

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING - **APPROVED** -
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Town Hall Room
TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2013 **6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor LeGoff, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Brixie, Trustees Scales, Styka, Veenstra, Wilson
ABSENT: None
STAFF: Township Manager Frank Walsh, 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 Diana Hasse, Director of Information and Technology Stephen Gebes, Parks and Land Management Coordinator Jane Greenway

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. PUBLIC REMARKS
Supervisor LeGoff opened Public Remarks.

James Spanos, PO Box 1426, Okemos, expressed appreciation for the outstanding service provided by paramedics to Meridian Township residents. He believed the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Loan Agreement should be debated and decided solely by the Board of Trustees. Mr. Spanos requested the Board review ongoing matters concerning the DDA and questioned some financial figures presented at its most recent meeting for debt repayment. He asked that covenants be included in the loan agreement.

Marsha Madle, 1373 Sebewaing Road, Okemos, spoke in support of the DDA's loan agreement proposal, citing several accomplishments by the DDA for that area.

Leonard Provencher, 5824 Buena Parkway, Haslett, addressed transparency in government and requested the semi-monthly report be reinstated.

Neil Bowlby, 6020 Beechwood Drive, Haslett, announced the next Liaison for Inter Neighborhood Cooperation (LINC) meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2013 at 6:45 PM in the Community Room of the Haslett Library. He also requested the semi-monthly report be reinstated.

Cindy Meteyer, 1147 Cliffdale, Haslett, believed widening Cornell Road will lead to increased speed and usage as well as make it less safe. She requested the Board repave the road, but not approve the recommendations from the task force relative to tree removal and wetland destruction.

Tom Kluzinger, President, Meridian Hills Condominium Association, 1747 Maple Ridge, Haslett, spoke to expansion of the Deer Management Program to eliminate more deer from residential neighborhoods.

Anthony Bauer, 4528 Herron Road, Okemos, spoke to the numerous animals on the urban farm located at 4513 Hawthorne Lane, Okemos and their impact on neighboring properties and the Herron Creek itself. He addressed the horrible stench which permeates the neighborhood and noise from the animals that run loose onto other properties and into Mt. Hope Road.