



AGENDA

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
June 2, 2015
6:00 P.M.



1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER⁺
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS
3. ROLL CALL
4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
 - A. Introduction of Promoted Fire Department Team Members – Fire Captain Derek Burcham, Fire Lieutenant Al Diaz, and Full-Time Firefighter Dustin Farhat
5. PUBLIC REMARKS^{*}
6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT
7. BOARD COMMENTS & REPORTS
8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
9. CONSENT AGENDA (SALMON)
 - A. Communications
 - B. Minutes – May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting
 - C. Bills
10. QUESTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY
11. HEARINGS (CANARY)
12. ACTION ITEMS (PINK)

****Public Comment**

 - A. Rezoning #15010 (Forsberg Family, LLC) – Rezoning Request for Approximately 39.46 Acres – **Final Adoption**
 - B. Preliminary Plat #03012 (Sierra Ridge) Plat Extension
 - C. Body-Worn Camera Pilot Implementation Program FY 2015 Competitive Grant
 - D. Refinancing of Bonds for Towar Snell and Towar Gardens Drains
13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS (ORCHID)

****Public Comment**

 - A. Okemos Road Redevelopment
 - B. Investment Policy
 - C. Northwind Drive Mixed Use Planned Unit Development Concept Plan
 - D. 2015 Township Citizen Survey
14. PUBLIC REMARKS^{*}
15. FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENT
16. ADJOURNMENT
17. POSTSCRIPT – JULIE BRIXIE

***PUBLIC REMARKS (Any topic - 3 minutes per person)**

****PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda item specific - 3 minutes per person)**

*Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Meridian Township Board by writing or calling the following:
Township Manager Frank L. Walsh, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198 (517-853-4258) – Ten Day Notice is Required.*

Meridian Charter Township: 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198, (517) 853-4000 Township Hall Room; www.meridian.mi.us

⁺ Appointment of President Pro Tem and/or Temporary Clerk if necessary

Meridian Township exists to create a sustainable community through the most effective use of available resources that achieve the highest quality of life.

TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING COMMUNICATIONS, JUNE 2, 2015

(1) Board Information (BI)

BI-1 Thomas Repaskey, 3663 Stagecoach, Okemos; RE: Planned Residential Development #15-97015 (SP Investments)

(2) Regional Linkage (RL)

RL-1 Patrick E. Lindemann, Ingham County Drain Commissioner, 707 Buhl Avenue, Mason; RE: Carriage Hills Estates Drain Drainage District "Notice of Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries" to be held on June 3, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Drain Commissioner's Office

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RL-4 Patrick E. Lindemann, Ingham County Drain Commissioner, 707 Buhl Avenue, Mason; RE: Trails at Lake Lansing Drain Drainage District "Notice of Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries" to be held on June 3, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. at the Drain Commissioner's Office

(3) On File in the Clerk's Office (OF)

Material handed out at the May 19, 2015 Board Meeting

Sam Singh, Democratic Floor Leader, 69th District, Michigan House of Representatives; RE: Support for the Township Board to approve the resolution to Tri-County Regional Planning Commission regarding use of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds to support the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

Clarke Anderson, A.J. Boggs & Company, 4660 S. Hagadorn road, Suite 290, East Lansing; RE: Support for development of the BRT

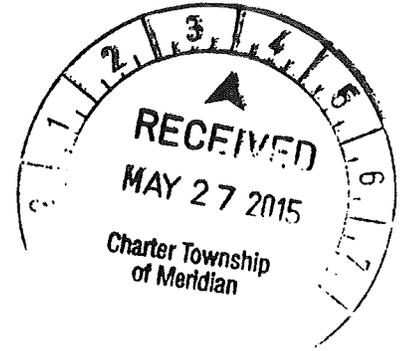
Lyle Marshall, 2134 Lagoon Drive, Okemos; RE: Request for an amendment to the Vegetation Ordinance relative to the language "within 75 feet of a structure"

**CLERK'S OFFICE
BOARD COMMUNICATIONS
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Board Information (BI)

May 27, 2015

Hand Delivered



Township Board, and
Planning Commission
Charter Township of Meridian
5151 Marsh Rd.
Okemos, MI 48864

Reference: Rezoning Application Identified as Planned Residential Development #15-97015 (SP Investment Limited Partnership)

It was apparent at Monday night's Hearing that the presentation caused confusion, not only for me, but perhaps for the members of the Commission as well. I am writing to clear any misunderstanding.

Specifically, Planner Gail Oranchak used a Site Plan to say something like...."this was the original plan approved by the Planning Commission in 1999." It looked like the "Proposed Site Plan" which was available to everyone at the rear of the Township Hall, except that there was no Forsberg Drive connection. She then presented the "Proposed Site Plan" which did include the Forsberg Drive connection. She pointed out that the Forsberg Drive connection was deemed to be essential and included in the Preliminary Plat, which was approved by the Township Board in July of 2000.

What was materially omitted was the "Current Site Plan" from which any proposed changes should be measured. While I understand that this was only a process to determine whether the proposed changes comply with Township ordinances, it is only logical to assume that this is the proposal to advance to a Preliminary Plat process. Your time and our time as participating citizens will be wasted without consideration of the Current Site Plan, and using that as the measuring comparison. It is clear from the developer's marketing materials that he is not using the Planning Commission Plan of 1999 but he is using the "Current Site Plan" as first approved by the Township Board in July of 2000.

As you are hopefully aware from the Public comments, in order to ameliorate the concerns and objections to potential heavy traffic flow into and through Ponderosa Estates, the "Current Site Plan" specifically caused Forsberg Drive to turn south upon entering Ember Oaks before connecting with the main north/south traffic flow on the east side of Ember Oaks, closest to Ponderosa. This single change everyone agreed was likely to keep traffic through Ponderosa Estates to a minimum.

By showing the original Proposed Site Plan of 1999 and the Proposed Site Plan of 2015 and omitting the "Current site Plan" of 2005 and now in place as a part of the Meridian Township Master Plan, it gave the appearance of a simple and inevitable change, not likely to find any objection of the Planning Commission, when in fact, some of the members of the Commission were trying to raise questions but were not sure how to ask the question and were apparently dissuaded from this clarity. Further, those neighbors who watch this process from their cable TV are not likely to fully appreciate the issues.

No evidence presented by the Kebs, Inc. presenter regarding the proposed changes to the "Current Site Plan" were compelling in any way whatsoever to change the road system adjoining and intersecting with Forsberg Drive. Generally speaking, his presentation dealt with a redesign of lots and roads on the north

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end of Ember Oaks so as to provide for more greenspace. He attempted to make the compelling argument that with the increase of required setbacks from the railroad line and pipeline, it was necessary to make some lots smaller, though he stated the "average" lot size did not materially change.

Using the table in the Proposed Plan, the 1999 Plan called for an average lot size of 31,974 square feet. (116.71 acres times 43,560 square feet divided by 159). The average in the Proposed Site Plan, including those already under a Final Plat, is 28,327.78 (102.75 acres time 43,560 divided by 158). Since the average larger lots were in Phases I through III, the change impacts the undeveloped sections, dropping those averages to 26,525.86. I believe those changes are material to Ponderosa residents and out of character with the underlying RR zoning. We think the developer is simply trying to maintain the 111 lots he started with years ago and risks "contaminating" the Ponderosa RR zoning and character via his re-design increasing density proximate to Ponderosa.

Safety is a major issue which must be addressed by the Township and the Planning Commission as it reviews and compares the Proposed Site Plan Sketch to the "Current Site Plan." Safety, drainage, character and other issues were agreed to in the Preliminary Plat approved by the Township Board in July of 2000. This Plat design, taken from Ember Oaks marketing materials, is attached, because it is easier to read than the "Current Site Plan" on the table at the rear of the Township Conference room.

The safety issue has 2 parts: the first part is whether Ember Oaks residents exiting the new easternmost Ember Oaks exit onto Jolly Rd, heading east will actually feel safe in doing so. The second part is whether there will be traffic back-up in Ember Oaks (there is already delay at times in the morning exiting Ponderosa). If either condition occurs, a motorist may seek an alternative route. The re-design provides no barrier to entry to Ponderosa, so it is logical to assume the Forsberg Drive entry to Ponderosa will be used. Ponderosa streets were not designed for that traffic, or traffic volumes, placing residents (especially children) at risk.

Our objections to modifications which would be made North of the east/west Consumers Power Easement are based solely upon the change in traffic flow as it might affect traffic into and out of Forsberg Drive. We are focused on those sites immediately contiguous to Ponderosa, and in particular, the street design South of the east/west Consumers Power Easement. We believe this is a significant safety issue affecting Ponderosa residents and their guests. The street design in the 2000 Preliminary Plat was acceptable and we urge you to return to that. Better yet, make Forsberg Drive available for police and fire only.

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Repaskey, J.D.
P38139
3663 Stagecoach Drive

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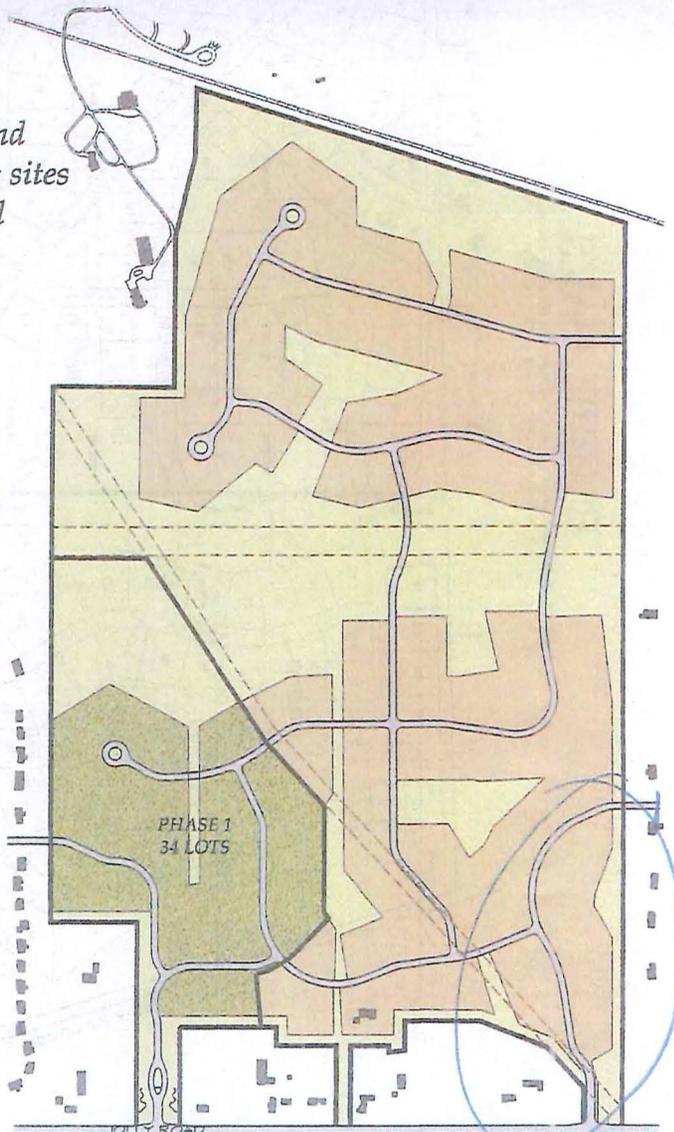
EMBER OAKS

PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT

Common Facts

- * 232 Acres total land
- * 158 Total building sites
- * 90 Acres dedicated open space
- * Public utilities
- * Sidewalks
- * Street lights

K	○	PHASE ONE LOTS
E	○	FUTURE LOTS
Y	○	COMMON AREAS



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**CLERK'S OFFICE
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May 13, 2015

Re: Carriage Hills Estates Drain Drainage District

Dear Clerk:

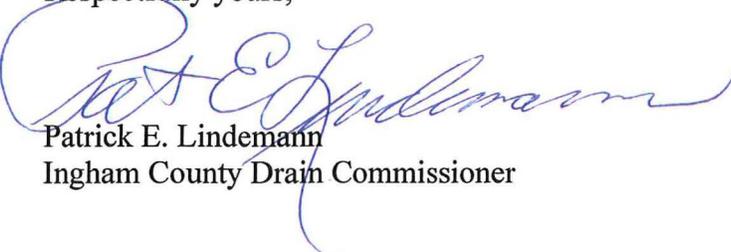
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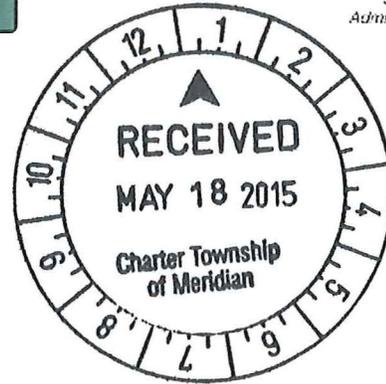
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A map showing the drainage district is posted on the Ingham County web site (<http://dr.ingham.org>) and at my office. A list of Frequently Asked Questions is included with this mailing.

If you have any questions, please call me. If you choose to attend the Review, I look forward to meeting with you on June 3rd. Please know that I consider it a great honor and privilege serving you and the other citizens of Ingham County.

Respectfully yours,


Patrick E. Lindemann
Ingham County Drain Commissioner



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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
OFFICE OF THE INGHAM COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER**

In the Matter of: Carriage Hills Estates Drain (R 07-08)

**NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW
OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES**

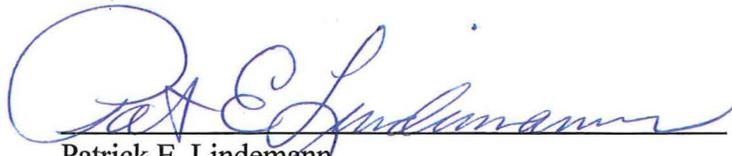
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Dated: April 30, 2015


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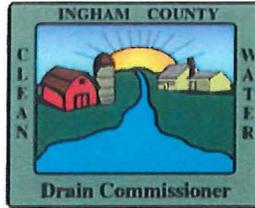
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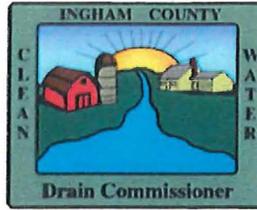
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Re: Trails at Lake Lansing Drain Drainage District

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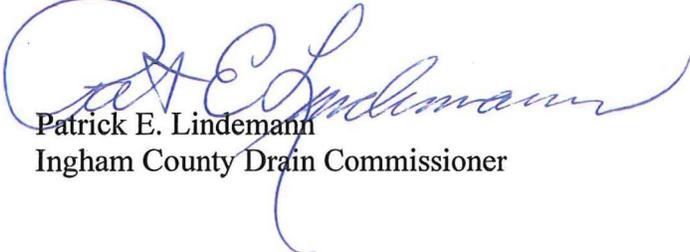
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In the Matter of: Trails at Lake Lansing Drain (T 22-00)

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Why did I receive a notice in the mail?

A: You received a notice because you own property in a drainage district where changes to the boundaries of the drainage district are under consideration.

Q: What is a drainage district?

A: A drainage district is a land area benefitting from an established county drain. Under Michigan law, a drainage district is a public corporation authorized to build and maintain a drain, and to own land and hold property rights necessary for that purpose. It is also authorized to assess lands within its boundaries.

Q: Why is my property in a drainage district?

A: Generally, a property is determined to be in a drainage district if runoff from that property drains to, or has the potential to drain to, an established county drain.

Q: Why are changes to the drainage district boundaries being considered?

A: In many cases, drainage district boundaries were established decades or even a century ago. Since that time, changes in land use, surface composition, and topography may have occurred that alter historic drainage patterns. These alterations can change whether, and to what extent, properties are now benefitted by a county drain.

Q: Is my property affected by the proposed boundary change?

A: Only a portion of properties are affected by the proposed boundary change. See the map online at <http://dr.ingham.org/> or call (517) 676-8395 to find out whether your property is one of those proposed to be added to, or deleted from, the drainage district.

Q: What if I don't see a drain near my property?

A: Not all county drains are visible. Although county drains can be watercourses and/or manmade ditches that appear to be creeks or streams, many drains are underground tiles beneath fields or storm drain pipes below streets or under backyards.

Q: How does my property benefit from the drain?

A: County drains are an important part of public infrastructure in much the same way as roads, water mains, and sanitary sewers. Although drains may not be visible, they provide an outlet for storm water runoff and reduce the risk of property damage caused by flooding.

Q: What happens on the Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries?

A: On the Day of Review, historical drainage district boundaries will be updated so that all properties currently benefitting from the drain are included, and the properties not benefitting from the drain are excluded. The Day of Review of Drainage District Boundaries provides property owners with an opportunity to talk to Drain Office staff to ensure that their property is correctly included or excluded from the drainage district.

Q: Do I have to attend the hearing?

A: You have the right to attend the hearing, but you are not required to attend.

Q: How can I get more information?

A: Visit our website at <http://dr.ingham.org/> or call (517) 676-8395 and a member of our Drain Office staff will be happy to assist you.

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PROPOSED BOARD MINUTES

PROPOSED MOTION:

Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting as submitted.

ALTERNATE MOTION:

Move to approve and ratify the minutes of the May 19, 2015 Regular Meeting with the following amendment(s): [insert amendments].

JUNE 2, 2015
REGULAR MEETING

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING - DRAFT -
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Town Hall Room
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2015 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Supervisor LeGoff, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Brixie, Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Township Manager Frank Walsh, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Public Works Derek Perry, Director of Community Planning & Development Mark Kieselbach, Director of Public Works and Engineering Ray Severy, Police Chief David Hall, Fire Chief Fred Cowper, Director of Finance Gretchen Gomolka, Interim Township Attorney John Dewane

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor LeGoff called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor LeGoff led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The secretary called the roll of the Board.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

A. Capital Area District Library Updates – Haslett and Okemos Libraries

Kate Nicholoff, Interim Head Librarian, Haslett Library, 1590 Franklin Street, Haslett, gave a brief synopsis of 2014 activities and accomplishments within the library as well as outreach within the Haslett community and Meridian Township.

Betsy Hull, Head Librarian, Okemos Branch, 4321 Okemos Road, Okemos, offered an overhead presentation on 2014 activities at the Hope Borbas Okemos Library.

B. 2014 Audit Report – Andrews Hooper Pavlik PLC

Jeffrey Fineis, Audit Partner, Andrews Hooper Pavlik, 4295 Okemos Road, Okemos, congratulated the Township on receiving a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. He gave a graphic audit presentation highlighting the Township's financial status for 2014 year-end, noting a slight general fund revenue decrease, primarily in the area of property taxes. Mr. Fineis noted General Fund expenditures decreased slightly in 2014, a sign of good cost containment. He added the General Fund balance increased to \$7.1 million and the unassigned fund balance represents 5 months of General Fund expenditures, exceeding the Township's self-imposed goal of maintaining at least two (2) months of operating expenditures in the fund balance for, at least, the tenth consecutive year. Mr. Fineis stated there was a net increase in the Water Fund, Sewer Fund and Motor Pool Fund of approximately \$1 million.

Mr. Fineis explained GASB Statement No. 67, reporting for the various defined benefit pension plans went into effect for financial reporting periods after June 15, 2013 and GASB Statement No. 68, reporting by the employers of unfunded pension benefit obligations, will be effective for the 2015 audit. He noted the unfunded pension obligations are being looked at by all municipalities in an attempt to improve the funded position of pension systems.

Board and staff discussion:

- Unfunded pension liability remained fairly stable from 2012-2014
- Unassigned General Fund balance is \$6.9 million
- Board goals for 2015 included many renovations which will decrease the General Fund balance to \$6.2 million

- Actuarial calculated amount required to be paid to Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) each pay period
- Appreciation for the slide on Pension and Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Obligations
- Schedule for meeting with MERS and other municipalities regarding pension discussions
- Unfunded pension liability will have an effect on the government wide net position of \$101,813,970 as of December 31, 2014
- Excellent audit report irrespective of the unfunded pension liability component

5. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor LeGoff opened Public Remarks.

Brent Forsberg, 2422 Jolly Road, Okemos, availed himself for Board questions relative to Rezoning #15010.

Ken Lane, Clark Hill Law Firm, 212 E. Grand River, Lansing, expressed appreciation for interviewing before the board and being selected as a candidate for Meridian Township's general legal services.

Neil Bowlby, 6020 Beechwood Drive, Haslett, reminded the public of the Planning Commission's work session regarding a Master Plan public input forum on Thursday, May 21 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Room. He announced the Liaison for Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation (LINC) will meet tomorrow at the Haslett Library. Mr. Bowlby voiced appreciation to the Township Manager and Management Team for the robust general fund balance. He addressed proposed legislation on a three bill package which would prohibit prevailing wage in government construction contracts, and spoke to contemplated Religious Freedom Restoration Act legislation.

Supervisor LeGoff closed Public Remarks.

6. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT

Manager Walsh reported on the following:

- The prevailing wage issue passed the House committee on a 11-7 vote
- Footings for the new fire station being poured today, with vertical construction to commence next week
- MARC/Fire station committee will meet Friday, May 22nd to hear the three (3) proposals

7. BOARD COMMENTS & REPORTS

Trustee Veenstra objected to the length of tonight's agenda. He spoke to the poor condition of roads in the state, urging residents to contact their state legislator to raise the gas tax to provide increased funding for road repair.

Trustee Styka announced this week as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) week. He reported his attendance at the May 12th Friends of the Parks Volunteer Recognition Ceremony where 100 individuals were honored for their volunteer activities in Meridian's park system, with Bobbie DuByne being named Volunteer of the Year. Trustee Styka reported his participation last week in a community broadband webinar and that MSU Credit Union will plant \$1,000 worth of trees tomorrow in Nancy Moore Park as part of its Go Green program. He announced both high schools will hold their commencement exercises on Sunday, May 31st at 1:00 P.M., adding Okemos graduation will be held at the Michigan State University auditorium with 289 graduates and Haslett graduation will take place at the MSU Breslin Center for 215 Haslett graduates. Trustee Styka reported remodeling projects in both school districts.

Treasurer Brixie reported her attendance at the Land Preservation Advisory Board meeting last week where a special site visit was conducted for Towar Woods to inspect reforestation efforts and invasive species removal. She indicated her attendance at Culvers to participate in a fundraiser by the Meridian Fire Department to aid a disabled Meridian resident by constructing a garage which

will house his vehicle. Treasurer Brixie noted donations for materials are being accepted at the Municipal Building. She reminded residents of the detour on Okemos Road from May 29th through the 31st for the placement of the Okemos Road Pedestrian Pathway Bridge, adding northbound Okemos Road will be detoured from Mt. Hope Road while southbound traffic will continue south.

Clerk Dreyfus reminded citizens of Meridian Township’s 21st Annual Memorial Day Service to begin at noon at Glendale Cemetery. He reported a bill was introduced in the Michigan legislature to provide \$10 million in local funding as the state will mandate a change in election equipment, adding he has contacted Representative Sam Singh urging his support. Clerk Dreyfus reported his attendance at the May 18th Michigan Governing Conference at the Kellogg Center where the theme was Leadership, described as building authentic relationships, respecting colleagues/stakeholders and personal reflection on challenging issues while maintaining an open mind.

Trustee Scales reported his attendance at the May 12th Code Enforcement meeting to address residents concern. He also attended the May 14th Neighborhood Leadership meeting in the Township Hall where guest speaker Judge Donald Allen explained Sobriety Court in detail. Trustee Scales announced his attendance at the May 18th Planning Commission meeting where Planned Residential Development #15-97015 was discussed. He reported House Bill 4052 (Substitute H-3) has a statement which will hold harmless the anti-discrimination ordinance as passed by local units of government.

8. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Treasurer Brixie moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Seconded by Trustee Scales.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-1 (Veenstra).

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Supervisor LeGoff reviewed the consent agenda.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

A. Communications

(1) Commission Linkage (CL)

CL-1 John Scott-Craig, Chair, Planning Commission; RE: Invitation to attend a meeting on May 21, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Room to receive public input on the Master Plan

(2) Regional Linkage (RL)

RL-1 Marsha Madle, Secretary, Entrepreneur Institute of Mid-Michigan, 105 W. Allegan Street, Suite 10, Lansing; RE: Invitation to attend EIM’s Rise & Shine Breakfast on Thursday, June 4, 2015 from 7:15 AM until 9:15 AM in the Lincoln Room of the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, East Lansing

(3) On File in the Clerk’s Office (OF)

Material handed out at the May 7, 2015 Board Meeting

Todd Wilson, Park Commission Chair; RE: Invitation for Board members to attend a recognition event for park volunteers on May 12, 2015 from 6:15 PM to 8:30 PM, scheduled to be held in Central Park and the Meridian Historical Village

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

B. Minutes

Treasurer Brixie moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the Regular Meeting. Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

C. Bills

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

Common Cash		\$ 611,587.44
Public Works		\$ 284,878.16
Total Checks		\$ 896,465.60
Credit Card Transactions		
	PNC Bank	5,670.32
	Horizon Bank	<u>6,600.08</u>
		\$ 12,270.40
Total Purchases		<u>\$ 908,736.00</u>
ACH Payments		<u>\$ 573,683.64</u>

Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

(Bill list in Official Minute Book)

D. Fire Department Promotion – Full-Time Firefighter

Treasurer Brixie moved to authorize the Fire Chief to promote part-time firefighter Dustin Farhat to a full-time firefighter position effective May 29, 2015. Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

E. Ratification of Part-Time Paramedic/Firefighter Appointments

Treasurer Brixie moved to ratify the appointments of Lauren Gauthier, Samuel Gwinn, and Thaddeus Selden to the position of part-time paramedic/firefighter. Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

F. Appointments to Regional Committees

Treasurer Brixie moved to approve the following appointments:

- **East Lansing Meridian Water & Sewer Authority – Derek Perry, with Younes Ishraidi as alternate**
- **Capital Area Regional Transportation Committee (CARTS) – Derek Perry, with Younes Ishraidi as alternate**
- **Tri County Groundwater Management Board – Derek Perry as alternate**
- **Groundwater Technical Advisory Committee – Younes Ishraidi, with Derek Perry as alternate**
- **Greater Lansing Regional Committee for Stormwater Management – Younes Ishraidi, with Derek Perry as alternate**

Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

G. Resolution for Charitable Gaming License – The Cat Ambassador, Inc.

Treasurer Brixie moved that the request from The Cat Ambassador, Inc. of Haslett, asking that they be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a gaming license is approved.

Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
NAYS: None
Motion carried unanimously.

10. QUESTIONS FOR THE ATTORNEY (See Agenda Item #12 F)

11. HEARINGS (None)

12. ACTION ITEMS

Supervisor LeGoff opened Public Remarks.

Leonard Provencher, 5824 Buena Parkway, Haslett, spoke in support of the Lake Lansing Road Diet. He stated the vegetation ordinance amendment is too specific. Mr. Provencher believed the \$500 bond requirement contained in the vendor ordinance is excessive. He stated it is inappropriate to take Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding to support the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) when he believed no state funding will be forthcoming.

Neil Bowlby, 6020 Beechwood Drive, Haslett, agreed with Trustee Veenstra there are too many items on the agenda. He believed it difficult for residents to offer good public opinion within the three minute time limit. Mr. Bowlby also supported the Lake Lansing Road Diet. Relative to the vegetation ordinance, he noted the reference to the term “business days” appears in six other Township ordinances, so it is appropriate to use that term. He added three (3) days is not sufficient time.

Supervisor LeGoff closed Public Remarks.

A. Lake Lansing Road – Road Diet

Trustee Wilson moved to approve restriping Lake Lansing Road from East of Lac du Mont Drive to Marsh Road to provide one traffic lane in each direction, a center left-turn lane and a paved should available for non-motorized use adjacent to the traffic lane in each direction. Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Board and ICRD representative’s discussion:

- Great service for residents who use non-motorized forms of transportation
- Lake Lansing Road is heavily traveled and in need of repair
- Location is where there is not a continuous pathway connection for bicyclists
- Safety of bicyclists in the road as it is easier for automobile drivers to see them
- Approach ICRD uses to determine if a road can be considered for a “diet”
- One consideration for a road diet is if there is less than 15,000 vehicle trips per day
- Change will be well received by the residents who live in close proximity to the road diet
- There will be no passing on Lake Lansing between Saginaw Highway and Marsh Road
- Board member opposition to a passing prohibition from Lac Du Mont to Marsh Road
- No tree removal from Lac Du Mont to Marsh Road
- No residents have requested tree replacement from Saginaw Highway to Lac Du Mont
- Township is dealing with relocation of some trees along the north side in front of Sierra Ridge

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: Trustee Veenstra
 Motion carried 6-1.

B. Rezoning #15010 (Forsberg Family, LLC) – Rezoning Request for Approximately 39.46 Acres – Introduction

Treasurer Brixie moved [and read into the record] NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby INTRODUCES FOR PUBLICATION AND SUBSEQUENT ADOPTION Ordinance No. _____, entitled “Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map of Meridian Township Pursuant to Rezoning Petition #15010” from I (Industrial), PO (Professional and Office), RR (Rural Residential) and C-2 (Commercial) to C-2 (Commercial) with the voluntary offer of a condition limiting development to a mixed use planned unit development with a restriction of not more than 18 units per acre as allowed under the density bonus provisions in the ordinance.

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 is introduced at least once prior to the next regular meeting of the Township Board.

Seconded by Trustee Styka.

Board and staff discussion:

- No other type of unit is defined in the Township’s code of ordinances other than residential
- Board member belief residential living next to industrial uses is incompatible
- Primary industrial use to the west is to service and repair commercial lawnmowers
- Suggestion for a buffer from industrially zoned land when considering the plans for redevelopment
- Apartment complex is appropriate for the area as residents can walk to many businesses
- Concern with left hand turns onto Jolly Road out of the proposed development
- Appreciation for the proposed connectivity to the Township’s pathway system
- Board member belief the rezoning request to C-2 is being requested to obtain the mixed use planned unit (MUPUD) development designation
- Board member belief that RD (multiple family) is the appropriate zoning designation
- Board member belief the proposal does not have any new commercial component and tying in adjacent commercial components does not constitute mixed use

- Preference for the Township to make the MUPUD process cleaner by adopting form based code
- MUPUD ordinance allows for up to 18 dwelling units/ acre (four dwelling units/acre density bonus)
- Number of units per acre will be determined when the developer brings the MUPUD forward
- Multiple family dwelling units are a good transition between commercial and single family residential
- This rezoning was recommended for approval by the Planning Commission

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff,
 Treasurer Brixie
 NAYS: Clerk Dreyfus
 Motion carried 6-1.

C. Rezoning #15020 (George F. Eyde Family, LLC) – Rezoning Request for 1614 & 1622 Grand River Avenue and an Undeveloped Parcel on Central Park Drive – **Final Adoption**

Trustee Veenstra moved [and read into the record] NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby FINALLY ADOPTS Ordinance No. 2015-02, entitled “Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map of Meridian Township Pursuant to Rezoning Petition #15020” PO (Professional and Office) and RA (Single Family, Medium Density) to C-2 (Commercial).

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 is finally adopted at least once prior to the next regular meeting of the Township Board.

Seconded by Trustee Scales.

Board discussion:

- Two of the three parcels front onto Grand River Avenue
- Property is located within the commercial core of the Township
- Rezoning all three parcels together is not the proper method to rezone parcels which are not contiguous
- Board member view zoning for property on Central Park Drive should be reviewed more thoroughly and voted on separately

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff
 NAYS: Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 Motion carried 5-2.

D. Budget Amendments

Finance Director Gretchen Gomolka summarized the budget amendment request as outlined in staff memorandum dated May 14, 2015.

Treasurer Brixie moved to approve the May 2015 Budget Amendments with an increase in budgeted fund balance for the General Fund in the amount of \$38,605 which projects a use of fund balance of \$927,853. Based on audited 2014 results the projected fund balance at December 31, 2015 will be \$6,185,177. Seconded by Trustee Styka.

Board discussion:

- Fund balance is up \$700,000 from estimation at the end of last year based on increased revenue and controlled expenses
- \$2,500 for the Community Garden initiative was added by the Board
- Board member belief it is a better policy to not include grants in the budget until actually acquired

- Payment of \$310,00 to CATA in the bill run includes some CATA revenues from the prior year

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus

NAYS: None

Motion carried unanimously.

E. General Legal Services

Trustee Styka summarized the responses of the four (4) candidates.

Board discussion:

- Availability factor to hold office hours at the Township and attend Board meetings
- Experience over the years with Township staff

Trustee Scales moved to authorize Township Manager Walsh and Committee Chairman Styka to enter into contract negotiations with the Fahey Firm. The proposed legal services contract shall be back in front of the Township Board for consideration (action) on June 2, 2015. Seconded by Treasurer Brixie.

Continued Board discussion:

- Staff works with the law firm and depends on the legal advice more than Township Board members
- Poll of staff by one Board member revealed that staff is comfortable with the Fahey Law Firm
- Board member disappointment that a motion was made prematurely for the Fahey Firm, going against the preference of the subcommittee chair to thoroughly discuss all legal firm proposals before making a motion for one specific firm
- Plunkett Cooney has worked with the staff of various departments in the Township
- Plunkett Cooney has been successful in its previous work for the Township
- Plunkett Cooney offered the best description of Meridian Township
- Appreciation for Plunkett Cooney's use and share of digital communication
- Two of Clark Hill's main attorneys are Township residents
- Board member preference for Clark Hill's all inclusive retainer
- Appreciation for Clark Hill's response regarding holding office hours at the Township and attending Board meetings
- Board member's belief the Fahey Firm was disingenuous in some of its responses during the law firm interview
- Appreciation that all of the candidates have attorneys who live in the Township, have a vested interest in the community and advocates for the Township in their personal lives
- Fahey Firm trains municipal attorneys and trains staff on municipal issues
- Meridian Township is home to an educated populace in a variety of professions
- Fahey Firm is located in Meridian Township
- Fahey Law Firm was actively involved in an issue on a piece of property located next to their firm in Meridian Township
- All residents of Meridian Township have a right to voter referendum
- Fahey Firm was involved in the first successful Meridian Township road millage through organization of the Ballot Question Committee
- Board member concerns with the Fahey Firm's representation of facts and issues during the rezoning process and the referendum/petition process in 2012
- Board members concern with the Fahey Law Firm recommending and drafting anti-medical marihuana ordinances for various townships throughout Michigan

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie

NAYS: Trustee Veenstra, Clerk Dreyfus

Motion carried 5-2.

Supervisor LeGoff recessed the meeting at 8:16 P.M.

Supervisor LeGoff reconvened the meeting at 8:24 P.M.

F. Greater Lansing Taxi Authority (GLTA)

Assistant Township Manager/Director of Public Works Perry summarized potential membership in the Greater Lansing Taxi Authority as outlined in staff memorandum dated May 14, 2015.

[Clerk Dreyfus reentered the room at 8:25 P.M.]

Trustee Styka moved [and read into the record] NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby requests membership in the Greater Lansing Taxi Authority (GLTA). Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

Board discussion:

- Resolution is a request by Meridian Township to join the GLTA
- Importance of regulating the GLTA

Legality of drug testing as a requirement for licensed taxi cab drivers: (Questions for the Attorney (See Agenda Item #10))

- Q. Wouldn't someone who used medical marijuana fail the test and is this even legal (because we have the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act) to say that somebody who uses medical marijuana would be forbidden to be a taxi cab driver in Lansing, East Lansing, Meridian Township, etc.
- A. I can't answer the scientific question, because I don't know what a five panel drug test includes; whether it includes cannabis, TCH or THC, whatever the byproduct is. There is some tension between Section 4 of the Medical Marijuana Act which was, as already discussed, an initiative adopted by the People of the State of Michigan. As I recall, it got more votes than President Obama did in 2008 in Michigan. There is some tension because you can't penalize a medical marijuana user on an occupational basis if that's what, indeed, this is attempting to do. On the other hand, a person cannot drive under the influence even if the person is a medical marijuana patient. I think the science has to be looked at as to whether the 15 days is appropriate or what are the tests that we're looking at, because there is some potential tension there, there's no doubt about it.

Board discussion:

- Inquiry if this is consistent with the language utilized for having a commercial driver's license

ATTORNEY COMMENT: There may also be federal DOT regulations that apply to a CBL that don't apply to a taxi driver. You have to get over 25,000 pounds or something to kick that federal standard in. Those taxi cabs don't get that ever.

Continued Board and staff discussion:

- Preference to table in an effort to get several questions answered
- Resolution only requests Meridian Township to have a seat at the table
- Other professions who drive require drug testing (firefighters, police officers, health care workers, etc.)
- If other occupations have been able to incorporate the medical marijuana law that we have in Michigan, the same rules would apply to every other drug testing
- Municipal Partnership Agreement will be amended to include Meridian Township as a signatory
- Agreement will come before the Township Board for discussion, possible amendment and/or approval
- The Township should not have any liability or liability costs by joining the GLTA
- Practicality of having a regional authority in the area
- Basis for creating the GLTA is for rider safety and drug testing helps with the safety issue
- Length of time THC (active ingredient in marijuana) lasts in a person's system before breaking down is two (2) to four (4) weeks
- Concern with booking rides only through digital platform, and not through street hails
- Concern over the restrictions placed on the driver (i.e., property crimes) and the length of time involved (7 years)

Applicability of GLTA regulations in Meridian Township: (Questions for the Attorney (See Agenda Item #10))

- Q. If we pass this resolution to join the Taxi Authority, are we bound by these 15 pages of regulations, or will somebody have to come back to this Board and get this Board to pass a resolution or ordinance to make it illegal to drive a taxi in Meridian Township if you are under 21?
 In other words, does joining the Authority make that regulation law in Meridian or do we have to pass an individual ordinance that makes all these regulations law in Meridian Township?
- A. The Municipal Partnership Agreement, in paragraph 4, provides that “the Authority shall be created..... and each party, upon authorizing the execution of this Agreement...” which you are not doing. But if you want to clarify that, you might make the change or amendment that’s suggested here, clearly stating that subject to negotiating acceptable terms in the agreement.
- Q. Who would enforce this?
- A. It is my understanding that to have enforcement powers, you would have to pass an ordinance adopting the prohibitions that are contained in the Agreement.

Board and staff discussion:

- Inquiry if the City of Lansing and East Lansing have subsequently adopted ordinances

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: Trustee Veenstra
 Motion carried 6-1.

G. Vegetation Ordinance Amendment – Final Adoption

Trustee Wilson moved [and read into the record] **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby FINALLY ADOPTS Ordinance No. 2015-03 entitled “Ordinance Amending the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, Chapter 82, Article II, by amending Section 82-26 and Section 82-27.”**

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 is finally adopted at least once prior to the next regular meeting of the Township Board.

Seconded by Trustee Scales.

Board and staff discussion:

- Concern over the applicability of the 75 foot limit if the owner has property beyond 75 feet from the structure
- Difference between platted subdivisions and meets and bounds parcels
- In platted subdivisions, the public road is deeded to the Ingham County Road Department (ICRD), so the right of ways are in the ICRD’s jurisdiction
- Description of meets and bounds parcels goes to the center line of the road
- ICRD has an easement for the public road
- Height of grass is the number one ordinance enforcement complaint
- Amendment meant to deal with blighted property and those who are habitual offenders of the current ordinance
- Staff will research the 75 foot requirement for purposes of enforcement by staff
- Days v. business days
- Days v. Township business days

ATTORNEY COMMENT: The Code of Ordinances provides a computation of time. The computation of time excludes Saturdays and Sundays.

Continued Board and staff discussion:

- Business days doesn’t fit this definition for computing time

- Zoning ordinance uses the term “days”
- Further study needed on the unintended consequences which may impact rural areas of the Township
- “Business day” is a well-known term

Trustee Veenstra moved to amend “three” business days to “four”

The motion died for lack of a second.

The maker offered the following friendly amendment:

- Delete the word “Township” before the word “business”

The friendly amendment was accepted by the seconder.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: Trustee Veenstra
 Motion carried 6-1.

H. Vendor Ordinance Amendment – Final Adoption

Treasurer Brixie moved [and read into the record] NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby FINALLY ADOPTS Ordinance No. 2015-04 entitled “Ordinance Amending the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, Chapter 38, Article IV, Division 1, by amending Sections 38-121, 38-122, 38-123, 38-124, 38-125 and 38-126; and Chapter 38, Article IV, Division 2, Sections 38-151, 38-155, 38-156 and 38-158.”

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 is finally adopted at least once prior to the next regular meeting of the Township Board.

Seconded by Trustee Scales.

Board discussion:

- Exclusions for organizations such as Boy and Girl Scouts

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: Trustee Veenstra
 Motion carried 6-1.

I. Bus Rapid Transit Funding

Treasurer Brixie moved [and read into the record] NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN as follows:

The Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian supports the award of CMAQ funds for the BRT development and encourages the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission to take actions necessary to secure such funds. Seconded by Trustee Wilson.

Board discussion:

- No Township pathway projects are before Tri-County which compete for CMAQ funds
- Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) leadership team has praised CATA for its financial plan for the BRT
- MDOT has repeatedly told CATA it will work with CATA on the match

- MDOT has adjusted its construction schedule to maximize efficient use of taxpayer dollars in fixing the Grand River corridor during construction of the BRT
- Request by our state representative for Meridian Township’s support of the use of CMAQ funds for the BRT
- Public transportation as an economic driver for the community
- Board member belief CATA is requesting \$4.8 million for the BRT over multiple years
- Concern with all left hand turns being prohibited on Grand River Avenue
- Board member belief Meridian Township owes it to the rest of the region and our elderly to move the BRT forward
- Concern with parking for users of the BRT
- Improved progressive traffic light synchronization along the Grand River Corridor would decrease congestion and reduce the carbon footprint
- BRT along Grand River Avenue could eliminate the green median in downtown East Lansing
- Median in East Lansing will be altered, but not removed
- Parking for the BRT is planned through public/private partnerships
- Increasing ridership is a main goal of the BRT

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: Trustee Veenstra
 Motion carried 6-1.

J. Summer Tax Collection Agreements

Treasurer Brixie moved that the Township Board approve the “2015 Summer School Tax Collection Requests and Agreements” for East Lansing, Okemos, Williamston, Haslett and Ingham Intermediate School Districts. Seconded by Trustee Styka.

Board discussion:

- One investment strategy utilized by the Township in negotiated tax collection agreements include a waiver of the right for school districts to earn interest on the collection provided the Township pay them in a specific fashion
- East Lansing and the Ingham Intermediate School District (IISD) desire collection during the summer for the entire year
- Many Township’s throughout the state only send one tax bill per year

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson, Supervisor LeGoff, Treasurer Brixie, Clerk Dreyfus
 NAYS: None
 Motion carried unanimously.

13. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

Supervisor LeGoff opened and closed Public Remarks.

A. Northwind Drive Mixed Use Planned Unit Development Concept Plan

Director Kieselbach summarized the Northwind MUPUD Concept Plan as outlined in staff memorandum dated May 13, 2015.

Ron Calhoun, 1427 W. Saginaw, East Lansing, highlighted components of the MUPUD concept plan as shown on drawings included in the staff memorandum dated May 13, 2015.

Board and applicant discussion:

- Board member belief the pedestrian and bicycle connections to the sidewalk on Grand River are not amenities
- Property between the Red Cedar River and the southern property line is zoned PO
- Use of the existing footprint would ultimately reduce the amount of impervious surface on the site
- Concept plan is not a pedestrian oriented development and does not urbanize the commercial area

- Board member belief the project presents sprawling suburban development on the front and reuses the building sites in the back
- Concern there is only one truly mixed use building
- Modern look of the buildings
- Appreciation for proposed small pocket park
- Board member concern with the single use bank building
- Board member preference for the site to be redesigned to create a village concept and orient it to the other apartment building and the river
- Architecturally and aesthetically compatible to have a four (4) or five (5) story apartment building which would reduce impervious surface, provide significant open space to create a “public activated zone”
- Need for the bank building to be moved closer to the road with parking in the rear
- Difficult layout of the existing shopping center and the need to remain sensitive to existing retail space
- Need for elevators if buildings are higher than three (3) stories

It was the consensus of the Board to continue discussion on the concept plan at the June 2, 2015 Board meeting.

14. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor LeGoff opened and closed Public Remarks.

15. FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Trustee Veenstra suggested the Board pass a resolution endorsing prevailing wage and send it to the Michigan Legislature. He reported his attendance at the Transportation Review Committee on May 13th where a presentation was made on the subject of road diets. Trustee Veenstra read excerpts from an email sent by Bill Fahey dated March 6, 2011 regarding the location of his office and the former KinderCare site relative to Chippewa Middle School, pointing out that contrary to Fahey’s assertions, Delta Dental is located across the street from the site of the rezoned property, not the school.

Trustee Scales announced the recent two year anniversary of Township Manager Walsh and expressed appreciation for his service to the Township.

Trustee Wilson thanked veterans and active military personnel for serving our country. She also congratulated all the graduating seniors.

Treasurer Brixie apprised the Clerk there was a problem with her Board packet being delivered to her home on Friday evening.

Clerk Dreyfus responded the Meridian Township Police cadets are responsible for delivery of the packet, and it was surprising they did not have an address on file for the Treasurer, nor did they contact anyone to determine the correct address. The Clerk indicated he would ensure the Police Department cadets had a current list of home addresses for all Board members and Park Commissioners to facilitate packet delivery.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor LeGoff adjourned the meeting at 10:04 P.M.

ELIZABETH LEGOFF
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

BRETT DREYFUS, CMMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Sandra K. Otto, Secretary

Charter Township of Meridian
Board Meeting
6/2/2015

GAOM

MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD APPROVE THE MANAGER'S
BILLS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMON CASH	\$	208,996.85
PUBLIC WORKS		157,235.82
RETAINAGE		
Ck # 2003-J Rank/Wildwood Lift Station		<u>1,003.85</u>
	TOTAL CHECKS:	\$ 367,236.52
CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS		9,571.44
	TOTAL PURCHASES:	<u>\$ 376,807.96</u>
ACH PAYMENTS		<u>\$ 381,668.14</u>

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1. ADP INC.	5/15 PAYROLL PROCESSING FEE	1,798.27	
2. AFFORDABLE TIRE	TIRES	248.52	
3. AIRGAS GREAT LAKES	MEDICAL OXYGEN	84.47	
4. ALLGRAPHICS CORP	BASEBALL HATS FOR WILLIAMSTON OKEMOS HASLETT	847.00	
	BASEBALL JERSEYS FOR OKEMOS HASLETT	1,254.50	
	TOTAL	2,101.50	
5. ARGUS-HAZCO	AIR MONITOR SENSOR CALIBRATION/REPAIRS	626.36	
	HYDO STAT TESTING SCBA BOTTLES	266.00	
	TOTAL	892.36	
6. ASAP PRINTING	FORMS&PAMPHLET PRINTING -POLICE DEPT	384.60	
	FORMS AND PAMPHLET PRINTING	63.84	
	FORMS AND PAMPHLET PRINTING	57.93	
	TOTAL	506.37	
7. AT &T	MAY SERVICE	39.69	89703
8. AT&T MOBILITY	MAY SERVICE	52.27	89704
9. BARBARA PETERSON	FARM MARKET VENDOR - 5/16/15	13.00	
10. BARYAMES CLEANERS	UNIFORM CLEANING EXPENSE - POLICE DEPT	807.10	
11. BENSON HILLS APARTMENTS	CRC FUNDS-PAST DUE RENT	550.00	89804
12. BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	JUNE PREMIUM	97,005.28	89802
	JUNE PREMIUM	2,878.53	89803
	TOTAL	99,883.81	
13. BOYNTON FIRE SAFETY SERVICE	SPRINKLER SYSTEM REPAIR-PS BLDG	425.00	
14. BRUNETTE EXTERIORS INC	FEE REFUND-BLDG PERMIT -PB15-0303/ ROLLING MEADOW	60.00	
15. BSN SPORTS	BASEBALL PROGRAM SUPPLIES	201.61	
	SOFTBALL VISORS FOR HASLETT AND OKEMOS TEAMS	1,033.95	
	ATHLETIC FIELD MAINT TOOLS	65.91	
	SOFTBALL CAP VISORS	176.70	
	TOTAL	1,478.17	
16. CARES-EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE	2ND QTR EAP SERVICES	1,094.00	
17. CHRIS RYAN	MILEAGE REIMB	94.87	
18. CINTAS CORPORATION #725	MECHANICS UNIFORMS	20.08	
	MECHANICS UNIFORMS	20.08	
	TOTAL	40.16	
19. CITY PULSE	FARM MRKT ADS	341.10	
20. COMCAST CABLE	JUNE SERVICE-HNC	129.58	

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	MAY UTILITIES	72.92	
	MAY UTILITIES-HNC	321.08	
	MAY UTILITIES	2,885.98	
	MAY UTILITIES	24.01	
	MAY UTILITIES	139.78	89705
	MAY UTILITIES	43.96	89705
	TOTAL	3,518.60	
22. DAVE CASZATT	REIMB-SUPPLIES/VOLUNTEER TOWAR WOOD CLEANUP	128.96	
23. DELTA DENTAL	JUNE PREMIUM	13,354.13	89805
24. EAST LANSING POLICE DEPT		1,953.00	
25. ELLEN JONES DILLMAN	RECYCLING EVENT COORDINATOR	500.00	
26. FAHEY SCHULTZ BURZYCH RHODES PLC	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	127.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	750.50	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	513.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	4,000.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	958.00	
	LEGAL FEES-LABOR MATTERS	1,250.00	
	TOTAL	7,598.50	
27. GLEN BRITTINGHAM	FARM MRKT VENDOR - 5/16/15	10.00	
28. GRANICUS INC	JUNE SERVICE-HOMTV	725.00	
	JUNE SERVICE-HOM-TV	325.00	
	TOTAL	1,050.00	
29. HASLETT ANIMAL HOSPITAL	VET SERVICES-YUKON	274.40	
30. INGHAM COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOC	2015 DUES	50.00	
31. INGHAM COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT	2ND QTR OHSP GRANTS	1,720.00	
32. JANET GAUTHIER	FARM MARKET VENDOR - 5/16/15	19.00	
33. JEFFORY BROUGHTON	RADIO REPAIR-POLICE DEPT	70.00	
34. JOHNNY MAC'S	OKEMOS HASLETT BASEBALL PANTS	3,344.95	
	SOFTBALL PANTS FOR OKEMOS AND HASLETT GIRLS TEAMS	336.70	
	SPORTS PROGRAM SUPPLIES	383.90	
	WILLIAMSTON SPORTS-TEAM SUPPLIES	26.00	
	ATHLETIC FIELD BASES	83.70	
	TOTAL	4,175.25	
35. JOHNSON CONTROLS	REPLACE DAMPER ACTUATOR MAU-3	1,001.13	
36. JOSEPH FRANK PENNONI	TREE REMOVAL-WONCH PARK	135.00	
37. LANSING POLICE DEPARTMENT	2ND QTR OHSP GRANTS	1,377.00	
38. LANSING SANITARY SUPPLY INC	CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	210.30	
39. LIFELOC TECHNOLOGIES INC	POLICE EQUIP REPAIR	68.00	

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40. MACLOW ASSOCIATES	CONF REG-GRILLO	375.00	
41. MARK EBENER	FARM MARKET VENDOR - 5/16/15	7.00	
42. MDAM IAAP	IAAP CONF REG-COLE	175.00	
43. MERIDIAN MALL	SHARE OF FARM MRKT REVENUE	433.45	
44. MERIDIAN PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS	DEDUCTION FOR RETIREES	675.00	89706
45. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP	TRANSFER FUNDS TO FLEX SPENDING BANK	1,322.35	89709
46. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP DDA	CELEBRATE DOWNTOWN SPONSORSHIP	250.00	
47. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RETAINAGE	RETAINAGE - TOEBE	470.04	
48. MICHAEL GRENAWALT	REFUND PAVILION RENTAL FEE	150.00	
49. MICHIGAN AMATEUR SOFTBALL	TEAM REGISTRATIONS-SOFTBALL	1,152.00	
50. MICHIGAN TOWNSHIP ASSOCIATION	ANNUAL DUES	6,201.63	
51. MICHIGAN.COM	FARM MRKT ADS	282.30	
52. MIRACLE RECREATION EQUIPMENT CO	SEAT FOR SWING	214.00	
53. MOORE MEDICAL LLC	EMS OPERATING SUPPLIES	200.67	
54. MOSQUITO SQUAD OF GREATER LANSING	MOSQUITO CONTROL FOR MARKET AND ADMIN BUILDING	175.00	
55. MSU POLICE DEPT	2ND QTR OHSP GRANT	1,203.00	
56. MUZZALL GRAPHICS	TAX BILLS AND TAX NOTICES	2,051.02	
	TAX BILLS AND TAX NOTICES	723.30	
	TOTAL	2,774.32	
57. NOKOMIS LEARNING CENTER	JUNE P'MT-PARKING LOT LIGHTS AGREEMENT	70.09	
58. OFFICEMAX	OFFICE SUPPLIES	55.33	
59. PLANET FOOTPRINT LLC	ANNUAL SERVICE	4,230.00	
60. POSTMASTER	POSTAGE FOR MERIDIAN MONITOR	3,350.24	89808
61. PRIME TIME AWARDS	FRIEND OF THE PARKS PLAQUE	27.50	
62. PRINTING SYSTEMS INC	ACCTS PAYABLE CHECKS	312.01	
63. PROFESSIONAL BENEFITS SERVICES INC	JUNE PREMIUM	10,144.20	89807
64. PRO-TECH MECHANICAL SERVICES	REPAIR AT 2150 CLINTON	335.42	
	AC REPAIR - PS BLDG	210.00	
	AC REPAIR-MUN BLDG	95.00	
	TOTAL	640.42	
65. QUALITY TIRE INC	UTILITY INTERCEPTOR TIRES	110.05	
	UTILITY INTERCEPTOR TIRES	110.05	
	TOTAL	220.10	
66. RECLAIMED BY DESIGN	OPERATE TOWNSHIP RECYCLE & TRANSFER CTR	2,000.00	

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67. RESERVE ACCOUNT	TWP POSTAGE - JUNE	3,000.00	
68. RMP SPORTS INC	BASE PEGS FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS	249.50	
69. RW MERCER	FUEL CONTROL CIRCUIT BOARD REPLACEMENT	3,370.00	
70. SANDRA STONE	FARM MARKET VENDOR - 5/16/15	23.00	
71. SCHROEDER BUILDERS	REFUND-PERFORMANCE GUARANTEED/4149 BENCA	500.00	
72. SME	DEBSITY TESTING-PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT	677.00	
73. SOLDAN'S FEED & PET SUPPLIES	CANINE SUPPLIES FOR TWO DOGS	63.98	
	CANINE SUPPLIES FOR TWO DOGS	32.99	
	CANINE SUPPLIES FOR TWO DOGS	40.98	
	CANINE SUPPLIES FOR TWO DOGS	51.99	
	TOTAL	189.94	
74. SPARROW OCCUPATIONAL	EMPLOYMENT PHYSICALS	908.00	
75. THE HARKNESS LAW FIRM PLLC	LEGAL FEES-UTC	6,683.47	
76. THE LINCOLN NAT'L LIFE INS CO	JUNE PREMIUM	2,896.89	89806
77. TOEBE CONSTRUCTION LLC	OKEMOS ROAD PATHWAY BRIDGE	4,230.43	
78. UNUM LIFE INSURANCE CO OF AMERICA	PAYROLL WITHHOLDING- LIFE INS	536.46	89712
79. WILBUR HOCHSTETLER	FARM MARKET VENDOR - 5/16/15	164.00	
80. WOOD'S OKEMOS MARATHON	TOWING CHRGS-POLICE DEPT	100.00	
81. ZOLL MEDICAL CORP	HEART MONITOR SUPPLIES	504.00	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		208,996.85	

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 PUBLIC WORKS

Vendor Name	Description	Amount	Check #
1. BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	JUNE PREMIUM	15,891.90	25843
	JUNE PREMIUM	317.87	25844
	TOTAL	16,209.77	
2. BYRON KEARNEY	REFUND-OVERP'MT OF FINAL BILL	18.20	
3. CHAMPION WOODS, LLC	JUNE SETTLEMENT P'MT	4,100.00	
4. CONSUMERS ENERGY	MAY UTILITIES	13.85	
	MAY UTILITIES	486.98	
	MAY UTILITIES	63.05	
	MAY UTILITIES	118.13	
	MAY UTILITIES	4,098.04	
	APRIL UTILITIES	93.25	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	133.82	25828
	MAY UTILITIES	17.17	25828
	MAY UTILITIES	73.16	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	63.05	25828
	MAY UTILITIES	49.03	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	128.24	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	111.39	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	63.18	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	22.61	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	39.24	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	83.49	25828
	APRIL UTILITIES	165.00	25828
	TOTAL	5,822.68	
5. CRAIG DONAHUE	REFUND-OVERP'MT OF FINAL BILL	128.35	
6. DELTA DENTAL	JUNE PREMIUM	1,432.58	25845
7. DUBAR DRILLING	REFUND-OVERP'MT OF FINAL UTILITY BILL	135.90	
8. FISHBECK, THOMPSON, CARR & HUBER	WETLAND CONSULTING FEES-SAW GRANT	41,249.90	
9. GREAT LAKES SERVICE & SUPPLIES INC	SEWER ROTOR NOZZLE	1,002.00	
10. JOHNSON & ANDERSON INC	UPDATE & ENHANCE TWP'S GIS	3,130.50	
	CITYWORKS & GIS REVIEW	892.50	
	TOTAL	4,023.00	
11. MARK MIDDLETON	REFUND OVERP'MT-FINAL UTILITY BILL	48.35	
12. MAULDON BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION LLC	CONSTRUCT TOWAR GARDENS LIFT STATION	71,797.50	
13. MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RETAINAGE	RETAINAGE-MAULDON	7,977.50	
14. MICHAEL & ANGELA HOOVER	REFUND-OVERP'MT OF FINAL BILL	51.22	
15. MICHIGAN METER TECHNOLOGY GROUP	1" METER ECODER INSIDE W/O RECPT	1,804.04	
16. THE LINCOLN NAT'L LIFE INS CO	JUNE PREMIUM	394.83	25846
17. TYLER KENNEL	REIMB-CDL LICENSE	155.00	
18. UNDERGROUND SPECIALTIES	DIRECTIONAL BORING SERVICE/VANATTA RD	885.00	
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS		157,235.82	

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5/21/2015	AMAZON MKTPLACE PMTS	\$3.89	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/22/2015	AMAZON MKTPLACE PMTS	\$5.75	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/20/2015	ARA AUTO OF LANSING	\$410.24	TODD FRANK
5/15/2015	BEST BUY 00004168	\$173.47	JOHN HECKAMAN
5/21/2015	BIGGBY COFFEE #121	\$56.97	SCOTT DAWSON
5/19/2015	BIGGBY COFFEE #121	\$20.13	KENNITH PHINNEY
5/14/2015	BIGGBY COFFEE #121	\$40.26	KEN PLAGA
5/14/2015	BLACKBURN MANUFACTURING C	\$204.67	GREG GROTHOUS
5/19/2015	BLONDIES BARN LLC	\$60.00	KENNITH PHINNEY
5/18/2015	BLUEGRASS LAWN & LANDSCAP	\$235.00	JOE VANDOMMELEN
5/22/2015	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND SUP	\$107.95	KEN PUNG
5/26/2015	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND SUP	(\$98.45)	KEN PUNG
5/19/2015	CHIEF SUPPLY	\$226.42	WILLIAM PRIESE
5/23/2015	COMCAST OF LANSING	\$9.44	KRISTI SCHAEING
5/23/2015	COMCAST OF LANSING	\$212.93	ANDREA SMILEY
5/14/2015	COMPLETE BATTERY SOURCE	\$6.23	KRISTEN COLE
5/18/2015	COMPLETE BATTERY SOURCE	\$67.96	ANDREW MCCREADY
5/18/2015	DEAN TRAILWAYS OF MI	\$911.00	MICHAEL DEVLIN
5/19/2015	DICK'S CLOTHING&SPORTING	\$239.96	GREG GROTHOUS
5/20/2015	DICK'S CLOTHING&SPORTING	\$59.99	GREG GROTHOUS
5/26/2015	DICK'S CLOTHING&SPORTING	\$4.99	GREG GROTHOUS
5/21/2015	DUSTY'S CELLAR CORP	\$100.00	MARTHA WYATT
5/19/2015	DUSTY'S WINE BAR	\$68.31	JOYCE A MARX
5/15/2015	FACTORY EXPRESS, INC.	\$183.06	ROBIN FAUST
5/19/2015	FOSSIL INDUSTRIES INC	\$370.00	JANE GREENWAY
5/21/2015	GFS STORE #1901	\$25.97	CHRISTOPHER DOMEYER
5/20/2015	GFS STORE #1901	\$37.94	MARTHA WYATT
5/18/2015	GFS STORE #1901	\$37.12	WILLIAM PRIESE
5/20/2015	GILLETTES INTERSTATE RV I	\$8.99	WILLIAM RICHARDSON
5/18/2015	HAMMOND FARMSLANDS	\$142.75	JOE VANDOMMELEN
5/15/2015	HAMMOND FARMSLANDS	\$167.68	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/18/2015	HAMMOND FARMSLANDS	\$83.84	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/18/2015	HAMMOND FARMSLANDS	\$62.88	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/26/2015	HASLETT TRUE VALUE HDW	\$4.00	JOE VANDOMMELEN
5/20/2015	HASLETT TRUE VALUE HDW	\$240.77	PETER VASILION
5/20/2015	IN *MICHIGAN PROFESSIONAL	\$30.00	MATTHEW WALTERS
5/21/2015	IRON MOUNTAIN	\$235.00	STEPHEN GEBES
5/20/2015	JETS PIZZA OF HASLETT	\$48.17	WILLIAM RICHARDSON
5/19/2015	JETS PIZZA OF HASLETT	\$57.04	KENNITH PHINNEY
5/18/2015	KENDALL ELECTRIC INC	\$112.76	JIM ANDERSON
5/21/2015	LEOS SPIRITS AND GRUB	\$27.56	FRANK L WALSH
5/21/2015	MASON ELEVATOR COMPANY	\$112.50	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/14/2015	MEIJER #209	\$34.99	WILLIAM PRIESE
5/21/2015	MEIJER INC #025 Q01	\$3.58	SCOTT DAWSON
5/14/2015	MEIJER INC #025 Q01	\$36.85	CHRISTOPHER DOMEYER
5/26/2015	MERIDIAN SCREEN PRINTING	\$248.60	CHRISTOPHER DOMEYER
5/18/2015	MI-AWWA	\$185.00	DEREK PERRY
5/15/2015	MICHIGAN RECREATION & PAR	\$40.00	GREG GROTHOUS
5/20/2015	MIDWEST POWER EQUIPMEN	\$26.96	KEN PUNG
5/20/2015	MIDWEST POWER EQUIPMEN	\$235.93	KEITH HEWITT
5/21/2015	NATIONAL ENGRAVERS	\$445.50	GREG GROTHOUS
5/22/2015	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPOT #61	\$35.72	ROBIN FAUST
5/20/2015	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPOT #61	\$13.77	MARTHA WYATT
5/20/2015	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPOT #61	\$34.47	CAROL MORGANROTH
5/22/2015	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPOT #61	\$53.42	CAROL MORGANROTH
5/15/2015	OFFICEMAX/OFFICEDEPOT #61	\$17.99	DEREK PERRY
5/19/2015	OKEMOS HARDWARE INC	\$33.89	JIM ANDERSON
5/22/2015	OKEMOS HARDWARE INC	\$4.58	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/18/2015	OKEMOS HARDWARE INC	\$17.98	DAN PALACIOS
5/22/2015	PANERA BREAD # 608017	\$129.97	CAROL HASSE
5/21/2015	PANERA BREAD #715	\$31.37	SCOTT DAWSON
5/22/2015	PETSMART INC 724	\$13.95	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/19/2015	QUALITY DAIRY 31120025	\$9.08	WILLIAM PRIESE
5/21/2015	QUALITY DAIRY 31120025	\$28.85	WILLIAM PRIESE

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5/15/2015	RENAISSANCE CTR-CPS#43	\$15.00	KRISTEN COLE
5/15/2015	SHERWIN WILLIAMS #1339	\$234.83	JOE VANDOMMELEN
5/15/2015	SOLDAN'S FEEDS & PET S	\$12.95	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/19/2015	SOLDAN'S FEEDS & PET S	\$10.15	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/19/2015	SPORTSUNLIMITED.COM	\$999.96	MICHAEL DEVLIN
5/22/2015	STUDENT BOOK STORE	(\$16.85)	MARTHA WYATT
5/21/2015	STUDENT BOOK STORE	\$33.71	MARTHA WYATT
5/21/2015	TARGET 00003657	\$8.79	CAROL HASSE
5/21/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$11.94	CHRISTOPHER DOMEYER
5/15/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$7.48	PETER VASILION
5/15/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$11.98	PETER VASILION
5/14/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$12.98	PETER VASILION
5/20/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$5.98	PETER VASILION
5/21/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$5.72	PETER VASILION
5/19/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	(\$11.37)	JANE GREENWAY
5/19/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$200.87	JANE GREENWAY
5/18/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$15.04	KEITH HEWITT
5/18/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$51.91	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/19/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$24.97	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/21/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$7.48	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/20/2015	THE HOME DEPOT 2723	\$19.97	DAN PALACIOS
5/21/2015	THE UPS STORE 0811	\$14.32	GREG GROTHOUS
5/20/2015	TOP HAT CRICKET FARM INC	\$26.41	CATHERINE ADAMS
5/15/2015	TRACTOR SUPPLY #1149	\$927.90	DENNIS ANTONE
5/21/2015	TRACTOR SUPPLY #1149	\$115.98	ROBERT MACKENZIE
5/20/2015	WAL-MART #2866	\$11.76	MARTHA WYATT
5/22/2015	WWW.DICKSPORTNGGOODS.COM	\$13.99	GREG GROTHOUS
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		\$9,571.44	

ACH Transactions
May 14, 2015 - May 27, 2015

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
5/15/2015	ICMA	\$ 36,020.45	Payroll Deductions
5/19/2015	MCT PW	618.00	Water/Sewer Bills
5/27/2015	ADP	345,029.69	5/29 Payroll
	Total ACH Payments	<u>\$ 381,668.14</u>	

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: 
Mark Kieselbach
Director of Community Planning and Development

DATE: May 27, 2015

RE: Rezoning #15010 (Forsberg Family, LLC) – Final Adoption

Attached for the Board's approval is a resolution for final adoption of Rezoning #15010. As directed by the Board, the Clerk has had the proposed amendment published in the form in which it was introduced.

Attachment

1. Resolution

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-05
Rezoning #15010
Forsberg Family LLC
Jolly Oak Road and Farrins Parkway
FINAL ADOPTION

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 2nd day of June 2015, at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____

WHEREAS, Forsberg Family LLC requested the rezoning (Rezoning #15010) of approximately 39.46 acres located north of Jolly Road, north and west of Jolly Oak Road and north of Farrins Parkway and addressed as 2311 and 3668 Kansas Street, 2398 Jolly Road, and 2360 and 2362 Jolly Oak Road from PO (Professional and Office), C-2 (Commercial), I (Industrial) and RR (Rural Residential) to C-2 (Commercial) with the voluntary offer of a condition limiting development to a mixed use planned unit development with a restriction of no more than 18 units per acre as allowed under the density bonus provisions in the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing and discussed the request at its March 9, 2015 meeting; and

WHEREAS, the applicant amended the application by removing from the request three parcels totaling approximately six acres zoned RR (Rural Residential) and located west of the Smith Drain and east of Kansas Street; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission discussed the request at its March 23, 2015 and April 13, 2015 meetings; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on April 13, 2015 the Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed conditional rezoning from I (Industrial), PO (Professional and Office), RR (Rural Residential) and C-2 (Commercial) to C-2 (Commercial); and

WHEREAS, the Township Board discussed the rezoning at its meeting on May 7, 2015 and has reviewed the Planning Commission and staff material forwarded under cover memorandum dated April 30, 2015; and

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WHEREAS, rezoning the subject site to C-2 (Commercial) conditioned on the site's development as a mixed use planned unit development is consistent with the developing character of the area as evidenced by the recent conditional rezoning of a nearby site on the corner of Joly Oak Road, Water Lily Way and Farrins Parkway from PO (Professional and Office) to C-2 (Commercial) to establish a hotel; and

WHEREAS, a C-2 (Commercial) zoned mixed use planned unit development is compatible with existing office and retail development located south and east of the subject site; and

WHEREAS, a mixed use planned unit development complements surrounding office and commercial service uses by providing future multiple family housing; and

WHEREAS, the Township's traffic consultant reviewed the applicant's Traffic Study commenting, there are no concerns "except for the Okemos Road/Jolly Road intersection;" and

WHEREAS, the Ingham County Road Department has proposed improvements to the Jolly Road/Okemos Road intersection to alleviate existing and anticipated delays at the traffic signal; and

WHEREAS, public utilities and services are available to serve the site; and

WHEREAS, the rezoning will result in a logical and orderly development pattern for the surrounding area; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board introduced Rezoning #15010 for publication and subsequent adoption on May 19, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN hereby **FINALLY ADOPTS** Ordinance No. 2015-05, entitled "Ordinance Amending the Zoning District Map of Meridian Township Pursuant to Rezoning Petition #15010" from I (Industrial), PO (Professional and Office), RR (Rural Residential) and C-2 (Commercial) to C-2 (Commercial) with the voluntary offer of a condition limiting development to a mixed use planned unit development with a restriction of not more than 18 units per acre as allowed under the density bonus provisions in the ordinance.

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 is finally adopted at least once prior to the next regular meeting of the Township Board.

ADOPTED: YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 2nd day of June 2015.

Brett Dreyfus, CMMC
Township Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-05
ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP
OF MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP
PURSUANT TO REZONING #15010

The Charter Township of Meridian ordains:

Section 1. Amending the Zoning District Map.

1. The Zoning District Map of Meridian Township, as adopted in Section 86-312 of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan, as previously amended, is hereby amended by changing the I (Industrial), PO (Professional and Office), RR (Rural Residential) and C-2 (Commercial) District symbols and indications as shown on the Zoning District Map, for the property legally described as:

A parcel of land in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 33, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan, the boundary of said parcel described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 33; thence N89°46'20"E along the South line of said Section 33 a distance of 858.00 feet; thence N00°36'06"W parallel with the West line of Section 33 a distance of 480.25 feet to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing N00°36'06"W parallel with said West line 1516.31 feet; thence N89°46'12"E 35.84 feet; thence N00°27'14"W 642.58 feet to the East-West 1/4 line of said Section 33; thence N89°44'23"E along said East-West 1/4 line 433.70 feet to the West line of Fieldstone Village Condominium, Subdivision Plan No. 184, Ingham County Records; thence S00°18'07"E along said West line and the West line of Coyote Creek Condominium, Subdivision Plan No. 82, Ingham County Records, a distance of 989.98 feet; thence along the South line of said Coyote Creek Condominium the following three courses: N89°45'08"E 503.25 feet, South 34.97 feet and N89°45'08"E 255.61 feet to the Westerly line of Unit 1 of Okemos Pointe Office Park Condominium, Subdivision Plan No. 267, Ingham County Records; thence along said Westerly line the following two courses: S22°44'37"E 82.61 feet and S14°02'26"W 172.95 feet to the North line of Farrins Parkway; thence along said North line the following four courses: S89°51'41"W 85.18 feet, Southwesterly 180.54 feet on a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 232.50 feet, a delta angle of 44°29'30" and a chord length of 176.04 feet bearing S67°37'04"W, Southwesterly 206.25 feet on a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 277.50 feet, a delta angle of 42°35'09" and a chord length of 201.54 feet bearing S66°39'56"W and Southwesterly 77.04 feet on a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 197.50 feet, a delta angle of 22°20'57" and a chord length of 76.55 feet bearing S76°47'04"W to the East line of Water Lily Way; thence along said East line the following three courses: Southeasterly 106.18 feet on a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 205.00 feet, a delta angle of 29°40'31" and a chord length of 104.99 feet bearing S14°50'20"E, S00°00'04"E 221.47 feet and Southeasterly 47.24 feet on a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 30.00 feet, a delta angle of 90°13'36" and a chord length of 42.51 feet bearing S45°06'52"E to the North line of Jolly Oak Road; thence S89°46'20"W along the extension of said North line 90.12 feet to the West line of Jolly Oak Road; thence S00°00'04"E along said West line 425.00 feet; thence S89°46'10"W 382.90 feet; thence S00°48'30"E along a line parallel with the West line of Lots 1 and 2 of the plat of "Jolly-Okemos Industrial Park" as recorded in Liber 27 of Plats, Pages 20-21, Ingham County Records 145.60 feet; thence N44°25'45"W 274.03 feet; thence S89°23'28"W 89.27 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 33.73 acres, more or less; said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any.

to that of the C-2 (Commercial) District, conditioned on limiting development to a mixed use planned unit development with a restriction of not more than 18 units per acre as allowed under the density bonus provisions in the ordinance. A corresponding use district is established for the above described property.

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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.

Elizabeth LeGoff, Township Supervisor

Brett Dreyfus, CMMC, Township Clerk

Legal description confirmed by:

Mark Kieselbach, Director
Community Planning and Development

John Dewane, Township Attorney

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: 
Gail Oranchak, AICP
Principal Planner

DATE: May 28, 2015

RE: Preliminary Plat #03012 (Fedewa), request to extend final preliminary plat approval for Sierra Ridge Estates.

The applicant submitted a letter dated January 29, 2015 requesting a two year extension of the preliminary plat approval for the remaining 50 lots of Sierra Ridge Estates. The Township's Land Division ordinance requires the proprietor of the plat to request an extension in writing prior to the expiration date.

The Sierra Ridge Estates subdivision consists of 99 single family lots located on approximately 73 acres north of Lake Lansing Road and east of Newton Road. The preliminary plat for Sierra Ridge Estates (PP #03012) was approved by the Township Board on July 1, 2003 for a period of two years. Final plat approval for Phase I (34 lots) was granted by the Township Board on August 4, 2005 and final plat approval was granted for Phase II (15 lots) on April 2, 2013.

The Township Board previously granted preliminary plat extensions in 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011, and 2013 for two year periods. The applicant is requesting a two-year extension of the final preliminary plat; the new expiration date will be July 1, 2017.

Township Board Options

The Township Board has the option to approve, approve with modifications, or deny an extension. If the extension is denied, the applicant must resubmit the final preliminary plat. A resolution will to approve the plat extension is provided.

Attachments

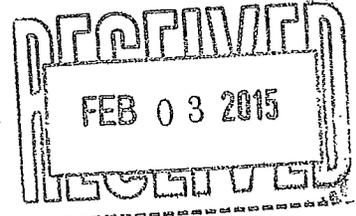
1. Resolution to approve
2. Letter from Gerald Fedewa requesting plat extension, dated January 29, 2015.
3. Sierra Ridge Estates Preliminary Plat approval letter dated July 10, 2003
4. Preliminary Plat

**Resolution to Approve (Extension)
Preliminary Plat #03012 (Fedewa)
Sierra Ridge Estates
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I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and a complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board on the 2nd day of June, 2015.

Brett Dreyfus, CMMC
Township Clerk

G.S. FEDEWA BUILDERS



January 29, 2015

Mr. Mark Kieselbach
Meridian Township
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, MI 48864

RE: Preliminary Plat #03012 Sierra Ridge Estates

Dear Mark,

I understand the preliminary plat approval of Sierra Ridge Estates is set to expire July 1, 2015. I'm hereby requesting a two-year extension so the approval will remain in effect until July 1, 2017.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gerald S. Fedewa". The signature is written in a cursive style and is followed by a long horizontal line.

Gerald S. Fedewa
G.S. Fedewa Builders

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN

Susan McGillicuddy Supervisor
Mary M.G. Helmbrecht Clerk
Bruce D. Hunting Treasurer
Gerald J. Richards Manager



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July 10, 2003

Mr. Gerald Fedewa
G.S. Fedewa Builders, Inc.
5570 Okemos Road
East Lansing, MI 48823

RE: Preliminary Plat #03012 Sierra Ridge Estates

Dear Mr. Fedewa:

The Township Board at its regular meeting held on July 1, 2003 voted to approve the preliminary plat of Sierra Ridge Estates, a single-family subdivision of 99 lots located north of Lake Lansing Road and east of Newton Road. Approval of the preliminary plat was granted with the following conditions:

1. Approval is granted in accordance with the revised Preliminary Plat received April 25, 2003, prepared by Gove Associates, Inc., indicating ninety-nine (99) single-family lots, subject to revisions as required.
2. Final utility plans shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and Engineering and shall be completed in accordance with Township Engineering Design and Construction Standards.
3. An overall grading plan for the subdivision shall be required with detailed construction plans prior to issuance of any building permits. The elevation of each lot corner shall be indicated on the plan.
4. Storm sewer leads shall be provided to each lot in the subdivision where appropriate as determined by the Director of Public Works and Engineering. The final location of the lead shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Public Works and Engineering.
5. Street trees shall be required throughout the subdivision. Species and location of the trees shall be subject to the approval of the Director of Community Planning and Development and the Ingham County Road Commission.
6. Final street names shall be subject to the review and approval of the Ingham County Road Commission and the Township. The street name East Sleepy Hollow Drive shall be used as a continuation of the existing East Sleepy Hollow Drive located south of Lake Lansing Road.

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7. If determined necessary by the Director of Public Works and Engineering and the Ingham County Road Commission, edge drains shall be installed along streets within the subdivision.
8. A five (5) foot wide concrete sidewalk shall be constructed along both sides of all streets within the subdivision, including Modesto Drive.
9. A seven (7) foot wide pedestrian/bicycle pathway shall be constructed along the frontage of Lake Lansing Road as part of Phase 1. A seven (7) foot wide pedestrian/bicycle pathway shall be constructed along Newton Road as Newton Road is paved pursuant to Ingham County Road Commission's requirements. The applicant shall be responsible for obtaining all required permits and approvals for pathway construction and shall construct them in accordance with the standards of the Department of the Public Works and Engineering.
10. The Planning Commission hereby grants a variance from Section 101-4.52 of the Township's Subdivision Regulations for the minimum block length to be less than 500 feet for the following road segments.

East Sleepy Hollow Drive from Lake Lansing Road to Isaac Lane
Pasadena Boulevard from Newton Road to East Sleepy Hollow Drive
Pasadena Boulevard from East Sleepy Hollow Drive to Modesto Drive
Fresno Drive from Newton to East Sleepy Hollow Drive
Fresno Drive from East Sleepy Hollow Drive to Pasadena Boulevard
Fresno Drive from Pasadena Boulevard to Modesto Drive
Isaac Lane from East Sleepy Hollow Drive to Marietta Way

The variance is based on the long and narrow shape of the upland portions of the site and to comply with the maximum lot depth to width ratio for proposed lots located within the block(s). The proposed block lengths will also reduce traffic speeds within the subdivision due to shorter distances between intersections.

11. The Planning Commission hereby grants a variance from Section 101-4.62 of the Township's Subdivision Regulations for lot lines not at right angles to straight streets or not radial to curved streets along the common lot line between Lot 14 and Lot 15, and Lot 71 and Lot 72 in order to comply with the approved road layout requiring street intersections to be perpendicular on the narrow upland portion of the site.
12. The Planning Commission hereby grants a variance from Section 101-4.63 of the Township's Subdivision Regulations to exceed the maximum lot depth to width ratio for Lot 27 based on the narrow shape of upland portions of the site affecting the configuration of the subdivision and the approved road layout.
13. The variance to exceed the maximum lot depth to width ratio for Lot 94 is hereby denied based on the ability to comply with Section 101-4.63 by transferring area to the adjacent open space. Prior to final plat approval, the plat shall be adjusted to bring Lot 94 into

compliance with the Subdivision Regulations by adjusting the rear lot line of Lot 92, Lot 93, Lot 94, and Lot 95 in a manner that complies with the Code of Ordinances and the Township's Subdivision Regulations and which also creates a uniform rear lot line for Lots 92 through 95.

14. The applicant shall obtain all necessary permits and approvals from the Ingham County Drain Commissioner, Ingham County Road Commission, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), and the Township. Copies of all permits and approval letters shall be submitted to the Department of Community Planning and Development. Should a permit be required from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, no grading or construction work shall be conducted until the permit is final and unappealable at the MDEQ.
15. Prior to construction activities, including grading, erosion control fencing shall be installed along the perimeter at the upland edge of the required water features setback, subject to the review approval of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner's office and the Department of Community Planning and Development.
16. Prior to issuance of a grading permit for Lot 65, Lot 67, Lot 68, Lot 69, Lot 70, Lot 71, Lot 72, Lot 73, Lot 74, Lot 75, Lot 76, Lot 77, Lot 78 and Lot 79, a professional engineer or registered land surveyor shall provide written certification to the Township that no lots have been platted in the 100-year floodplain and that no grading or construction work will take place in the 100-year floodplain. Upon completion of the dwellings on Lot 65, Lot 67, Lot 68, Lot 69, Lot 70, Lot 71, Lot 72, Lot 73, Lot 74, Lot 75, Lot 76, Lot 77, Lot 78 and Lot 79, a similar as-built certification for the lot and dwelling shall be provided to the Township.
17. Due to the proximity of the 100-year floodplain to the basements/foundations for Lot 66, Lot 67, Lot 68, Lot 69, Lot 70, Lot 71, Lot 72, Lot 73 and Lot 74, a licensed professional engineer shall certify the basement/foundation is designed to withstand hydrostatic pressure or shall certify such a design is unnecessary.
18. The applicant shall apply for and receive any necessary variance(s) from the Zoning Board of Appeals or revise the plat's design to comply with the Code of Ordinances. Should it be necessary to revise the layout of the plat to comply, it shall be brought back to the Planning Commission and Township Board for re-approval.
19. The applicant shall clearly define the applicable natural vegetation strip, water features setback, regulated wetlands and 100-year floodplain in all submitted drawing and plans, including plot plans for each lot when the house is built. The covenants and restrictions for the subdivision shall also clearly identify which lots contain these features and refer to the appropriate Township and/or State regulations.
20. Any wellhead(s) located on the site shall be properly plugged and abandoned per the requirements of the Ingham County Health Department and the Township, prior to the

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issuance of any permit for construction activity, including grading permits.

21. The existing house located at 2150 Lake Lansing Road shall be removed prior to grading or construction of Phase 4. This building would only be used as a field office for road and utility construction.
22. A copy of the information that exists on computer for the plat and construction plans shall be provided to the Township Engineering staff in an Auto Cad compatible format.
23. In furtherance of subsection 101-4.3 of the Township's Subdivision Regulation, tree protection measures as identified in the Land Clearing Ordinance shall be employed to avoid damaging and to ensure preservation of all healthy Burr Oak trees greater than three (3) feet in diameter and two Cottonwood trees greater than five (5) feet in diameter.
24. The applicant shall post Wetland #4-27 as a Township regulated wetland and dumping is prohibited.
25. The applicant shall provide a greenways connection for property on Towner Road if the property is acquired by the township park system.

All lots contained in the plat shall be developed in accordance with applicable Township ordinances, regulations and permitting requirements including, but not limited to, building permits that may include conditions for the protection and preservation of trees, soils and other natural resources.

Preliminary plat approval is valid for a period of two (2) years. Consequently the preliminary plat for Sierra Ridge Estates is valid until July 1, 2005. A preliminary plat may be extended if a request for an extension is submitted to the Township prior to the expiration of the two (2) year period.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Mark Kieselbach
Director of Community Planning and Development

cc: Ray Severy
John Heckaman
Ingham County Road Commission
Ingham County Drain Commission

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: David Hall
David Hall, Chief of Police

DATE: May 28, 2015

RE: U.S Department of Justice Body-Worn Camera Pilot Implementation Program Competitive Grant

The U.S. Department of Justice is soliciting grant applications for the implementation of body-worn cameras through the Body-Worn Camera Pilot Implementation Program Competitive Grant. Regional cooperation is encouraged. The Department is requesting permission to apply for grant funding for body-worn cameras in conjunction with the East Lansing Police Department.

Should the grant be awarded, the Department will implement a planned and phased approach with stakeholder participation to develop policies, practices, and training required for program adoption. Included will be privacy policies that address legal liabilities of release of information. Tracking mechanisms will be developed that address the use, review, access, storage, retention, redaction, and expungement of digital voice and audio evidence. A fifty percent match is required for this grant. The cost for the Department's match is not expected to exceed \$25,000. The deadline for application is June 16, 2015.

The following motion is for Board consideration.

MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE EAST LANSING POLICE, TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS FOR BODY-WORN CAMERAS THROUGH THE U.S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BODY-WORN CAMERA PILOT IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM COMPETITIVE GRANT, WITH A REQUIRED FIFTY PERCENT MATCH NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000 COMING FROM THE GENERAL FUND FUND BALANCE.

cc: Township Manager

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board
FROM: 
Gretchen M. Gomolka, Finance Director
DATE: May 29, 2015
RE: **Refinancing of Bonds for Towar Snell and Towar Gardens Drains**

The office of the Ingham County Drain Commissioner is refinancing two bonds for which the Township pays a portion of the principal and interest through drain assessments.

Because the Township is responsible for more than 10% of the outstanding bonds payable, the Township Board must pass a resolution to authorize the Official Statement and Continuing Disclosure Certificate.

The Official Statement will include financial and operating indicators of the Township as prepared by and reviewed by me.

As with the original issue, the Township will be required to prepare an annual Continuing Disclosure filing that includes updates to the financial and other operating indicators included in the official statement. This is filed annually by me.

The two bonds to be refinanced are for the Towar Snell Drainage District and the Towar Gardens Drainage District, both of which were issued in 2005. Meridian Township is responsible for 25% of the debt payments on the Towar Snell bonds and 48% of the debt payments on the Towar Gardens bonds. The purpose of the refinancing is to realize savings by obtaining lower interest rates.

As of April, Stauder Barch, the financial advisor for the Drain Commissioner's Office estimated that there will be about \$426,500 in present value savings in total for these bonds. Approximately \$186,000 of this estimated savings would be realized by Meridian Township.

The market will likely have some ups and downs before the bonds are actually issued, so please remember these are estimates and final numbers may vary from this. Copies of the estimated savings reports for each bond are attached.

The attached resolution is offered for your consideration.

Attachments

- 1. Resolution to approve**
- 2. Savings reports (2)**

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE
OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held in the Township Hall, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864, Michigan, on June 2, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

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

WHEREAS, the Towar Snell Drain Drainage District, Ingham, County, Michigan (the “Towar Snell Drainage District”), issued its 2005 Drain Drainage District Bonds (General Obligation Limited Tax) (the “Prior Towar Snell Bonds”) for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing improvements to the Towar Snell Drain (the “Towar Snell Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Towar Gardens and Branches Drain Drainage District, Ingham, County, Michigan (the “Towar Gardens Drainage District”), issued its 2005 Drain Drainage District Bonds (General Obligation Limited Tax) (the “Prior Towar Gardens Bonds”) for the purpose of paying the costs of constructing improvements to the Towar Gardens and Branches Drain (the “Towar Gardens Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Towar Snell Drainage District and the Towar Gardens Drainage District have received a savings report from Stauder, Barch Associates, Inc., that shows that refunding all or a portion of the Prior Towar Snell Bonds and Prior Towar Gardens Bonds may provide a net

present value savings with respect to the debt service on the Prior Towar Snell Bonds and Prior Towar Gardens Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Towar Snell Drainage District intends to issue a series of refunding bonds in order to refund all or a portion of the Prior Towar Snell Bonds and The Towar Gardens Drainage District intends to issue a series of refunding bonds to refund all or a portion of the Prior Towar Gardens Bonds (together, the “Prior Bonds”); and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Meridian (the “Township”) has been assessed a share of the cost of each Project and the remaining balance of such assessment is at least 10% of the outstanding amount of assessments for each Project; and

WHEREAS, in connection therewith, the Township has been asked to participate in the preparation of preliminary and final official statements for the Refunding Bonds and enter into continuing disclosure certificates for the Refunding Bonds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Supervisor, the Township Manager, the Clerk and the Treasurer of the Township, or any one or more of them (the “Authorized Officer”), are authorized to participate in the preparation of preliminary official statements and final official statements for the Refunding Bonds and to sign such documents and give any approvals necessary therefor.

2. The Authorized Officer is hereby authorized to execute certificates of the Township to comply with the continuing disclosure undertakings of the Township with respect to the Refunding Bonds pursuant to paragraph (b)(5) of SEC Rule 15c2-12 issued under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and amendments to such certificates from time to time in accordance with the terms of such certificates in such form as the Authorized Officer

shall approve, and the Authorized Officer is hereby authorized and directed to sign the disclosure certificates.

3. The Authorized Officer is authorized and directed to take all actions necessary or desirable for the issuance of the Refunding Bonds and to execute any documents or certificates necessary to complete the issuance of the Refunding Bonds.

4. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded to the extent of the conflict.

YEAS: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Brett Dreyfus, CMMC
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Brett Dreyfus, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian at a regular meeting held on June 2, 2015, and that public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, including, in the case of a special meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my official signature this 2nd day of June, 2015.

Brett Dreyfus, CMMC
Township Clerk

\$4,295,000
TOWAR GARDENS AND BRANCHES DRAINAGE DISTRICT
COUNTY OF INGHAM, STATE OF MICHIGAN
2015 DRAIN REFUNDING BONDS

SAVINGS ANALYSIS REFUNDING 2005 ISSUE

PRESENT VALUE ANALYSIS Rate = 2.13%

Present Value of Refunded Bonds =	\$4,742,952.38
Less Present Value of Refunding Bonds =	(4,397,864.14)
Gross Present Value Savings =	\$345,088.24
Plus Accrued Interest =	0.00
Less Initial Transfer Amount =	0.00
Excess Contingency =	0.00
Net Present Value Savings =	<u>\$345,088.24</u>
Percent of Current Issue:	8.03%
Percent of Previous issue:	8.03%

2015 DRAIN REFUNDING BONDS

Dated Date: 5/1/2015	Average Coupon: 2.57666%
Delivery Date: 5/1/2015	Net Interest Cost: 2.30277%
Bond Years: 25,795.00	True Interest Cost: 2.26443%
Average Life: 6.006	Arbitrage Yield: 2.13075%
	Effective Interest Cost: 2.50056%

BONDS TO BE REFUNDED

2005 DRAIN BONDS	
Bond Years: 25,795.00	Dated Date: 12/1/2005
Average Life: 6.01	Net Interest Cost: 4.02451%
	True Interest Cost: 4.01875%

Payment Tax Year	Year Ended 12-31,	2015 DRAIN REFUNDING BONDS					2005 DRAIN BONDS					Annual Savings	Present Value of Annual Savings @ 2.13%	* Cumulative Savings	
		Principal Due May 1	Interest Rate	Interest Due May 1	Interest Due Nov 1	Total P&I	Principal Due May 1	Interest Rate	Interest Due May 1	Interest Due Nov 1	Total P&I				
		2014	2015	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$50,775.00	\$50,775.00	\$0.00	3.750%	\$0.00				\$84,880.00
2015	2016	390,000.00	2.000%	50,775.00	46,875.00	487,650.00	390,000.00	3.750%	84,880.00	77,567.50	552,447.50	64,797.50	63,121.82	98,902.50	
2016	2017	390,000.00	2.000%	46,875.00	42,975.00	479,850.00	390,000.00	3.750%	77,567.50	70,255.00	537,822.50	57,972.50	55,290.79	156,875.00	
2017	2018	390,000.00	2.000%	42,975.00	39,075.00	472,050.00	390,000.00	3.800%	70,255.00	62,845.00	523,100.00	51,050.00	47,669.93	207,925.00	
2018	2019	390,000.00	2.000%	39,075.00	35,175.00	464,250.00	390,000.00	3.875%	62,845.00	55,288.75	508,133.75	43,883.75	40,121.87	251,808.75	
2019	2020	390,000.00	2.000%	35,175.00	31,275.00	456,450.00	390,000.00	3.900%	55,288.75	47,683.75	492,972.50	36,522.50	32,694.51	288,331.25	
2020	2021	390,000.00	2.000%	31,275.00	27,375.00	448,650.00	390,000.00	4.000%	47,683.75	39,883.75	477,567.50	28,917.50	25,348.20	317,248.75	
2021	2022	390,000.00	2.000%	27,375.00	23,475.00	440,850.00	390,000.00	4.000%	39,883.75	32,083.75	461,967.50	21,117.50	18,127.53	338,366.25	
2022	2023	390,000.00	3.000%	23,475.00	17,625.00	431,100.00	390,000.00	4.050%	32,083.75	24,186.25	446,270.00	15,170.00	12,745.67	353,536.25	
2023	2024	390,000.00	3.000%	17,625.00	11,775.00	419,400.00	390,000.00	4.100%	24,186.25	16,191.25	430,377.50	10,977.50	9,032.64	364,513.75	
2024	2025	390,000.00	3.000%	11,775.00	5,925.00	407,700.00	390,000.00	4.100%	16,191.25	8,196.25	414,387.50	6,687.50	5,390.86	371,201.25	
2025	2026	395,000.00	3.000%	5,925.00	0.00	400,925.00	395,000.00	4.150%	8,196.25	0.00	403,196.25	2,271.25	1,798.92	373,472.50	
2026	2027	0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	373,472.50	
2027	2028	0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	373,472.50	
		\$4,295,000.00		\$332,325.00	\$332,325.00	\$4,959,650.00	\$4,295,000.00		\$519,061.25	\$519,061.25	\$5,333,122.50	\$373,472.50	\$345,088.24		
		* Cumulative Savings Includes the Initial Transfer Amount:					\$0.00	Plus Accrued Interest, Less Issuer Contribution:					0.00	0.00	
		* Cumulative Savings Includes Excess Proceeds:					\$0.00	Plus Excess Proceeds:					0.00	0.00	
		* Cumulative Savings Includes Accrued Interest:					\$0.00								
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\$1,110,000
TOWAR SNELL DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT
COUNTY OF INGHAM, STATE OF MICHIGAN
2015 DRAIN REFUNDING BONDS

SAVINGS ANALYSIS REFUNDING 2005 ISSUE

PRESENT VALUE ANALYSIS Rate = 2.14%

Present Value of Refunded Bonds =	\$1,252,106.41
Less Present Value of Refunding Bonds =	(1,170,646.15)
Gross Present Value Savings =	\$81,460.26
Plus Accrued Interest =	0.00
Less Initial Transfer Amount =	0.00
Excess Contingency =	0.00
Net Present Value Savings =	<u>\$81,460.26</u>
Percent of Current Issue:	7.34%
Percent of Previous Issue:	7.34%

2015 DRAIN REFUNDING BONDS							BONDS TO BE REFUNDED							
		Dated Date: 5/1/2015		Average Coupon: 3.12528%										
		Delivery Date: 5/1/2015		Net Interest Cost: 2.38634%										
		Bond Years: 6,705.00		True Interest Cost: 2.31066%										
		Average Life: 6.041		Arbitrage Yield: 2.13612%										
				Effective Interest Cost: 3.04589%										
							2005 DRAIN BONDS							
							Dated Date: 12/1/2005							
							Bond Years: 6,705.00		Net Interest Cost: 4.44784%					
							Average Life: 6.04		True Interest Cost: 4.44193%					
Tax Year	Payment Year	Year Ended 12-31,	Principal		Interest		Interest		Total		Present Value of Annual Savings @ 2.14%	* Cumulative Savings		
			Due May 1	Interest Rate	Due May 1	Interest Nov 1	Due May 1	Interest Nov 1	Due May 1	Interest Nov 1			P&I	
2014	2015		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$17,043.75		\$0.00	\$24,302.50	\$24,302.50	\$7,258.75	\$7,182.04	\$7,258.75	
2015	2016		100,000.00	3.000%	17,043.75	15,543.75		132,587.50	24,302.50	146,530.00	13,942.50	13,580.23	21,201.25	
2016	2017		100,000.00	3.000%	15,543.75	14,043.75		129,587.50	22,227.50	142,355.00	12,767.50	12,174.68	33,968.75	
2017	2018		100,000.00	3.000%	14,043.75	12,543.75		126,587.50	20,127.50	138,130.00	11,542.50	10,775.57	45,511.25	
2018	2019		100,000.00	3.000%	12,543.75	11,043.75		123,587.50	18,002.50	133,855.00	10,267.50	9,384.23	55,778.75	
2019	2020		100,000.00	3.000%	11,043.75	9,543.75		120,587.50	15,852.50	129,530.00	8,942.50	8,001.90	64,721.25	
2020	2021		100,000.00	3.000%	9,543.75	8,043.75		117,587.50	13,677.50	125,155.00	7,567.50	6,629.76	72,288.75	
2021	2022		100,000.00	3.000%	8,043.75	6,543.75		114,587.50	11,477.50	120,730.00	6,142.50	5,268.92	78,431.25	
2022	2023		100,000.00	3.000%	6,543.75	5,043.75		111,587.50	9,252.50	116,280.00	4,692.50	3,941.28	83,123.75	
2023	2024		100,000.00	3.000%	5,043.75	3,543.75		108,587.50	7,027.50	111,805.00	3,217.50	2,646.70	86,341.25	
2024	2025		105,000.00	3.250%	3,543.75	1,837.50		110,381.25	4,777.50	112,166.25	1,785.00	1,438.60	88,126.25	
2025	2026		105,000.00	3.500%	1,837.50	0.00		106,837.50	2,388.75	107,388.75	551.25	436.36	88,677.50	
2026	2027		0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	88,677.50	
2027	2028		0.00	0.000%	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	88,677.50	
			\$1,110,000.00		\$104,775.00	\$104,775.00		\$1,319,550.00	\$149,113.75	\$149,113.75	\$1,408,227.50	\$88,677.50	\$81,460.26	

* Cumulative Savings Includes the Initial Transfer Amount:	\$0.00	Plus Accrued Interest, Less Issuer Contribution:	0.00
* Cumulative Savings Includes Excess Proceeds:	\$0.00	Plus Excess Proceeds:	0.00
* Cumulative Savings Includes Accrued Interest:	\$0.00		

	<u>\$88,677.50</u>	<u>\$81,460.26</u>	
	<u>\$88,677.50</u>	<u>\$81,460.26</u>	RJN/AWW

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: *Peter Menser*
Peter Menser
Associate Planner

DATE: May 27, 2015

RE: Okemos Road Redevelopment

The former Central Fire Station and the MARC property at 2150 Clinton Street and 4675 Okemos Road were listed for sale on April 1, 2015. David Ledebuhr from Musselman Realty is representing the Township in the marketing and sale of the one-acre, C-2 (Commercial) zoned site. At the May 7, 2015 meeting, the Board members voted to allow the Township Manager to form a committee to vet the development proposals presented by potential buyers of the property and select a project/developer for review by the Township Board.

The committee gathered on May 22, 2015 to review three proposals. The 10-person committee consisted of the chairperson of the Meridian Township Economic Development Corporation (EDC), two representatives from the Meridian Township Downtown Development Authority (DDA), three members of the Township Board, two members of the Planning Commission, the Township Manager, and a resident of the adjacent downtown Okemos neighborhood.

At the conclusion of the presentations, the committee unanimously selected the proposal from developer Kris Elliott of Evergreen Companies. Mr. Elliott provided a concept plan that proposes to construct a 2,500 square foot addition to the MARC building at 4675 Okemos Road and use it as a restaurant; in addition, 3,900 square feet of outdoor seating area is shown around the restaurant. The concept plan also shows an apartment building with a maximum of 18 units and parking lot on the property.

The committee determined that Mr. Elliott's reputation as a successful developer and restaurateur make him an ideal candidate to purchase and redevelop the properties. Mr. Elliott's proven track record with other Lansing area projects provides evidence of financial stability and of his commitment to develop the property in 2016. Mr. Elliott's proposal of a restaurant and apartments on the property aligns with the vision of the Township Board for the downtown area, with the restaurant use offering an impactful destination, and the apartments bringing in full time residents to support both current and future downtown businesses.

Mr. Elliott's extensive background in developing and running successful restaurants (Troppo, Tavern on the Square, 621, Leo's, Peppino's, Grand Woods Lounge, among others) in East Lansing, Lansing, and Grand Rapids demonstrate the long term viability of his proposal. In discussions about his concept plan Mr. Elliott indicated he would not be requesting any tax credits for brownfield redevelopment. Mr. Elliott offered \$10,000 higher than the asking price of \$550,000, placing a \$560,000 bid on the property, significantly higher than other bids. Additionally, the apartment building will have 18 or fewer units; there will be no request for density beyond the 18 units per acre allowed under the provisions of the mixed use planned unit development (MUPUD) ordinance.

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Sale of Former Central Fire Station/MARC Property
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If the Township Board agrees to move ahead with Kris Elliott of Evergreen Companies in the redevelopment of the former Central Fire Station/MARC property, staff will begin working with the developer to outline the project review process and ultimately schedule a public hearing with the Planning Commission. The sale of the properties will be contingent on obtaining project approval.

- **MOTION TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH EVERGREEN COMPANIES AND AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY, MUSSELMAN REALTY, AND THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE ON BEHALF OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD.**

Attachments

1. Kris Elliot bio and project list
3. Kris Elliot conceptual site plan

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Organized in 1994, Evergreen Companies specializes in the revitalization of properties in urban areas. Kris Elliott who received a B.S. from Michigan State University in Building Construction Management as well as an Associate degree in Architectural Design leads Evergreen Companies.

As a specialist in design, building, and real estate procurement, Evergreen Companies has been afforded the opportunity to engage and bring on-line a multitude of urban reuse projects including:

- Historic Façade Rehabilitation
- Residential Loft Design and Construction
- Commercial Real Estate Development
- Urban Streetscape Design and Construction
- Mixed Use Multi-family/Commercial

Evergreen Companies owns and manages in excess of one hundred residential lofts as well as 760,000 square feet of commercial /retail space with an expanding portfolio.

Evergreen Companies commitment to exceptional design and inventive use of materials assures that our projects stand out and complement the existing site and surrounding area.

Using environmentally conscious materials and design methods are a trademark of Evergreen Companies.



Completed Projects

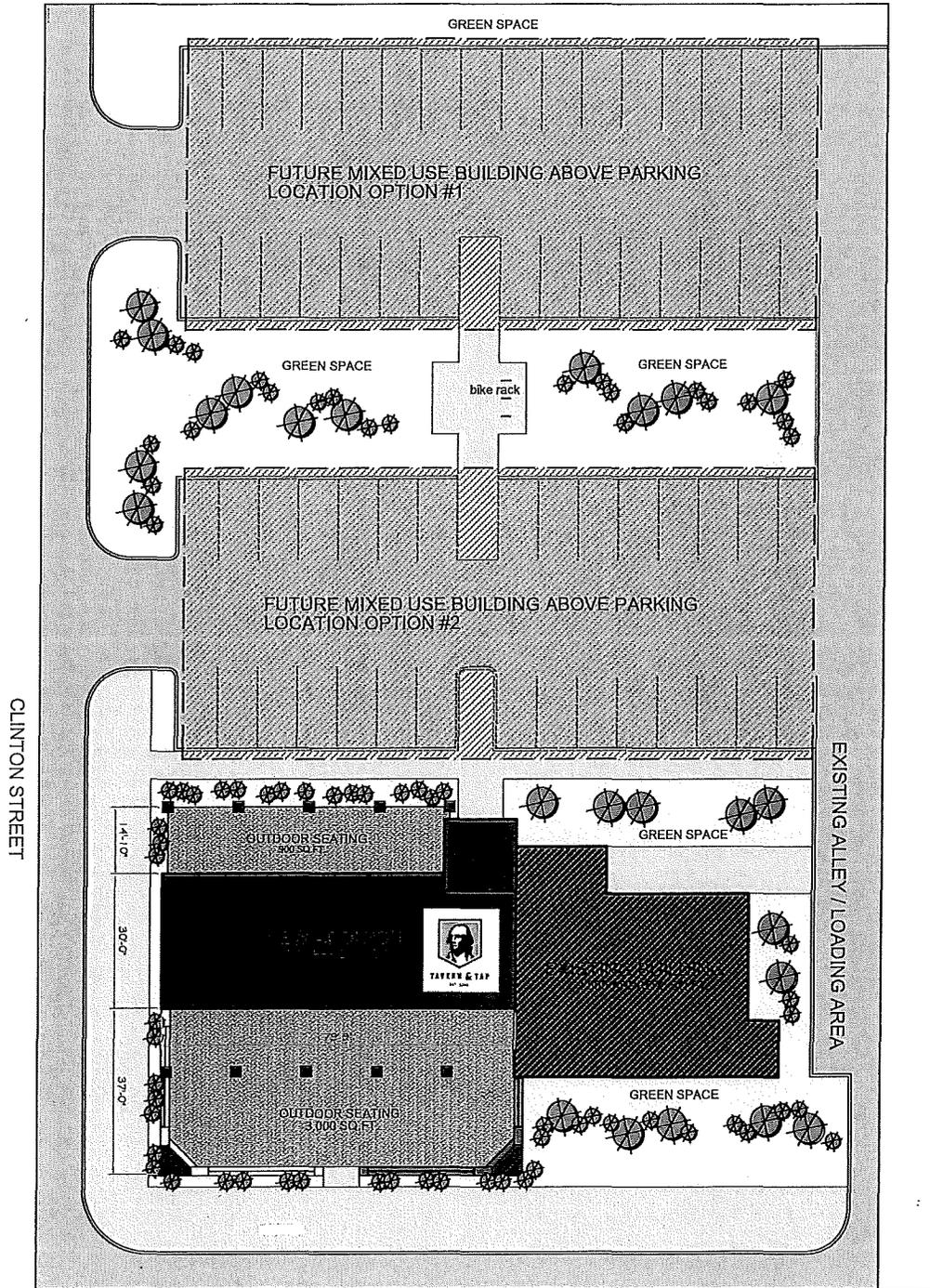
- 605 E. Michigan Ave. Lansing MI- Mixed Use Loft-Retail 1998**
- 611,613,615,617 E. Michigan Ave. Lansing, MI -Mixed Use Loft-Retail-Office 2000**
- 621 E. Michigan Avenue Lansing MI- Mixed Use Loft-Restaurant Retail 1996**
- 213 Ann Street E. Lansing, MI – Restaurant Retail Site Redevelopment 2000**
- 215,217 Ann Street E. Lansing MI- Retail Redevelopment 2001**
- 101 S. Washington Square Lansing MI- Restaurant Retail Redevelopment 2003**
- 206 S. Washington Square Lansing MI- Mixed Use Loft-Restaurant Retail 2005**
- 726 E. Michigan Avenue- Lansing MI- Retail Redevelopment 2005**
- 127 E. Washtenaw Lansing MI- Façade Renovation-office 2006**
- Poppa Leos Pizza- 8 Locations Lansing /Meridian Township- Retail-Façade 1992-1998**
- Oldsmobile Park Lansing MI- Retail Façade Design 1996**
- 77 Grandville Grand Rapids MI- Restaurant Retail Site Redevelopment 2005**
- 402 S. Washington Square Lansing MI- Mixed Use Redevelopment 2005**
- 110 E. Allegan Street Lansing, MI- Mixed use Redevelopment 2007**
- 333 Commerce Ave. Grand Rapids MI- Mixed Use Retail-Loft Development 2007**
- 120 N. Washington Square Lansing, MI- Class-A Office Redevelopment/ Retail 2008**
- 100 Ionia Ave. S.W. Grand Rapids, MI- Restaurant Retail Site Redevelopment 2009**
- 111 E. Michigan Avenue Lansing MI- Restaurant Retail Building 2009**
- 2825 E. Grand River Okemos, MI- Restaurant Retail Renovation 2010**
- The St. Anne Luxury Lofts E. Lansing MI-Mixed Use Loft- Retail Development 2011**
- Peppino's Sports Grille #4- Restaurant Retail Development 2013**
- 300 Ionia Ave. SW Grand Rapids, MI- Historic Class-A Office Rehab 2014**

Under Development

- 250 Ionia Ave. SW Grand Rapids, MI- 300,000 SF Mixed Use Hotel/Retail/Loft 2014-17**

4 - Corners

Proposed by: Evergreen Companies
Mr. Kris Elliott



PROPOSED SITE PLAN
Scale: N.T.S.

OKEMOS ROAD

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: 

Julie Brixie, Township Treasurer

DATE: May 27, 2015

RE: **Amendment of Investment Policy**

Attached is the draft amended investment policy. This policy was adopted on March 3, 2009 unanimously.

Also attached is a copy of the marked up current investment policy indicating the proposed changes. I am proposing removing a few investment vehicles from our list of options.

Currently we do not purchase commercial paper or repurchase agreements directly. We do hold money in investment pools that may purchase commercial paper and repurchase agreements depending on the markets. This amendment reflects current prudent practices regarding investment vehicles.

Also attached is a resolution to approve the amended Investment Policy.

MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP INVESTMENT POLICY

Date Adopted: March 3, 2009

Date Amended: _____, 2015

Purpose

It is the policy of Meridian Township to invest its funds in a manner which will ensure the preservation of principal and provide the highest investment return with the maximum security while meeting the daily cash flow needs of the township and complying with all state statutes governing the investment of public funds.

Scope

This investment policy applies to all financial assets of the township. These assets are accounted for in various funds of the township and include the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service funds, capital project funds, enterprise funds (e.g. public works), internal service funds, trust and agency funds, and any new funds established by the township.

Objectives

The primary objectives of the township's investment activities in priority order shall be:

Safety – Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio.

Diversification – The investments will be diversified by security type and institution in order to reduce overall portfolio risk while obtaining market average rates of return.

Liquidity – The investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated.

Return of Investment – The investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of obtaining a reasonable rate of return throughout the budgetary and economic cycles, while taking into account the investment risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio.

Delegation of Authority

Management responsibility for the investment program is hereby delegated to the Township Treasurer pursuant to MCL 41.76 who shall establish written procedures and internal control policies for the operation of the investment program consistent with this investment policy. No person may engage in an investment transaction except as provided under the terms of this policy and the procedures established by the Treasurer. The Treasurer shall be responsible for all transactions undertaken and shall establish a system of controls to regulate the activities of subordinate officials.

Authorized Investments

The township is limited to investments authorized by Act 20 of 1943 MCL 129.91 as amended, but may only invest in the following:

- (a) Bonds, securities, and other obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- (b) Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a financial institution, but only if the financial institution is eligible to be a depository of funds belonging to the state under a law or rule of this state or the United States.
- (c) Banker's acceptance of United States banks.
- (d) Obligations of this state or any of its political subdivisions that at the time of purchase are rated as investment grade by not less than one standard rating service.
- (e) Mutual funds registered under the investment company act 1940, title 1 of chapter 686, 54 Stat. 789, 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 to 80a-3 and 80a-4 to 80a-64, with authority to purchase only investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment solely by reason of either of the following:
 - (i) The purchase of securities on a when-issued or delayed delivery basis.
 - (ii) The ability to lend portfolio securities as long as the mutual fund receives collateral at all times equal to at least 100% of the value of the securities loaned.
 - (iii) The limited ability to borrow and pledge a like portion of the portfolio's assets for temporary or emergency purposes.
 - (iv) Investments in mutual funds shall be limited to securities whose intention is to maintain a net asset value of \$1.00 per share.*
- (f) Obligations described in subdivisions (a) through (e) if purchased through an interlocal agreement under the urban corporations act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512.
- (g) Investment pools organized under the surplus funds investment pool act, 1982 PA 367, MCL 129.111 to 129.118.
- (h) Investment pools organized under the local government investment pool act, 1985 PA 121, MCL 129.141 to 129.150.
- (i) Certificates of Deposit as authorized by MCL 129.91(5) including Certificate of Deposit Account Registry Service (CDARS).

* This is a requirement of this policy but not required under MCL 129.91
Commercial Paper and Repurchase agreements may not be directly purchased but may be indirectly owned through investment pools and mutual funds.

Safekeeping and Custody

All security transactions, including collateral for repurchase agreements and financial institution deposits, entered into by the Treasurer shall be on a cash or delivery vs. payment basis. Securities may be held by a third party custodian designated by the Treasurer and evidenced by safekeeping receipts as determined by the Treasurer.

Prudence

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs. These decisions are not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived.

Reporting

The Treasurer shall provide quarterly (or more often) written investment reports to the Township Board which provide a clear picture of the status of the current investment portfolio. In addition, the Treasurer shall, as required by law, present an annual written report to the Board.

Conflict of Interest and Ethics

Officials and employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution of the investment program, or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions. Employees and Board Members shall disclose to the Treasurer, and the Treasurer shall disclose to the Board, any material financial interest in financial institutions that conduct business with the Township. And further, the Board, Employees, and the Treasurer shall disclose any material financial investment position related to the performance of the Township's portfolio.

Authorized Financial Institutions and Dealers

A list will be maintained of financial institutions authorized to provide investment services to Meridian Township. In addition, a list will also be maintained of approved security broker/dealers selected by credit worthiness who are authorized to provide investment services to Meridian Township.

All financial institutions and broker/dealers who desire to become qualified bidders for investment transactions must first be provided with a copy of the Township's Investment Policy and return to the Township a signed copy of the agreement to comply (appendix #1).

Adoption and Review

The Township's investment policy shall be adopted by the Township Board. The policy shall be reviewed annually by the Treasurer and any modifications must be approved by the Township Board.

Appendix #1

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF INVESTMENT POLICY AND
AGREEMENT TO COMPLY**

I have read and fully understand Act 20 PA 1943 as amended, and the Investment Policy of the Charter Township of Meridian.

Any investment advice or recommendation on investments given by
_____ representing

_____,
to the Meridian Township Treasurer shall comply with the requirement of ACT 20 PA 1943 as amended, and the Investment Policy of the Charter Township of Meridian. Any existing investment not conforming to the statute or policy will be disclosed of promptly to the Meridian Township Treasurer. Further, should a broker/dealer learn of a forthcoming downgrading or devaluation of an investment that has been sold to the Charter Township of Meridian, the broker/dealer shall notify the Treasurer as soon as possible to determine if there is a need to trade or dispose of that investment.

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

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Authorized Financial Institutions and Dealers

A list will be maintained of financial institutions authorized to provide investment services to Meridian Township. In addition, a list will also be maintained of approved security broker/dealers selected by credit worthiness who are authorized to provide investment services to Meridian Township.

All financial institutions and broker/dealers who desire to become qualified bidders for investment transactions must first be provided with a copy of the Township's Investment Policy and return to the Township a signed copy of the agreement to comply (appendix #1).

Adoption and Review

The Township's investment policy shall be adopted by the Township Board. The policy shall be reviewed annually by the Treasurer and any modifications must be approved by the Township Board.

~~Date Adopted~~

MARCH, 3, 2009

Appendix #1

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF INVESTMENT POLICY AND AGREEMENT TO COMPLY

I have read and fully understand Act 20 PA 1943 as amended, and the Investment Policy of the Charter Township of Meridian.

Any investment advice or recommendation on investments given by _____ representing

_____ to the Meridian Township Treasurer shall comply with the requirement of ACT 20 PA 1943 as amended, and the Investment Policy of the Charter Township of Meridian. Any existing investment not conforming to the statute or policy will be disclosed of promptly to the Meridian Township Treasurer. Further, should a broker/dealer learn of a forthcoming downgrading or devaluation of an investment that has been sold to the Charter Township of Meridian, the broker/dealer shall notify the Treasurer as soon as possible to determine if there is a need to trade or dispose of that investment.

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: 
Peter Menser
Associate Planner

DATE: May 28, 2015

RE: Northwind MUPUD Concept Plan

The Township Board discussed the concept plan for the Northwind mixed use planned unit development (MUPUD) at its meeting on May 19, 2015. Applicant Meridian Investment Group, LLC submitted a concept plan for a mixed use multiple family housing development on property located at the southeast corner of Grand River Ave. and Northwind Dr. Since the last meeting the applicant has altered the site plan in response to Township Board comments and is seeking feedback on the revisions.

Township Board Options

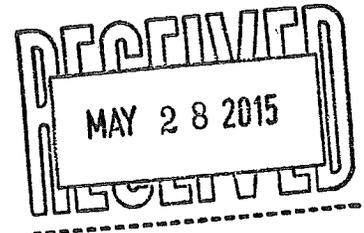
The Township Board may comment and/or offer suggestions on the project design.

Attachments

1. Project summary from applicant dated May 28, 2015
2. Revised preliminary site plans

By Hand Delivery

May 28, 2015



Mr. Mark Kieselbach
Director
Community Planning and Development
Meridian Charter Township
5151 Marsh Road
Okemos, Michigan 48864

**RE: 4970-5030 Northwind Drive
Request for Concept Plan Review**

Mr. Kieselbach:

Meridian Investment Group, LLC requests a "Concept Plan Review" for the proposed redevelopment of the above-referenced site.

After discussions with the Township Board of Trustees and with careful consideration and respect for the existing commercial property to the east, we are proposing to reduce the "Redevelopment" to four (4) buildings approximately situated on the same footprints as those existing, except for the 5030 Northwind Drive building. This will create a large area along Grand River Avenue for use as a "green" park area and would increase the pervious area of the project as compared to that existing and would have minimal impact to the surrounding uses and drainage runoff to the Red Cedar River.

The site contains 6.23+/- acres, bounded on the North by Grand River Ave (M-43) and on the West by Northwind Drive (private). The current zoning is C-2 on the northern 2/3rds and PO on the southern portion. The site is bounded by C-2 zoning on the east and PO and RCC zoning on the Southwest and the City of East Lansing on the west with B1 (General Office Business). The southeast corner adjoins a RC zoning tract. Red Cedar River travels some 300' to 500' south and southwest of the site.

Currently, there are five (5), two (2) story buildings on the site that were constructed between 1974 and 1977, containing approximately 90,272 square feet.

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The three (3) southern buildings (5000, 4990 and 4970 Northwind Drive) would be replaced with three (3) multifamily buildings, three (3) stories in height containing thirty (30) units each. The footprint would be approximately 80' x 150', as compared to the existing 75' x 150' buildings. Each building will contain twelve (12) – (2 bedroom units), six (6) – (3 bedroom units) and twelve (12) – (4 bedroom units). The unit sizes will range from 734 square feet to 1,245 square feet in size. Each building will contain approximately 29,928 square feet and will not exceed forty-one (41) feet in height.

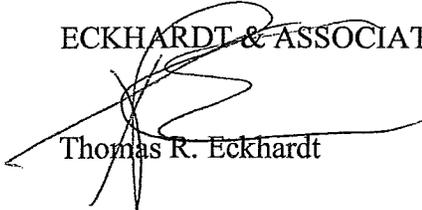
The existing building at 5020 Northwind drive will be replaced with a three (3) story mixed-use building. This building will have approximately 12,464 square feet of commercial/retail space on the first floor. The upper two (2) levels will contain twenty-two (22) multi-family units. Each floor will contain six (6) – (2 bedroom units), four (4) – (3 bedroom units) and one (1) – (4 bedroom unit). The unit sizes will range from 734 square feet to 1,245 square feet in size.

In summary, there will be 12,464 square feet of commercial/retail space with an outside seating area and 112 residential units.

This “redevelopment” will provide pedestrian, bicycle and vehicular connections to Grand River Avenue and the newly created “public” area. Several sitting areas and “pocket” parks are planned, along with covered bicycle rack areas. An electric charging station is proposed. A total of 303 parking spaces will be provided including 7 barrier free spaces.

Thank you.

ECKHARDT & ASSOCIATES, PC

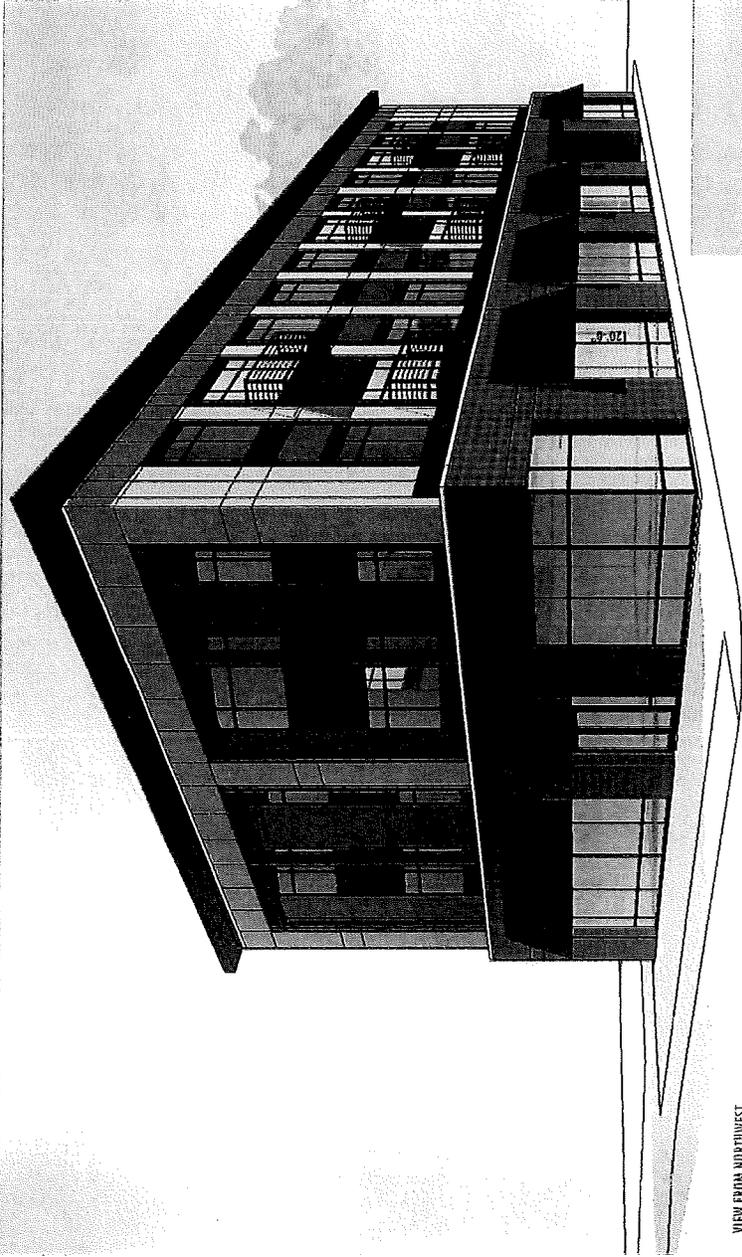


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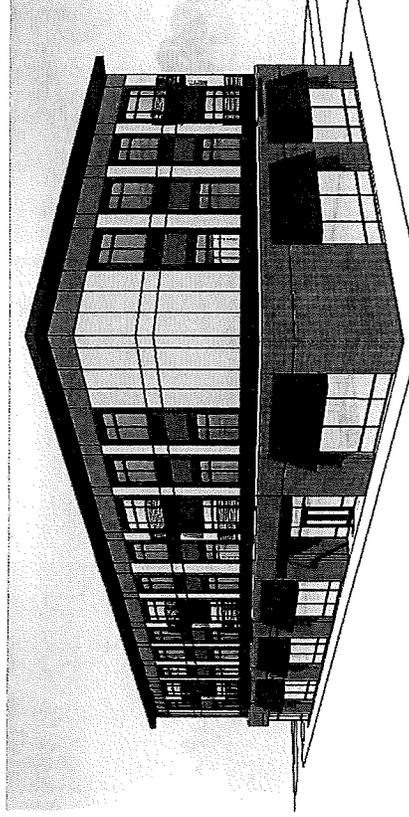
Attachments

CONCEPT PLAN

MIXED USE BUILDING



VIEW FROM NORTHWEST



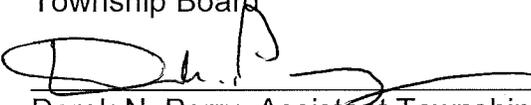
VIEW FROM SOUTHWEST

Building Design Concept | PERSPECTIVE



MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Board

FROM: 
Derek N. Perry, Assistant Township Manager
Director of Public Works

DATE: June 2, 2015

RE: 2015 Township Citizen Survey

In 2003 the Township contracted with the National Research Center of Boulder, Colorado to conduct a Citizen Survey. Since that time additional surveys were also conducted in 2006, 2009, and 2012 using the same organization. As part of the 2015 Goals and Objectives (Goal 8, item S.) a survey has been designated to be completed. A project budget of \$12,510 would be needed to conduct the survey in the same format and sample size as in years past.

According to information provided by the National Research Center (NRC) the standard survey sample size would include 1,400 households throughout the Township. The NRC has stated that based on Meridian Charter Township's 16,000 households, the standard sample size will provide a +/-5% margin of error for results that are representative. They have indicated that a typical project from start to finish takes about 4 months.

As in prior years, the survey questions are fairly standardized, but the survey does provide space for custom questions that the Township may wish to include. The reason for the standardization, according to NRC, is to be able to benchmark comparisons and trend information with other communities across the United States. As part of the survey final report the Township will receive this national benchmark information as well as our local survey results.

For your reference, the custom questions asked since 2003 included topics such as: support for new library, increasing tax rates for roads, road enhancements and a central library, becoming a city, recycling, using a single trash hauler, fire station location, fire station funding, community gardens, economic development efforts and priority, location of the farmers market and trails and their construction. If the Board would like to include custom questions in the 2015 Citizen Survey, questions would need to be developed based on topics most pertinent to the Meridian Township Board.

The XYZ of ABC 2015 Citizen Survey

Please complete this questionnaire if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday. The adult's year of birth does not matter. Please select the response (by circling the number or checking the box) that most closely represents your opinion for each question. Your responses are anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

1. Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in ABC:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
ABC as a place to live	1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live.....	1	2	3	4	5
ABC as a place to raise children	1	2	3	4	5
ABC as a place to work.....	1	2	3	4	5
ABC as a place to visit	1	2	3	4	5
ABC as a place to retire	1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to ABC as a whole:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Overall feeling of safety in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit.....	1	2	3	4	5
Quality of overall natural environment in ABC	1	2	3	4	5
Overall "built environment" of ABC (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems).....	1	2	3	4	5
Health and wellness opportunities in ABC	1	2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall economic health of ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of ABC	1	2	3	4	5

3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:

	<i>Very likely</i>	<i>Somewhat likely</i>	<i>Somewhat unlikely</i>	<i>Very unlikely</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Recommend living in ABC to someone who asks	1	2	3	4	5
Remain in ABC for the next five years	1	2	3	4	5

4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

	<i>Very safe</i>	<i>Somewhat safe</i>	<i>Neither safe nor unsafe</i>	<i>Somewhat unsafe</i>	<i>Very unsafe</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
In your neighborhood during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6
In ABC's downtown/commercial area during the day.....	1	2	3	4	5	6

5. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to ABC as a whole:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Traffic flow on major streets	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of public parking.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in ABC	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in ABC	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails	1	2	3	4	5
Air quality	1	2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of ABC	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing	1	2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food.....	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of preventive health services	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	1	2	3	4	5

6. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to ABC as a whole:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool.....	1	2	3	4	5
K-12 education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Adult educational opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of business and service establishments in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Vibrant downtown/commercial area.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to volunteer.....	1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in community matters.....	1	2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds.....	1	2	3	4	5
Neighborliness of residents in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5

7. Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.

	<i>No</i>	<i>Yes</i>
Made efforts to conserve water.....	1	2
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient.....	1	2
Observed a code violation or other hazard in ABC (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.).....	1	2
Household member was a victim of a crime in ABC.....	1	2
Reported a crime to the police in ABC.....	1	2
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency.....	1	2
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate.....	1	2
Contacted the XYZ of ABC (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information.....	1	2
Contacted ABC elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion.....	1	2

8. In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members done each of the following in ABC?

	<i>2 times a week or more</i>	<i>2-4 times a month</i>	<i>Once a month or less</i>	<i>Not at all</i>
Used ABC recreation centers or their services.....	1	2	3	4
Visited a neighborhood park or XYZ park.....	1	2	3	4
Used ABC public libraries or their services.....	1	2	3	4
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Attended a XYZ-sponsored event.....	1	2	3	4
Used bus, rail, subway or other public transportation instead of driving.....	1	2	3	4
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone.....	1	2	3	4
Walked or biked instead of driving.....	1	2	3	4
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Participated in a club.....	1	2	3	4
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors.....	1	2	3	4
Done a favor for a neighbor.....	1	2	3	4

9. Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like City Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or watched a local public meeting?

	<i>2 times a week or more</i>	<i>2-4 times a month</i>	<i>Once a month or less</i>	<i>Not at all</i>
<u>Attended</u> a local public meeting.....	1	2	3	4
<u>Watched</u> (online or on television) a local public meeting.....	1	2	3	4

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10. Please rate the quality of each of the following services in ABC:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
Police/Sheriff services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Crime prevention.....	1	2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street repair.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Street lighting.....	1	2	3	4	5
Snow removal.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sidewalk maintenance.....	1	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing.....	1	2	3	4	5
Bus or transit services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Garbage collection.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recycling.....	1	2	3	4	5
Yard waste pick-up.....	1	2	3	4	5
Storm drainage.....	1	2	3	4	5
Drinking water.....	1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Power (electric and/or gas) utility.....	1	2	3	4	5
Utility billing.....	1	2	3	4	5
XYZ parks.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation programs or classes.....	1	2	3	4	5
Recreation centers or facilities.....	1	2	3	4	5
Land use, planning and zoning.....	1	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Animal control.....	1	2	3	4	5
Economic development.....	1	2	3	4	5
Health services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public library services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Public information services.....	1	2	3	4	5
Cable television.....	1	2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations).....	1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts.....	1	2	3	4	5
ABC open space.....	1	2	3	4	5
XYZ-sponsored special events.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by ABC employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5

11. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
The XYZ of ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
The Federal Government.....	1	2	3	4	5

12. Please rate the following categories of ABC government performance:

	<i>Excellent</i>	<i>Good</i>	<i>Fair</i>	<i>Poor</i>	<i>Don't know</i>
The value of services for the taxes paid to ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
The overall direction that ABC is taking.....	1	2	3	4	5
The job ABC government does at welcoming citizen involvement.....	1	2	3	4	5
Overall confidence in ABC government.....	1	2	3	4	5
Generally acting in the best interest of the community.....	1	2	3	4	5
Being honest.....	1	2	3	4	5
Treating all residents fairly.....	1	2	3	4	5

13. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the ABC community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years:

	<i>Essential</i>	<i>Very important</i>	<i>Somewhat important</i>	<i>Not at all important</i>
Overall feeling of safety in ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit.....	1	2	3	4
Quality of overall natural environment in ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Overall “built environment” of ABC (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems).....	1	2	3	4
Health and wellness opportunities in ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment.....	1	2	3	4
Overall economic health of ABC.....	1	2	3	4
Sense of community.....	1	2	3	4

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xx. **OPTIONAL [See Worksheets for details and price of this option] Open-Ended Question Open-Ended Question
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Our last questions are about you and your household. Again, all of your responses to this survey are completely anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

D1. How often, if at all, do you do each of the following, considering all of the times you could?

	<i>Never</i>	<i>Rarely</i>	<i>Sometimes</i>	<i>Usually</i>	<i>Always</i>
Recycle at home.....	1	2	3	4	5
Purchase goods or services from a business located in ABC.....	1	2	3	4	5
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day.....	1	2	3	4	5
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity.....	1	2	3	4	5
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.).....	1	2	3	4	5
Vote in local elections.....	1	2	3	4	5

D2. Would you say that in general your health is:

- Excellent
 Very good
 Good
 Fair
 Poor

D3. What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:

- Very positive
 Somewhat positive
 Neutral
 Somewhat negative
 Very negative

D4. What is your employment status?

- Working full time for pay
 Working part time for pay
 Unemployed, looking for paid work
 Unemployed, not looking for paid work
 Fully retired

D5. Do you work inside the boundaries of ABC?

- Yes, outside the home
 Yes, from home
 No

D6. How many years have you lived in ABC?

- Less than 2 years 11-20 years
 2-5 years More than 20 years
 6-10 years

D7. Which best describes the building you live in?

- One family house detached from any other houses
 Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment or condominium)
 Mobile home
 Other

D8. Is this house, apartment or mobile home...

- Rented
 Owned

D9. About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?

- Less than \$300 per month
 \$300 to \$599 per month
 \$600 to \$999 per month
 \$1,000 to \$1,499 per month
 \$1,500 to \$2,499 per month
 \$2,500 or more per month

D10. Do any children 17 or under live in your household?

- No Yes

D11. Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?

- No Yes

D12. How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all persons living in your household.)

- Less than \$25,000
 \$25,000 to \$49,999
 \$50,000 to \$99,999
 \$100,000 to \$149,999
 \$150,000 or more

Please respond to both questions D13 and D14:

D13. Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?

- No, not Spanish, Hispanic or Latino
 Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic or Latino

D14. What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race you consider yourself to be.)

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
 Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander
 Black or African American
 White
 Other

D15. In which category is your age?

- 18-24 years 55-64 years
 25-34 years 65-74 years
 35-44 years 75 years or older
 45-54 years

D16. What is your sex?

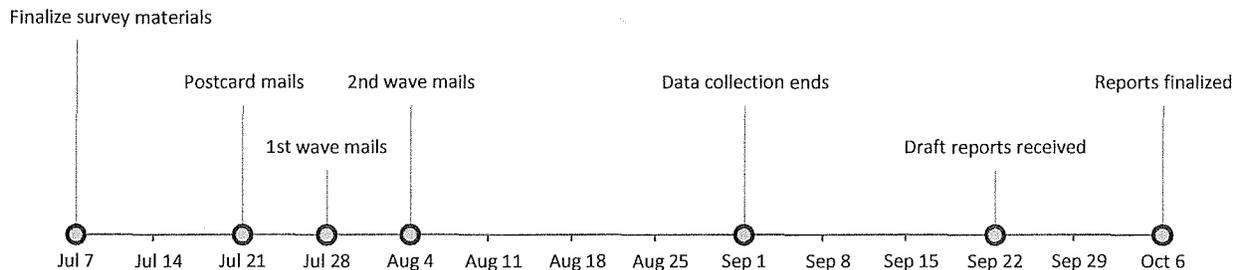
- Female Male

D17. Do you consider a cell phone or land line your primary telephone number?

- Cell Land line Both

Thank you for completing this survey. Please return the completed survey in the postage-paid envelope to: National Research Center, Inc., PO Box 549, Belle Mead, NJ 08502

Timeline for The National Citizen Survey™



Item	Date
Preparing for the Survey	
⊙ The NCS survey process is initiated upon receipt of your enrollment form and first payment	Jun 2
← NRC emails you information to customize The NCS	Jun 2
→ Due to NRC: Selection of add-on options	Jun 16
→ Due to NRC: Drafts of the optional custom questions to be included in the survey	Jun 16
→ Due to NRC: Zip code information and GIS boundary data	Jun 23
→ Due to NRC: Additional payment for add-on options	Jun 30
⊙ NRC finalizes the survey instrument and mailing materials and sends .pdf samples for your records	Jul 7
⊙ NRC generates the sample of households in your community	Jun 30 to Jul 7
⊙ NRC prints materials and prepares mailings	Jul 14
→ Due to NRC: Selection of custom benchmark profile(s) (if custom benchmark add-on selected)	Jul 14
Conducting the survey	
⊙ Survey materials are mailed	Jul 21 to Aug 4
⊙ Prenotification postcards sent	Jul 21
⊙ 1st wave of surveys sent	Jul 28
⊙ 2nd wave of surveys sent	Aug 4
⊙ Data collection: surveys received and processed for your community	Jul 28 to Sep 1
During this time, you will receive postcards that were undeliverable due to bad addresses, or vacant housing units. This is normal. Please count all the postcards, as we will subtract the number of returned postcards from the total number mailed to estimate the number of "eligible" households in calculating the final response rate.	
→ Due to NRC: Final count of returned postcards	Sep 1
⊙ Survey analysis and report writing	Sep 1 to Sep 22
During this time, NRC will process the surveys, perform the data analysis, and produce a draft report for your community. The report of results will contain a description of the methodology, information on understanding the results, and graphs and tables of your results, as well as a description of NRC's database of normative data from across the U.S. and actual comparisons to your results, where appropriate.	
← NRC emails draft report (in PDF format) to you along with invoice for balance due on The NCS Basic Service and any additional add-on options	Sep 22
→ Due to NRC: community feedback on the draft report (most final reports are identical to the draft reports, except being labeled as final instead of draft)	Sep 29
← NRC emails final report and data file to you	Oct 6

Legend

← Indicates when items from NRC are due to you → Indicates when items from you are due to NRC ⊙ Indicates information items