



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PARK COMMISSION REGULAR
MEETING
Tuesday, April 8, 2025, 4:30pm
Service Center

REGULAR MEETING – 4:30PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 1. March 11, 2025 Park Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
6. COMMUNICATIONS
 1. April Stewardship Calendars
 2. April Harris Nature Center Calendars
7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 1. Meridian Township Parks and Recreation 5-Year Plan
8. ACTION ITEMS
 1. Meridian Historical Village Memorandum of Understanding
9. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - A. Budget Updates
 - B. Upcoming Events
 - a. Indoor Farmer's Market
 - i. April 19
 - b. Outdoor Farmer's Market
 - i. Begins May 3
 - c. Wednesdays Farmer's Market
 - i. Begins June 4
 - C. Miscellaneous
10. TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT – Chair Farris
11. LAND PRESERVATION REPORT – Commissioner Stephens
12. ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION REPORT – Commissioner McDonald
13. HISTORICAL VILLAGE REPORT – Commissioner Rambo
14. NOKOMIS CULTURAL CENTER REPORT – Commissioner Lick
15. SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT – Chair Farris
 1. Senior and Community Center Concept, Staffing, and Operations Plan
16. PUBLIC COMMENT
17. OTHER MATTERS AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

18. ADJOURNMENT

All comments limited to 3 minutes, unless prior approval for additional time for good cause is obtained.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact Parks & Recreation Director, Courtney Wisinski: 2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court, Haslett, MI 48864 or 517.853.4600 - Ten Day Notice is Required.

Meeting Location: Service Center, 2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court, Haslett, MI 48840

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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
 1. Chair called meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. ROLL CALL
 1. Chair Farris, Commissioners Stephens, McDonald, and Rambo present at roll call.
 2. Director Wisinski present at roll call.
 3. City Manager Dempsey arrived at 4:39 pm.
 4. Commissioner Lick arrived at 4:59 pm.
 5. Guests: Richard Miksicek, Environmental Commission liaison, was also present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT
 1. There was no public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 1. Chair Farris asked to move Discussion Item #1 to #3. Commissioner McDonald supported.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously, as amended.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 1. February 11, 2025 Park Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2025 regular meeting as submitted by Chair Farris and supported by Commissioner Rambo.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

6. COMMUNICATIONS
 1. March Stewardship Calendars
 - a. Director Wisinski highlighted upcoming vernal pool trainings and reminded the commission of established Weekday Warriors and Stewardship Saturdays events.
 2. March Harris Nature Center Calendars
 - a. Director Wisinski noted that Kati Adams and Allison Goodman will be out at a National Association for Interpretation conference early next week. Camp registration also opened on Monday, and was fully booked on the same day. She also pointed out that this is the first year of a no refund policy due to families registering and then canceling later.
 - b. Commissioner McDonald was complimented by a non-resident on Snell-Towar Rec Center, even with the reduction in hours, and reminded the commission that non-residents of the township may have a Meridian Township Park as the closest park to their residence.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 1. Park Commissioner Liaison Assignments
 - a. Environmental Commission – Commissioner McDonald
 - b. Historical Village – Commissioner Rambo
 - c. Land Preservation Advisory Board – Commissioner Stephens
 - d. Township Board – Chair Farris
 - e. Nokomis Cultural Center – Commissioner Lick
 - The commission was reminded by Director Wisinski to reach out to

their liaison groups and introduce themselves as a resource over the next month, and reminded everyone that they don't have to attend every meeting or event, the liaison should just be a point person for the group.

2. Park Commission Liaison Roles and Responsibilities

a. Discussion included:

- Chair Farris asked that the language be clarified that the roles and responsibilities “may” include instead of include. Director Wisinski suggested instead of written input, the list include e-mail. Commissioner Rambo asked that under the third bullet point “ask relevant questions” include the line “on behalf of the parks commission” at the end for precision.

3. Cricket field for practice

a. Cricket Field Dimensions

- Director Wisinski provided some background into the request for a space to play cricket from residents, which led her to direct staff to come up with a temporary solution, and then look towards the future for a permanent solution.
- For the temporary solution, Director Wisinski worked with the Parks and Recreation specialists to create a matrix of availability of the baseball fields that the department could rotate a temporary pitch between three parks in Meridian Township. Director Wisinski noted that cricket is a family-oriented event, and Commissioner Stephens shared that it was cultural, like ultimate Frisbee. Due to existing programs such as baseball and softball, only Nancy Moore is available on Sundays from April through mid-July. In the middle of July, when summer sports programming comes to a close, Hillbrook and Newton become available, and the cricket players could practice six days a week between three fields until the end of October. Commissioners Stephens and Rambo asked for the department to consider other parks such as Marshall and Ferguson as options as well. Chair Farris mentioned that rotating the parks not only helps with resting the fields between uses, but also helps alleviate traffic, and exposes residents to a different sport they may not have heard of.
- Chair Farris asked if there were other parks that could be available in 2026 and beyond for the cricket players. Director Wisinski shared that there is a potential to partner with one of the local school districts, but Ingham County Parks was not initially interested. Commissioner Rambo questioned why they were not interested, if their parks were underutilized. Director Wisinski said that Ingham County was hesitant due to field maintenance, but there may be a potential for Meridian Township to help with maintenance if Ingham County was willing. Commissioner Lick encouraged Director Wisinski to approach Ingham County to help fill the gaps instead of Hillbrook or other smaller parks. She also noted that the rotation may be confusing for participants, and thanked Director Wisinski for her hard work on this temporary solution. Director Wisinski will follow up with the commissioners after meeting with Ingham County.
- Director Wisinski then shared a tentative long-term solution for the cricket players: building a cricket pitch at North Meridian Road Park. There is a large enough space, and the area they were envisioning is flat enough for a permanent pitch. Chair Farris noted the potential need for a new entrance, and Commissioner McDonald agreed. Director Wisinski shared that the Ingham County Road Commission and the Meridian Township Fire Department would need to be involved in the planning, along with having engineers look at the area and do environmental testing. The environmental testing is already included in the budget. The commissioners discussed the secondary parking lot, and Commissioners Stephens and McDonald suggested to close the parking

lot except when in use.

4. Meridian Historical Village Memorandum of Understanding Update

a. Discussion included:

- Director Wisinski shared that the Friends of Meridian Historical Village group is aging in membership and cannot do a lot of maintenance required on the group of buildings. Chair Farris commented that they lost their primary benefactor previously and there has been some operational changes. In the current MOU, the Parks and Recreation Department is only responsible for mowing grass. Director Wisinski shared that by updating the MOU, the department would be able to budget for assisting with maintenance and helping care for aging buildings. Essentially, the historical village is responsible for the inside of the buildings, and Parks and Recreation would be responsible for outside of the buildings.
- Chair Farris mentioned that there is an opportunity for a relationship to be built. Commissioner Rambo saw an opportunity for the Meridian Historical Village to diversify their programming, and Commissioner Stephens shared some ideas for community marketing. Director Wisinski noted that the lease term agreement was previously every two years, and the new agreement renews every five years. Commissioner McDonald thought that the lease terms were general, but was content with it if the leadership was, and the attorneys were happy.

8. ACTION ITEMS

1. There was no action items.

9. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Upcoming Events

- a. Indoor Farmer's Market
 - i. March 15, 29
 - ii. April 5, 19
- b. Michigan Waterways Clean-up – March 23

10. LAND PRESERVATION REPORT – Commissioner Stephens

1. Commissioner Stephens did not have anything to share. Director Wisinski noted that this was the last time this would be a standalone item on the agenda, and in the future would be folded into the Liaison reports.

11. SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER REPORT – Chair Farris

1. Senior and Community Center Concept, Staffing, and Operations Plan
 - a. Chair Farris shared that this was the last meeting for the Senior and Community Center Task Force, and that there would be a recommendation that they would be able to share at the next meeting.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

1. There was no additional public comment.

13. OTHER MATTERS AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT at 5:49 pm

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APRIL

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STEWARDSHIP SATURDAYS | 9:30 AM - 12 PM

These workdays occur every other Saturday year round.

- April 5th, Eastgate Park, Invasive mustard pull
- April 19th, Earth Day Pull-Pizza-Pull Day!



- 9:30 am - 12 pm | Legg park
- 12:15-1:00 pm Pizza | Legg Park
- 1:15 pm - 3:30 pm | Harris Nature Center



TIMBERDOODLE WALK | 7:30 PM - 9 PM | Davis Foster Preserve

- This special hike at dusk will focus on the American Woodcock, a shorebird that lives in young forests & shrubby old fields. We will watch for its dusk courtship display, called a sky dance.

***Limited to 20 participants.**

WEEKDAY WARRIORS | 1-3 PM | BI-WEEKLY

- April 10th, Foster Crouse Preserve (Buttercup Ln, Okemos), Invasive mustard pull & native plant inventory
- April 24th, Trash pickup along Tihart Rd. (Meet at the intersection of Whitetail Court & Tihart Rd)

TRAILSIDE ECOLOGY | Spring Ephemeral Hike | Eastgate Park

- Join us at 4203 Meridian Rd, Okemos for a walk to talk about spring wildflowers & their important ecology. We will be able to see species such as trillium, trout lily & woodland phlox among others.



STEWARDSHIP

*** ALL EVENTS ARE WEATHER DEPENDENT & MAY BE CANCELLED THE DAY OF**

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5 STEWARDSHIP SATURDAY 9:30-12 PM
6	7	8	9 TIMBERDOODLE WALK 7:30 - 9 PM	10 WEEKDAY WARRIORS 1-3 PM	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 EARTHDAY PULL-PIZZA- PULL! 
20	21	22 	23	24 WEEKDAY WARRIORS 1-3 PM	25	26
27	28	29 TRAILSIDE ECOLOGY 5:30 - 7 PM 	30			

PLEASE CONTACT EMMA AT ECAMPBELL@MERIDIAN.MI.US, OR 517.853.4614

HARRIS NATURE CENTER ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Building Hours:
Tuesday-Saturday
9 am- 3 pm

APRIL 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Assistant Naturalist Interviews	2 Assistant Naturalist Interviews	3 Assistant Naturalist Interviews	4	5 7 PM Campfire Program All about Frogs
6	7 Annie's Big Nature Lesson (ABNL) (all day) Wexford Montessori 1-3 Grade	8 ABNL (all day) Wexford Montessori 1-3 Grade	9 ABNL (all day) Wexford Montessori 1-3 Grade	10 ABNL (all day) Wexford Montessori 1-3 Grade PM Girl Scout Program	11 ABNL (all day) Wexford Montessori 1-3 Grade 5:30-7:30 pm Sensory-Friendly Night	12
13	14 5 pm HNC Foundation Board Meeting	15	16	17 10 am Chipmunk Story Time Plant Orders Due Hiawatha STEAM Night	18 CLOSED AT NOON HOLIDAY	19
20	21	22	23 AM Kendon Preschool	24	25	26
27 1 pm Wildflower Walk	28 10 am Nature for Toddlers	29	30 ABNL (all day) Bath Elementary 3rd Grade			

**FRIENDS OF HISTORIC MERIDIAN
and
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN BOARD AND PARK COMMISSION**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

INTRODUCTION

In the interest of pursuing continued cooperation and understanding, and for the benefit of all persons involved, the following Memorandum of Understanding between the Friends of Historic Meridian (FHM) and the Charter Township of Meridian Board and Park Commission has been developed to outline the responsibilities and commitments of each party as they relate to the Historical Village and preservation of history in Meridian Township.

STATEMENT OF CIRCUMSTANCE

The Charter Township of Meridian owns the Meridian Historical Village, including eight (8) structures, supporting features and surrounding grounds. The eight structures include: "Proctor Tollgate House", the "Grettenberger Farmhouse", the "Randall School House", the "Unruh Barn", the "Barnes House", the "Heathman-Herre House", the "Perkins/Copeland Log Cabin", the "Village Chapel", and the windmill, corn crib, wishing well, gazebo and outhouse. The Township's interest in the Historical Village is held by the Township Board.

The FHM is an independent, educational non-profit organization with separate 501(c) (3) status. FHM leases the buildings in the Historical Village from the Township for the purpose of providing a Historical Village for public access.

The Meridian Township Park Commission is a five-member elected body of Meridian Township. The Commission is empowered to manage park and recreation facilities on behalf of the Township. The Historical Village is a facility within Central Park and is subject to the policies and regulations established by the Park Commission.

TERM OF AGREEMENT

This agreement will become effective upon the date of the last signature listed below and will remain effective for five (5) years, at which time the agreement shall automatically be renewed, unless, 30 days in advance of

expiration, one or more of the parties listed below requests that the agreement not be renewed. Amendments may be made to this agreement upon the written consent of all parties listed above.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTIES

Friends of Historic Meridian (FHM) agree to the following:

- FHM shall restore, maintain, clean, and furnish the interior of the following structures in the Historical Village: the "Proctor Tollgate House", the "Grettenberger Farmhouse", the "Randall School House", the "Unruh Barn", the "Barnes House", the "Heathman-Herre House" the "Perkins/Copland Log Cabin", the "Village Chapel" and outhouse facility in accordance with any leases in existence for each structure. Said work shall include but not be limited to: sweeping; mopping; dusting; wallpapering; painting, plumbing, electrical and heating installation, repair and maintenance; security system installation, repair and upkeep; light-bulb replacement; window and door repair;
- FHM may solicit, organize, run, staff, and administer programs in the Historical Village.
- FHM will provide each approved board meeting minutes to the Parks and Recreation Director to send to the Park Commission.
- FHM shall secure funds to carry out all responsibilities it has agreed to pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding.
- FHM shall provide the Director of Parks and Recreation with the Security Alarm contact list.
- FHM shall install and maintain landscaping surrounding the buildings in the Historical Village, including the flower gardens, vegetable garden and tree plantings, or shall coordinate such landscaping and other improvements with volunteers or other groups. FHM shall secure written approval from the Park Commission prior to installing, removing, relocating or otherwise changing any landscaping and/or site structure in the Historical Village.
- FHM shall transmit all budget requests in writing to the Park Commission by April 1st of each year for recommendation and submission to the Township Board in accordance with the Township's budgetary calendar.
- FHM shall abide by all applicable Meridian Township Ordinances,

rules or policies in all their practices.

- FHM shall submit a calendar of events to the Meridian Township Parks and Recreation Department Office by the 15th day of the previous month. Any use by FHM of the Village grounds and/or Central Park must be coordinated with the Director of the Parks and Recreation.
- FHM shall put forth a good faith effort to communicate openly and appropriately regarding all areas of mutual interest. This communication shall include but not be limited to exchanging newsletters (Gate Keeper, flyers, brochures, etc.), Board Meeting minutes and attending meetings where necessary.

Charter Township of Meridian Board (Board) agrees to the following:

- The Board shall ensure that Township maintenance staff mow the grass and remove trash in the Village, in accordance with the township's regular maintenance schedule. Special mowing or trash removal requests are to be directed to the Parks and Land Preservation Superintendent and Grounds Maintenance Division and will be performed as able.
- The Board shall ensure that Township maintenance staff clear the sidewalks of snow, in accordance with the regular maintenance schedule. Special snow removal or salting requests are to be directed to the Parks and Grounds Maintenance Division and will be performed as able. The Township will not guarantee that snow will be removed before 12:00 noon. Snow will not be removed from the sidewalks on the weekends.
- The Board shall ensure that exterior structural repair and maintenance including siding, roofing, etc., and capital improvements, in accordance with work order schedules and budget allotment.
- The Board shall ensure the facilities located at the Meridian Historical Village receive pest management as necessary to maintain the integrity of the structures.

Charter Township of Meridian Park Commission (Commission) agrees to the following:

- The Commission may provide limited capital improvement funds, upon request of FHM, from the Park Millage and/or General Fund.

- The Commission shall provide adequate office space for FHM use.
- The Commission shall put forth a good faith effort to communicate openly and appropriately regarding all areas of mutual interest. This communication shall include but not be limited to exchanging newsletters, meeting minutes and attending meetings where necessary.

The Meridian Township Parks and Recreation Department (Department) shall:

- The Department shall coordinate all activities mentioned here-in on behalf of the Township.
- The Department shall serve as the liaison between FHM, the Township Board, and the Park Commission.
- The Department shall advertise events and coordinate reservation of all park facilities.

RESERVATION OF FACILITIES

Meridian Township Parks and Recreation Department reserves all park and recreation facilities on a first come-first serve basis, in accordance with the Parks Ordinance and the Rules and Regulations on Park Reservations as amended. All requests for use of the Historical Village buildings will be referred to the FHM Executive Director or designee.

FHM Executive Director or designee may accept reservations for use of the Historical Village buildings. It is the responsibility of FHM to coordinate the reservation with the Parks and Recreation Office to avoid potential scheduling conflicts. Requests to reserve Central Park must be directed to the Parks and Recreation Office.

CHARGING OF FEES

FHM may charge visitors a fee to use the buildings in the Historical Village. They may also charge a participation fee for FHM sponsored activities. However, FHM may not restrict public access to the Historical Village grounds, charge a fee for public access to the Historic Village grounds for non-FHM program visitors, or prohibit access to the Historic Village grounds by the public.

VENDOR POLICY GUIDANCE

Refer to Meridian Township's Parks & Recreation Departmental vendor policy guidance as appropriate.

RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTS

If any conflicts arise in interpretation or practice of this Memorandum of Understanding, the Township Board, as legal owners of the property and buildings, shall have final authority. Persons wishing to appeal any policy, regulation, or decision of FHM related to the Historic Village or grounds may do so to the Park Commission. Persons wishing to appeal any policy, regulation or decision of the Park Commission related to the Village, grounds, or Central Park, may do so to the Township Board, in accordance with the Meridian Township Park Ordinance.

AMENDMENTS

Modifications, amendments, or waivers of any provisions of this Memorandum of Understanding may be made only by the written mutual consent of the parties hereto or order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

SIGNATURES

Meridian Township Board

Scott Hendrickson, Supervisor / Date

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk / Date

Meridian Township Park Commission

Mary Farris, Chair / Date

Friends of Historic Meridian

Holly Cordill, Executive Director / Date

Brad Brogren, Board President / Date

**Meridian Township Board and Park
Commission and Friends of Historic
Meridian
LEASE**

THIS LEASE made and entered into this ___ day of _____, by and between **THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN**, whose principal offices are located at 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, Michigan 48864-1198 (hereinafter referred to as the "LESSOR") and **FRIENDS OF HISTORIC MERIDIAN**, a non-profit volunteer organization (hereinafter referred to as the "LESSEE").

WHEREAS, the Lessor hereby leases to the Lessee the buildings known as the "Proctor Tollgate House", the "Grettenberger Farmhouse", the "Randall School House", the "Unruh Barn", the "Barnes House", the "Heathman-Herre House", the "Perkins/Copland Log Cabin", the "Village Chapel", and outhouse facility on certain properties owned by the Charter Township of Meridian, north of the Meridian Charter Township Municipal Building in Central Park for the purpose of interior and exterior renovation, office space for the Friends of Historic Meridian, and to provide educational programs and special events for the community. Said interior and exterior restoration and renovation shall be for the purpose of preserving and promoting the history of Meridian Township for the education and enjoyment of all Township and area residents and shall be under the control of and at the expense of the Lessee. The Lessee shall have free access across Lessor's land for the above purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the mutual covenants hereinafter contained, **IT IS HEREBY AGREED**, as follows:

FIRST: AREA LEASED AND AUTHORIZED USE. The displays in the Leased Premises shall:

- A. be removable unless prior written approval is received by the LESSEE from the LESSOR's Park Commission.
- B. relate to the leased premises, Meridian Township Historical Village, the LESSEE, the LESSOR's parks, or other related topics as mutually agreed to by the LESSEE and the LESSOR's Park Commission.

- C. be approved in writing by the LESSOR's Park Commission, in consultation with the LESSEE, prior to construction.
- D. be constructed either by the LESSEE or the LESSOR, or their designee.
- E. Upon termination of this lease, the buildings shall be left by the LESSEE in their restored and renovated form.
- F. Upon termination of this lease, all buildings shall be left by the Lessee in their restored and renovated form and any restoration or renovation shall immediately become a part of the property of the LESSOR.

In addition to the authorized uses stated above, the LESSEE may display and sell the LESSEE's publications and souvenirs in the display area of the Leased Premises.

All building uses, changes, additions, or improvements, beyond general maintenance, must be approved in writing by the LESSOR's Park Commission, in consultation with the LESSEE, prior to implementation. Any violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach of this Lease and may result in termination of this Lease.

SECOND: LEASE TERM AND TERMINATION. This Lease shall commence on the date on which it is fully signed by the representatives of both the LESSOR and the LESSEE, which is the date set forth in the introductory paragraph on page 1 of this Lease. This Lease will remain effective for five (5) years, at which time the parties to the lease may extend the lease, on an annual basis, until it is renewed and/or replaced by a subsequent lease or terminated.

Notwithstanding any other provision in this Lease to the contrary, this Lease may be terminated at any time for any reason by either the LESSOR or the LESSEE upon thirty (30) days prior written notice to the other party. Upon termination of this Lease, the LESSEE must vacate the Leased Premises within sixty (60) days of the date on which notice of termination was given. Also, upon termination of this lease, the buildings shall be left by the Lessee in their restored and renovated form.

THIRD: RENT. In consideration of this lease, the LESSEE shall pay the LESSOR the sum of ONE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1.00) for the initial term of this Lease which expires on December 31, 2029. In the event the term of this Lease is extended, the LESSEE shall pay the

LESSOR the rental fee which is mutually agreed upon by the LESSOR and the LESSEE for the term for which the Lease is extended.

FOURTH: RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LESSEE. The LESSEE shall have the following responsibilities with respect to the Leased Premises:

- A. Provide staffing for the Leased Premises for authorized uses.\
- B. Be open to the public and provide a staff person/volunteer on the leased premises for as many hours as possible on weekends.
- C. Post the schedule when open in a public location. The schedule in which the Leased Premises are to be open to the public shall be as mutually agreed upon by the LESSOR's Director of Parks and Recreation and the LESSEE.
- D. Maintain all buildings related to LESSEE'S use of the Leased Premises.
- E. Shall maintain and regularly clean the interior of the Leased Premises.
- F. Provide office furniture and telephone.
- G. Install and maintain security system.

FIFTH: RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE LESSOR. The LESSOR shall be responsible for providing the following with respect to the Leased Premises:

- A. Fund the cost of utilities for the buildings in the Historical Village from the General Fund including monthly water, sewer, gas and electrical.
- B. Maintain fire insurance and general casualty insurance of said buildings.

SIXTH: PROHIBITED CONDUCT. It is expressly understood and agreed by the LESSEE that the following types of conduct on the Leased Premises are prohibited:

- A. Making permanent changes to the Leased Premises that are inconsistent with historic preservation or presentation of the structures unless approved by the

LESSOR's Park Commission in writing.

- B. Storing of records other than records of an historical nature or necessary for operation of the LESSEE's office.

SEVENTH: RIGHT OF LESSOR TO ENTER LEASED PREMISES.

Notwithstanding any of the provisions contained in this Lease, the LESSOR shall have the right to enter upon the Leased Premises or any part thereof at reasonable times for the purpose of examining the same or making such repairs or alterations as may be necessary for the safety and preservation thereof.

EIGHTH: FURNITURE OR APPLIANCES BELONGING TO LESSEE. It is understood and agreed that any furniture or appliances placed by the LESSEE in the Leased Premises prior to or during the term of this Lease, are to be and remain the property of the LESSEE, and the LESSEE shall have the right to remove the same any time before or within 60 days following the termination of this Lease, including any renewal or extensions thereof.

NINTH: KEEPING THE LEASED PREMISES IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW. It is a condition of this Lease that the LESSEE always keep the Leased Premises in full compliance with all applicable codes, licensing requirements, regulations, statutes, and ordinances commensurate with the intended use thereof, excepting conditions caused by the LESSOR, its agents' or employees' activities. If the LESSEE fails to comply with this condition, the LESSOR may terminate this Lease, such termination being effective immediately on the date the LESSOR'S Notice of Termination is delivered to the LESSEE.

TENTH: DESTRUCTION OF LEASED PREMISES. In the event of total or partial destruction of the Leased Premises by fire or otherwise, which results in the inability to use the leased premises, this Lease shall apply to the remaining structures.

ELEVENTH: LESSOR'S AND LESSEE'S REPRESENTATIVES. For this Lease and all approvals, after initial authorization by the LESSOR's Park Commission and by the LESSEE, all subsequent approval of uses of the Leased Premises shall be reviewed by the LESSOR's Director of Parks and Recreation and the LESSEE's Executive Director for daily decisions regarding this Lease. Regular review, renewal, or termination of this Lease, however, shall be made by the LESSOR's Park Commission and LESSEE.

TWELFTH: WAIVERS. No failure or delay on the part of either of the parties to this Lease in exercising any right, power or privilege set forth herein shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall a single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege preclude any other or further exercise of any other right, power, or privilege.

THIRTEENTH: AMENDMENT. Modifications, amendments, or waivers of any provision of this Lease may be made only by the written mutual consent of the parties hereto or order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

FOURTEENTH: TRANSFERABILITY OF LEASE. The covenants and conditions of this Lease are not transferable to the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

FIFTEENTH: DISREGARDING SECTION TITLES. The titles of the sections set forth in this Lease are inserted for the convenience of reference only and shall be disregarded when construing or interpreting any of the provisions of this Lease.

SIXTEENTH: COMPLETENESS OF THIS LEASE. Except for the Memorandum of Understanding between the LESSOR and LESSEE, this Lease contains all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties hereto. No other agreements, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Lease or any part thereof shall have any validity or bind any of the parties hereto, unless amendments are made pursuant to Section 13.

SEVENTEENTH: INVALID PROVISIONS. If any provision of this Lease is held to be invalid it shall be deleted and the remainder of this Lease shall not be affected thereby. Where the deletion of the invalid provision would result in the illegality and/or unenforceability of this Lease, this Lease shall be considered to have terminated as of the date on which the provision was declared invalid.

EIGHTEENTH: CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORITY TO SIGN LEASE. The persons signing on behalf of the parties hereto certify by their signatures that they are duly authorized to sign this Lease on behalf of said parties and that this Lease has been authorized by said parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the authorized representatives of the parties hereto have fully executed this Lease on the day and year first above written.

WITNESSED BY:

LESSOR: CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN

Scott Hendrickson, Supervisor / Date

Deborah Guthrie, Clerk / Date

LESSEE: FRIENDS OF HISTORIC MERIDIAN

Holly Cordill, Executive Director / Date

Brad Brogren, Board President / Date

Meridian Township Parks & Recreation Budget Report - March 2025**Park Millage**

Project Name	2025 Approved	2025 Encumbered	2025 Remaining Balance	Updated Project Notes
5280 Okemos Rd.	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000	Engineering Services
Towner Road Inclusive Playground	\$300,000	\$0	\$300,000	Construction/Improvements
Ottawa Hills Playground	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	Construction/Improvements
Red Cedar Waterway Project	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	Construction/Improvements
Marshall Park Amenities	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	Construction/Improvements
Cricket Engineering/Site Prep	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	Professional Services
Towner Road Baseball Field Restoration	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	Contractual Services

Meridian Township Parks & Recreation Budget Report - March 2025

Park Millage

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Ottawa Hills Playground	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	Construction/Improvements
Red Cedar Waterway Project	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000	Construction/Improvements
Marshall Park Amenities	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	Construction/Improvements
Cricket Engineering/Site Prep	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	Professional Services
Towner Road Baseball Field Restoration	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	Contractual Services

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