



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
LAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
2100 Gaylord C. Smith Court, Haslett  
Meridian Service Center Lunchroom  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018 6 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Jon Mayes; Vice-Chair, James Kielbaso; Board Member Margo Smith; Board Member Jamie Hiller; Board Member Mark Stephens; Board Member Roland Harmes  
ABSENT: Board Member Yu Man Lee  
STAFF: Kelsey Dillon, Stewardship Coordinator  
TOWNSHIP: Board Member Julie Brixie  
OTHER: None

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Mayes called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Board Member Brixie moved to amend the agenda to include "New Business A: Nemoke Trail Parcel Potential Acquisition". Seconded by Board Member Stephens.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Board Member Smith moved **TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED**. Seconded by Board Member Hiller.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**3. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

Board Member Smith moved **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF April 11, 2018 REGULAR MEETING AS SUBMITTED**. Seconded by Board Member Hiller.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS**

None

**6. STAFF REPORT**

- A. Land Management and Stewardship Coordinator Report
- B. Budget Review

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

None

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### 8. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Nemoke Trail Parcel Potential Acquisition

Discussion:

- This parcel is available from the Ingham County Treasurer as a foreclosed property.
  - The FRC amount is \$3,547.02.
- The parcel is contiguous to the Central Meridian Wetlands Land Preserve.
- The parcel contains valuable ecological features such as white oaks and sensitive ferns which could indicate a fen wetland ecosystem.
- The parcel has wildlife value and multiple species have been observed on the property such as Sandhill Cranes, Yellow Rails, White-tail deer, Snapping turtles and Solitary Sandpipers.

Board Member Stephens moved **TO ACQUIRE THE NEMOKE TRAIL FOR THE LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM FOR THE FRC AMOUNT OF \$3,547.02.** Seconded by Board Member Smith.

Roll Call:

AYES: Jon Mayes, James Kielbaso, Julie Brixie, Mark Stephens, Jamie Hiller, Margo Smith, Roland Harmes

NAYS: None

### 9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

### 11. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

None

### 12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Land Preservation Advisory Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 6pm, Meridian Service Center

### 13. CLOSED SESSION

Board Member Stephens moved **INTO CLOSED SESSION.** Seconded by Board Member Hiller.

Roll Call:

AYES: Jon Mayes, James Kielbaso, Julie Brixie, Yu Man Lee, Mark Stephens, Jamie Hiller, Margo Smith, Roland Harmes

NAYS: None

The Board moved into closed session at 6:51pm.

Board Member Stephens moved **TO ADJOURN THE CLOSED SESSION AND RETURN TO THE OPEN SESSION.** Seconded by Board Member Brixie.

Roll Call:

AYES: Jon Mayes, James Kielbaso, Julie Brixie, Yu Man Lee, Mark Stephens, Jamie Hiller, Margo Smith, Roland Harmes

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NAYS: None

The Board reopened the meeting at 8:00pm.

Board Member Stephens moved **TO INSTRUCT STAFF TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS DISCUSSED DURING CLOSED SESSION.** Seconded by Board Member Brixie.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

Board Member Brixie moved **TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.** Seconded by Board Member Stephens. Chair Mayes adjourned the meeting at 8:03pm.