

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
SPECIAL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING –**APPROVED**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Town Hall Room
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2005, **8:00 A.M.**

PRESENT: Supervisor McGillicuddy, Clerk Helmbrecht, Trustees Brixie, Veenstra, Such,
Woiwode

ABSENT: Treasurer Hunting

STAFF: Township Manager Gerald Richards

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor McGillicuddy called the meeting to order at 8:20 a.m.

2. DISCUSSION OF BOARD POLICY AND GOVERNANCE MODEL

Eric Craymer, Garowth Management Consulting, was introduced and presented his program. He gave an overview of his prepared agenda including a review of the concepts of, and mechanisms for, Policy Governance followed by a discussion of practical application of policy governance principals. The current Policy Governance Manual was reviewed and the following amendments were discussed and proposed for consideration:

1. **Section 1.1.1b:** Amend to read “Increase the amount of publicly-owned acreage.”
2. **Section 1.3.2b:** Amend to read “Increased ratio of home ownership to rentals”
3. **Section 1.3.4:** Add “ a. Liaison and communication with school districts.”
4. **Section 2.5.2:** Amend to read “Make any unbudgeted capital purchase without board approval.”
5. **Section 3.9.2a:** Amend to read “Up to \$10,000 per fiscal year for training. . .
6. **Section 3.9.2b:** Amend to read “Up to \$25,000 per fiscal year for training. . .
7. **Section 3.9.2c:** Amend to read “Up to \$50,000 per fiscal year for training ...
8. **Section 4.4.4:** Amend: January No Reports
9. February 2.4, 2.5 Internal, Quarterly
10. August 2.3 Internal, Annually
11. **Section 5.0:** Add Land Preservation Advisory Board
12. **Section 5.1:** Add Land Preservation Advisory Board

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Anderson, 215 W. Newman Road, Okemos, stated he had learned a lot during this session and enumerated topics he believed to be concerns of the general public.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor McGillicuddy adjourned the meeting at 12:27 p.m.

SUSAN MCGILLICUDDY
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Sandra K. Otto, Secretary