



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
MERIDIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
January 18, 2018 6:00 p.m.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. November 16, 2017

4. PUBLIC REMARKS

5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Received and on file:

- o Ann Alchin-Lake Lansing Road
- o William Conklin-Lake Lansing Road
- o William Conklin-Lake Lansing Road

6. PRESENTATION

A. Michigan Department of Transportation - I-69BL Corridor Improvement Projects

7. COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

A. Continue Redi-Ride Discussion

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS

9. NEXT MEETING DATE

A. February 15, 2018 Central Fire Station Community Room

B. Township Board Meeting January 23, 2018

10. ADJOURNMENT

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
MERIDIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)
MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 16, 2017

PRESENT: Commissioners: Chair Hackbarth, Vice-Chair Potter, Hudson, Deschaine, Kolbasa
and Beavers

ABSENT: Commissioner Vagnozzi

STAFF: Dave Hall, Chief of Police
Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Vice-Chair Potter moved to approve the agenda as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

3. Approval of Minutes

Vice-Chair Potter moved to approve the minutes of October 19, 2017

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

4. Public Remarks

Michael Unsworth stated he supported the pathway and trail millage and thought the proposed projects should be reviewed by the Transportation Commission

5. Communications

The Commission accepted the communication that had been received and placed on file.

6. Presentation/Discussion

A. Lake Lansing Road (Hagadorn to Saginaw Highway) reduce existing 4 lanes to 3 lanes.

William Conklin, Managing Director, Ingham County Road Department (ICRD) provided a summary of the proposed road project as outlined in an email dated November 2, 2017.

- Survey and design of the project is underway

- After milling and asphalt resurfacing the road would be restriped to have one through lane in each direction, a center turn lane and paved shoulders for non-motorized use on both sides of the road
- Traffic report by Traffic Engineering Associates indicated there was no expected significant reduction in level of service (vehicle delay) with the proposed road diet
- New traffic signals would be included in the project

Public Remarks:

Michael Unsworth spoke in support as the project would benefit pedestrians and bicyclists.

Leonard Provencher spoke in support of the project. He liked the improvements made to Lake Lansing Road for the segment between Saginaw Highway and Marsh Road.

Michael Hudson spoke in support of the project. He thought it would improve the safety at the Lake Lansing Road/Skyline Drive intersection and would benefit bicyclists.

Ann Alchin spoke in opposition to the project. She felt the money should be spent on local Roads.

Board Discussion:

- Federal funding is paying for the Lake Lansing Road project
- Federal money cannot be used for local roads
- Estimated cost of the project is \$600,000 to 700,000 for milling and resurfacing and
- \$350,000 for signal replacement
- Work could be done Summer of 2018
- The completed segment on Lake Lansing Road between Marsh Road and Saginaw Highway
- has helped to slow traffic and reduce traffic accidents
- No bike lane markings or signage on the completed road segment of Lake Lansing Road
- ICRD would work with the Township to mark and sign the bike lanes from Hagadorn Road
- to Marsh Road.
- Township would need to help pay for the markings and signage
- ICRD will provide an estimate of the cost for markings and signage
- Township pedestrian bicycle pathway millage could help pay for markings and signage
- Left turn arrows are not marked on the pavement at the intersection with a local street

Vice Chair Potter moved The Transportation Commission recommend the Township Board approve the Ingham County Road Department proposed road diet for Lake Lansing Road

from Hagadorn Road to Saginaw Highway and the paved shoulders on Lake Lansing Road be marked for bike lanes on the pavement and be signed with "No Parking-Bike Lane" signs next to the road from Hagadorn Road to Marsh Road.

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

7. Commission Discussion

- Public information meeting on the road improvements to Okemos Road and Jolly Road intersection and Jolly Road resurfacing from Dobie Road to Meridian Road on Wednesday, November 29, 2017 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Chippewa Middle School
- Notice of meeting on Township website
- Survey for the Lansing River Trail extension from Michigan State University to Lake Lansing North County park is available on the Township website.

9. Next Meeting Dates

A. December 14, 2017 Transportation Commission Meeting

Chair Hackbarth asked the commission to consider canceling the December meeting

Vice Chair Potter moved to cancel the December 14, 2017 meeting

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

B. Township Board's next meeting is December 5, 2017.

C. 2018 Meeting schedule

Commissioner Deschaine moved to approve the resolution for 2018 Meeting Schedule with the exception that there will be no meeting in April, July or December.

Seconded by Vice-Chair Potter

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

Copy of the resolution is on file

10. Adjournment

Chair Hackbarth called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Commissioner Deschaine moved to adjourn the meeting

Seconded by Vice-Chair Potter

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Mark Kieselbach

From: ANN ALCHIN <aa41@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 11:32 AM
To: Mark Kieselbach
Subject: Transportation Commission

This is Ann Alchin. I am writing regarding the recent Township Transportation Commission meeting which I attended. If you recall I spoke objecting to the expenditure of taxpayer monies for work on Lake Lansing Road. One of my concerns was the lack of signage on the section of Lake Lansing Road from Saginaw east to Marsh Road. Mr Conklin explained to me that signs exist indicating the center turn lane and the "bike lane". I have driven this length of roadway and can verify there are no such signs. Please share this mail with the commission and respond with an explanation. I am attempting contact with Mr Conklin. I also noted the website states the commission consists of six (6) members of the public and a representative from the township board. It lists five (5) people and a twp bd representative. I await your response. Thank you.

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Mark Kieselbach

From: Conklin, William <WConklin@ingham.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 4:51 PM
To: aa41@comcast.net
Cc: Mark Kieselbach; Peterson, Robert; Swanson, Mark; Husby, Thomas
Subject: RE: Transportation Commission

Ms. Alchin,

In response to both your email below forwarded to me by Mark Kieselbach, Meridian Township, and your phone call today on this same subject, Ingham County Road Department staff, copied, will review the lane use markings and signs on Lake Lansing Road between Saginaw Highway and Marsh Road and will correct any missing or improper markings or signs as soon as possible.

Please note however, that as the current paved shoulder has not yet been designated a bike lane, there are no bike lane signs or markings. These would be added if and where Meridian Township decides to designate bike lanes on the available paved shoulders.

Thank-you for your communication and feel free to reply or call again if you have any further questions in this regard.

Bill Conklin, Manager,
 Ingham County Road Department
 Office: 517-676-9722

From: Mark Kieselbach [mailto:Kieselbach@meridian.mi.us]
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 1:06 PM
To: Conklin, William
Subject: FW: Transportation Commission

Bill,
 Thought you may want to see this email.
 Mark



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From: Conklin, William <WConklin@ingham.org>
Sent: Monday, December 04, 2017 5:17 PM
To: Derek Perry; Mark Kieselbach
Cc: Peterson, Robert; Campbell, Brett
Subject: Scheduling of Lake Lansing Road Resurfacing, Hagadorn to Saginaw (BL-69)

Derek, Mark,

We have recently learned MDOT plans a 2018 resurfacing project on Saginaw Hwy (BL-69) from Coolidge Road to Hagadorn Road and a 2018 – 19 project on Saginaw Hwy from east of Lake Lansing through Marsh Road.

Also, City of East Lansing plans a 2018 resurfacing project on Hagadorn Road from Haslett to Lake Lansing Roads which plans to use Haslett, Park Lake and Lake Lansing Roads back to Hagadorn Road as a detour.

Given all the road work proposed for 2018 in that area, ICRD prefers to defer our Lake Lansing Road, Hagadorn to Saginaw (BL-69), project including the recently discussed road diet for this section to 2019 rather than in 2018 as currently scheduled and recently discussed with your Transportation Commission. We also believe Lake Lansing Road can be deferred one more year as a fair amount of maintenance paving has been done on this section recent years which will keep it in serviceable until 2019.

Also, the currently planned 2019 project to replace the southbound Okemos Road bridge over the Red Cedar River must also be deferred at least one year to 2020 as the bridge was not awarded funding until 2020 and approved funding for this project remains lower than estimated funding needed. 2019 road work funding related to this bridge project will then be reallocated to other 2019 federal aid road projects including milling and resurfacing Lake Lansing Road east of Okemos to Marsh Roads along with Lake Lansing, Hagadorn to Saginaw, in 2019.

Thus Lake Lansing Road will be resurfaced from both Hagadorn to Saginaw, and east of Okemos to Marsh Roads in 2019. Please note this in discussing the proposed road diet on the Hagadorn to Saginaw section with your Township Board.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions on this or any other county road issues,

Bill Conklin, Manager,
Ingham County Road Department (ICRD)