

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
TOWNSHIP BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES - **APPROVED** -  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198  
349-1200, Town Hall Room  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2000, **6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: **Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger,  
Trustees McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such**  
ABSENT: **None**  
STAFF: **Township Manager Gerald Richards, Director of Community Planning &  
Development Mark Kieselbach, Director of Engineering & Public Works Roger  
Buell, Police Chief Gary Gibbons, Personnel Director/Assistant Manager Paul  
Brake, Attorney Brian Goodenough**

1. CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. QUESTIONS FOR ATTORNEY (None)

3. DISCUSSION ON 7:00 AGENDA ITEM TOPICS

The following 7:00 p.m. agenda items were discussed:

- Consent Agenda
- Plays in the Park

4. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Hamilton Road Traffic Public Forum

Manager Richards provided a brief recap of the forum held on the previous week and handed out materials shared with the public at the meeting.

B. Closed Session

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED that the Township Board go into closed session to consider the purchase of real property pursuant to MSA § 4.1800(18)8(d).**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote:** Yeas: Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McCullough,  
McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such

Nays: None

Motion carried 6-0.

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough recessed the Work Session at 6:18 p.m. to go into closed session.

The Board adjourned to the Administrative Conference Room for a closed session.

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough reconvened the Work Session at 7:02 p.m.

5. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough opened Public Remarks.

There were no Public Remarks.

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough closed Public Remarks.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough adjourned the Work Session at 7:02 p.m.

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BILL Mc CULLOUGH  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Janis L. Haskell, Acting Secretary

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
TOWNSHIP BOARD REGULAR MEETING - **APPROVED** -  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198  
349-1200, Town Hall Room  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2000, **7:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: **Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Squiers, Such**  
ABSENT: **None**  
STAFF: **Township Manager Gerald Richards, Director of Community Planning & Development Mark Kieselbach, Director of Engineering & Public Works Roger Buell, Police Chief Gary Gibbons, Personnel Director/Assistant Manager Paul Brake, Attorney Goodenough**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA — OR CHANGES

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to approve the Agenda as submitted and the Consent Agenda to include items #3.A.&B. (Correction, Approval & Ratification of Minutes: January 18, 2000 Work Session Minutes; January 18, 2000 Regular Meeting Minutes); #4 (Communications); #11. (Treasurer's Report: Flagstar Bank Resolution); #16. A. (Bills); #16. B. (Authorization of Street Lights); #16. D. (ICRC Road Striping Agreement); #16. E. Park Lake Road Sanitary Sewer District #44 – Resolution #4); #16. F. (Easement for Overhead Electric Line, Consumer's Energy); #16. G. (Gaming License, Michigan Osteopathic College Fund); #17. A. (2) a. (Grant Application – Plays in the Park); #17. A. (3) a. Police Officer Appointments.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

3. CORRECTION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES (See Consent Agenda)

- A. January 18, 2000 Work Session
- B. January 18, 2000 Regular Meeting

4. COMMUNICATIONS (See Consent Agenda)

- A. Application for Public Service (APP)
  - APP-1 David Woltz, 4201 Southport Circle, Okemos; RE: Assessing Board of Review, Economic Development Corporation, Environmental Commission
  - APP-2 Richard "Dirk" Milliman, II, 6231 East Lake Drive, Haslett, RE: Township Board
  - APP-3- Julie Brixie, 2294 Hamilton Road, Okemos, RE: Township Board
- B. Board Deliberation (BD)
  - BD-1 (a) Dr. Arshad Abassi, 3573 Autumnwood Lane, Okemos; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (see Planning Packet)
  - (b) Thomas Petroff, 2001 Timberview, Okemos; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (see Planning Packet)
  - (c) Greg, Celia, Steven, Brendan, Jeffrey Hoshal, 3640 Beechtree, Okemos; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (see Planning Packet)
  - (d) Donata vonEye, 3600 Beech Tree Lane, Okemos, President, Spring Lake Homeowners Association; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (see Planning Packet)

- (e) Steve Desautel; 2020 Birch Bluff Drive, Okemos, President, Hiawatha Lakes Homeowners Association; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (See Planning Packet)
- (f) David E. Pierson, McClelland & Anderson, LLP, Attorneys at Law, on behalf of Keith Schroeder, S.P. Investments Limited Partnership and S.B.I. Limited Partnership; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (See Planning Packet)
- BD-2 Barbara McLean, 3603 Breezy Point Drive, Okemos; RE: resignation from Human (Community) Resource Commission
- BD-3 Matt Schuster, Cable TV Coordinator, HOM-TV; RE: postponement of Cable Commission appointments

C. Board Information (BI)

- BI-1 Ingham County Road Commission letter to Hiawatha Park, Sierra Vista Estates and The Ponderosa residents; RE: preliminary plat of Ember Oaks
- BI-2 Winifred Motherwell, 1153 Haslett Road, Haslett; RE: possible library sites
- BI-3 Copy of news article from State Senator Dianne Byrum RE: Township employees, firefighters train for risky business
- BI-4 Jean Rosewig RE: news clippings RE: "R" movies shown to juvenile offenders
- BI-5 Michigan Townships Association "Capitol Currents" newsletter, January, 2000
- BI-6 Officer David Metts, Meridian Township Police, nomination of Meridian Township Paramedics Lerner and Priese for a Life Award
- BI-7 Lt. Rocky Lerner, Firefighter Bill Priese, Meridian Township Fire Department; RE: letter of appreciation, commendation for work done by Meridian Township Police Officer David Metts
- BI-8 Eleanor V. Luecke, President, LINC, P.O. Box 40, Okemos; RE: Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181.
- BI-9 Jean and Brant Schultz, 3591 Stagecoach, Okemos; RE: street connections to Ponderosa Subdivision
- BI-10 Loren and Ueillia Shoesmith, 3609 Stagecoach, Okemos; RE: street connections to Ponderosa Subdivision
- BI-11 James Kallman, street connections to Ponderosa Subdivision
- BI-12 Susan Russick, Van Hoytemastraat, 103, 2596 EP Den Haag, The Netherlands; RE: keeping Haslett library

D. On File in Clerk's Office (OF)

- OF-1 (a) Ingham County Board of Commissioners, Agenda, January 25, 2000
- (b) Ingham County Board of Commissioners, Agenda, December 14, 1999
- (c) Ingham County Board of Commissioners, Minutes, December 14, 1999
- (d) Ingham County Board of Commissioners, Organizational Meeting; January 3, 2000
- OF-2 Okemos Public Schools, Minutes for December 6, 1999 meeting
- OF-3 Okemos Public Schools, Agenda for January 24, 2000 meeting

5. QUESTIONS OF ATTORNEY (None)

6. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough opened Public Remarks.

Darrell Herbruck, 5225 E. Pickard, Mt. Pleasant; RE: Alpine Holdings representative; explained design/architecture

Michael Smith, 5225 E. Pickard, Mt. Pleasant; RE: Alpine Holdings representative; explained Hampton Inn operations

Steve Martineau, 555 N. Main, Mt. Pleasant; RE: Alpine Holdings legal representative; Planning

Commission decision was within legal parameters.

Miland Karve, 2021 Timberview, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Sanjeev Deshpande, 3872 Pine Knoll, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Steve Stier, 5317 Okemos, Okemos; opposed to supervisor/assessor appointments

Steve Desautel, 2020 Birch Bluff Drive, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Dave Pierson, 1305 South Washington Avenue, Lansing; RE: attorney; on behalf of Keith Schroeder, S.P. Investments Limited Partnership and S.B.I. Limited Partnership; set appeal for a later date so more information can be made available

Donata VonEye, 3600 Beech Tree Lane, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Greg Hoshal, 3640 Beech Tree Lane, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Pat Hagen, 4135 Wabaningo, Okemos; RE: urged granting appellant status regarding Special Use Permit #99181 to all who applied.

Eleanor Luecke, President, LINC; RE: urged reconsideration of approval of Special Use Permit #99181

Dr. Arshad A. Abbasi, 3573 Autumnwood Lane, Okemos; RE: opposed to Alpine Holdings Special Use Permit #99181.

Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough closed Public Remarks.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to adopt the Consent Agenda to include items #3.A.&B. (Correction, Approval & Ratification of Minutes: January 18, 2000 Work Session Minutes; January 18, 2000 Regular Meeting Minutes); #4 (Communications); #11. (Treasurer's Report: Flagstar Bank Resolution); #16. A. (Bills); #16. B. (Authorization of Street Lights); #16. D. (ICRC Road Striping Agreement); #16. E. Park Lake Road Sanitary Sewer District #44 – Resolution #4); #16. F. (Easement for Overhead Electric Line, Consumer's Energy); #16. G. (Gaming License, Michigan Osteopathic College Fund); #17. A. (2) a. (Grant Application – Plays in the Park); #17. A. (3) a. Police Officer Appointments.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.  
Nays: None  
Motion carried 6-0.**

Therefore, the above actions were taken with the votes as follow:

A. CORRECTION, APPROVAL & RATIFICATION OF MINUTES

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to approve and ratify the minutes of the January 18, 2000 Work Session and Regular Meeting.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

**B. COMMUNICATIONS**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED that the communications be received and placed on file, and any communications not already assigned for disposition be referred to the Township Manager or Supervisor for follow-up or further disposition.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

**C. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to adopt the Flagstar Bank Resolution giving the Charter Township of Meridian Authority to Open an Account.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Resolution on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

**D. MANAGER'S BILLS**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED that the Township Board approve the Manager's Bills as follows:**

General Fund/Special Revenue	\$297,928.09
Public Works	<u>\$440,230.80</u>
Total	<u>\$738,158.89</u>

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Bill list for 2/01/00 on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office]

**E. AUTHORIZATION OF STREET LIGHTS**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED the Township Board of Meridian Charter Township hereby directs the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the attached Authorization for change in Standard Streetlighting Contract with Consumers Energy, on behalf of the Township.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

**F. ICRC ROAD STRIPING AGREEMENT**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED the Township Board of Meridian Charter Township hereby directs the Supervisor and Clerk to sign an agreement with the Ingham County Road Commission for local road painting, subject to legal review, on behalf of the Township.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

**G. PARK LAKE ROAD SANITARY SEWER DISTRICT #44 – RESOLUTION #4**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to approve 6151 Park Lake Road Sanitary Sewer District #44 Resolution #4, which sets the public hearing on March 7, 2000 for the purpose of reviewing and hearing objections to the 6151 Park Lake Road Sanitary Sewer District #44 Special Assessment Roll.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Resolution on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

**H. EASEMENT FOR OVERHEAD ELECTRIC LINE, CONSUMERS ENERGY**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED the Township Board of Meridian Charter Township hereby directs the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the attached Easement for Overhead Electric Line with Consumers Energy Company, subject to legal review, on behalf of the Township.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Document on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

**I. GAMING LICENSE, MICHIGAN OSTEOPATHIC COLLEGE FUND**

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED approval of a request from the Michigan Osteopathic College Foundation of Meridian Township, Ingham County, asking that they be recognized as a non-profit organization operating in the community for purposes of obtaining a gaming license or registration and be considered for approval and further that the Township Clerk be authorized to execute the resolution from the State of Michigan.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Document on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

J. GRANT APPLICATION, PLAYS IN THE PARK

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED that the Clerk be authorized to sign and submit the grant applications as provided herein, to support the production of two Shakespeare plays this summer in Nancy Moore Park, which project shall require no monies from the Township General Fund.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

[Document on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

K. POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED ratification of Andrew J. McCready and Chad J. Houck to the positions of Police Officer, contingent upon successful completion of those items stipulated in the conditional offer of employment.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Roll call vote: Yeas: Supervisor Pro-tem McCullough, Clerk Helmbrecht, Treasurer Klunzinger, Trustees McGillicuddy, Such, Squiers.**  
**Nays: None**  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Treasurer Klunzinger noted the incorrect information in the Lansing State Journal regarding the Urban Service Boundary and that a correction was scheduled to be printed.

9. SUPERVISOR'S REPORT (None)

10. CLERK'S REPORT

Clerk Helmbrecht highlighted two communications in the Board Packet (BI-6 and BI-7) in which Meridian Township Police Officer David Metts and Meridian Township Fire Department Lt. Rocky Lerner and Fire Fighter Bill Priese commended the professional efforts of one another in a recent life-threatening dispatch. The letters were sent independently of each other and Clerk Helmbrecht lauded the positive and cooperative tone of both letters.

**Clerk Helmbrecht MOVED to accept the resignation, with regret, of Community Resources Commission member Barbara McLean.**

**Motion SECONDED by Treasurer Klunzinger.**

**Voice vote:** Motion passed unanimously.

**Clerk Helmbrecht MOVED to adopt the following resolution on the use of the Town Hall Room:**

**WHEREAS, increased demand for and use of the Town Hall Room by groups other than those directly associated with Meridian Township government created scheduling conflicts with**

**essential Township government activities, and caused increased wear and tear on the physical facilities in the Town Hall Room;**

**WHEREAS, the large public room at the Service Center is readily available to qualified outside groups as a meeting place; and**

**WHEREAS public meeting space is available in other locations within the Township;**

**THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Town Hall Room is available only for meetings of an official Township board, committee or commission or for meetings as requested by Department Heads for Township-related activities, effective immediately. Provided, however, that all presently scheduled events for the year 2000 may be held as scheduled.**

**FURTHER, that all such scheduling requests must go through the Clerk's office.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Kirk Squiers.**

Discussion included:

- Need for more advance notice on the resolution
- Outside use of room on the increase
- More and more conflicts with scheduling room for official Township business
- Guidelines needed, well-thought out resolution

**Voice vote:** Motion passed 5-1 (McGillicuddy)

Clerk Helmbrecht reported a great deal of confusion with the primary ballots that absentee voters have begun to receive for the February 22 Republican Presidential Primary. Helmbrecht noted that all the Republican candidates are on the ballot. She explained, however, with Michigan's "open" primary, there is no registration by political party. The National Democrat Party does not recognize open primaries; therefore all of the Democrat candidates, except Lyndon LaRouche, have asked to have their names removed from the ballot. The Reform Party has a different set of rules so Donald Trump is the only candidate from that party listed.

10. TREASURER'S REPORT (See Consent Agenda)

12. TOWNSHIP BOARD

A. Appointments

**Trustee Such MOVED to appoint Trustee McCullough as the Supervisor to serve the remainder of the Supervisor's term.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Squiers.**

**Trustee Such MOVED that Trustee McCullough be allowed to abstain from this vote.**

**Motion SECONDED by Treasurer Klunzinger.**

**Voice vote:** Motion passed unanimously.  
(Vote to abstain)

[Supervisor Pro-tem turned the gavel over the Clerk Helmbrecht at this time.]

Discussion on motion to appoint McCullough Supervisor

- McCullough will be an excellent supervisor
- Respect for McCullough's integrity and consideration of others
- McCullough will do a fine job

**Voice vote:** Motion passed unanimously  
(McCullough appointment)

[Clerk Helmbrecht turned the gavel back over the Supervisor McCullough.]

Trustee Such noted McCullough's appointment to Supervisor has created an opening on the Township Board and encouraged Township residents to apply for the position if interested. All those interested in applying for the position are encouraged to attend the next Regular Meeting of the Township Board.

**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to accept the resignation of Bill McCullough as Township Trustee.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee Such.**

**Voice vote:** Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk Helmbrecht administered the oath of office to Supervisor McCullough.

13. SPECIAL HEARINGS/APPEALS (None)

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (None)

15. DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

A. Unfinished Business (None)

B. New Business

(1) Appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 (Alpine Holdings), request to construct a 100-unit, 3-story hotel north of Jolly Road and east of Okemos Road – disposition

**Trustee Such MOVED to schedule a hearing on the appeal of the Planning Commission's decision on Special Use Permit #99181 for the regular Township Board meeting on February 15, 2000. The hearing will address the appeals filed by Hiawatha Lakes Homeowners Association, Spring Lake Homeowners Association, Arshad A. Abbasi, Thomas Petroff, Greg and Celia Hoshal and Keith Schroeder, S.P. Investments Limited Partnership and S.B.I. Limited Partnership.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee McCillicuddy.**

Discussion included:

- Current zoning is for broadest range of commercial uses
- Any kind of commercial building could be built on the land
- Any building 25,000 square feet or larger in this district requires a special use permit
- Any building less than 25,000 square feet doesn't need a special use permit
- Entire property included (3 parcels) in the SUP

**Trustee Squiers MOVED to substitute the motion with the following: schedule a hearing on the appeal of the Planning Commission's decision on Special Use Permit #99181 for the regular Township Board meeting on February 15, 2000. The hearing will address the appeal filed by Keith Schroeder, S.P. Investments Limited Partnership and S.B.I. Limited Partnership. The appeals from Hiawatha Lakes Homeowners Association, Spring Lake Homeowners Association, Arshad A. Abbasi, Thomas Petroff, Greg and Celia Hoshal are denied as these individuals have not shown they are aggrieved in that their property will suffer some special damages as a result of the decision of the Planning Commission which is not common to other property owners similarly situated.**

**Motion SECONDED by Treasurer Klunzinger.**

Discussion on substituted motion included:

- Need for consistency in denying appeals of people not within the 300 foot perimeter
- All people should be heard
- Appellant has 15 minutes to speak at hearing
- Other people can speak up to 3 minutes during public remarks at hearing

- Stay consistent to eliminate potential of lawsuit
- Do what's right for the majority of people of the Township, not just a few
- Residents who live near, even if farther than 300 feet, should be allowed an opportunity to address the issue

**Voice vote:** Motion passed 4-2 (McGillicuddy, Such)  
(Substitute motion, now becomes main motion)

**Voice vote:** Motion passed 5-1 (McGillicuddy)  
(Main motion)

16. MANAGER'S REPORT, INVOICES & BILLS

- A. Bills (See Consent Agenda)
- B. Authorization of Street Lights (See Consent Agenda)
- C. DNR-CMI Recreation Bond Grant Agreements, Ferguson Park Project  
**Treasurer Klunzinger MOVED to approve the attached resolution to enter into an agreement in a form approved by the Township attorney, with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for funding of renovations to Ferguson Park through the Clean Michigan Initiative Recreation Bond Program with a local match amount of \$50,000, and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township.**

**Motion SECONDED by Trustee McGillicuddy.**

**Voice vote:** Motion passed unanimously.

[Resolution on file in the Official Minute Book in the Clerk's Office.]

- D. ICRC Road Striping Agreement (See Consent Agenda)
- E. Park Lake Road Sanitary Sewer District #44 – Resolution #4 (See Consent Agenda)
- F. Easement for Overhead Electric Line, Consumers Energy (See Consent Agenda)
- G. Gaming License, Michigan Osteopathic College Fund (See Consent Agenda)

17. BOARD MEMBER, BOARD COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Standing Committee Reports
  - (1) Physical Operations & Activities (None)
  - (2) Financial Planning and Budgeting
    - a. Grant Application – Plays in the Park (See Consent Agenda)  
Next meeting scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m.
  - (3) Personnel (See Consent Agenda)
  - (4) Planning and Development  
Next meeting scheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.
  - (5) Infrastructure  
Special meeting scheduled for February 2 RE: proposed “roundabout” for intersection of Marsh and Hamilton Roads.
  - (6) Public Safety  
Next meeting February 14 at 5:15 p.m.
  - (7) Recreation  
Free Family Winter Sports Day was a success; over 160 people participated in the activities at the Harris Nature Center that day and over 450 people participated in the Free Meridian Skate later that evening at the ARC Arena. The second Winter Sports Day is scheduled for February 26.

B. Special Committees

Meridian Volunteer Council meeting February 2<sup>nd</sup> at noon in the Town Hall Room.

C. Liaison Representative Reports (None)

18. OTHER REPORTS

Joint meeting of the Board and the East Lansing City Council is being scheduled for a Monday evening in March. The date is yet to be determined.

19. NEW BUSINESS (None)

20. PUBLIC REMARKS

Supervisor McCullough opened Public Remarks.

Pat Hagen, 4135 Wabaningo, Okemos; RE: disappointed that Board voted to deny appeal of Special Use Permit #99181 to all but Keith Schroeder; opposed resolution to limit use of Town Hall Room.

Wayne McLellen, 1459 Cheboygan, Okemos; RE: disappointed in Board's actions re: assessor hiring, Governor's Club, other actions over the past year.

21. FINAL BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS (None)

Treasurer Klunzinger quoted Shakespeare: "Me thinks the lady doth protest too much."

22. ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor McCullough adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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BILL Mc CULLOUGH  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR

MARY M. G. HELMBRECHT  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Janis L. Haskell, Acting Secretary