

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
TOWNSHIP BOARD SPECIAL MEETING **-APPROVED-**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
853-4000, Township Hall Room
THURSDAY, December 12, 2019 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Supervisor Styka, Clerk Dreyfus, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Jackson, Opsommer, Sundland, Wisinski

ABSENT: None.

STAFF: Township Manager Walsh, Director of Public Works Perry, Fire Chief Hamel, Police Chief Plaga, Community Planning Director Kieselbach, Information Technology Director Gebes, Principal Planner Menser, Economic Development Director Buck, Director of Human Resources Joyce Marx

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Styka called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Styka led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

The Recording Secretary called the roll of the Board.

4. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Styka opened public remarks at 6:01 pm.

Leonard Provencher, 5824 Beuna Pkwy., Haslett; spoke on no notification of November 10, 2019 Board Meeting, and on the Okemos Road Bridge project.

Supervisor Styka closed public remarks at 6:16 pm.

4a. PRESENTATION

Director Perry spoke on Okemos Road Bridge, including length of grass median, issues with medians, lane width.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Opsommer moved to approve the Agenda. Seconded by Trustee Jackson.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried: 7 – 0

6. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS (ORCHID)

Township Manager reviewed 2019 Action Plan & 2020 Action Plan.

Board discussion on 2020 Action Plan, Items A – J.

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Styka Opened Public Remarks at 7:44 pm.

Leonard Provencher, 5824 Beuna Pkwy., Haslett; spoke in support of Okemos Rd Boardwalk, suggested Gaylord Service Center have solar panels, have under rail lighting activated at night on Boardwalk, spoke on Okemos Bridge, tax bills up 50% due to Township and County millages – plus 3 millage renewals in next election, encourages more use of solar energy.

Supervisor Styka Closed Public Remarks at 7:47 pm.

8. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Clerk Dreyfus:

- Spoke on upcoming March 10, 2020 Presidential Primary & election. Voters will be selecting from three options: 1) Democratic ballot, 2) Republican ballot, 3) ballot without a Republican or Democratic presidential nomination – just the Ingham County proposals on the ballot.
- Absentee voters and Early voters need to indicate on Application for Absentee Ballot their voting selection mentioned above.
- Requesting partisan Presidential Primary ballot is required by state law to vote for Presidential nominee.

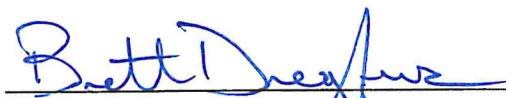
9. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Opsommer moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Wisinski.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried: 7-0

Supervisor Styka adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

RONALD J. STYKA,
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR



BRETT DREYFUS,
TOWNSHIP CLERK