



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864
Administrative Conference Room
Tuesday, November 19, 2019 5:30 PM

PRESENT: Chair, Curt Armbruster (tier1); Tim McCarthy (tier1); Susan Andrews (tier1); Larry Wagenknecht (tier2); Ron Rowe (tier1)

ABSENT: Steve Culling (tier2); Paul Pratt (ICDC)

STAFF/

TOWNSHIP: Younes Ishraidi

COUNTY: Coe Emens (ICP)

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 October Meeting Minutes
- B. Ingham County Parks Grant Application Update
- C. Consultant's Proposal for Fees Adjustment
- D. December Meeting
- E. Boat Launch Improvements
- F. Public Education and Outreach.

3A. Approval of Minutes

The October 19, 2019 meeting minutes were approved with few corrections.

3B. Ingham County Parks Grant Application Update

Park manager Coe Emens stated that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners passed a "Support Resolution" for the proposed grant application to improve access at Shaw & Lake Lansing Road. The improvements will allow future harvesting contractors a second location to off-load weeds on the lake, and hopefully reduce harvesting costs. Coe also informed the committee that the county park commissioners were not receptive to the idea of creating a composting site on nearby county parks. The committee then discussed the possibility of the Township creating a composting site at the transfer station located on the east side of the lake. Younes will follow up with Township management regarding this proposal.

3C. Consultant's Proposal for Fees Adjustment

The lake consultant, Progressive a/e, offered to reduce the amount that Progressive invoices in 2020 by \$12,600. This offer is predicated on the fact the Progressive's failed to conduct a PlanTest

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prior to the 2019 fluridone treatment, which in turn resulted in a loss of treatment warranty. The committee discussed this offer and agreed to accept the offer unconditionally.

3D. December Meeting

The committee voted to skip this year’s December meeting.

3E. Boat Launch Improvements

The committee discussed possible methods to initiate the improvements project including use of grants available for this work, and partnering with MSU students (i.e. possibilities of civil engineering seniors to design the project as part of their capstone project). Younes stated that he’ll contact the MSU professor he dealt with in the past regarding the capstone project possibility. He will also notify the lake consultant to investigate grant opportunities to fund the project.

3F. Public Education & outreach

Committee members discussed the importance of educating the public about the new state law regarding cleaning of boats before entering the lake. Susan suggested working with volunteer groups including high school students from Haslett & Okemos. She further offered to coordinate these efforts with the Township’s “Environmental Commission” student liaison. Coe then mentioned that the state’s “Landing Blitz” campaign coordinator could also train volunteers. Coe and Susan will reach out to the state coordinator to collaborate with her.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm.