

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
SPECIAL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING - **APPROVED** -
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Town Hall Room
SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 2008, **9:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor McGillicuddy, Treasurer Hunting, Trustees Such, Veenstra, Woiwode
ABSENT: Trustee Brixie, Clerk Helmbrecht
STAFF: Township Manager Gerald Richards

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor McGillicuddy called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

2. DISCUSSION OF BOARD POLICY & GOVERNANCE MODEL

Board members and staff discussed the following suggested additions, deletions and changes to the current Policy Governance Policy Manual:

- Policy 1.0 – Insert “Preamble” at the beginning of Section 1 which is to be drafted by Trustees Such and Woiwode
- Policy 1.1.1 (a) - Insert “of all lands, public and private.” at sentence end
- Policy 1.1.2 (b) – Insert “b. Appropriate stewardship of publicly-owned lands.”
- Policy 1.1.2 (i) – Insert “i. Land management plan.” under b. Remaining sections are relettered.
- Policy 1.1.3 - Delete “including” after “township” and insert “where appropriate, including open natural spaces,”
- Policy 1.1.3 (b) – Delete “through an active farm market” and insert “i. Expanded farm market” and “ii. Encourage and create community gardens”
- Policy 1.1.4 - Insert “renewable energy” after “recycling,”
- Policy 1.1.4 (b) - Delete “solid waste recycling” after “residential”
- Policy 1.1.4 (c) - Insert “c. Encourage LEED Building Certification”
- Policy 1.1.5 (a i) - Insert “i. Preserve township’s wetland authority”
- Policy 1.1.5 (a ii) - Insert “ii Encourage use of phosphorus free products”
- Policy 1.2.1 (e) – Delete “Encourage” at line beginning and insert “Preference for”
- Policy 1.2.3 – Insert “and pathways” at sentence end
- Policy 1.2.4 – Delete “primary” and insert “township” before “roads”
- Policy 1.2.4 (a) - Insert new “a. Increased liaison and cooperation with ICRC and MDOT”
- Policy 1.2.4 (b) - Insert new “b. Increased and safer pedestrian and bicycle mobility.”
- Policy 1.2.4 (d) – Delete “d. Increased and safer pedestrian and bicycle mobility” Remaining sections are relettered.
- Policy 1.2.6 (b) – Insert new “b. Encourage commercial lighting that meets township dark sky standards”
- Policy 1.3.2 (e) – Insert new “e. Encourage public transportation that serves all neighborhoods”
- Policy 1.3.2 (f) – Insert new “f. Encourage neighborhood parks”
- Policy 1.3.3 (b) – Insert “Preserve” before “Existing” and uncapitalize “Existing”
- Policy 1.3.3 (d) – Insert “d. Encourage entrepreneurial activities”
- Policy 1.3.4 (a) – Insert “Improve” before “Liaison” and uncapitalize “Liaison”
- Policy 1.4. – Insert the words “the arts,” before “historic buildings”
- Policy 1.4.1 (b) – Insert new “b. Encouragement of the arts community and artisans”
- Policy 1.4.5 (a) – Insert new “a. Support regional art and culture efforts”
- Policy 1.4.5 (b) – Insert new “b. Cable TV and Public Access Facilities”
- Policy 1.5.4 (a) – Insert the word “native” before “ecosystems”

5. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor McGillicuddy opened and closed Public Remarks.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor McGillicuddy adjourned the meeting at 12:07 P.M.

SUSAN MCGILLICUDDY
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT, CMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Gerald J. Richards, Acting Secretary