

# APPROVED

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
MERIDIAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)  
MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 15, 2018

PRESENT: Chair Hackbarth, Vice-Chair Potter, Commissioners Deschaine, Hudson (6:10 p.m.) and Vagnozzi.

ABSENT: Commissioners Beavers and Kolbasa

STAFF: Mark Kieselbach, Director of Community Planning and Development

## 1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Hackbarth called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

## 2. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Vagnozzi moved to approve the agenda.

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

## 3. Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Vagnozzi offered a correction to minutes on page 2 the next to the last bullet point to change "downtown" to "down."

Vice-Chair Potter requested on page 2, item 8 the last sentence be amended to read "He added he had conducted an informal poll of residents in the area for support."

Commissioner Deschaine moved to approve the minutes of October 18, 2018 as amended.

Seconded by Vice-Chair Potter.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

## 4. Public Remarks

None.

## 5. Communication

The Commission accepted the communications that had been received and placed on file.

## 6. Approval of 2019 Schedule

Commissioner Vagnozzi moved to approve the 2019 meeting schedule with the following changes: move the meeting in June to the 27<sup>th</sup> and no meeting in September.

Seconded by Commissioner Deschaine.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

### 7. Commission Discussion

#### A. Redi-Ride Millage

- Instead of a 10 year millage should consider 5 years.
- Is there support for continuing the service.
- The millage should not list a specific provider.
- CATA is a known entity as a transportation provider.
- What type of services should be provided.
- Predictable and reliable scheduling.
- On demand does not mean same day service.
- Should be able to schedule and receive the ride on the same day.
- A better method is needed to handle cancellations.
- Capacity issues need to be addressed.
- A more efficient means is needed to handle the demand for rides.
- Need for progressive and interactive technology.
- If the millage is increased how will the additional money be used.
- New ideas could be tested in the Township.
- Need to have performance standards.
- January meeting will be dedicated to discussing the key points for a recommendation.

### 8. Commission Comments

Commissioner Deschaine noted the increase in ridership from the extended hours of Redi-Ride.

Vice-Chair Potter asked staff to check if there were any plans for improving the safety of the pedestrian crossing at Hagadorn and Shaw intersection.

### 9. Next Meeting Dates

Transportation Commission's next meeting is January 24, 2019 at the Central Fire Station Community Room.

Township Board's next meeting is December 4, 2018.

### 10. Adjournment

Chair Hackbarth called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Deschaine moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Vagnozzi.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25p.m.