



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Upstairs Conference Room
Wednesday, January 11, 2023 4:30 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Curt Armbruster (tier1); Roger Taylor (tier 1); Ron Rowe (tier 1);
Susan Andrews (tier1); Steve Culling (tier 2);

STAFF/

TOWNSHIP: Younes Ishraidi
COUNTY: Paul Pratt (ICDC); Coe Emens (ICP)

ABSENT: Larry Wagenknecht (tier2)

OTHERS: Jared Laughlin (Progressive A/E); Jim Folkening

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Armbruster called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. PUBLIC REMARKS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following agenda items were approved unanimously:

- A. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES
- B. NATURAL SHORELINE PROJECT
- C. DAM RISK REDUCTION GRANT
- D. ANNAUL REPORT
- E. FISH STUDY DISCUSSION

3A. Approval of Minutes

The draft January minutes were discussed and the committee then voted unanimously to approve the minutes as submitted.

3B. NATURAL SHORELINE PROJECT

The committee reviewed bids received for the natural shoreline project. There were three bids with the low bid at \$98,114.75. The committee discussed its options, and considering the high cost of the lowest bid the committee passed a motion to table action on this item, pending negotiations with the low bidder to reduce the project scope and cost. There was consensus that the project cost should be around \$30,000. The committee also requested that the lake consultant look at the feasibility of a high-energy shoreline restoration project at the Perry Road end.

3C. DAM RISK REDUCTION GRANT

Deputy Drain Commissioner Pratt indicated that the ICDC applied for a grant from the state for repairs and improvements to the Lake Lansing Dam. Paul indicated that they did not get the grant, but emphasized that something needs to be done, and they will be working on securing other funding sources. He also informed the committee that they recently filed the dam tri-annual report with the state.

3D. ANNUAL REPORT

Jared Laughlin, with lake consultant Progressive A/E, presented the draft 2022 annual report. The committee then discussed the report and noted one correction. The committee passed a motion approving the report with the one correction.

3E. FISH STUDY DISCUSSION

The committee and Mr. Folkening discussed two fish study reports that were conducted on Lake Lansing in 2021 and 2022, by MSU students as part of Dr. Wolfson’s class. The committee then went over recommendations outlined in an email by DNR biologists Addie Dutton and Joe Nohner, who is also a DNR employee and lives on Lake Lansing. The committee requested the lake web portal include a link to the fish study reports, and to include a document summarizing the recommendations outlined in Ms. Dutton’s email. There was also agreement to include a fish article in the next newsletter.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.