



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Administrative Conference Room
Tuesday, July 10, 2018 5:30 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Curt Armbruster (tier1); Ron Rowe (tier1); Robert Hollenshead (tier1); Larry Wagenknecht (tier2);
ABSENT: Paul Pratt (ICDC); Pat Witte (ICP); Tim McCarthy (tier 1); Steve Culling (tier2)

STAFF/
TOWNSHIP: Younes Ishraidi
COUNTY:

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Armbruster called the meeting to order at **5:30 pm**.

2. PUBLIC REMARKS

Mr. Jim Folkening stated that he is a Township resident living on the lake and he has two concerns. First, the fish population appears to be low. Second, there are too many geese on the lake this year; he estimated about 70 geese.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following agenda items were approved unanimously:

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Zebra Mussels
- C. Harvesting Update
- D. DNR & Sheriff Boats

3A. Approval of Minutes

The May 8, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

3B. Zebra Mussels

Chair Armbruster stated that he has not seen zebra mussels this year and was curious about the possible causes for this. There was speculation that there may be a link between the low fish counts and the zebra mussels decline. It was also speculated that this occurrence could be related to herbicide treatment. Chair Armbruster mentioned that the lake consultant is aware of this issue and she's looking into possible causes.

3C. Harvesting Update

Younes stated that the harvester started on July 9 at the northwest section of the lake, and is expected to be on the lake for at least a couple of weeks. It was noted that harvesting is planned for approximately 80 acres, per harvest map prepared by the lake consultant. Chair Armbruster shared with the committee that Steve Carpenter, LLPOA president, was hoping to arrange an agreement with the MSU sailing center to allow the harvester to park his equipment on their property to reduce the trips to transport harvested material.

Minutes - Lake Lansing Advisory Committee

July 10, 2018

Page 2

3D. DNR & Sheriff Boats

Chair Armbruster informed the committee that he observed DNR staff accessing and exiting the lake without washing their boats on at least two occasions. He also noted that the Sheriff's deputies did the same thing. After a brief discussion, the committee unanimously approved a motion authorizing Chair Armbruster to write a complaint letter, on behalf of the advisory committee, to the DNR and the sheriff's office about this behavior, and request compliance with recommended washing to ensure compliance with state law.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm.