accordance with the requirements of the Michigan Planning Enabling Act, PA 33 of 2008, as amended, this letter is to notify you that the Lansing Charter Township has prepared an update of its Master Plan. On August 12, 2025, the Township Board approved distribution of the Plan. The Plan is available to view and/or download from the Township's website here: lansingtwpmi.gov

Please let us know if you request a printed copy.

We would appreciate your comments regarding the Plan's content and how you feel it may affect planning efforts in your community or potential coordinated planning or capital improvement projects before close of business on November 19, 2025. The Planning Commission intends to host a Public Hearing on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 6:00pm in the Fitzgearld Board Room at Township Hall, 3209 W. Michigan Ave., Lansing MI 48917. Any changes to this Public Hearing date, time, or location will be posted in the agenda available on the Lansing Township website here: lansingtwpmi.gov

Lansing Charter Township thanks you in advance for your cooperation and assistance.

Please direct any correspondence or questions to:

Daniel Richards
Director of Community Development
3209 W. Michigan Ave.
Lansing, MI 48917
drichards@lansingtwpmi.gov

Supervisor/Assessor
485-2272

Treasurer
485-7115

Clerk/Planning & Zoning
485-4063

Building Inspector/Code Compliance
485-3510

Fire Department
485-5443

Police Department
485-1700



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
September 3, 2025

CONTACT: Scott Hendrickson, Township Supervisor
517.853.4250 | hendrickson@meridian.mi.us

Meridian Township Board Now Accepting Applications for Township Treasurer

Applications accepted until Wednesday, September 17

Meridian Township, MI – The Meridian Township Board is looking to fill the Township Treasurer position. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, September 17 at 4:00 pm.

The application period will be two weeks, with pre-scanning by an appointed subcommittee of the Board on September 23, 2025. Interviews will be held from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm on October 7, 2025, preceding the Board meeting.

“The Township Treasurer position is a vitally important member of Township operations and serves as a member of the Township Board, representing our residents throughout the community,” said Meridian Township Supervisor Scott Hendrickson.

The day-to-day management responsibilities of the position include, but are not limited to, collecting real and personal property taxes, pursuing delinquent personal property taxes, issuing township checks and payments, receiving and depositing all township revenues and payments, and supervisory responsibilities for two Treasury staff. The Treasurer’s Board responsibilities include oversight for the full array of Township matters including planning, zoning, economic development, parks and recreation, budgeting, utilities, audits, and more.

“The Board is committed to selecting a Treasurer who is ready to serve our residents capably and provide valuable insight into our Board discussions. Outgoing Treasurer Phil Deschaine was selected with a similar process in 2018 and has served our residents well for many years.”

Under state law, the Board has 45 days to complete the process of appointing a new treasurer, which begins when the position becomes vacant. With Deschaine’s official resignation date of September 16, 2025, an appointment must take place by October 31, 2025.

Applicants are asked to provide a complete Candidate Questionnaire, a resume, and three professional references. To submit an application, visit <https://www.meridian.mi.us/about-us/careers>.

For any questions, contact Human Resources Director Abby Tithof at tithof@meridian.mi.us.

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The community of Meridian Township is in close proximity to the Michigan State Capitol and Michigan State University. The Township serves the community through exceptional services, beneficial amenities and an outstanding quality of life. It is a welcoming community that celebrates quality education, recreation and lifestyles.





CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY
LEGAL AD NOTICE: Special Use Permit #25020 (Fedewa Holdings)
MONDAY, September 22, 2025

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LEGAL NOTICE
Special Use Permit #25020 (Fedewa Holdings)
Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Meridian Municipal Building, Town Hall Room, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI, 48864 (phone 517-853-4560) to hear all persons interested in a request from Fedewa Holdings to allow a group of buildings over 25,000 square feet in gross floor area on an approximately 4.28-acre parcel located on Dobie Road. The site is zoned RD (Multiple Family, maximum 8 dwelling unit per acre) and the applicant is proposing four, eight unit apartment buildings.

Materials related to the request are available for viewing in the Department of Community Planning and Development office (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, 48864), Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm, or on the Township's website at <https://www.meridian.mi.us/businesses/development-projects> Written comments may be sent prior to the public hearing to the Planning Commission, Charter Township of Meridian, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, 48864, or by email to shorkey@meridian.mi.us.

Publish: City Pulse
September 3, 2025

Angela Demas
Township Clerk

1 Affidavit, please



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY
LEGAL AD NOTICE: Special Use Permit #25021 (St. Martha Parish)
MONDAY, September 22, 2025

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LEGAL NOTICE
Special Use Permit #25021 (St. Martha Parish)
Public Hearing

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Publish: City Pulse
September 3, 2025

Angela Demas
Township Clerk

1 Affidavit, please



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY

LEGAL AD NOTICE: 2026 Budget Public Hearing

TUESDAY, September 16, 2025

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LEGAL NOTICE
2026 Budget
Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian will hold a Public Hearing on the 2026 Township Budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2026 on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, not earlier than 6:00 p.m.

This meeting will also be televised on HOMTV, Meridian Township's Government Access Channel. Viewers can watch LIVE coverage on Comcast Channel 21, homtv.net, facebook.com/HOMTV, youtube.com/user/21HOMTV and <http://meridianmi.swagit.com/live/>.

As of September 2, 2025, a copy of the proposed budget is on file and available to the public during office hours [8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday] at the Office of the Township Clerk. A copy is also posted on the Township's website at www.meridian.mi.us. Citizens attending the hearing have the right to provide written or oral comment and to ask questions concerning the entire budget. Written comments/communications should be submitted to the Clerk's Office by any of the following means:

- 1) Hand Delivery
- 2) Mail to:
Township Board
Charter Township of Meridian
5151 Marsh Rd
Okemos, MI 48864-1198
- 3) Faxed to 517-853-4096, c/o Clerk Demas
- 4) Submitted via email to demas@meridian.mi.us

The divisions of the proposed 2026 Budget are General Fund, Public Works Funds, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, Capital Projects Funds and the Internal Service Fund.

THE PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE PROPOSED TO BE LEVIED TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL BE A SUBJECT OF THIS HEARING

Publish: Lansing State Journal
September 9, 2025

Angela Demas
Township Clerk

1 Affidavit, please



MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

RICHARD GRILLO | CHIEF OF POLICE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
September 4, 2025

Contact: Bart Crane, Assistant Chief of Police
(517) 853.4810 | crane@meridian.mi.us

Cold Case Breakthrough: Police Identify Suspect in 1994 Home Invasion and Sexual Assault

Meridian Township, MI – The Meridian Township Police Department, in collaboration with multiple law enforcement agencies across the country, has identified a suspect responsible for a 1994 home invasion and sexual assault in Meridian Township. The suspect, Sean Patrick McNulty (DOB: 06/05/1959), has also been linked to a series of crimes spanning from California to Ohio between 1980 and 1997.

The original incident occurred in Meridian Township in 1994. Despite a thorough investigation at the time, no suspect was identified. However, evidence collected during the investigation yielded DNA that was entered into the Combined DNA Index System (CODIS).

In 2005, a match was found linking the Meridian Township DNA and cases in Birmingham, Michigan and Columbus, Ohio. This led to a joint investigation among the three agencies. In 2024, further matches were discovered connecting the suspect to cases in Ventura, California from the 1980s.

Thanks to advancements in forensic technology and the dedication of agencies including the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Violent Criminal Apprehension Program and the Columbus Police Department Crime Lab, the suspect was ultimately identified as Sean Patrick McNulty. McNulty, originally from Ventura, California, served in the United States Military and died by suicide in 1997 after being charged with a home invasion and sexual assault in Bloomington, Indiana.

While McNulty was never apprehended for the Meridian Township crime, law enforcement officials hope this identification brings a measure of closure to the victims and families affected by these incidents.

If you have any information regarding crimes committed by Sean Patrick McNulty, please contact Investigations/Sergeant Brian Canen at (517) 853-4800 or via email at canen@meridian.mi.us.

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9.B

**CONSENT AGENDA
PROPOSED BOARD MINUTES**

PROPOSED MOTION:

- (1) Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2025 as submitted. (1)**

ALTERNATE MOTION:

- (1) Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 2, 2025 with the following amendment(s):[insert amendments]**

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
REGULAR MEETING TOWNSHIP BOARD **-DRAFT-**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517.853.4000, Township Hall Room
TUESDAY, September 2, 2025, 6:00PM

PRESENT: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

ABSENT: Trustee Sundland

STAFF: Township Manager Dempsey, Township Deputy Manager Opsommer, Fire Chief Hamel, Finance Director Blonde, IT Director Gebes, Community Development and Planning Director Schmitt, Communications Manager Diehl

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Hendrickson called the September 2, 2025, Regular Township Board meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Hendrickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Clerk Demas called the roll of the Board. Six Board members present at 6:02 pm.

Trustee Sundland was absent.

4. PRESENTATION

A. Introduction of New Firefighter – Caitlin Thomas

Chief Hamel introduced Caitlin Thomas.

B. Consumers Energy – Renewable Energy Program

Deputy Manager Opsommer introduced Dave Patterson, Consumers Energy Senior Energy Solutions Manager, who presented about the new Renewable Energy Program. Board members asked questions that were addressed by both Mr. Patterson and Deputy Manager Opsommer.

5. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Hendrickson opened public comment at 6:38 pm.

Paulette Grace, Raman S, and Vincent Tomanica spoke about Central Park Estates Development.

Michael Inga spoke about a FOIA appeal.

Supervisor Hendrickson closed public comment at 6:50 pm.

6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Manager Dempsey gave updates on:

- Upcoming listening session on September 30 at St. Luke Lutheran Church on Van Atta Road at 6 pm.
- Farmer's Market concert series continues through September 24th.
- Upcoming Firefighter and Boy Scout Pancake Fundraiser.

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clerk Demas recognized former Deputy Clerk Emily Gordon for her work and announced there is an opening for the Deputy Clerk position.

Trustee Lentz spoke about the Tihart Road paving project and noted the next Environmental Commission meeting has been cancelled.

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Treasurer Deschaine moved to approve the Agenda. Supported by Trustee Wilson.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor Hendrickson noted a typographical error in the draft minutes.

Trustee Wilson moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the amendment to the minutes. Supported by Clerk Demas.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Planned Unit Development 25-012 – 3560 Hulett Road

Supervisor Hendrickson opened the public hearing at 6:57pm.

Director Schmitt briefly outlined the development request.

Public comment opened at 6:57pm.

Public comment closed at 6:57pm.

Supervisor Hendrickson closed the public hearing at 6:57pm.

11. ACTION ITEMS

A. Ordinance 2025-07 Parking Lot Landscaping Standards Updates-Introduction

Director Schmitt gave an overview of the discussion that has occurred to date.

Trustee Trezise moved to adopt the resolution approving for introduction Text Amendment #2025-07 to amend the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Meridian at Section 86-758 to update the standards for parking lot landscaping in the Township. Supported by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

B. Ordinance 2025-06 Rooster Regulations-Adoption

Director Schmitt gave an overview of the discussion that has occurred to date.

Trustee Lentz moved to adopt the resolution approving Text Amendment #2025-06 to amend the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Meridian at Section 86-368 to update the regulations for the keeping of roosters in the Township. Supported by Treasurer Deschaine.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

12. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Planned Unit Development 25-012 – 3560 Hulett Road

Director Schmitt gave an overview of the development request.

Board members discussed the process this property has been through previously.

Board members asked about a nearby pathway and Road Department approval.

Board members expressed support.

At 7:10 pm, Supervisor Hendrickson called for a recess. At 7:17 pm the Board reconvened.

B. 2026 Budget Introduction

Manager Dempsey gave an overview of the budget process and outlined the proposed 2026 Budget document.

Board members discussed and asked about revenue sharing projection, replenishing Capital Projects Fund, Pension Stabilization Fund, allocation for cricket field, decreases in expenditures, reallocation of accounting staff, ARPA funds, and fund balance for the fire station debt.

C. Treasurer Appointment Process

Supervisor Hendrickson gave an overview of the timeline and the process.

Board members expressed support for opening the application process to the public.

Trustee Trezise moved to suspend the rules to take action Supported by Trustee Wilson.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

Trustee Trezise moved that the Township Board adopts the “Process for Appointing a New Township Treasurer” including the appointment of Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, and Trustee Wilson as the application review committee and adopts the “Application for Meridian Township Treasurer Candidate Questionnaire.” Supported by Trustee Wilson.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

13. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Hendrickson opened public comments at 7:52 pm.

Josh Nahum spoke in appreciation of Treasurer Deschaine.

Supervisor Hendrickson closed public comments at 7:53 pm.

14. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Treasurer Deschaine commented about the Consumers Energy Renewable Energy Program presentation.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Lentz moved to adjourn. Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

VOICE VOTE YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 6-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm

Scott Hendrickson
Township Supervisor

Angela Demas
Township Clerk



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To: Board Members
From: Bernadette Blonde, Finance Director
Date: September 16, 2025

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MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD APPROVE THE TOWNSHIP
INVOICES/EXPENSES AS FOLLOWS:

COMMON CASH	\$	1,130,190.75
PUBLIC WORKS	\$	52,144.61
TRUST & AGENCY	\$	4,473.35
TOTAL CHECKS:	\$	1,186,808.71
CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS 08/20/2025 to 09/10/2025	\$	16,232.88
TOTAL PURCHASES:	\$	<u>1,203,041.59</u>
ACH PAYMENTS	\$	<u>1,502,236.67</u>

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
1. US POSTMASTER	SEPT 2025 LISTENING SESSION POSTCARD POSTAGE	2,600.75	115500
2. 56-A DISTRICT COURT	OCA: 25-1122 DOCKET # 25-0258-ST - KRUGER	200.00	115491
3. A T & T	AUG 28 - SEP 27 2025 - INTERNET M1	205.24	115507
	SEPT 5 TO OCT 4 2025 - INTERNET F3	149.00	115507
	AUG 15 - SEP 14 2025 - INTERNET S1	195.25	115493
	TOTAL	549.49	
4. ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS INC	SERV THRU 8/31/2025 - 2025 LOCAL RD PROG ENG & INS	19,927.23	
	SERV THRU 8/31/2025 - 2026 LOCAL RD PROG ENG & INS	2,812.20	
	TOTAL	22,739.43	
5. AIS CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	MP - WATER - 24 - INSPECTION AND REPAIRS	5,425.66	
6. AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION	APAMI FALL CONFERENCE FEE FOR DIRECTOR TIM SCHMITT	460.00	
7. AMERICAN RENTALS	8/21/25 TO 9/21/25 - TRANSFER STATION PORTABLE TOI	85.00	
8. ANGELA RYAN	MMA SCHOOL - TRAVEL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT	95.82	
9. ASAP PRINTING	TEMPORARY NO PARKING SIGNS	307.00	
	DEMAS & ZEGARZEWSKI BUSINESS CARDS	62.87	
	BUSINESS CARDS - K. BROWN	45.86	
	TOTAL	415.73	
10. AT & T	SEP 7 - OCT 6 2025 - TELEPHONE + INTERNET M1 83100	1,256.86	
11. AT & T	AUG 2 - SEP 1 2025 - TELEPHONE P1 51734742859240	146.53	115508
	AUG 2 - SEP 1 2025 - TELEPHONE F1-3 51734760215648	421.43	115508
	AUG 2 - SEP 1 2025 - TELEPHONE P1 51734768261735	57.18	115508
	AUG 2 - SEP 1 2025 - TELEPHONE S1 51734797052196	57.71	115508
	TOTAL	682.85	
12. AUTO VALUE OF EAST LANSING	FIRE UNIT #140 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	681.66	
	UNIT #649 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	202.50	
	STOCK - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	764.24	
	STOCK - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	170.99	
	WATER #675 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	950.66	
	FIRE UNIT #91 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	59.37	
	UNIT #129 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	345.99	
	WATER UNIT #675 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	134.98	
	WATER UNIT #675 CREDIT - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	(129.50)	
	WATER UNIT #675 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	268.57	
	POLICE UNIT #666 - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	187.07	
	WATER UNIT #675- FLEET REPAIR PARTS	168.58	
	STOCK - FLEET REPAIR PARTS	1,071.51	
	TOTAL	4,876.62	
13. BARKHAM & CO	AUG 2025 - BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY MOWING	5,680.00	
14. BARYAMES CLEANERS	AUG 2025 - POLICE UNIFORM CLEANING	601.59	
15. BERNADETTE BLONDE	FALL TRAINING INST 9.29-10.1.25 REGISTRATION REIMB	400.00	
	REIMB 2025 MGFOA MEMBERSHIP FEES	145.00	
	TOTAL	545.00	
16. BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	10/1/2025 TO 10/31/2025 - PPO RETIREE HEALTH INSUR	1,295.28	
17. BOARD OF WATER & LIGHT	8/1/2025 TO 8/31/2025 STREETLIGHT SERVICE	827.55	115501

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18. BOBCAT OF LANSING	MP - PATHWAYS - UNIT #699	1,256.22	
	MP - PATHWAY UNIT #699	330.51	
	TOTAL	1,586.73	
19. BOUNDTREE MEDICAL	ORDER #106419304 - AMBULANCE MEDICAL SUPPLIES	2,228.70	
20. BRIGHTLINE TECHNOLOGIES	SEPTEMBER 2025 - BRIGHTLINE HPE 36M II SUBSCRIPTIO	4,276.00	
	SEPTEMBER 2025 BRIGHTLINE QUICKHELP SUBSCRIPTION	1,477.00	
	SEPTEMBER 2025 - ACRONIS BACKUP SERVER	2,518.00	
	SEPTEMBER 2025 - AUVIK NETWORK & SAAS MONITORING &	1,055.00	
	TOTAL	9,326.00	
21. BULL ENTERPRISES	AUG 2025 - JANITORIAL SERVICES TWP BLDGS	8,867.00	
22. CAPITOL CITY PLUMBING	REFUND LINE ITEM #9 NOT NEEDED	20.00	
23. CDW	IPAD A16 CASES	59.88	115494
24. CEDAR CREEK APARTMENTS	EMERGENCY RENT ASSISTANCE	278.00	115496
	EMERGENCY RENT ASSISTANCE	312.68	115512
	TOTAL	590.68	
25. CINTAS CORPORATION #725	7/2/2025 - MOTOR POOL - MECHANICS UNIFORMS	22.88	
	MECHANICS UNIFORMS 9/4/2025	54.89	
	TOTAL	77.77	
26. CITY PULSE	08.27.25 NOTICES	111.00	
27. CMP DISTRIBUTORS INC.	RIFLE PURCHASE PROGRAM - OLGINE	2,091.60	115502
28. COMCAST	SEPT 1 TO SEPT 30 2025 - INTERNET + TV M1	637.90	115495
	SEP 16 - OCT 15 2025 - INTERNET + TV F1 8529114160	171.85	115510
	SEP 20 - OCT 19 2025 - TV F1 8539114160280677	12.81	115510
	TOTAL	822.56	
29. COMCAST	SEP 14 - OCT 13 2025 - INTERNET + TV HOMTV 8529010	483.61	115509
30. CONSUMERS ENERGY	ACCT 1001-0081-2351 - EMERGENCY UTILITY ASSISTANCE	291.00	115497
	ACCT 1030-4294-3284 - EMERGENCY UTILITY ASSISTANCE	425.00	115497
	ACCT 1030-5136-8118 - EMERGENCY UTILITY ASSISTANCE	250.00	115513
	TOTAL	966.00	
31. CONWAY SHIELD INC	ORDER #0423434 - FIRE HELMETS	1,346.50	
	ORDER 0423434 - FIRE HELMETS	1,346.34	
	TOTAL	2,692.84	
32. CUMMINS INC	8/28/2025 PM MUN BLDG GENERATOR	875.50	
	8/27/2025 - PM SERV CENTER GENERATOR	871.87	
	TOTAL	1,747.37	
33. DINGES FIRE COMPANY	CUST #15472 - SAFETY VESTS	1,312.92	
34. FIRE SERVICE MANAGEMENT	W/O 28926 STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTER GEAR REPAIR	324.25	
35. FIRST COMMUNICATIONS	AUGUST 2025 - TELEPHONE LINES 3142216	112.18	
36. FIRST RESPONSE LLC	NATIONAL FIRE ACADEMY - LEADERSHIP CLASS (SESSION	2,000.00	

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37. FORESIGHT GROUP	WATER BILLS 8/29/2025 AND POSTAGE	1,855.46	
38. GENERAL CODE LLC	FINAL 2024 ORDINANCE CODE UPDATE	1,803.00	
39. GIGUERE HOMES INC.	4143 BENHAM WAY CONSTRUCTION BOND REFUND	2,500.00	
40. GRANGER WASTE SERVICES	ACCT 10159300 - HNC - RUBBISH & RECYCLING DISPOSAL	74.76	
	ACCT 15896200 & 15896205 - MUN BLDG/N FIRE - RUBBI	33.63	
	ACCT 17334070 - MUN BLDG - RECYCLING DISPOSAL SERV	86.90	
	ACCT 17349880 - GAYLORD C SMITH - RECYCLING DISPOS	33.97	
	ACCT 1106100 & 2706910 - TWP BLDG & PS - RUBBISH D	143.38	
	ACCT 1106200 - GAYLORD C SMITH - RUBBISH DISPOSAL	358.83	
	ACCT 1106300 - S. FIRE - RUBBISH DISPOSAL SERV	104.15	
	ACCT 2509750 - C. FIRE - RUBBISH DISPOSAL SERV	136.33	
	AUG 2025 - ACCT 2827380 - SEASONAL TRASH PARKS	404.92	
	ACCT 26211200 - GROUNDS - DISPOSAL OF PALLETS	185.50	
	TOTAL	1,562.37	
41. GREAT LAKES WILDERNESS EMRT	EMS IC REGIS FEE - FFS HAVILAND AND GARELIK	3,800.00	
42. HAMMOND FARMS	2025 BLANKET PO - PARKS AND PATHWAY MAINTENANCE S	55.00	
43. HAWORTH INC	DESK FOR PSB RECORDS DEPT	1,202.61	
44. IMAGETREND LLC	8/21/25 TO 12/31/25 - FIRE UPGRADE SAAS	5,197.57	
45. INGHAM COUNTY TREASURER	2025 TWP MEMBERSHIP DUES	22,254.00	
46. JACK DOHENY COMPANIES INC	CAMERA TRUCK - CAMERA CORD REPAIRS	795.64	
47. JENNIFER FLOWER	EXP REIMB - 2025 MAA SCHOOL	135.31	
48. JUSTFOIA, INC	FOIA SYSTEM RENEWAL 5/13/2026-12/31/2026	8,128.76	
49. KENT COUNTY DEPT OF PUBLIC WORKS	EVIDENCE DISPOSAL	90.00	
50. KIMBALL MIDWEST	ORDER #20766544 - CLEANING WIPES	76.82	
51. LAFONTAINE FORD OF LANSING	REPAIR PARTS - FIRE UNIT #663	663.06	
	SENSOR - POLICE - UNIT #678	220.76	
	TOTAL	883.82	
52. LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	AUG 2025 - LANGUAGE LINE SERVICES	96.05	
53. LANSING UNIFORM COMPANY	FIRE UNIFORM ITEMS - LEWIS AND HAMEL	611.55	
	FIRE UNIFORM ITEMS - CAMPBELL	57.95	
	FIRE UNIFORM ITEMS - MCDERMOTT	235.85	
	FIRE UNIFORMS - BADGES FOR NEW FIREFIGHTERS/PROMOT	379.70	
	BADGES NEW FIREFIGHTERS/PROMOTIONS	599.80	
	FIRE UNIFORM ITEMS - C. PANT	437.65	
	FIRE UNIFORMS - SCHOTT	125.90	
	FIRE UNIFORM ITEMS - CONNERS	369.75	
	TOTAL	2,818.15	
54. LAWN STARS GROUP LLC	AUGUST 2025 GLENDALE MOWING	5,173.80	
55. LEXISNEXIS RISK DATA MGT LLC	AUG 2025 - INVESTIGATION SEARCHES	200.00	
56. MACQUEEN EMERGENCY GROUP	PUMP - FIRE - UNIT #140	1,310.91	
	HURST TOOL REPAIRS	508.00	
	TOTAL	1,818.91	

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57. MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO	AUG 2025 - ACCT 102753800000000 - LIFE/DISABILITY	4,155.19	115492
	SEPT 2025 - ACCT 102753800000000 - LIFE/DISABILITY	4,143.27	115492
	TOTAL	8,298.46	
58. MAYBERRY HOMES	BUILDING PERMIT CANCELLED AFTER ISSUED- 50% REFUND	175.00	
59. MEI TOTAL ELEVATOR SERVICES	3RD QTR 2025 ELEVATOR INSP - MI14617 & MI27847	618.92	
60. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RETAINAGE	MI PAVING - 2025 CRUSH & SHAPE LOCAL ROAD PROG CON	16,903.35	
	MI PAVING - 2025 CRUSH & SHAPE LOCAL ROAD PROG CON	30,076.41	
	TOTAL	46,979.76	
61. MICHIGAN PAVING	2024 MILL & FILL LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTRACT	314,699.55	
	2025 CRUSH & SHAPE LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTRACT	152,130.15	
	2025 CRUSH & SHAPE LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTRACT	304,595.69	
	TOTAL	771,425.39	
62. MICHIGAN PUBLIC HEALTH INSTITUTE	SECURITY DEPOSIT FOR PAVILION RENTAL	100.00	
63. MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	DEPUTY CLERK JOB POSTING	45.00	
64. MILLENNIA TECHNOLOGIES	MITEL PHONE SYSTEM UPGRADE - STEPS 2 OF 5 COMPLETE	7,000.00	
65. MSU VETERINARY MEDICAL CENTER	ACCOUNT 41996 - K9 MEDICAL CARE	5,145.81	
66. MY GREEN MICHIGAN LLC	AUG 2025 - COMPOST SERVICE AT MARKETPLACE	177.00	
67. PLM LAKE & LAND MANAGEMENT	2025 HERBICIDE TREATMENT LAKE LANSING SAD	12,960.00	
68. POSTMASTER	REPLENISH BRM POSTAGE	1,000.00	115503
69. PRO-COMM INC	RADIO REPAIR FOR PX8500 RADIO	739.00	
70. PROGRESSIVE AE	PROF SERV THRU AUG 29 2025 - 2025 LAKE LANSING SAD	961.80	
71. PRO-TECH SECURITY SALES	REPLACE EXPIRING AVI PLATES	14,044.00	
72. QUALITY TIRE INC	TIRES - COMM PLANNING - UNIT #130	866.60	
	MP - TIRE DISPOSAL	59.00	
	TOTAL	925.60	
73. REDWOOD LANDSCAPING	AUGUST CODE ENFORCEMENT LAWN MOWING FOR MERIDIAN T	2,512.00	
	MARSH/CENTRAL PARK SOLAR ARRAY LANDSCAPING MAINTEN	10,425.00	
	REMOVE SHRUB PATHWAY SYSTEM & TWP SIGN BED FALL CL	395.39	
	TOTAL	13,332.39	
74. ROB ANTCLIFF	2025 FALL SOCCER CLINICS	300.00	
75. ROBINSON CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC	07/01/25 - 07/31/25 - INVESTMENT ADVISORY ACCOUNT	2,083.33	115504
76. RONALD RAU	2025 BOOT REIMB SENIOR BUILDING INSPECTOR	66.76	
77. SAFEWARE, INC.	MULTI-RAE AIR MONITOR REPAIR	185.00	
78. SCS SYSTEMS	10/1/2025 TO 10/1/2026 - TOWNER RD PARK - WASTEWAT	275.00	
	10/1/2025 TO 10/1/2026 - HNC - WASTEWATER TREATMEN	315.00	
	10/1/2025 TO 10/1/2026 - N. MERIDIAN PARK - WASTEWA	350.00	
	10/1/2025 TO 10/1/2026 - HARTRICK PARK - WASTEWATE	315.00	
	TOTAL	1,255.00	
79. SGI	MECHANICAL PERMIT CANCELLED 50% REFUND	72.50	

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80. SHAHEEN CHEVROLET INC	FIRE UNIT #663 - FUEL TANK AND ASSESSORIES	2,193.58	
	MP - FIRE UNIT #663	(93.55)	
	TOTAL	2,100.03	
81. SMART HOMES INC	POWER SUPPLY REPAIRS	966.34	
82. ST MARTHA CONFERENCE OF	CONSUMERS EMERGENCY UTILITY ASSISTANCE	396.53	115498
	EMERGENCY RENT ASSISTANCE	353.00	115514
	TOTAL	749.53	
83. ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH	EMERGENCY RENT ASSISTANCE	500.00	115499
84. STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,703.03	
85. STATE OF MICHIGAN	DNR DEER MGMT DEER TAGS	3,500.00	
	PESTICIDE CERTIFICATION - B. BORASHKO	75.00	
	TOTAL	3,575.00	
86. SUE ZIARA	REIMB FARMERS MKT GLEANING PROJECT	130.57	
87. T MOBILE	7/21/2025 - 8/20/2025 CELLULAR 517.980.0920	30.73	115505
88. TEAM FINANCIAL GROUP	AUG 2025 COPIER CONTRACT	2,552.82	
89. TED DASEN	REIMB DAMAGED MAILBOX TACOMA BLVD DURING LRP CONST	48.43	
90. THERMO SCIENTIFIC PORTABLE	ORDER #S0176818 - TRUNARC	40,000.00	
91. TOP NOTCH TREE CARE	RED CEDAR WATER PROJECT 2025	16,180.00	
92. TRAFFIC AND PARKING CONTROL,LLC	CUST #C18041 - CONTROLLER CABINET - CHIPPEWA MIDDL	1,860.00	
93. TRILOGY HEALTH SERVICES LLC	WILLOWS PROPERTY DAMAGE - AMBULANCE HIT CANOPY	2,950.00	
94. ULINE	CROWD CONTROL STANTIONS MARKETPLACE EVENTS	879.26	
95. UM HEALTH - SPARROW OCCUPATIONAL	AUGUST 2025 EMPLOYEE PHYSICALS	1,969.00	
96. VARIPRO BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS	OCT 2025 RETIREE MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT	16,106.55	
97. VERIZON CONNECT	AUGUST 2025 - VEHICLE DATA 100000198152	1,435.50	115511
	JULY 2025 - VEHICLE DATA 100000198152	1,435.50	115511
	TOTAL	2,871.00	
98. VERIZON WIRELESS	JULY 24 TO AUG 23 2025 - WIRELESS MOBILE SERVICES	2,563.34	115506
99. WASTE MANAGEMENT	ACCT 22-04156-63005 - 9/1/25 TO 9/30/25 - GAYLORD	358.41	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		1,130,190.75	

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1. CORE & MAIN LP	ACCT #600400 - ANGLE VALVES	2,031.60	
2. CORRPRO COMPANIES INC	8/21/2025 WATER TOWER TANK INSP - CORROSION CONTRO	1,770.00	
3. CUMMINS INC	8/21/2025 - PM TRAILER MT #1 GENERATOR	749.47	
	8/21/2025 - PM TRAILER MT #2 GENERATOR	749.47	
	TOTAL	1,498.94	
4. DREW WIRELESS LLC	#MTW082525 - SCADA - SPARE RADIO	1,500.00	
5. FERGUSON WATERWORKS #3386	METER GASKETS	44.02	
	METER PIT LIDS W/ 2 HOLES - IRRIGATION AND DOMESTI	6,832.00	
	WATER - METER GASKETS	145.00	
	WATER - METER GASKETS 1"	137.50	
	WATER - 1" METER GASKETS	357.50	
	TOTAL	7,516.02	
6. GA HUNT EXCAVATING	SANITARY LATERAL RECONNECTION TO MAIN	1,400.00	
7. IDC CORPORATION	8/19, 8/20 AND 8/22 - LIFT STATION CONTROLS PM	841.14	
8. JAECHOON LEE	UB REFUND FOR ACCOUNT	1,173.88	
9. MADISON NATIONAL LIFE INS CO	AUG 2025 - ACCT 102753800000000 - LIFE/DISABILITY	562.16	30236
	SEPT 2025 - ACCT 102753800000000 - LIFE/DISABILITY	563.64	30236
	TOTAL	1,125.80	
10. MAULDON BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION LLC	HYDRANT REPLACEMENT - CORNELL & GRAND RIVER	2,125.00	
11. MELISSA ZAHN	UB REFUND FOR ACCOUNT	1,182.99	30237
12. MICHIGAN PAVING	2024 MILL & FILL LOCAL ROAD PROGRAM CONTRACT	24,080.00	
13. USA BLUE BOOK	CUST #15443 - REPLACEMENT SUBMERSIBLE PUMP	2,263.97	
14. VERIZON WIRELESS	JULY 24 TO AUG 23 2025 WIRELESS MOBILE SERVICES 68	423.32	30238
15. WELLS INVESTMENT PROPERTIES	PERF GUARANTEE - PATHWAY COMPLETE - 5789 OKEMOS RD	3,211.95	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		52,144.61	

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INVOICE APPROVAL BY INVOICE REPORT FOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
EXP CHECK RUN DATES 09/16/2025 - 09/16/2025
JOURNALIZED OPEN AND PAID
BANK CODE: TA53 - CHECK TYPE: PAPER CHECK

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
1. BENNETT HOLDING LLC	KENDALE BLVD - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	333.20	14133
2. CORELOGIC CENTRALIZED REFUNDS	THORNGATE ROAD - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	465.92	
3. FIRST TITLE & ESCROW, INC.	5916 OKEMOS RD - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	1,001.79	14132
4. HELEN RAMSEY	TAMARACK DR - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	822.94	14134
5. MARY ANN BEEKHUS TRUSTEE	LONGVIEW DR - 2025 SUMMER TAX OVERPAYMENT	49.89	14135
6. MARY F MCDANIEL	WINDRUSH LANE - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	1,600.00	14136
7. MICHAEL OR CHRISTINA DAUKA	SANDALWOOD DR - 2025 SUM TAX REFUND	199.61	14137
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		4,473.35	

Credit Card Report 08/20/2025 - 09/10/2025

Transaction Date	Account Name	Transaction Amount	Transaction Merchant Name
8/25/2025	LAWRENCE BOBB	\$27.32	HAMMOND FARMS E LANSING
8/27/2025	LAWRENCE BOBB	\$10.72	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/27/2025	LAWRENCE BOBB	\$12.97	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
9/3/2025	LAWRENCE BOBB	\$7.56	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
9/5/2025	LAWRENCE BOBB	\$13.94	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/29/2025	TYLER KENNEL	\$511.56	GRAINGER
9/4/2025	TYLER KENNEL	\$112.47	SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY,
9/3/2025	TYLER KENNEL	\$95.90	THE HOME DEPOT 2723
8/20/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$17.99	PANERA BREAD #608017 O
8/20/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$2,046.57	GRAINGER
8/26/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$14.24	SEC OF STATE ESERVICES
8/28/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$16.42	DELTA RED ROBIN
8/29/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$38.89	IN *IMS ALLIANCE
9/1/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$15.98	AMAZON MKTPL*H04WT81N3
9/1/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$118.74	AMAZON MKTPL*XH48E14U3
9/4/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$24.60	BARYAMES CLEANERS INC 05
9/5/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$21.51	AMAZON MKTPL*L84GW5D23
9/5/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$382.20	AMSTERDAM PRNT & LITHO
9/8/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$15.72	AMAZON MKTPL*4Z1YF6B03
9/9/2025	MICHAEL HAMEL	\$58.00	AMAZON MKTPL*O41VK6GA3
8/26/2025	KYLE FOGG	\$10.11	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/27/2025	KYLE FOGG	\$52.42	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
9/3/2025	KYLE FOGG	\$8.98	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/21/2025	RYAN CAMPBELL	\$19.43	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
9/8/2025	RYAN CAMPBELL	\$13.90	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/20/2025	JACOB FLANNERY	\$118.96	COMPLETE BATTERY SOURCE
9/9/2025	JACOB FLANNERY	\$101.07	GRAINGER
8/25/2025	JEFFREY ROMMECK	\$9.98	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/28/2025	CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON	\$45.90	THE UPS STORE 811
9/3/2025	CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON	\$900.00	THE MATTRESS SOURCE
8/27/2025	BRIAN PENNELL	\$87.90	JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING
8/28/2025	BRIAN PENNELL	\$45.95	JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING
8/30/2025	BRIAN PENNELL	\$76.27	JONES & BARTLETT LEARNING
9/2/2025	BRIAN PENNELL	\$55.87	JIMMY JOHNS 9055
9/9/2025	BRIAN PENNELL	\$82.68	PADDLE.NET* HANJUN
8/20/2025	MELISSA MASSIE	\$29.75	AMAZON RETA* ZW1TS6C43
8/20/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$146.94	AMAZON MKTPL*XE8ZU1SG3
8/20/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$370.49	PY *NEXSTAR
8/26/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$38.62	MEIJER STORE #052
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$9.79	AMAZON MKTPL*D726Z03N3
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$69.87	AMAZON MKTPL*VY0CF60D3
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$9.49	AMAZON MKTPL*SL54C5O23
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$164.73	AMAZON MKTPL*UN4MU35P3
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$15.99	AMAZON MKTPL*K42E100H3
8/27/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$65.50	SMARTSIGN
8/28/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$59.98	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPT#3379
8/29/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$78.58	MEIJER STORE #025
8/29/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$48.55	AMAZON MKTPL*MJ2469N23
9/3/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$272.55	SQ *JERSEY GIANT SUBS! (O
9/3/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$96.21	MEIJER STORE #025
9/4/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$14.48	AMAZON MKTPL*DW0ND9CC3
9/5/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$52.33	AMAZON MKTPL*HQ0JH2CW3
9/6/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$142.68	AMAZON MKTPL*U902H78Y3

9/6/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$296.73	THE HOME DEPOT 2723
9/9/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$40.00	DICKS SPORTING GOODS
9/8/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$527.55	4IMPRINT, INC
9/9/2025	COURTNEY WISINSKI	\$272.55	SQ *JERSEY GIANT SUBS! (O
8/25/2025	KATIE LOVE	\$364.28	CONSUMER ENERGY
8/21/2025	TAVIS MILLEROV	\$773.37	NFPA NATL FIRE PROTECT
9/6/2025	TAVIS MILLEROV	(\$42.24)	NFPA NATL FIRE PROTECT
8/22/2025	TIMOTHY H DEMPSEY	\$780.00	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGU
8/29/2025	ROBERT CARETTI	\$41.94	WAL-MART #2866
8/23/2025	RICHARD GRILLO	\$82.99	GOOGLE *YOUTUBE TV
9/4/2025	RICHARD GRILLO	\$25.02	MT PLEASANT BREWING CO LL
9/4/2025	RICHARD GRILLO	\$14.00	BUFFALO WILD WNGS 3049
9/4/2025	RICHARD GRILLO	\$11.08	SQ *DOG CENTRAL
8/20/2025	YOUNES ISHRAIDI	\$80.00	MI PROF LICENSING
8/20/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$26.52	COMPLETE BATTERY SOURCE
8/20/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$86.31	ETNA DISTRIBUTORS,LLC
8/20/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$54.91	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
8/22/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$178.15	MIDWEST POWER EQUIPMENT
9/3/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$94.04	THE HOME DEPOT #2723
9/8/2025	KEITH HEWITT	\$41.15	ETNA DISTRIBUTORS,LLC
8/25/2025	MICHELLE PRINZ	\$26.98	ASANA.COM
9/2/2025	MICHELLE PRINZ	\$135.00	WEB*MLIVE.COM
9/9/2025	MICHELLE PRINZ	\$35.26	AMAZON.COM*4C7LS9TL3
8/21/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$108.00	AMAZON MKTPL*PK3WR9PR3
8/25/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$600.00	NATIONAL ASSOCIATION F
9/2/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$14.99	PETSMART # 0724
9/2/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$58.89	TOP HAT CRICKET FARM INC
9/3/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$412.56	AMAZON MKTPL*X58C156X3
9/4/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$119.92	AMAZON MKTPL*BM5185T93
9/6/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$9.99	AMAZON MKTPL*UH06H25P3
9/6/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$75.52	AMAZON MKTPL*KY1GZ0GS3
9/9/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$141.34	AMAZON MKTPL*6M0X078P3
9/9/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$236.18	FORESIGHT GROUP LLC
9/9/2025	CATHERINE ADAMS	\$98.28	AMAZON MKTPL*102FO0TT3
8/27/2025	ED BESONEN	\$500.00	PAYPAL *NATIONALASS
8/27/2025	ED BESONEN	\$70.00	PAYPAL *NATIONALASS
9/4/2025	ED BESONEN	\$29.00	MT PLEASANT BREWING CO LL
9/4/2025	ED BESONEN	\$11.54	BUFFALO WILD WNGS 3049
9/4/2025	ED BESONEN	\$13.76	SQ *DOG CENTRAL
9/4/2025	ED BESONEN	\$161.70	FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES
8/24/2025	BART CRANE	\$193.25	COMCAST / XFINITY
8/22/2025	PHIL DESCHAINE	\$207.41	BACKYARD BAR- B - Q
9/5/2025	PHIL DESCHAINE	\$38.39	STATE SIDE DELI
8/20/2025	DANIEL OPSOMMER	\$6.08	USPS PO 2569800864
8/26/2025	DANIEL OPSOMMER	\$174.16	BRIMAR INDUSTRIES
9/2/2025	DANIEL OPSOMMER	\$376.25	TITANHQ
8/25/2025	ALLISON GOODMAN	\$20.36	WAL-MART #2866
8/26/2025	ALLISON GOODMAN	\$67.98	FEEDERS SUPPLY COMPANY #4
8/27/2025	ALLISON GOODMAN	\$7.65	PETSMART # 0724
8/27/2025	ROBERT MACKENZIE	\$408.40	AMAZON MKTPL*1F3K81E53
8/27/2025	ROBERT MACKENZIE	(\$119.92)	AMAZON RETA* NZ1PZ5S11
9/10/2025	ROBERT MACKENZIE	\$142.40	AMAZON MKTPL*IQ0X01FD3
9/5/2025	CURT SQUIRES	\$100.00	A1 DETAILING & CUSTOMS
8/20/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$712.00	IN *AMY ROMBACK
8/23/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$6.91	FACEBK *Y4FM6Y8CR2

8/27/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$10.00	TEAM LANSING FNDR
8/30/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$10.00	FACEBK *XKG6LYCCR2
9/1/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$11.00	FACEBK *D4W7N2DBR2
8/29/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$13.08	WAL-MART #2866
9/2/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$13.00	FACEBK *263JGZGBR2
9/4/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$15.00	FACEBK *6Z4WZYCCR2
9/5/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$299.00	SQ *JOHN GUILFOIL PUBLIC
9/7/2025	SAMANTHA DIEHL	\$33.97	AMAZON MKTPL *5P3IY0B43

TOTAL

\$16,232.88

ACH Transactions

Date	Payee	Amount	Purpose
8/22/2025	Alerus	\$ 59,733.75	Payroll Deductions 08/22/2025
8/22/2025	Nationwide	\$ 19,690.14	Payroll Deductions 08/22/2025
8/25/2025	MERS	\$ 511,239.68	Employee Retirement
8/25/2025	State of Michigan	\$ 41,217.80	State Payroll Taxes August 2025
9/3/2025	Various Financial Institutions	\$ 382,158.97	Payroll Deductions 09/05/2025
9/3/2025	IRS	\$ 139,255.70	Payroll Taxes 09/05/2025
9/3/2025	Blue Care Network	\$ 135,585.63	Employee Health Insurance
9/5/2025	Alerus	\$ 57,460.49	Payroll Deductions 09/05/2025
9/5/2025	Nationwide	\$ 10,500.90	Payroll Deductions 09/05/2025
9/8/2025	Delta Dental	\$ 15,855.56	Employee Dental Insurance
9/9/2025	Blue Care Network	\$ 32,983.24	Employee Health Insurance
9/9/2025	Health Equity	\$ 1,308.51	Employee Health Savings
9/10/2025	Eyemed	\$ 234.53	Employee Vision Insurance
9/10/2025	Delta Dental	\$ 1,887.15	Employee Dental Insurance
9/10/2025	Various Financial Institutions	\$ 32,957.50	Election Inspector Payroll 9/10/2025
9/10/2025	Consumers Energy	\$ 60,167.12	Utility Transaction Fees
Total ACH Payments		\$ 1,502,236.67	



To: Township Board
From: Tim Dempsey, Township Manager
Date: September 12, 2025
Re: Temporary Treasurer Appointment

With Treasurer Deschaine's retirement effective September 16, the role will be open until a new Treasurer is appointed and takes office, likely between October 8 and 21. In the meantime, the Township Board needs to appoint a Treasurer to fulfill the administrative duties of the office to ensure the Township can meet its financial obligations. I am recommending that Deanne Muliett, the current Assistant to the Treasurer, be appointed for this purpose. A resolution has been drafted by the Township attorney and is attached for the Board's adoption, along with the motion below.

APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO TEMPORARILY APPOINT DEANNE MULIETT AS TOWNSHIP TREASURER TO DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF THE TOWNSHIP TREASURER UNTIL A NEW APPOINTMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE

Attachment:

1. Resolution to Temporarily Appoint a Township Treasurer

**MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP
INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**TOWNSHIP BOARD RESOLUTION TO TEMPORARILY APPOINT A TOWNSHIP
TREASURER TO DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF THE TOWNSHIP TREASURER UNTIL A
NEW APPOINTMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE**

At a regular meeting of the Meridan Township Board held at the Meridian Township Hall on the 16 of September, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Present: _____

Absent: _____

The following resolution was offered by Member _____ and supported by Member _____.

WHEREAS, the office of the Township Treasurer is currently vacant;

WHEREAS, consistent with MCL 41.75, payments are signed by the Township Treasurer and Township Clerk, which could render the Township unable to authorize payments;

WHEREAS, the Township Board intends to appoint an individual to the office of Township Treasurer pursuant to MCL 168.370, but in the interim desires to temporarily appoint a suitable person to perform limited duties of the office of Township Treasurer necessary to ensure that Township bills and payroll are authorized and processed in a timely manner;

WHEREAS, MCL 41.58 provides that where an official is unable to complete the duties of his or her office, the Township Board may “make a temporary appointment of a suitable person to discharge the duties of the incumbent’s office.”

WHEREAS, the Township Board hereby temporarily appoints Deanne Muliatt, also referred to as the “Appointee”, to discharge certain duties of the office of the Township Treasurer until the appointment of a new Treasurer becomes effective.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Meridian Township Board, Ingham County, Michigan, as follows:

1. Pursuant to MCL 41.58, the Meridian Township Board hereby temporarily appoints Deanne Muliatt as a suitable person to discharge certain duties of the office of the Township Treasurer until appointment of a new Treasurer becomes effective, subject to the following:
 - a. The Appointee shall take the oath of office and give bond prior to discharging any duties of the office of the Township Treasurer as is required by MCL 41.58 and MCL 41.77.

- b. The Appointee will be paid their current regular salary plus an additional weekly stipend of \$200 for their additional services to the Township.
 - c. The Appointee’s temporary appointment shall take effect on September 17, 2025, and shall expire when the appointment of a new Treasurer becomes effective.
2. The Township Board specifically charges the temporary appointment with the authority to conduct all powers and duties statutorily required of the Township Treasurer, except as follows:
 - a. To exercise any legislative authority or the power to vote; and
 - b. To serve on other external boards and committees as the current Treasurer may be currently appointed or assigned.
 3. The Township Board, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to reduce or impose any additional limitations on the authority provided for this temporary appointment by motion or subsequent resolution as the Township Board deems necessary.
 4. All other resolutions or parts of resolutions insofar as they are inconsistent with this resolution are repealed.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Absent/Abstain: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Meridian Township Board, at a regular meeting held on September 16, 2025, pursuant to the required statutory procedures.

 Angela Demas, Township Clerk
 Meridian Township

Dated: _____, 2025



To: Board Members
From: Michael Hamel, Fire Chief
Date: September 11, 2025
Re: Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc. Agreement

Meridian Township Fire Department utilizes a medical billing company, Medical Management Systems of Michigan, Inc. (“Medical Management”), to oversee the billing process for ambulance transports according to the rates approved in the township’s fee schedule. Medical Management partners with an outside company to manage the collection process for delinquent accounts. Medical Management recently informed the township that their longtime collection agency was acquired by a different company, and this company was set to impose a substantial service rate increase on Medical Management and Meridian Township. Medical Management decided to contract with a new company, Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc., to oversee the collection process for their clients going forward.

Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc. requires Meridian Township to sign the attached agreement before attempting to collect delinquent accounts on our behalf. This agreement is similar to the agreement with the previous collection agency and has already been reviewed and approved by township attorneys.

The following motion is proposed for Board consideration:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MERCHANTS & MEDICAL CORPORATION, INC. AND MERIDIAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP AND AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AND INITIAL THE AGREEMENT.

Attachment:

1. Agreement between Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc. and Meridian Charter Township

AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc. (MMCC) and Meridian Charter Township (the "Client"). For the mutual consideration set forth below MMCC and the Client agree that MMCC will attempt to collect the delinquent accounts that the Client lists with MMCC under the following terms and conditions:

1. MMCC is and will remain an independent contractor with respect to the Client.
2. The Client authorizes and instructs MMCC to endorse for deposit in the Client's name and in their behalf, such money orders, checks, drafts, or other forms of remittance MMCC may receive on accounts the Client submits to them for collection.
3. If and when the Client directs MMCC to forward any account to an attorney for collection, MMCC is authorized and directed to tender the account to the attorney as a convenience to the Client subject to the following terms:
 - a. The Client shall choose the attorney to whom the Client's account shall be transmitted. Such attorney is to represent the Client and to report to MMCC or to the Client as directed by the Client.
 - b. When the Client authorizes suit or an expense, MMCC is authorized and directed to conduct on Client's behalf all routine correspondence with the attorney, subject to the Client's control. All matters requiring a decision shall be referred to the Client.
 - c. The Client authorizes MMCC to advance legal costs on the Client's behalf.
4. The Client shall pay to MMCC the following fees for MMCC's services:
 - a. 25% of the funds collected for accounts where the original listed balance is over \$100.00 and the account was submitted to MMCC less than six (6) months from the date of last sale or service, or date of contract, whichever is later, and the debtor is located at the address furnished by the Client.
 - b. 35% of the funds collected for accounts where the original listed balance is over \$100.00 and the account was submitted to MMCC from six (6) months to and including a year in age from the date of last sale or service, or date of contract, whichever is later, and the debtor is located at the address furnished by the Client.
 - c. 50% of the funds collected for accounts where the original listed balance is \$100.00 or under, or which were submitted over a year in age from the date of last sale or service, or date of contract, whichever is later, or where the debtor is not located at the address furnished by the Client, or which the Client has directed to be sent to an attorney, or where the debtor has filed bankruptcy or a decedent estate has been filed for a deceased debtor.
 - d. We further acknowledge that the accounts listed with MMCC will be serviced on a contingency basis as previously set forth. To partially compensate for the work done on accounts which are uncollectible and upon which there is no recovery, and to offset cost losses and expenses incurred in skip tracing, investigation of assets, personal and field contacts with debtors, etc., any statutory or court ordered attorney fees and interest that may be earned or accrued that is collected on any of the Client's open accounts shall be retained by MMCC.
5. The Client agrees that from the date MMCC acknowledges the receipt of an account that MMCC has an agency interest in said account and it is understood and agreed that MMCC has exclusive control of those accounts until they are paid in full to them or to the Client, or until MMCC returns the accounts to the Client. "Exclusive control" means that any collection efforts, contacts with the debtor, and any negotiations will be done only by MMCC. Any Client direction concerning settlement or payment arrangements will be honored by MMCC and will be communicated to the debtor by MMCC. Any receipt of payments to Client is only a clerical function and shall be communicated to MMCC for further action consistent with this Agreement.
6. Client may withdraw inactive accounts from MMCC at no cost to the Client after 60 from the list date. The "list date" is the date that MMCC sends a written acknowledgment of the receipt of the accounts. Active accounts may be withdrawn only after payment of the fee and advanced costs which would be due if the account were fully collected. Active accounts include but are not limited to those accounts which are paying, have a payment agreement, accounts for which legal action has been authorized by Client, or which have a bankrupt or decedent estate filed. Notwithstanding anything in this agreement to the contrary, Client may withdraw any file without paying a fee for public relations or other administrative decision so long as the Client receives no money on the account and it is not withdrawn to avoid payment of a fee justly due MMCC. If a listed account has been paid prior to the list date a discovery fee of 10% of the balance will be charged if reported to MMCC within

Client Initials _____
MMCC Initials AMB

30 days of the list date. If the payment is reported to MMCC after 30 days from the list date the full fee set forth in paragraph 4 above will be charged.

7. MMCC hereby agrees to indemnify Client and to hold Client harmless from and against all damages, costs, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, directly resulting from MMCC's collection activity under this contract; provided, however, Client hereby warrants and guarantees that the information furnished to MMCC, including but not limited to the identity of the debtor, any information about the debtor, the balance of the account and the payments and credits due, shall be accurate. Client shall not refer any account to MMCC where the debtor has an open bankruptcy estate or the account has been discharged in bankruptcy. Client shall have an affirmative duty to report to MMCC at the time of turnover any legal representation of the debtor and thereafter to promptly report to MMCC any legal representation, bankruptcy filings, decedent estate, or any change in the amount of the debt by payment, adjustment or otherwise. MMCC shall have no obligation to indemnify or hold Client harmless in the event of error or omission of such information. MMCC hereby expressly disclaims responsibility for any other damages, whether special, incidental or consequential.
8. Client agrees to indemnify MMCC, its officers, directors, servants and agents and to hold MMCC harmless from and against all damages, costs, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees resulting from errors or omissions in connection with such information furnished by Client to MMCC. Client further agrees to indemnify MMCC, its officers, directors, servants and agents and to hold MMCC harmless from and against all damages, costs, losses and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees that may arise out of the acts of the agents or employees of Client.
9. The Client authorizes MMCC to report any of the accounts listed with MMCC to the credit bureaus. The Client agrees to give MMCC prompt notice of any payments made directly to the Client.
10. The Client authorizes MMCC to file proofs of claim in probate estates and bankruptcy estates on the accounts listed with MMCC.
11. This Agreement may be amended only in writing signed by both parties.

Merchants & Medical Credit Corporation, Inc.

By Anthony D. Bell

Date: August 27, 2025

Signature on behalf of Client

Client Full Business or Corporate Name

EIN

Corporate ID #, Partners, Owner

Client Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Telephone Number

Client Initials ASB
MMCC Initials



To: Board Members
From: Bernadette Blonde, Finance Director
Date: September 16, 2025
Re: L-4029 2025 Tax Rate Request

Attached is the 2025 L-4029 (Tax Rate Request) form for your review and approval. This form certifies the millage rates to be levied for the Township and must be submitted to the County Equalization Department and local taxing jurisdictions on or before September 30, 2025.

The following motion is prepared for Board consideration:

MOVE THAT BOARD APPROVE THE ATTACHED 2025 L-4029 AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRPERSON AND CLERK TO SIGN THE DOCUMENT FOR SUBMISSION.

2025 Tax Rate Request (This form must be completed and submitted on or before September 30, 2025)

MILLAGE REQUEST REPORT TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Carefully read the instructions on page 2.

This form is issued under authority of MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and 211.34d. Filing is mandatory; Penalty applies.

County(ies) Where the Local Government Unit Levies Taxes Ingham	2025 Taxable Value of ALL Properties in the Unit as of 5-27-2025 2,403,760,045
Local Government Unit Requesting Millage Levy Meridian Charter Township	For LOCAL School Districts: 2025 Taxable Value excluding Principal Residence, Qualified Agricultural, Qualified Forest, Industrial Personal and Commercial Personal Properties. Not Applicable

This form must be completed for each unit of government for which a property tax is levied. Penalty for non-filing is provided under MCL Sec 211.119. The following tax rates have been authorized for levy on the 2025 tax roll.

(1) Source	(2) Purpose of Millage	(3) Date of Election	(4) Original Millage Authorized by Election Charter, etc.	(5)** 2024 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(6) 2025 Current Year "Headlee" Millage Reduction Fraction	(7) 2025 Millage Rate Permanently Reduced by MCL 211.34d "Headlee"	(8) Sec. 211.34 Truth in Assessing or Equalization Millage Rollback Fraction	(9) Maximum Allowable Millage Levy *	(10) Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	(11) Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	(12) Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
Charter	Operating	12/1959	5.0000	4.1344	0.9945	4.1116	1.0000	4.1116	0.0000	4.1116	None
Extra-Voted Millage	Debt (Streets)	8/2019	1.9429	Not Applicable	1.0000	Not Applicable	1.0000	1.9429	0.0000	1.9429	None
Extra-Voted Millage	Community Services	8/2022	0.1483	0.1474	0.9945	0.1465	1.0000	0.1465	0.0000	0.1465	12/2031
Extra-Voted Millage	Police Protection	11/2020	0.6016	0.5981	0.9945	0.5948	1.0000	0.5948	0.0000	0.5948	12/2035
Extra-Voted Millage	Fire Protection	11/2020	0.6339	0.6302	0.9945	0.6267	1.0000	0.6267	0.0000	0.6267	12/2035
Extra-Voted Millage	Parks/ Recreation	8/2014	0.6667	0.6559	0.9945	0.6522	1.0000	0.6522	0.0000	0.6522	12/2025
Extra-Voted Millage	Police and Fire Protection	8/2017	1.4830	1.4687	0.9945	1.4606	1.0000	1.4606	0.0000	1.4606	12/2026
Extra-Voted Millage	Debt (Fire Station)	11/2012	0.2000	Not Applicable	1.0000	Not Applicable	1.0000	0.2000	0.0000	0.0000	8/2028
Extra-Voted Millage	Pathways	8/2016	0.3333	0.3289	0.9945	0.3270	1.0000	0.3270	0.0000	0.3270	12/2028
Extra-Voted Millage	Land Preservation	11/2020	0.1000	0.0993	0.9945	0.0987	1.0000	0.0987	0.0000	0.0987	12/2029

Prepared by Ashley J. Winstead	Telephone Number 517-853-4404	Title of Preparer Assessor	Date August 29, 2025
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CERTIFICATION: As the representatives for the local government unit named above, we certify that these requested tax levy rates have been reduced, if necessary to comply with the state constitution (Article 9, Section 31), and that the requested levy rates have also been reduced, if necessary, to comply with MCL Sections 211.24e, 211.34 and, for LOCAL school districts which levy a Supplemental (Hold Harmless) Millage, 380.1211(3).

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clerk	Signature	Print Name Angela Demas	Date
<input type="checkbox"/> Secretary			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chairperson	Signature	Print Name Scott Hendrickson	Date
<input type="checkbox"/> President			

*Under Truth in Taxation, MCL Section 211.24e, the governing body may decide to levy a rate which will not exceed the maximum authorized rate allowed in column 9. The requirements of MCL 211.24e must be met prior to levying an operating levy which is larger than the base tax rate but not larger than the rate in column 9.

** **IMPORTANT:** See instructions on page 2 regarding where to find the millage rate used in column (5).

Local School District Use Only. Complete if requesting millage to be levied. See STC Bulletin 2 of 2025 for instructions on completing this section.

Total School District Operating Rates to be Levied (HH/Supp and NH Oper ONLY)	Rate
For Principal Residence, Qualified Ag, Qualified Forest and Industrial Personal	
For Commercial Personal	
For all Other	



To: Township Board

From: Samantha Diehl, Communications Manager; Dan Opsommer, Deputy Township Manager/Director of Public Works; Phil Deschaine, Township Treasurer

Date: September 11, 2025

Re: Surplus Equipment Disposal

Over recent months, the following pieces of equipment have been taken out of service as they no longer provide any functional use for Township Operations:

- A. (1) 2014 Ford Explorer, Unit #118, VIN#1FM5K8AR3EGC60298
- B. Miscellaneous equipment: jetting nozzles, gas powered blower, gas power compressor
- C. (1) 1-HP LaserJet 9050dn
- D. (1) AJA FS1 – S/N: 3F3057
- E. (1) RDL RU-SX4A Audio Switcher – S/N: N/A
- F. (1) Dell Optiplex 790 Computer – S/N: 6X1YYQ1

Due to a combination of normal wear and tear, excessive use of consumables, poor performance, sub-optimal reliability, and other forms of obsolescence, these items have already been replaced with newer equipment. Moreover, there is no foreseeable use for any of the listed legacy resources in our existing operational environment. This being the case, it is time to have these items removed from our fixed asset inventory to make way for future rounds of replacements.

The following has been prepared for Board consideration:

MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMUNICATIONS MANAGER, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE TREASURER TO SELL, RECYCLE, AND/OR DISPOSE OF OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT, ACCORDING TO TOWNSHIP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES.



To: Board Members
From: Phil Deschaine, Treasurer
Date: September 12, 2025
Re: Online Payments Update

9-H

Attached is Meridian Township's third quarter 2025 Online Payment summary from Invoice Cloud, our electronic payments vendor.

Over the past 7 years, we have seen the number of online payments increase 900 percent, from 4,800 in 2018, to an estimated 44,550 in 2025. The dollar amount of these payments has increased from \$3,075,000 in 2018 to an estimated \$31,250,000 for 2025.

Year to year, we increased the count of online payers by 9%, and increased payment volume by 20% from 2024. I expect the new Treasurer will see continued growth in both the count and volume of online payments in the years ahead.

Online payments offer significant advantages for our residents. These include the convenience of paying from a phone or computer, paperless billing, and no fee for all those that pay with an electronic funds transfer (EFT) from their checking or savings account. Over 60% of our residents pay with this no-fee online payment option.



Quarterly InvoiceCloud Report for Charter Township of Meridian

Biller ID  X

**Apr-Jun 2025
Payment Count**

10,572

▲ +12.1% difference from Apr-Jun 2024

**Calendar Year to Date
Payment Count**

32,713

▲ +9.0% difference from 2024

Invoices Paid in Relation to Due Date for Apr-Jun 2025

> 4 Weeks Before Due Date	0.1%
4 Weeks Before Due Date	0.3%
3 Weeks Before Due Date	13.6%
2 Weeks Before Due Date	15.8%
1 Week Before Due Date	11.9%
On Due Date	46.6%
1 Week After Due Date	3.6%
> 1 Week After Due Date	8.2%

**Apr-Jun 2025 Payment
Volume**

\$2,553,868

▲ +35.0% difference from Apr-Jun 2024

**Calendar Year to Date
Payment Volume**

\$23,549,847

▲ +20.2% difference from 2024

Payments by Type for Apr-Jun 2025

	Volume	Count	% of Total Count
EFT (Check)	\$1,628,871	6,037	57.1%
Credit Card	\$802,811	3,816	36.1%
Online Bank Direct	\$96,249	576	5.4%
PayPal Brands	\$25,937	143	1.4%

**Calendar Year to Date
Payment Adoption**

48.8%

▲ +6.4% difference from 2024

**Apr-Jun 2025 New Autopay
Signups**

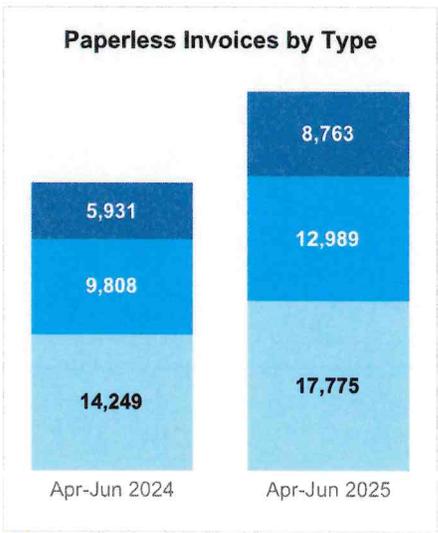
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▲ +30.8% difference from Apr-Jun 2024

**Apr-Jun 2025 New Paperless
Signups**

463

▲ +45.1% difference from Apr-Jun 2024



**Calendar Year to Date Autopay
Adoption**

19.0%

▲ +9.4% difference from 2024

**Calendar Year to Date Savings
from Paperless**

\$22,282

▲ +8.4% difference from 2024

Data as of 9/10/2025 7:14:33 AM

 Paperless Invoices
 Electronic Invoices
 Remaining Invoices



10. A/12. A

To: Township Board

From: Tim Dempsey, Township Manager
Bernadette Blonde, Finance Director

Date: September 12, 2025

Re: Public Hearing & Discussion– 2026 Recommended Budget

As required by the Charter Township Act and the Budget Hearings of Local Governments Act, a public hearing must be held prior to the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget. Notice of the hearing was published in the Lansing State Journal on September 9, 2025. The board received the [2026 Budget document](#) at its September 2, 2025 meeting.

The purpose of this public hearing is to provide residents with the opportunity to comment on the proposed budget prior to final adoption.

We look forward to your discussion of the 2026 Budget on Tuesday evening.



To: Board Members

From: Timothy R. Schmitt, *AICP*
Director of Community Planning and Development

Date: September 11, 2025

Re: Planned Unit Development 25-12 – 3560 Hulett Road (Giguere Homes)

The Planning Commission and Staff have been reviewing the proposed redevelopment project at the Netzloff Farm, located at 3560 Hulett Road. The proposed development would preserve the existing house on the property, while removing the remaining structures and creating five new buildable lots on the property. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the Planned Unit Development (PUD) proposal at their [June 23, 2025](#) (minutes [HERE](#)) meeting, after the public hearing on the matter at the [June 9, 2025](#) (minutes [HERE](#)) meeting. The Township Board previously held a public hearing and discussed the matter at their [September 2, 2025](#) meeting.

This project was previously approved by the Township Board in 2022, but the applicant let the approval lapse and had to resubmit. This is the exact same project that was approved by the Board on [August 4, 2022](#). There were no major changes made to the submittal in 2022 and the applicant has continued to work on the engineering in the interim years, specifically working to meet the standards of the Ingham County Drain Commission.

At this time, Staff would **recommend approval** of the PUD for 3560 Hulett Road and would offer the following motion for the Township Board's use in their deliberations on the matter.

Motion to adopt the resolution approving the Planned Unit Development request from Jim Giguere, for the redevelopment of the property at 3560 Hulett Road.

Attachments:

1. Resolution for Approval
2. PUD 25-12 – 3560 Hulett Road

RESOLUTION TO APPROVAL

**Planned Unit Development 25-12
3560 Hulett Road – Jim Giguere**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 16th day of September 2025, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, Jim Giguere has submitted a request to establish a planned unit development (PUD) at 3560 Hulett Road; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planned unit development includes the construction of 5 detached single family residential homes and the preservation of one existing single family residential home on six lots on approximately 5 acres; and

WHEREAS, the subject site is appropriately zoned RA (Single Family-Medium Density), which allows for a planned unit development; and

WHEREAS, the approximate 1.2 dwelling units per acre (du/a) density of the proposed development is consistent with the R2-Residential 0.5-3.5 Future Land Use Map designation from the 2017 Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing at its regular meeting on June 9, 2025 and made a positive recommendation on the project at their June 23, 2025 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planned unit development meets the minimum PUD performance objective to preserve at least 50% of the project area, excluding wetlands and floodplains, as open space; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planned unit development will be harmonious and similar in character with the existing residential developments to the north and east of the subject site; and

WHEREAS, the requested waivers for building setbacks are necessary to facilitate preservation of open space; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planned unit development will be adequately served by public water and sanitary sewer; and

WHEREAS, the proposed planned unit development meets the minimum PUD performance objectives as stated in Section 86-439(b) of the Code of Ordinances; and

**Resolution of Approval
PUD 25-12 (3560 Hulett Road – Jim Giguere)**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby APPROVES Planned Unit Development 25-12 for 3560 Hulett Road, subject to the following conditions:

1. Approval is in accordance with the submitted site plan prepared by Enger Engineering, revised on May 5, 2025 and received by the Township on May 15, 2025.
2. The waivers requested for lot size and building setbacks are recommended for approval as depicted on the submitted site plan prepared by Enger Engineering, revised on May 5, 2025 and received by the Township on May 15, 2025.
3. The applicant shall obtain all necessary permits, licenses, and approvals from the Ingham County Road Department, Ingham County Drain Commissioner, and the Township, as applicable. Copies of all permits and approval letters shall be submitted to the Department of Community Planning and Development prior to site plan approval.
4. All construction traffic associated with the project shall observe all county and state regulations for load limits.
5. The utility, grading, and storm drainage plans for the site are subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and Engineering and Ingham County Drain Commissioner and shall be completed in accordance with the Township Engineering Design and Construction Standards.
6. No grading or land clearing shall take place on the site until the site plan has been approved by the Director of Community Planning and Development and grading and soil erosion and sedimentation control (SESC) permits have been issued for the project.
7. The proposed private drive in the development shall be built to Ingham County Road Department construction standards and shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and Engineering.
8. Any wetland boundaries or setbacks located on or adjacent to residential lots shall be clearly identified by posted signage notifying the property owner of restrictions related to grading, mowing, placement of structures, landscaping, and dumping in the wetlands. The size, number, location, and language of the signs shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Community Planning and Development.
9. The applicant shall construct the required seven-foot-wide pathway along the east side of the Hulett Road frontage of the properties included in the development. The pathway shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Township Engineering and Construction standards. The design and location of the pathway shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and Engineering.
10. Street trees shall be provided along all internal roads in the development. The species, size, and location of the street trees shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Community Planning and Development.
11. The open space shall be reserved or dedicated by lease or conveyance of title, including beneficial ownership, to a corporation, association, or other legal entity or by reservation by means of a restrictive covenant.

**Resolution of Approval
PUD 25-12 (3560 Hulett Road – Jim Giguere)**

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

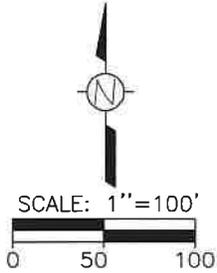
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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 16th day of September 2025.

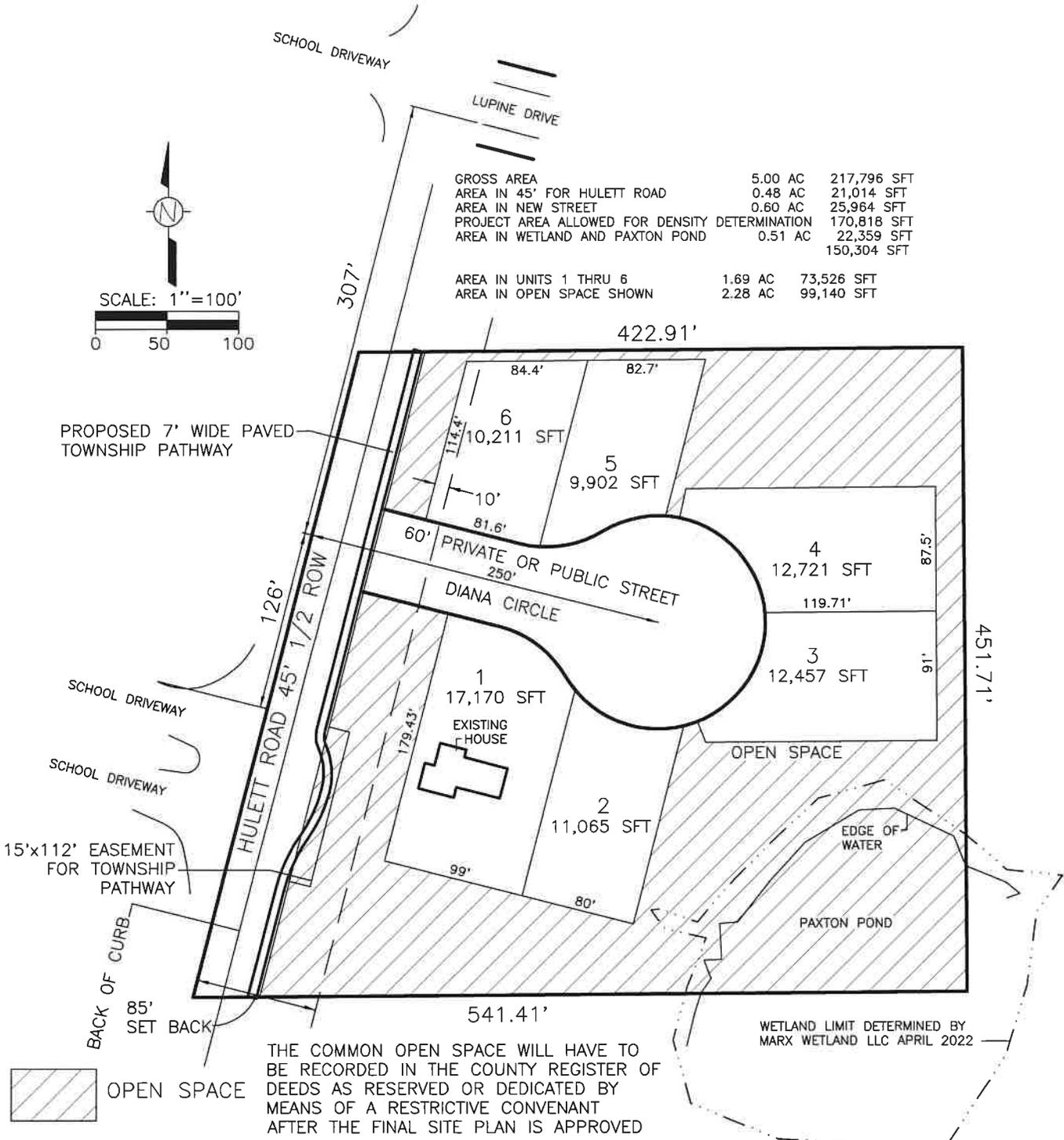
Angela Demas
Township Clerk

3560 HULETT ROAD SITE PLAN



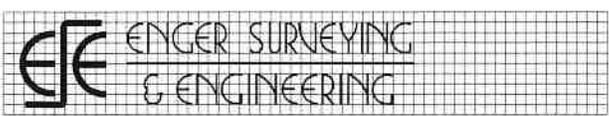
GROSS AREA	5.00 AC	217,796 SFT
AREA IN 45' FOR HULETT ROAD	0.48 AC	21,014 SFT
AREA IN NEW STREET	0.60 AC	25,964 SFT
PROJECT AREA ALLOWED FOR DENSITY DETERMINATION	170,818 SFT	
AREA IN WETLAND AND PAXTON POND	0.51 AC	22,359 SFT
		150,304 SFT

AREA IN UNITS 1 THRU 6	1.69 AC	73,526 SFT
AREA IN OPEN SPACE SHOWN	2.28 AC	99,140 SFT



OPEN SPACE

THE COMMON OPEN SPACE WILL HAVE TO BE RECORDED IN THE COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS AS RESERVED OR DEDICATED BY MEANS OF A RESTRICTIVE CONVENANT AFTER THE FINAL SITE PLAN IS APPROVED



PUD PLAN
APPLICANT: JIM GIGUERE

SHEET 3 OF 9

805 N. CEDAR PO BOX 87
MASON, MICHIGAN 48854-0087
517-676-6565

5 MAY 2025

ESE JOB 33-3442



To: Township Board

**From: Timothy R. Schmitt, AICP
Director of Community Planning and Development**

Date: September 11, 2025

**Re: Text Amendment #2025-07 – Parking Lot Landscaping Standards Update -
ADOPTION**

Text Amendment #2025-07 is an ordinance update initiated by Staff and the Planning Commission to update the landscaping requirements in the ordinance. The Planning Commission began work on these changes after the review of the numerical standards for parking for different uses, which the Township Board recently adopted. All of the proposed changes are specific to Section 86-758 and will modernize landscaping requirements in the Township.

The Planning Commission has discussed this on multiple occasions, working through questions and details of the ordinance. Discussion occurred on [April 28, 2025](#), [June 9, 2025](#), and [June 23, 2025](#). A public hearing was held on the proposed changes on [July 14, 2025](#) with a final recommendation of approval to the Township Board made during the [July 28, 2025](#) meeting. The Township Board discussed the matter at their [August 19, 2025](#) meeting and formally Introduced the Ordinance for potential adoption at their [September 2, 2025](#) meeting.

Staff **recommends approval** of the proposed ordinance at this time to amend the Code of Ordinances to update the standards for parking lot landscaping in the Township. Staff has provided the following recommended motion and attached resolution to introduce the ordinance.

Move to adopt the resolution approving Text Amendment #2025-07 to amend the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Meridian at Section 86-752 to update the standards for parking lot landscaping in the Township.

Attachments:

1. Resolution to approve Ordinance 2025-07
2. Ordinance 2025-07 – Parking Lot Landscaping

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**Zoning Amendment #2025-07
Parking Lot Landscaping**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 16th day of September, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, The standards for parking in the Township were originally codified in 1974 and have not been substantively updated since then; and

WHEREAS, One of the Planning Commission’s expressed goals is to review the ordinance standards and modernize them where possible; and

WHEREAS, Staff brought a draft update to the Parking Lot Landscaping standards to the Planning Commission that would enhance the use of green infrastructure and simplify the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Township Planning Staff discussed potential updates to the standards at the regular Planning Commission meetings on April 28 2025 and June 9, 2025, held a Public Hearing on the proposed changes on July 14, 2025, and recommended approval to the Township Board on July 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board reviewed the matter at their August 19, 2025 meeting and raised no major concerns, directing Staff to bring forward introduction of the ordinance;

WHEREAS, the Township Board formally introduced the ordinance at their September 2, 2025 meeting and directed Staff to publish the ordinance, as required, prior to the next meeting;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby ADOPTS Ordinance No. 2025-07, entitled “An Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Meridian at Article VIII, Off Street Parking and Loading, to update the standards for all Zoning Districts”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Charter Township of Meridian is directed to publish the Ordinance in the form in which it was adopted.

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

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COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Chair of the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 16th day of September, 2025.

Angela Demas
Township Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 2025-07

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
MERIDIAN AT ARTICLE VIII, OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING, TO UPDATE THE STANDARDS
FOR ALL ZONING DISTRICTS

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 86-758, Landscaping, is hereby amended to read as follows:

In addition to any landscaping required in any particular district, all parking areas shall be landscaped in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) Landscaping. Landscaping shall be installed and designed to control traffic, provide shade, screen views into and within vehicular use areas, and separate the parking, circulation, and service areas, in accordance with the following provisions:

- a. Parking lot perimeter landscaping shall be provided surrounding the parking lot in the amount of one square foot of landscaping per 20 square feet of parking lot pavement.
 1. Street trees shall count as both street tree and parking lot perimeter landscaping.
 2. Landscaping is required to be outside of the required building and parking lot setbacks.
- b. Parking lot landscape islands shall be provided throughout the parking area in the amount of 200 square feet for each 10 parking spaces, subject to the following:
 1. No landscaped area shall have a dimension less than 10 feet nor an area less than 200 square feet.
 2. One shrub per 50 square feet shall be planted on parking lot islands in addition to a tree.
 3. These standards shall apply to all of the following:
 - a. All newly constructed buildings.
 - b. Expansion of a use that anticipates a 10% or greater increase in required off-street parking spaces.
- c. A minimum of two canopy trees shall be provided for every 10 parking spaces, meeting the following standards:
 1. Canopy trees shall be a minimum of 2.5 inches in caliper at time of planting.
 2. Conifer trees shall be a minimum of eight feet in height at time of planting.
- d. Ground Cover. The types of ground cover listed below are required for any parking lot landscape installation:
 1. Natural Vegetation. These are listed in the Michigan State University Native Plants and Ecosystem Services Southern Lower Peninsula Regional Plant List, or those species that occurred within nearby municipal boundaries prior to European settlement, according to available historical and scientific evidence. These species shall not require pesticide and herbicide applications, to eliminate toxicity to local wildlife and aquatic habitats.
 2. Rain Gardens. A non-engineered shallow landscaped depression, with compost-amended native soils and adapted plants. The depression is designed to pond and temporarily store stormwater runoff from adjacent areas, and to allow stormwater to pass through the amended soil profile.
 3. Xeriscape. Landscaping which reduces or eliminates the need for irrigation shall be encouraged.
 4. Mulch. Ten percent of a parking lot island shall be a mulch planting bed with flowers or flowering shrubs.

- 5. Rocks & stones. Shall not be permitted as a primary ground cover and may only be used in building perimeter landscaping and in limited situations where mulching may otherwise be problematic with storm drainage plans, as approved by the Director of Community Planning and Development.
- 6. Vehicles shall not be permitted to extend into landscaped areas. Landscaped areas shall be protected from encroachment by the use of curbing, wheel stops, or similar means.

(2) Building perimeter landscaping.

- 1. Shall be planted along building walls visible from a public street or from a parking lot.
- 2. Shall consist of a mixture of landscaping and approved ground cover types.
- 3. Must have a minimum of 4 feet in width

(3) Maintenance of landscaping.

- 1. All landscaped areas shall be maintained in a healthy condition and kept free of refuse and debris.
- 2. Irrigation. Irrigation of trees and shrubs is required unless xeriscape plantings have been approved by the Director of Community Development and Planning.
- 3. Landscape upkeep. Dead, diseased, or missing vegetation shall be replaced within 30 days, or as soon as weather permits.
- 4. Snow storage. To protect vegetation, interior landscaped islands less than 20 feet in each dimension shall not be used for snow storage.

Section 2. Validity and Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and the invalidity of any phrase, clause or part of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remainder of the Ordinance.

Section 3. Repealer Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings Clause. This Ordinance does not affect rights and duties matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun, before its effective date.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective seven (7) days after its publication or upon such later date as may be required under Section 402 of the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act (MCL 125.3402) after filing of a notice of intent to file a petition for a referendum.

ADOPTED by the Charter Township of Meridian Board at its regular meeting this **16th** day of **September**, 2025.

Patricia Herring Jackson, Township Supervisor

Deborah Guthrie, Township Clerk



12. B

To: Township Board
From: Tim Dempsey, Township Manager
Date: September 12, 2025
Re: September 30 Listening Session

I would like to discuss with the Township Board the format and key topics for the September 30 Listening Session. I think there are some steps we could take to ensure more attendees are able to provide questions and comments to the Board, along with ensuring a clearer record for the follow-up document.