



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
LAKE LANSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864  
Town hall Pavilion  
Tuesday, June 9, 2020 5:30 PM

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

ABSENT: Larry Wagenknecht (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 March Meeting Minutes
- B. Ingham County Parks Grant Application
- C. Park Manager's Report
- D. Newsletter Discussion
- E. Boat Launch Educational Outreach
- F. MSU Wild Life & Fisheries Club

### **3A. Approval of Minutes**

The March 2020 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

### **3B. Ingham County Parks Grant Application**

Park Manager Coe Emens stated that the county parks department will be applying for grants to fund improvements to the boat launch area, which will include improvements to the boat washing process. It was noted that the SAD advisory committee had already agreed to contribute 10% of the boat wash improvements' cost, with an \$8,000 cap. Coe indicated that the state grant will be applied for in 2021 with actual construction to be scheduled in 2022. Younes added that the county project would coincide with the Township's lift station and sanitary sewer project planned for 2022, and he hoped that both projects would be coordinated to minimize disruption and save cost.

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### **3C. Park Manager's Report**

Coe Emens stated that construction of the new dock is slated to start in two weeks.

Coe also wanted to discuss the herbicide treatment notice, which appeared to have conflicting information regarding the beach closure. It was clarified that the wording on the applicator's notice stating "Beach Not Closed" was referring to no restrictions on swimming, and not the actual beach closure. It was pointed out that it is a requirement of state law to post all public access areas regardless, and if the treatment does not impact swimming to state so. However, it appears that the applicator did not know that the county beach was actually closed due to the COVID 19 crisis!

### **3D. Newsletter Discussion**

The committee discussed a draft of the newsletter and suggested several modifications. Younes will work with the Drain Commissioner's office and the consultant to update certain topics and the provided watershed map in the coming days.

### **3E. Boat Launch Educational Outreach**

Susan shared with the committee that despite state funding cuts & COVID-19, the annual Lake Lansing "Landing Blitz" (teaching boaters about removing invasive species from their water craft) will occur on Wednesday, July 1, from 10AM to 1PM. This is usually sponsored by our Mid-Michigan CISMA (Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area) who has cancelled its 2020 outreach activities. Fortunately 3-4 volunteers are getting trained and will inspect and have handouts for the boaters.

### **3F. MSU Wild Life & Fisheries Club**

Chair Armbruster informed the committee that the MSU club is still interested in working with this group, and will let us know when the students are back in order to come and offer what they can do for the lake. Curt had already informed them that the SAD committee would work with them as long as their work is in line with the SAD's mission and goals.

## **4. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Armbruster adjourned the meeting at 6:24 p.m.