

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
TOWNSHIP BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES – **RE-APPROVED**  
5151 MARSH ROAD, OKEMOS, MI 48864-1198  
349-1200, TOWN HALL ROOM  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 1999, **6:00 P.M. — 7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such  
ABSENT: Clerk Helmbrecht  
STAFF: Township Manager Gerald Richards, Director of Community Planning & Development Mark Kieselbach, Director of Engineering & Public Works Roger Buell, EMS/Fire Chief Fred Cowper, Personnel Director/Assistant Manager Paul Brake, Attorney Brian Goodenough, Attorney William Fahey

1. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

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

2. QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY

Urban Service Boundary

Trustee McGillicuddy asked Attorney Goodenough whether it would be possible to put the Urban Service Boundary issue on a ballot, as she has had some questions from residents regarding the issue. Attorney Goodenough responded that it is possible to adopt this as an ordinance by the Township Board, but that a ballot was not an appropriate place for the Urban Service Boundary issue.

Meridian Township's Relationship With Capital Area District Library (CADL)

Trustee Such asked Attorney Goodenough if he could prepare a report regarding the relationship between Meridian Township and CADL. Attorney Goodenough stated that he could have that ready by the next meeting.

Sewer Agreement Between the City of East Lansing and Meridian Township

Trustee McCullough asked Attorney Goodenough to review the sewer agreement between the City of East Lansing and Meridian Township with respect to Mr. McGinty's interpretation of the agreement. Attorney Goodenough concurred.

3. SOIL EROSION DEPARTMENT – ROGER BUELL

Director Buell spoke to the Township Board with reference to the Township assuming the role of the local enforcing agent for soil erosion, in order to provide better response to local concerns regarding the issue. Supervisor Little and Trustee Such advised Director Buell that a meeting should be set between the Ingham County Road Commission, the current soil erosion enforcing agent, and Director Buell with reference to this issue. Director Buell agreed to set up the meeting.

4. DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE NEW CENTRAL LIBRARY

The Township Board was addressed by Mr. Milling with regard to the proposed new central library. Issues covered included the overall dollar amount of the project including the cost of sub surface conditions to deal with the soil, and the square footage of the proposed building. Supervisor Little raised the issue regarding whether Meridian Township should remain part of the Capital Area District Library or opt out at the end of 1999.

5. DISCUSSION ON 7:00 AGENDA ITEM TOPICS

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

- \* Consent Agenda:
- \* Supervisor Little added the motion to authorize the Township Manager to give 30 day notice to the law firm of McGinty, Jakubiak, Frankland & Hitch and transfer the contract to Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith.
- \* Remove item 12A, Cable Commission appointment
- \* Remove item 17A3a, Implementation of Employee Medical/Health Insurance Program
- \* Add item 17A3d, Authorize Manager to advertise and fill Planning Technician Position

- \* Add item 16D, Authorize Township Manager to Proceed with Soil Testing on Proposed Library Site.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

7. CLOSED SESSION – AVERILL V MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP AND TOWNSHIP CLERK

TRUSTEE SQUIERS MOVED TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION. TREASURER KLUNZINGER ADDED “FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING AVERILL V MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP AND TOWNSHIP CLERK”. ATTORNEY BRIAN GOODENOUGH REQUESTED THE MOTION READ: “MOVE TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION WHICH, IF DISCUSSED IN OPEN SESSION, COULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT UPON TOWNSHIP SETTLEMENT STRATEGY ABILITIES”. SUGGESTED LANGUAGE ACCEPTED BY THE MAKER, SECONDED BY TREASURER KLUNZINGER.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

Supervisor Little recessed the Work Session at 6:53 p.m. to go into closed session

The Board adjourned to the Administrative Conference Room for a closed session.

Supervisor Little reconvened the Work Session at 7:25 p.m.

8. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor Little opened Public Remarks.

No one spoke.

Supervisor Little closed Public Remarks.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Little adjourned the Work Session at **7:27 p.m.**

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BRUCE A. LITTLE  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

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MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Betsy Kelly, Acting Secretary

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER  
Supervisor Little called the meeting to order at 7:27 p.m.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA — OR CHANGES  
A. TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED WITH THE ADDITION OF ITEM #16.D. (Proposed Library Site Work); #17.A.(3).d (Authorize Township Manager to Advertise and Fill Planning Technician Position); DELETION OF ITEMS #12.A. (Township Board Cable Commission Appointment); #17.A.(3).a (Implementation of Employee Medical Health Insurance Program); AND CONSENT AGENDA TO INCLUDE ITEMS #3 (Correction, Approval & Ratification of Minutes); #4 (Communications); #15.A.(1). (Zoning Amendment #99050 (Township Board), Proposed Amendment to Section 82-12.4e for Flags and Banners in the CS (Community Service District); #15.B.(1). (Final Plat #97012 (SBI Limited Partnership), Hiawatha Lakes No. 8, a single family subdivision of 9 lots located north of Jolly Road and East of East Meadows Condominiums); #16.A. (Bills); #16.C. (Assessing Stipulations); #17.A.(1).a. (Liquor License Transfer, Rio Bravo); #17.A.(3).b. (Authorization to Hire Police Property Clerk); #17.A.(3).c. (EMS/Fire Appointment); #17.A.(5).c. (Telecommunications Ordinance, Final Adoption); #17.A.(5).e. (Scanner – Bid Award).  
SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.  
  
VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.  
  
B. Fire Chief Cowpers introduced three new employees to the Township Board: EMT/Fire Fighters Danny Komm and Susan VanHeck, as well as Assistant Fire Chief Dale Monnier.
3. CORRECTION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES (See Consent Agenda)  
A. July 6, 1999, Regular Meeting  
B. August 3, 1999, Regular Meeting
4. COMMUNICATIONS (See Consent Agenda)  
A. Board Information (BI)  
BI-1 Chris Farougi, 6285 W. Reynolds Road. Haslett; RE: Lake Lansing Advisory Committee, Public Comments, August 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
BI-2 Michigan Township Association, Legislative Fax, July 30, 1999 Edition  
BI-3 Charles Louis Willems, P.O. Box 184, Haslett; RE: Replat Hickory Island  
BI-4 Mary R. Willis Willems, P.O. Box 352, Haslett; RE: Notice of Special Session of Board of Review  
BI-5 Dennis E. McGinty, East Lansing City Attorney; RE: Sewage Treatment Agreement  
BI-6 Township of Williamstown; RE: Public Notice for platted Subdivision of 10 lots on Meridian Township, South of Baan.Gan.Aka, August 17, 1999, 7:30 p.m.  
BI-7 Christopher M. Thomas, Director of Elections, State of Michigan, RE: New Legislation for Presidential Primary, Voter Registration and Township Park Commissions  
BI-8 Department of Consumer & Industry Services, State of Michigan; RE: Parkview Place, Care Concepts Ltd Application
5. QUESTIONS OF ATTORNEY (None)
6. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor Little opened Public Remarks.

David Held, 3833 New Salem, requested the Board to fill the vacancy on the Cable Commission.

Bill Rieske, 2130 Belding Court, Okemos, spoke in support of the new library and urged the Board to place the issue on the November ballot.

Richard Chapin spoke in favor of building a new library.

Supervisor Little closed Public Remarks.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO ADOPT THE CONSENT AGENDA TO INCLUDE ITEMS: # 3 (Correction, Approval & Ratification of Minutes); #4 (Communications); #15.A.(1). Zoning Amendment #99050 (Township Board), Proposed Amendment to Section 82-12.4e for Flags and Banners in the CS (Community Service District); #15.B.(1). (Final Plat #97012 (SBI Limited Partnership), Hiawatha Lakes No. 8, a single family subdivision of 9 lots located north of Jolly Road and East of East Meadows Condominiums; #16.A. (Bills); #16.C. (Assessing Stipulations); #17.A.(1).a. (Liquor License Transfer, Rio Bravo); #17.A.(3).b.(Authorization to Hire Police Property Clerk); #17.A.(3).c. (EMS/Fire Appointment); #17.A.(5) c. (Telecommunications Ordinance, Final Adoption); #17.A.(5).e. (Scanner – Bid Award).  
SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

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

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

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

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO DIRECT THE CLERK TO CORRECT THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 6, 1999 MEETING TO REFLECT THE FINAL 425 RESOLUTION AS READ INTO THE RECORD AND ADOPTED DURING THE JULY 6, 1999 MEETING, AND TO APPROVE AND RATIFY THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 3, 1999 REGULAR MEETING. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

B. COMMUNICATIONS (Agenda Item #4):

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE COMMUNICATIONS BE RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE, AND ANY COMMUNICATIONS NOT ALREADY ASSIGNED FOR DISPOSITION BE REFERRED TO THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER OR SUPERVISOR FOR FOLLOW-UP OR FURTHER DISPOSITION. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

C. ZONING AMENDMENT #99050 (Agenda Item #15.A.(1))

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO REFER ZONING AMENDMENT #99050 BACK TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION TO ALLOW ONLY 2 FLAGS OR BANNERS AND ONE FLAGPOLE PER SITE AND A FLAGPOLE BE A MINIMUM OF 16 FEET NOT TO EXCEED A MAXIMUM OF 35 FEET IN HEIGHT. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: None

Motion carried 6-0.

D. FINAL PLAT #97012 (SBI Limited Partnership) (Agenda Item #15.B.(1))  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, SBI Limited Partnership requested final plat approval for a single family subdivision of 9 lots located north of Jolly Road and east of East Meadows Condominium, commonly known as Hiawatha Lakes No. 8; and

WHEREAS, the planning staff has reviewed the final plat and found it consistent with the preliminary plat approved by the Township Board on July 1, 1997; and

WHEREAS, a financial guarantee has been deposited with the Township Treasurer to cover the cost of incomplete public improvements (street trees, sanitary sewer leads, lot irons and monuments); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission approved the final plat at its regular meeting held on August 9, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has carefully reviewed the materials forwarded under cover memorandum dated August 13, 1999.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN that the Township Board approves the Final Plat of Hiawatha Lakes No. 8.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

E. MANAGER'S BILLS (Agenda Item #16A):  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD APPROVE THE MANAGER'S BILLS AS FOLLOWS:

General Fund/Special Revenue	\$291,897.45
Public Works	<u>\$277,909.32</u>
Total	<u>\$569,806.77</u>

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

[Bill list for 8/3/99 in Official Minute Book]

F. ASSESSING STIPULATIONS (3) (Agenda Item #16C):  
\* 4644 Dunmorrow

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN A TAX TRIBUNAL STIPULATION WITH CHARLES T. COUSINO, ON THE FOLLOWING RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY:

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DOCKET NO.</u>	<u>ADDRESS OF PROPERTY</u>
1999	267182	4644 Dunmorrow

<u>ASSESSMENT/TAXABLE</u>	1999	\$44,700/44,700
<u>PROPOSED ASMT/TAXABLE:</u>	1999	\$40,000/40,000

\*\*RATIONALE: This Stipulation is recommended to correct the 1999 Assessed and Taxable Values. After extensive research, it has been determined that our Assessment exceeds 50 percent of the property's True Cash Value, therefore the Proposed Assessment is recommended.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such,  
Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

**\* 4762 Cornell Road**

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN A TAX TRIBUNAL STIPULATION WITH ROBERT W. ELLIOTT, ON THE FOLLOWING RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY:

YEAR	DOCKET NO.	ADDRESS OF PROPERTY
1999	266016	4762 Cornell Road
ASSESSMENT/TAXABLE	1999	\$212,100/205,232
PROPOSED ASMT/TAXABLE	1999	\$200,000/200,000

\*\*RATIONALE: This Stipulation is recommended to correct the 1999 Assessed and Taxable Values. After extensive research, it has been determined that our Assessment exceeds 50 percent of the property's True Cash Value, therefore the Proposed Assessment is recommended.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such,  
Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

**\* 2055 Grand River**

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR BE AUTHORIZED TO SIGN A TAX TRIBUNAL STIPULATION WITH THRIFTY MICHIGAN INC., ON THE FOLLOWING COMMERCIAL PROPERTY:

YEAR	DOCKET NO.	ADDRESS OF PROPERTY
1999	267528	2055 Grand River
1998	256390	
ASSESSMENT/TAXABLE	1999	\$5,925,100/5,401,872
	1998	\$5,372,500/5,257,829
PROPOSED ASMT/TAXABLE	1999	\$4,399,400/4,399,318
	1998	\$4,330,100/4,330,037

\*\*RATIONALE: This Stipulation is recommended to correct the 1998 and 1999 Assessed and Taxable Values. After extensive research, it has been determined that our Assessment exceeds 50 percent of the property's True Cash Value, therefore the Proposed Assessment is recommended.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such,  
Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0

- G. LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER, RIO BRAVO (Agenda Item #17A(1)a):  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO APPROVE A TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF THE 1998 CLASS C LICENSED BUSINESS WITH DANCE PERMIT TO CHEVY'S, INC (A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION) LOCATED IN ESCROW AT 1938 GRAND RIVER, OKEMOS, MI 48864, MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP, INGHAM COUNTY AND THE TOWNSHIP CLERK BE AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little,  
Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0

- H. AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE POLICE PROPERTY CLERK (Agenda Item #17A(3)b)  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE POLICE PROPERTY CLERK POSITION. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little,  
Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

- I. EMS/FIREFIGHTER APPOINTMENT (Agenda Item #17A(3)c)  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW L. SECHLKE TO THE POSITION OF PARAMEDIC/FIREFIGHTER CONTINGENT UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THOSE ITEMS STIPULATED IN THE CONDITIONAL OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little,  
Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

- J TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE, FINAL ADOPTION (Agenda Item #17A(5)c)  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

WHEREAS, the Township General Ordinance Statute, Michigan Public Act 246 of 1945, as amended, authorizes a township board to adopt ordinances regulating the public health, safety and general welfare of persons and property, and

WHEREAS, the Township believes that the Telecommunications Ordinance is necessary to regulate access to an ongoing use of the public rights-of-way by telecommunications providers to ensure and protect the public health, safety and welfare.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1999-28 Telecommunications Ordinance was introduced for publication and subsequent adoption by the Township Board on August 3, 1999.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN**, the Township Board hereby **FINALLY ADOPTS** Ordinance No. 1999-28, entitled “Telecommunications Ordinance”.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1999-28**  
**TITLE XXVI**  
**CHAPTER 126**  
**TELECOMMUNICATIONS ORDINANCE**

On Tuesday, August 17th, 1999, the Charter Township of Meridian finally adopted an ordinance entitled Telecommunications (“Ordinance No. 1999-28”). The following is a summary of the Ordinance. A true copy of the Ordinance is available for inspection at the offices of the Charter Township of Meridian, located at 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan, 48864.

**SECION 126-1 PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Ordinance is to regulate the access to and ongoing use of the public right-of-way by a telecommunications provider to ensure and protect the public health, safety and welfare and to exercise reasonable control of the public rights-of-way pursuant to the Michigan law. The Ordinance fulfills that purpose by (1) minimizing disruption of the public rights-of-way by regulating the access to and ongoing use by a telecommunications provider; (2) ensuring that the Township and the public are protected from liability for use of the public rights-of-way by the telecommunications providers; (3) providing for the payment of a non-discriminatory permit fee; and (4) assisting the telecommunications provider in understanding the Township’s requirements for the use of public rights-of-way and providing a fair and non-discriminatory policy for permitting the use of the public rights-of-way by such providers.

The issuance of the permit does not constitute a waiver of or otherwise adversely affect the right to require a franchise or the rights regarding any takings claims.

**SECION 126-2 DEFINITIONS**

Section 126-2 contains definitions of the meaning of various terms in the Ordinance including the permit, the permittee, the public right-of-way, the telecommunications provider and telecommunications services.

**SECTION 126-3 PERMITS**

Section 126-3 requires that the telecommunications provider obtain a permit before using the public rights-of-way. The telecommunications provider may also enter into a consent agreement with the Township that would satisfy the requirement of the permit under the Ordinance. The Ordinance sets forth a defined application procedure. The application must contain certain information including but not limited to the name of the applicant, copies of the recent financial statements of the applicant, description of the applicant’s existing and proposed telecommunications systems and the telecommunications systems in the Township and a map setting forth the location of the facility and the pubic rights-of-way within the Township. An application fee is also required. The Township Board will have a public hearing on the application. Following the public hearing, the Township Board will approve with conditions or deny the application.

In addition to the application fee and any other fees for permits authorized by the Township Code, the permittee shall also pay an annual fee in the amount established by an ordinance or resolution of the Township Board. The fee will be paid on a quarterly basis. The permittee may also elect to pay a fee on an annual percentage of its gross revenues in lieu of the annual fee established by the Township Board. All records reasonably necessary to verify the accuracy of the annual fee must be made available to the Township. Any person who provides misleading information shall be deemed to be in violation of the Ordinance.

The permit shall remain in effect until December 31, following the tenth year of the issuance of the permit unless the permit otherwise expires or is revoked. Applications for renewal shall be filed in the same manner as the original applications.

The permit shall be non-exclusive. The Permittee shall not use the public rights-of-way in a way not expressly authorized by the permit.

The permittee shall not unduly burden or interfere with the right-of-way and the permittee shall immediately restore at the permittee's expense any portion of the public right-of-way that is in any way damaged, disturbed or injured by the construction. Any easements over the private property necessary for the construction of the telecommunications system shall be arranged and paid for by the permittee. The permittee may trim trees upon and overhanging the public rights-of-way. Further, the permittee shall coordinate the construction in the public rights-of-way with Livingston County's program. The permittee shall comply with all laws, statutes, ordinance rules and regulations regarding the installation, construction, ownership and use of the telecommunications system. To the maximum extent possible, the telecommunications system shall be placed underground. To the extent that the permittee establishes to the satisfaction of the Township in the Township's sole discretion that the telecommunications system cannot be placed underground, the telecommunications system shall be placed within or along the existing facilities of Detroit Edison or Consumers Energy. Further, if the permittee has its facilities on poles of Detroit Edison, Consumers Energy or other public utility and those utilities relocate underground, the permittee shall relocate underground.

**SECTION 126-4 LIABILITY AND INSURANCE**

The Township is not liable for the permittee or its affiliates or customers for any interference or disruption with the operation of the telecommunications system. As a condition of the permit, the permittee shall defend, indemnify, protect and hold harmless the Township, its officers, agents, employees and officials for any damages arising out of the acts or omissions of the permittee. The permittee shall maintain in full force sufficient insurance covering all insurable risks associated with its ownership.

**SECTION 126-5 ASSIGNMENT OF PERMIT PROHIBITED:  
REVOCATIONS AND REMOVAL OF FACILITIES**

The permittee shall not assign or transfer a permit or any of its rights under the permit. The township reserves as an additional and separate remedy, the right to revoke the permit for a number of reasons.

Upon revocation or expiration of the permit, or if the permit is not renewed, the permittee may remove all underground cable from the public right-of-way. Upon revocation of the permit or expiration of the permit, the permittee at its sole cost and expense shall, unless relieved of the obligation by the Township, remove from the public right-of-way all ground elements of its telecommunications system.

**SECTION 126-6 MISCELLANEOUS**

Nothing in the Ordinance shall be construed as a waiver of any ordinance code or regulation of the Township or the Township's right to require the permittee or persons utilizing the telecommunications system to secure appropriate permits or authorization for use. The Township reserves its police powers to ensure and protect the public health, safety and welfare, and the Township reserves the right to amend the Ordinance at any time. The Ordinance shall not limit the Township's right to acquire property of the telecommunications provider by eminent domain.

The Ordinance becomes effective upon publication.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such,  
Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger

NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

K SCANNER – BID AWARD (Agenda Item #17A(5)e)  
TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED, TO AWARD THE BID FOR ENGINEERING  
SCANNER TO PUBLISHING PERFECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,898.95 AND TO  
TRANSFER THE AWARD AMOUNT FROM THE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES ACCOUNT  
(820.000) TO CAPITAL OUTLAY ACCOUNT (980.000). SECONDED BY TRUSTEE SUCH.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such, Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger  
NAYS: None  
Motion carried 6-0.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee McGillicuddy asked for clarification regarding the date change made to the Special Election Memo.

Treasurer Klunzinger spoke on the concept of “smart growth”.

9. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Supervisor Little directed the Manager to forward a 30 day notice to the current code enforcement attorney for the Township.

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO PROVIDE TO THE FIRM OF MCGINTY, JAKUBIAK, FRANKLAND & HITCH THE 30-DAY TERMINATION NOTICE ALLOWED FOR IN THE CONTRACT WITH THAT FIRM, SAID CONTRACT BEING FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN LEGAL SERVICES TO THE TOWNSHIP; AND FURTHER TO AUTHORIZE THE MANAGER TO BRING ABOUT THE TRANSFER OF SAID CONTRACTED LEGAL SERVICES TO THE FIRM OF FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MCCULLOUGH.

Trustee Squiers stated that Mr. Hillman of McGinty, Jakubiak, Frankland & Hitch, was in attendance and would like to address the board.

Mr.Hillman spoke to the Board regarding his history with the Township, and gave a report on his services. He also requested an additional period of time to clear up pending issues.

Treasurer Klunzinger stated that this motion was not a reflection of Mr.Hillman’s work, but rather a reflection of the current situation with respect to consolidation of legal services.

Trustee Squiers stated he would not be supporting the motion because it is his belief people should be taken on their own merits and Mr.Hillman was doing a great job.

Trustee McGillicuddy stated that she would not be supporting the motion.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried: 4-2 (McGillicuddy, Squiers)

10. CLERK'S REPORT

Treasurer Klunzinger stated that September 7, 1999 is the board’s deadline for approval of ballot language for the November 2, 1999 election, but September 13, 1999 is the County Clerk’s Office deadline to request a Special Election for Meridian Township on Tuesday November 2, 1999 for a rezoning referendum.

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION BY SEPTEMBER 13, 1999 FOR PERMISSION TO CONDUCT A SPECIAL ELECTION IN MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1999. THE PURPOSE OF THE ELECTION IS FOR A REZONING REFERENDUM.

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MCCULLOUGH.

Trustee McGillicuddy asked for clarification regarding the wording “Special Election”.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0.

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED THAT THE ATTACHED BALLOT LANGUAGE DOCUMENT BE DESIGNATED AS AMENDING ZONING DISTRICT MAP 98220 WITH EXTENSIVE LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND MAP INSERT, MOVE TO DESIGNATE THAT AS BALLOT PROPOSAL #1 FOR THE NOVEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> ELECTION.

**Charter Township of Meridian  
Proposal  
Meridian Township Zoning Referendum  
November 2, 1999**

On April 20, 1999 The Township Board adopted Zoning Ordinance Amendment # 1999-10 which amended the Township Zoning Map to rezone portions of a certain parcel of land.

Section 1. Amending the Zoning District Map #98220.

A. The Zoning District Map of Meridian Township, as adopted in Section 82.1-3 of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan, as previously amended, is hereby amended by changing the RD (Multiple Family-Low Density) District symbol and indication as shown on the Zoning District Map, for the properties legally described as:

1. A parcel of land in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan, described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section, thence South along the North-South 1/4 line of said Section a distance of 1271.42 feet to the North line of Newman Road; thence N89°52'46"E along said North line 701.94 feet to the East Line of Central Park Drive; thence S00°00'18"W along said East line 49.84 feet to the North line of the South 1/2 of said Section and the point of beginning of this description; thence N89°52'30"E along said North line 611.94 feet to the West line of the Southeast 1/4 of said Northeast 1/4; thence S00°00'34"W along said West line 438.49 feet; thence S89°56'54"W parallel with the East-West 1/4 line of said Section a distance of 163.70 feet; thence South parallel with said North-South 1/4 line 336.90 feet; thence S89°49'52"W 210.45 feet to the East line of Central Park Drive; thence along said East line the following three courses, 173.82 feet along a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 395.00 feet, a delta angle of 25°12'46" and a long chord of 172.42 feet bearing N38°15'48"W, 315.22 feet along a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 355.00 feet, a delta angle of 50°52'32" and a chord of 304.97 feet bearing N25°25'58"W and N00°00'18"E 364.02 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 8.07 acres more or less, said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any.

2. A parcel of land in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan, described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South along the North-South 1/4 line of said Section a distance of 1371.42 feet to the South line of Newman Road; thence N89°52'46"E along said South line 611.93 feet to the West line of Central Park Drive; thence S00°00'18"W along said East line 313.66 feet; thence Southeasterly 74.01 feet along a curve to the left, said curve having a delta angle of 09°32'29" a radius of 445.00 feet and a long chord of 74.02 feet bearing S04°45'54"E to the point of beginning of this description; thence continuing along said East line the following two courses, Southeasterly 321.03 feet along a curve to the left, said curve having a radius of 455.00 feet, a delta angle of 41°20'01" and a chord of 314.11 feet bearing S30°12'14"E, Southeasterly 89.60 feet along a curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 305.00 feet, a delta angle of 16°49'56" and a chord of 89.26 feet bearing S42°27'16"E, thence S89°49'52"W 286.39 feet; thence North parallel with said North-South 1/4 line 338.12 feet; thence N89°56'54"E parallel with the East-West 1/4 line of said Section a distance of 68.11

to that of the CS (Community Service) District, and a corresponding use district is established in the above-described property.

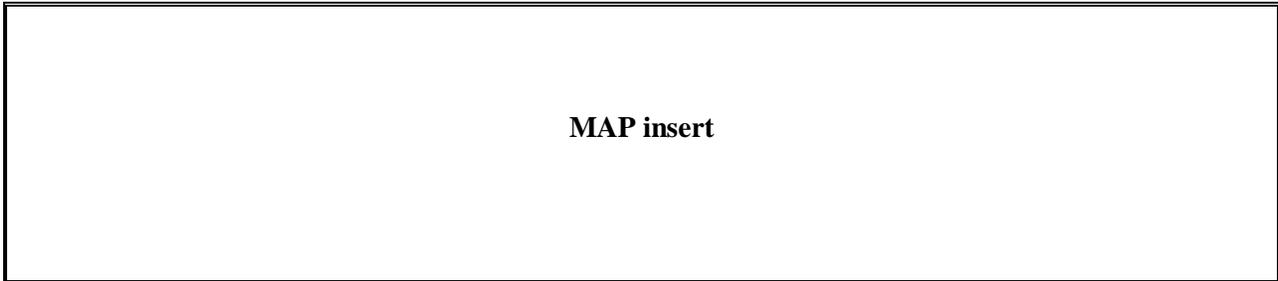
B. The Zoning District Map of Meridian Township, as adopted in Section 82.1-3 of the Code of the Charter Township of Meridian, Michigan, a previously amended, is hereby amended by changing the RA (Single Family-Medium Density) symbol and indication as shown on the Zoning District Map, for the property legally described as:

A parcel of land in the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan, described as commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section; thence South along the North-South 1/4 line of said Section a distance of 1271.42 feet to the North line of Newman Road; thence N89°52'46"E along said North line 701.94 feet to the East line of Central Park Drive; thence S00°00'18"W along said East line 49.84 feet to the North line of the South 1/2 of said Section; thence N89°52'30"E along said North line 611.94 feet to the West line of the

Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of said Section and the point of beginning of this description; thence N89°52'30"E continuing along said North line 1011.88 feet; thence S00°01'08"W parallel with the East line of said Section a distance of 1324.29 feet to the East-West 1/4 line of said Section; thence S89°56'54"W along said East-West 1/4 line 1011.66 feet to said west line; thence N00°00'34"E along said West line 1323.00 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 30.74 acres more or less, said parcel subject to all easements and restrictions if any.

to that of the CS (Community Service) District, and a corresponding use district is established in the above-described property.

These parcels are located generally by borders on the East and West sides of Central Park Drive, directly south of Newman Road, North of Grand River Avenue, ending 300 feet west of Powell Road.



MAP insert

**Do you wish to approve this Zoning Ordinance Amendment?**

A YES vote means the property will be zoned CS (Community Service).

A NO vote means the property will be zoned RD (Multiple Family-Low Density) and RA (Single Family-Medium Density).

**YES q**  
**NO q**

SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MCCULLOUGH.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0.

11. TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Klunzinger thanked Trustee McCullough for being the first to pay the special assessment for the Summer Picnic for Township employees.

Treasurer Klunzinger also promoted the production of Shakespeare's "A Mid Summer Night's Dream" at Nancy Moore Park.

12. TOWNSHIP BOARD

13. SPECIAL HEARINGS/APPEALS

A. C.A.T.A. Supplemental Millage Informational Hearing

Debby Alexander, a CATA representative, provided information to the Board regarding current CATA service, what service will be like next week as the two new MSU routes begin, and what future route changes could occur with a special millage.

Board Members discussed the program including the following items:

- \* Route changes with an increased millage
- \* Ready Ride Service

Trustee McCullough requested copies of the overhead documents Ms. Alexander was showing.

Treasurer Klunzinger clarified that at this time the only C.A.T.A. millage being requested on the November ballot is the basic millage, not an increase, and the hearing was being held in response

to the feedback from a Community Attitudes Survey where only 37 percent of the community voiced satisfaction with the current public transportation in Meridian Township.

Supervisor Little opened the public hearing.

No one spoke.

Supervisor Little closed the public hearing.

B. Proposed Land Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Millage Informational Hearing  
Treasurer Klunzinger stated that this hearing was generated out of the Community Attitude Survey where 60 percent said they would vote for an open space/land preservation millage.

Trustee McCullough stated that this was an informational hearing to get ideas from the public and that he would need more information before placing the issue on a ballot.

Supervisor Little opened the public hearing.

Christy Bleck, representing the Natural Areas Association in Okemos, spoke in favor of the open space/land preservation concept.

Tom Woiwode, 5088 Powell Road, Okemos, spoke in favor of a land preservation millage and purchasing development rights.

Eleanor Luecke, President, L.I.N.C., commended the Board for considering such a millage, and spoke in favor of the concept of land preservation.

Wayne McClellan, 1459 Cheboygan Road, Okemos, stated he would not support this type of millage without more thought and research.

Charles Willems, Haslett, spoke in favor of land preservation.

Ted Black, 4714 Van Atta Road, stated he was pleased to see movement in the direction of open space preservation.

Larry Sawdy, 5588 Marsh Road, spoke in favor of placing the land preservation issue before the voters.

Irvin Kebler, 3590 Fairhills Drive, spoke in favor of a quarter mill land preservation proposition.

Supervisor Little closed the public hearing.

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

15. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (See Consent Agenda)

A. Unfinished Business

- (1) Zoning Amendment #99050 (Township Board), proposed amendment to Section 82-12.4e for flags and banners in the CS (Community Service District) (See Consent Agenda).

B. New Business

- (1) Final Plat #97012 (SBI Limited Partnership), Hiawatha Lakes No. 8, a single family subdivision of 9 lots located north of Jolly Road and east of East Meadows Condominiums. (See Consent Agenda)

16. MANAGER'S REPORT, INVOICES & BILLS

A. Bills (See Consent Agenda)

B. Act 425 Agreement

TREASURER KLUNZINGER MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE ATTORNEY TO PROCEED

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DISCUSSION IN CLOSED SESSION. SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MCCULLOUGH.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 5-1 (McGillicuddy)

C. Assessing Stipulations (See Consent Agenda)

D. Proposed Library Site Work

Trustee McGillicuddy moved to allow the Manager to spend up to \$7000.00 in soil borings on the property under consideration for the library. Seconded by Trustee Such.

Treasurer Klunzinger moved a friendly amendment to the motion:

MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE FIRM TO DO SOIL BORINGS WITH THE COST NOT TO EXCEED \$7000.00, ON THE POTENTIAL LIBRARY SITE.

Trustee McGillicuddy accepted the amendment.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Trustees McCullough, McGillicuddy, Such

NAYS: Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustee Squiers

Motion failed 3-3.

17. BOARD MEMBER, BOARD COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

A. Standing Committee Reports

(1) Physical Operations & Activities

Trustee McGillicuddy reported that there was great support for the new library at the last library forum, and that the next meeting for the volunteer organization would be the first Wednesday in September.

a. Liquor License Transfer, Rio Brava (See Consent Agenda)

(2) Financial Planning and Budgeting

Treasurer Klunzinger reported the minutes of the previous meeting were in the packets and that there would be a meeting scheduled within the next 3 weeks to finalize consideration of anything that came up tonight.

(3) Personnel

a. Implementation of Employee Medical/Health Insurance Program (Removed per Trustee Such)

b. Authorization to Hire Police Property Clerk (See Consent Agenda)

c. EMS/Fire Fighter Appointment (See Consent Agenda)

d. Authorization to Advertise and Fill the Planning Tech Position

TRUSTEE SQUIERS MOVED TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER TO ADVERTISE AND FILL THE PLANNING TECH POSITION. SECONDED BY TREASURER KLUNZINGER.

Supervisor Little stated he was concerned on how the committee structure appears to be breaking down and if committees are going to exist, they need to meet, not just have the chairs being the person decide if something is to be brought to the Board or not.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 6-0.

(4) Planning and Development (None)

(5) Infrastructure

a. Engineering Standards

Director Buell addressed the Board on Engineering Standards and stated the standards were being developed to better serve the developers and other agencies.

Supervisor Little asked if the standards had gone to the Infrastructure Committee. He had concerns about whether this would be stepping on the toes of other departments and

agencies, and asked if copies of the Engineering Standards had been given to these other sources.

Director Buell stated no one had been given copies yet, since he had wanted the Board to have the first opportunity for review.

Trustee Such stated it was his understanding the other departments and agencies had been given copies, and he apologized and agreed that those entities needed to look at the standards and communicate their input. He also stressed the standards were for everyone's information.

Trustee McCullough stated that all the other entities needed to be notified. He would like formal transmittal letters sent, and the responses and concerns communicated back to all members of the Board.

- b. Board of Water and Light, East Lansing/Meridian Township Water Connection Agreement  
TRUSTEE SUCH MOVED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

### 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 1999, at 7:00 p.m., Local Time.

**WHEREAS**, the Township desires the East Lansing – Meridian Township Water and Sewer Authority to provide additional water supply; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached Amendment to the East Lansing – Meridian Water and Sewer Authority Contract of October 6, 1992 will allow the Authority to purchase additional water and have a storage facility constructed.

**THEREFORE**, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian hereby directs the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the attached agreement, subject to final legal review, on behalf of the Township and forward to the authority for final adoption and execution of the necessary additional contract with the Lansing Board of Water & Light for such services.

SECONDED BY TREASURER KLUNZINGER.

Trustee McGillicuddy expressed concern that this issue had changed from its original form.

Trustee Such stated the Township has an obligation to provide basic services to the residents, and a good clean water supply is one of those obligations.

Director Buell stated the size of the project has not changed.

Trustee McCullough expressed concern regarding the location of the water storage unit.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Little, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees  
McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such  
NAYS: Trustee McCullough  
Motion carried 5-1.

Trustee McGillicuddy asked to change her vote to no.

Motion carried 4-2.

Trustee McCullough stated he wanted to clarify the reason for his vote. It had been his understanding the storage facility would be on the south side of the expressway, and tonight was the first he had heard about

it being on the north side. His objection was to being left out of the loop, not an objection to providing clean, safe water to the residents.

- a. Telecommunications Ordinance, Final Adoption (See Consent Agenda)
- b. Resolution #1, Wellington Estates Street Lights

TRUSTEE SUCH MOVED TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

**WELLINGTON ESTATES STREETLIGHTING DISTRICT  
RESOLUTION NO. 1**

**WHEREAS**, a request has been received in accordance with the Township Board Policy for Establishing Streetlighting Districts dated November 19, 1993; and,

**WHEREAS**, the request has been validated against the Township Assessor's records.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the Township Board acting on its own initiative as permitted by Act 246, Michigan Public Acts of 1931, as amended, hereby tentatively declares its intention to install and maintain streetlights as set forth below.

**WELLINGTON ESTATES STREETLIGHTING DISTRICT**

- A. The expense to install and operate the proposed streetlights shall be defrayed by a special assessment district against lands in Section 24, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, Michigan, (excluding all public streets, roads, and highways therein) described as follows: Lots 1 through 40 (inclusive), and Outlot A of Wellington Estates.
- B. Proposed streetlights to be installed and maintained in sizes and locations as follows: Install nine (9) 8500 lumen high pressure sodium streetlights along Wellington Drive, Dunmorrow Drive, and Nicole Circle.
- C. Estimated Cost and Assessment:

	\$13,050.00	First Year
		(\$321.95/benefit)
	\$ 900.00	Annually Thereafter
		(\$ 21.96/benefit)
		(Subject to Adjustment)

2. That the plans, cost estimates, and special assessment roll on this day submitted by the Township Supervisor, are hereby received and ordered filed with the Township Clerk for public examination.

3. That the Township Board shall meet at the Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI on Tuesday, September 7, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing objections to the improvement, the proposed assessment district, and the proposed special assessment roll.

4. The Township Clerk is hereby ordered to cause notice of such hearing and the fact that the Township Board is proceeding on a proper petition to be published twice prior to said hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, the first publication to be at least ten (10) days before the time of the hearing, and pursuant to Act 162, Public Acts of Michigan, 1962, as amended, shall cause said notice to be mailed by first class mail to all record owners of, or parties in interest in, property in the special assessment district, at the addresses shown on the current tax records of the Township, at least ten (10) full days before the date of said hearing.

5. Said notice shall be in substantially the following form:

**MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS  
NOTICE OF REVIEW OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT  
AND SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR**

**WELLINGTON ESTATES STREETLIGHTING DISTRICT**

By Charter Township of Meridian  
Ingham County, Michigan

**TO THE RECORD OWNERS OF, OR PARTIES IN INTEREST IN, THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY, CONSTITUTING THE PROPOSED SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT:**

Lots 1 through 40 (inclusive) and Outlot A of Wellington Estates;

all parcels located in Section 24, T4N, R1W, Meridian Township, Ingham County, MI, and excluding all streets and other land deemed not benefitted.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a request has been filed requesting the installation of nine (9) 8500 lumen high pressure sodium streetlights along Wellington Drive, Dunmorrow Drive, and Nicole Circle. A plan, cost estimate, and special assessment roll have been prepared and are on file in the Office of the Township Clerk for public examination. Said special assessment roll has been prepared for the purpose of assessing the cost of the above-described streetlights. All questions and/or concerns should be directed to Meridian Township Engineering Department at (517) 349-1200, ext. 399.

**TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Township Board will meet on Tuesday, September 7, 1999, at 7:00 p.m., at the Meridian Township Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198, for the purpose of hearing any objections to the improvement, and to the special assessment district. The Township Board is also interested in hearing those that favor the proposed project.

Appearance and protest at the hearing in the special assessment proceedings is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the state tax tribunal. Your personal appearance at the hearing is not required, but you or your agent may appear in person at the hearing and protest the special assessment. To make an appearance and protest, you must file your written objections by letter or other writing with the Township Clerk before the close of this hearing. The owner or any person having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the state tax tribunal within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll if that person appeared and protested the special assessment at this hearing.

For purposes of this hearing, the amount to be assessed against your property, or properties, is estimated to be **\$321.95** the first year and **\$21.96** annually thereafter.

SECONDED BY TREASURER KLUNZINGER.

Board members discussed the Resolution including the following items:

- The basis for the resolution being brought forward
- The number of residents making the request

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

e. Scanner Bid Award (See Consent Agenda)

(6) Public Safety (None)

(7) Recreation

Trustee McCullough stated that the interviews for the Recreation Director would be conducted August 24, 1999.

Supervisor Little stated that typically he is included in the interview process for Department head positions.

B. Special Committees (None)

C. Liaison Representative Reports (None)

18. OTHER REPORTS (None)

19. NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Squiers requested the Township Manager to ask Parks Coordinator Wendy Longpre to put together an update on the projects included in the budget for 1999, and their completion status. He requested the information be available for the next meeting.

Trustee Squiers also asked Director Buell for an update on the status of the sledding hill.

Trustee Squiers asked for an update on the Township Newsletter.

20. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor Little opened public remarks.

Wayne McClellan commented on the water contract with Alaidon Township, the contract with the Board of Water and Light, and the new library.

Harold Schmidt, 4086 Dobie Road, expressed concern over the 3 to 3 vote by the Board concerning the potential site for the new library.

Charles Willems, Haslett, spoke regarding providing basic services, keeping committee systems strong, lack of advance notice regarding special Board of Review, the need to replat Hickory Island, and the dead spots for the audio in the Town Hall room.

Supervisor Little closed public remarks.

21. FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Treasurer Klunzinger spoke regarding the final language for the Newman Equities Referendum, and also gave an update on the Sprague case.

Trustee Squiers spoke to clarify he is not against the library, but believes if the Township doesn't run the library then the money shouldn't be spent until the voters say it is all right, and he also pointed out that both Ted Black and Eleanor Luecke commended the Board.

22. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Little adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

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BRUCE A. LITTLE  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

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MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Betsy Kelly, Acting Secretary