



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Town hall
Tuesday, September 14, 2021 5:30 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Curt Armbruster (tier1); Ron Rowe (tier1); Susan Andrews (tier1); Roger Taylor (tier 1); Larry Wagenknecht (tier2)

ABSENT: Steve Culling (tier 2)

STAFF/

TOWNSHIP: Younes Ishraidi

COUNTY: Coe Emens (ICP); Paul Pratt (ICDC)

Others:

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Armbruster called the meeting to order at **5:30 pm.**

2. PUBLIC REMARKS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The following agenda items were approved unanimously:

- A. APPROVAL OF AUGUST MEETING MINUTES
- B. AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL UPDATE
- C. SECOND ACCESS LOCATION FOR HARVESTER
- D. PARK MANAGER'S REPORT
- E. NEMOKA DRAIN CONCERNS UPDATE

3A. Approval of Minutes

The August minutes were approved with three corrections.

3B. AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL UPDATE

It was noted that the harvesting contractor was on the lake yesterday and today, and it appeared that that were making good progress. Chair Armbruster also mentioned that he saw two harvesters yesterday.

3C. PARK MANAGER'S REPORT

Park Manager Emens stated that there was not much to report on at this time other than meeting with their consultant and the Township regarding the boat launch project, related wash bay, and existing lift station.

3D. SECOND ACCESS LOCATION FOR HARVESTER

The committee discussed the benefits of adding a second access location at the intersection of Shaw Street and Lake Lansing Road, which would entail construction of a gravel road and a ramp.

The ensuing discussion touched on some of the benefits of having a second access, which include the following: Not tying up access to the boat launch; optimizing harvesting operations, which should reduce future harvesting costs; use area to park harvesting equipment.

Chair Armbruster state that the gravel road would also make it easier for emergency vehicles to access the lake from a new location, whether the ramp is built or not. There was consensus to continue to explore options available to mitigate challenges currently present at this location to be used as a viable second harvesting access.

3E. NEMOKA DRAIN CONCERNS UPDATE

Deputy Drain Commissioner Paul Pratt shared with the committee a memo that updated the county’s ongoing efforts to ensure the broken tile in the road ditch is not conveying run off to the lake. The memo included field inspection information, plans and sketches of the new improvements made to the storm system. It emphasized that the old broken tile is not connected to the county’s system.

Paul stated that they have contacted Consumers Energy in order to have them address the damage that was created by one of their guy wires. It is believed the guy wire has inadvertently punctured the tile, and in turn created a nearby blowhole that is suspected of routing rain water to the broken tile.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.