

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
REGULAR MEETING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 2025
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517.853.4000, Township Hall Room
Wednesday, July 16th, 6:30 pm

- PRESENT: Chair Mansour, Vice-Chair Koenig, Member Brooks, Member Hershiser, Member Benoit
- ABSENT: Member Trezise
- STAFF: Associate Planner Chapman

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Mansour called the July 16th, 2025, regular meeting for the Meridian Township Zoning Board of Appeals to order at 6:34 pm. Chair Mansour called the roll of the Board. Member Trezise absent.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Member Hershiser moved to approve the agenda for the July 16th, 2025, regular meeting for the Meridian Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Member Benoit.

ROLL CALL VOTE YEAS: Chair Mansour, Vice-Chair Koenig, Member Brooks, Member Hershiser, Member Benoit

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

3. CORRECTIONS, APPROVAL AND RATIFICATION OF MINUTES

Member Hershiser moved to approve the minutes from the May 21st, 2025, regular meeting for the Meridian Township Zoning Board of Appeals with correction. Seconded by Member Brooks.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. ZBA CASE NO.: 25-06 (3760 Hulett), Norman & Carmen Gear, 3760 Hulett Road, Okemos, MI 48864**
LOCATION: 3760 Hulett Road
PARCEL ID: 32-400-017

ZONING DISTRICT: RR (Rural Residential)

The variance requested is to construct an addition to a single-family home to be constructed within the wetland setback.

Associate Planner Chapman gave an overview of the application.

Matt Nelson, 2051 W. Parks, St. Johns., provided an overview for the scope of the work.

Norman & Carmen Gear, 3760 Hulett, discussed the need for the addition and accessibility in the home

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria one.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria two.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria three.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria four.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria five.

Member Brooks moved to grant the variance requested for ZBA Case No. 25-06 (3760 Hulett), Norman & Carmen Gear, 3760 Hulett Road, Okemos, MI 48864. Seconded by Member Mansour.

ROLL CALL VOTE

**YEAS: Chair Mansour, Vice-Chair Koenig, Member Brooks, Member Benoit
NAYS: Member Hershiser**

Motion carried: 4-1

B. ZBA CASE NO.: 25-07 (Meridian Township), 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864

LOCATION: 2770 Bennett Road

PARCEL ID: 29-300-014

ZONING DISTRICT: RR (Rural Residential)

The variance requested is to construct a pathway that will cross the Hoskins Drain.

Associate Planner Chapman gave an overview of the application.

Caycee Hart, 5151 Marsh, provided an overview for the scope of the work.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria one.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria two.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria three.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria four.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria five.

Member Hershiser moved to grant the variance requested for ZBA Case No. 25-07 (Meridian Township), 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864. Seconded by Member Koenig.

ROLL CALL VOTE **YEAS: Chair Mansour, Vice-Chair Koenig, Member Brooks, Member Benoit, Member Hershiser**
NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

C. ZBA CASE NO.: 25-08 (1982 Grand River), Dagher Signs & Graphics, 22476 Telegraph Rd., Southfield, MI 48033

LOCATION: 1982 Grand River Ave.

PARCEL ID: 22-101-011

ZONING DISTRICT: C-3 (Commercial)

The variance requested is to install two wall signs.

Associate Planner Chapman gave an overview of the application.

Alex, 22476 Telegraph Rd., provided an overview for the scope of the work.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria one.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria two.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria three.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria four.

Chair Mansour stated that the request meets criteria five.

Member Brooks moved to grant the variance requested for ZBA Case No. 25-08 (1982 Grand River), Dagher Signs & Graphics, 22476 Telegraph Rd., Southfield, MI 48033. Seconded by Member Koenig.

ROLL CALL VOTE **YEAS: Chair Mansour, Vice-Chair Koenig, Member Brooks, Member Benoit, Member Hershiser**
NAYS: None

Motion carried: 5-0

7. OTHER BUSINESS

NONE

8. PUBLIC REMARKS

NONE

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Hershiser stated that he's happy to be serving on the Board

Member Brooks asked if there was an order for allowing the public to speak.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mansour adjourned the July 16th, 2025 regular meeting for the Meridian Township Zoning Board of Appeals. Approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.