



AGENDA

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PARK COMMISSION – REGULAR MEETING
June 12, 2018 6:00 pm – Towner Road Park

REGULAR MEETING – TOWNER ROAD PARK – 2055 Towner Road, Haslett - 6 PM

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
 2. PUBLIC COMMENT
 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. May 8, 2018 Regular Minutes
 - B. May 8, 2018 Work Session Minutes
 5. COMMUNICATIONS
 6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 7. ACTION ITEMS
 - A. Acceptance of MNRTF Grant Agreement – Pavilion at Harris Nature Center
 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - A. Able Eyes
 9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
 10. OTHER MATTERS AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS
 - A. Next Park Commission Meeting: **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 (Third Tuesday)**
 - B. Meridian Farmers' Market: Saturdays May 5-October 27; 10 am – 2 pm
 - C. Event Calendar:
 1. Friday, June 29; Meridian Mile Race in Central Park
 2. Saturday, June 30: Celebrate Meridian 11am-11pm
 3. Township Offices Closed July 4, 2018
 11. ADJOURNMENT
- ** FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENT, THE COMMISSIONERS MAY PARTICIPATE IN A SITE VISIT OF VARIOUS PARKS THAT MAY INCLUDE: TOWNER ROAD PARK, NORTH MERIDIAN ROAD PARK AND HARRIS NATURE CENTER. NO DELIBERATION OR DECISIONS WILL BE DISCUSSED OR MADE DURING THIS TIME.

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

Appointment of Supervisor Pro Tem and/ or Temporary Clerk if necessary.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Meridian Township Board by contacting:

Parks & Recreation Director LuAnn Maisner, 2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court, Haslett or 517.853.4600 - Ten Day Notice is Required.

Meeting Location: 2055 Towner Road, Haslett, MI

Providing a safe and welcoming, sustainable, prime community.

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4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. May 8, 2018 Work Session Minutes
- b. May 8, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PARK COMMISSION WORK SESSION **DRAFT** MINUTES
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Town Hall Room

Date, Time: May 8, 2018, 2018; 6 pm

PRESENT: Chair, Michael McDonald; Vice Chair Amanda Lick; Commissioner Annika Schaetzl;
Commissioner Mark Stephens; Commissioner Courtney Wisinski

EXCUSED: None

STAFF: LuAnn Maisner, Parks and Recreation Department Director

1. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA MARK COURTNEY

Commissioner Stephens moved **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED**. Seconded by
Commissioner Wisinski.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

4. BID REVIEW

- A. Central Meridian Regional Trail Connector
- B. Central Park Gateway Footbridge and Restroom Facility

The commissioners reviewed the bid results and directed staff to meet with the low bidder to clarify deliverables.

5. PROPOSED OFF-LEASH DOG AREAS IN CENTRAL PARK

Staff is working on creating two dog areas, one for small dogs in Nancy Moore Park and one for large dogs in central park south. The small dog area will be developed first.

6. TOWNER ROAD AUXILIARY PARKING LOT

No discussion. Staff is waiting for additional information.

7. OTHER

Commissioner Lick suggested the Park Commission have some meetings at parks.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

9. ADJOURNMENT OF WORK SESSION

Chair McDonald adjourned the work session at 7:00 pm.



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
PARK COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING **DRAFT** MINUTES
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Administrative Conference Room

Date, Time May 8, 2018; 7 pm

PRESENT: Chair, Michael McDonald; Vice Chair Amanda Lick; Commissioner Annika Schaetzl;
Commissioner Mark Stephens; Commissioner Courtney Wisinski

ABSENT: None

STAFF: LuAnn Maisner, Parks and Recreation Department Director

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair McDonald called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda item #7-Action Items, D - Fencing Bid Award – Off Leash Dog Areas was removed from the agenda.

Commissioner Lick moved **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED**. Seconded by Commissioner Schaetzl.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. April 10, 2018 Regular Minutes
- B. April 10 13, 2018 Work Session Minutes

Commissioner Wisinski moved **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 10 2018 WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AS SUBMITTED**. Seconded by Commissioner Stephens.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Items to/from the Public
 - 1. From: MParks, RE: Area Parks & Recreation Directors & Commissioners Forum – May 17, 2018
 - 2. The Role of Biocontrol of Emerald Ash Borer
- B. Commission Information
 - None

- C. Staff Inquiries/Response
None

Commissioner Stephens moved **TO ACCEPT AND PLACE THE ITEMS OF COMMUNICATION ON FILE**. Seconded by Commission Schaetzl.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Construction up and running at Towner Road Park
- Bids received for Professional Services for the Central Meridian Regional Trail Connector
- Project and restroom/Gateway footbridge Project in Central Park
- Storybook Walk in Orlando Park opens on May 14 with a new story Monday, May 14. The first book is *Strictly No Elephants* by Lisa Mantchev, a delightfully illustrated story about kindness, tolerance & inclusion
- North Meridian Road Park Pavilion installation is underway Monday, May 14.
- Grant received for boardwalk on Okemos Road from the ICTM \$975,000
- Recently purchased two electric lawn mowers 60" mower deck
- Off-Leash dogs
- Dog park update
- Bike share program – feasibility study
- Welcome new intern Corey Patrick
- Celebrate Meridian Saturday, June 30; Meridian Mile race Friday, June 29.

7. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Professional Services Bid Recommendation – Central Meridian Trail Connector
B. Professional Services Bid Recommendation – Central Park Gateway Footbridge and Restroom Facility

Commissioner Wisinski recused herself from discussion and voting on this agenda item as she disclosed a possible conflict of interest regarding her relationship with one of the bidders. The Commission accepted her request.

Commissioner Stephens moved **to approve the bid from Wolverine Engineer in the amount of \$65,464 for the purpose of providing design, engineering, bidding and construction administration for the Central Park Regional Trail Connector Project and Gateway Footbridge/restroom project in Central Park pending confirmation of deliverables**. Seconded by Commissioner Wisinski

Roll Call:

AYES: Vice Chair Amanda Lick; Commissioner Annika Schaetzl; Commissioner Mark Stephens; Chair Michael McDonald

NAYS: None

RECUSED: Commissioner Courtney Wisinski

Motion passed.

- C. Emerald Ash Borer Study in Meridian Parks

Director Maisner reported MSU is continuing their research.

- D. Fencing Bid Award – Off Leash Dog Areas
This item was removed from the agenda.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None

9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

10. OTHER MATTERS AND COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

- A. Next Park Commission Meeting: Tuesday, June 12, 2018
- B. Meridian Farmers' Market: Saturdays May 5-October 27; 10 am – 2 pm
- C. Event Calendar:
 - 1. Saturday, May 12; Nature at Night Campfire, Harris Nature Center at 7 pm
 - 2. Friday, May 18; Meridian Garden Club Annual Plant Sale, Central Park Pavilion, from 9 am-1pm
 - 3. Friday, May 18; Howl at the Moon, Harris Nature Center, at 9 pm
 - 4. Saturday, May 19; Love a Park Day, Township Parks and Land Preserves; 9:30am-Noon
 - 5. Sunday, May 20; Bird Watching in Our Parks, North Meridian Road Park, at 8 am
 - 6. Wednesday, May 30; National Senior Health and Fitness Day; Wonch Park, 11am-1pm
 - 7. Friday, June 29; Meridian Mile Race in Central Park
 - 8. Saturday, June 30: Celebrate Meridian 11am-11pm

11. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Lick moved, **TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR MEETING.** Seconded by Commissioner Wisinski.

VOICE VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

12. NEXT MEETINGS:

The next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, July 10, 2018** in the Town Hall Room, Meridian Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI. Work Session at 6 pm and Regular Meeting at 7 pm.

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5. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Items to/from the Public

None

B. Commission Information

1. Meridian Historical Village Interpretative Sign Ribbon Cutting Program and Picture
2. Township Meeting Calendar (note: Township Board meeting on June 10 & 24/2nd & 4th Tuesday); Park Commission meeting on June 17/3rd Tuesday)

C. Staff Inquiries/Response

None



Meridian Historical Village Interpretive Sign Ribbon-Cutting

Saturday, June 2, 2018

12:00 pm

I. Welcome & Introductions- LuAnn Maisner, Director of
Parks and Recreation

II. Mike McDonald, Park Commission Chair

**III. Jon Rose, Execution Director Friends of Historical
Meridian**

IV. Michael Nordman, Haslett-Okemos Rotary Club

V. Ribbon Cutting



TOWNSHIP MEETINGS CALENDAR

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NEXT MONTH >

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESD...	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
					MERIDIAN MILE RACE	Celebrate Meridian
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		5:45 PM Election Commission Meeting	Township Offices Closed - In Observance of Independence Day			
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	7:30 AM Downtown Development Authority Meeting	5:30 PM Lake Lansing Advisory Committee Meeting	6:00 PM Land Preservation Advisory Board Meeting	7:30 AM Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Meeting		
	7:00 PM Planning Commission Meeting	6:00 PM Township Board Meeting	6:30 PM Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting			
			7:00 PM Environmental Commission Meeting			
			7:00 PM Community Resources Commission			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		10:00 AM Board of Review Meeting				
		7:00 PM Park Commission Meeting				
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	7:00 PM Planning Commission	6:00 PM Township Board	6:00 PM Corridor Improvement			

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7. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Acceptance of MNRTF Grant Agreement – Pavilion at Harris Nature Center



To: Park Commission

From: LuAnn Maisner, Director of Parks and Recreation

Date: June 6, 2018

**Re: Riverside Accessible Pavilion – Meridian Riverfront Park
Development Project Agreement – MNRTF – TF17-0174**

In April, 2017, the Township applied for a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant to construct a universally accessible pavilion near the Harris Nature Center in Meridian Riverfront Park. This project will serve to implement the Park Commission's Five Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

We received notification from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources that the project was approved for funding in December of 2017 and have now recently received the project agreement that requires Park Commission approval to accept the funds.

The total project amount is estimated at \$100,000. The grant program provides 50% funding (\$50,000) and requires a local match of 50% (\$50,000), that will be funded by the Park Millage. The time period allowed for project completion is June 30, 2020.

The attached resolution of acceptance is required to execute the project agreement for the grant.

MOTION FOR PARK COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE TERMS OF THE PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR A GRANT THAT WAS APPROVED FROM THE MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 OR 50% OF THE TOTAL PROJECT COST OF \$50,000.

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
Riverside Accessible Pavilion at Meridian Riverfront Park, TF17-0174**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Park Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at Towner Road Park, 2055 Towner Road, Haslett, MI 48840, in said Township on the 12th day of June, 2018 at 6 pm, Local Time.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by ___and supported by _____ :

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources accepts grant requests from local units of government to assist in the development and acquisition of recreation properties; and

WHEREAS, it is possible to have up to 50% of the total project cost funded by the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, Meridian Township submitted a grant application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund for \$100,000 of improvements to Meridian Riverfront Park consisting of a universally accessible riverside pavilion to improve and expand recreation opportunities and accessibility for visitors of all abilities and ages; and

WHEREAS, the grant request received approval in the amount of \$50,000 (50%) of the total \$100,000 project cost with a local match of \$50,000 (50%) funded by the Meridian Township Park Millage Fund; and

WHEREAS, this project is identified and supported in the 2017-2021 Parks and Recreation Master Plan adopted by the Meridian Township Board and Park Commission, and is on file with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS, the successful efforts of the Park Commission to leverage local Park Millage funds with grants and donations makes a significant contribution toward furthering the mission of providing a quality park system in our community.

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8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Able Eyes



To: Park Commission
From: LuAnn Maisner, CPRP, Director of Parks and Recreation
Date: June 8, 2018
Re: Able Eyes

Attached is information regarding an organization that assists visitors with special needs an online opportunity to view a facility or program prior to actually visiting the site. I look forward to discussion on how we may want to proceed with engaging this organization to improve accessibility in our parks.



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About



Able Eyes uses a variety of techniques to capture real life experiences from several perspectives for the purpose of teaching, exploring, and reducing anxiety of the unknown.

- Video Modeling (life skills, school skills, daily living skills, social skills, etc...)
- Virtual Tours: exploring unknown and new environments virtually prior to visiting new locations to determine if the location meets individual accessibility needs. These locations will be "Able Eyes Accessible"
- Video modeling share space for individuals, parents, and teachers to upload new video

Mission Statement

The mission of Able Eyes is to provide visual, state of the art experiences/teaching tools for individuals with disabilities. Able Eyes provides a user friendly platform to teach skills and explore environments from several different perspectives. Our ultimate goal is to increase the accessibility of businesses and public venues by offering visual tours, making them "Able Eyes Accessible."

Staff

Meegan Winters has worked with individuals with special needs and Autism for nearly 20 years. 8 years spent with families as an in home consultant before pursuing a career as a teacher educating students with Autism. In addition, prior to Able Eyes, Meegan spent 3 years as an Assistant Principal in a center based special education school building.

Evan Winters is a local business owner with well established community relationships. His passion for this project is to be a part of a life changing tool/resource for individuals with anxiety and autism.

Brian Town: Brian is the CEO of Michigan Creative and a Certified Final Cut Pro Trainer. Brian started Michigan Creative in 2011 after a long career in education as a film and television production teacher. During his time as an educator Brian created a nationally recognized film and TV production program. He continues to be an educator, becoming a teacher each summer for the UA of plumbers, pipefitters, and welders, developing curriculum teaching them how to teach their apprentices.

Now Brian manages a staff of 12 and hundreds of clients from the Mid-Michigan area and surrounding states. Michigan Creative is a creative firm that provides web development, video, branding, and social media to help companies build their marketing machine.

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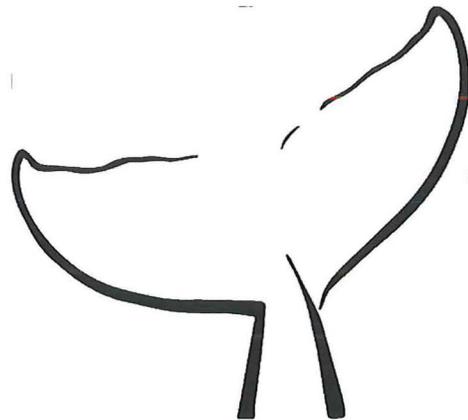


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How To/Video Modeling



What is Video Modeling?: is the use of visual/video examples of someone performing a targeted behavior or skill and then imitating the behavior/skill watched.

How is Video Modeling Used?

1. The individual watches the video demonstration of the skill/skills.
2. After watching the video, the individual performs the skills from the video.
3. With consistent repetition, the individual begins to generalize or utilize that skill in all environments.

Why Use Video Modeling/Video Tours?

- Motivating method of presenting information
- Simple means of accessing information (computer, phones, tablets)
- Short videos can be presented in a quickly, and "on the go."
- Allows for independence of learning (minimal direct person-person instructions required)
- Visual learners are naturally attracted to video and other visual means of receiving information.
- Cost/time effective means of teaching
- Video Modeling can assist in teaching a variety of skills (daily living, behavioral, school skills, community skills, etc.)
- Individuals with autism are typically visual learners, naturally drawn to video and other visual inputs. Video modeling for children with autism is an ideal fit for teaching all types of skills.

Request a video modeling skill to add to the site (free)

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 2401 Showtime Dr, Lansing, MI 48912, USA



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