



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ELECTION COMMISSION
MARCH 31, 2021 – 6:00 pm

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 24, 2021
3. Establish Absentee Voter Counting Board (AVCB) and appoint Inspectors to serve, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election.
4. Establish Receiving Board and appoint Inspectors to serve, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election.
5. Appoint Precinct Inspectors, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election.
6. Schedule date for Public Accuracy Test (Thursday, April 21, 2021)
7. Other Business
8. Public Remarks
9. Adjournment

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING **-DRAFT-**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517-349-1232, Virtual Meeting via Zoom
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 **6:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustees Sundland, Wisinski

ABSENT: None

STAFF:

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
Clerk Guthrie called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Clerk Guthrie led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A. October 8, 2020

Commissioner Sundland moved to approve and ratify the minutes of the October 8, 2020 Virtual Election Commission Meeting, as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Wisinski.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

4. REVIEW THE POST-ELECTION PROCEDURAL FINDINGS FROM INGHAM COUNTY

Clerk Guthrie summarized the findings from Ingham County and her discussions with Clerk Byrum on future election procedures.

5. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CONSOLIDATING PRECINCTS AND PRECINCT LOCATIONS FOR THE UPCOMING MAY 4, 2021 OKEMOS SCHOOLS SPECIAL ELECTION (DUE TO CLERK BYRUM BY MARCH 5, 2021)

Clerk Guthrie outlined the recommendations to consolidate precincts and precinct locations.

Commissioner Wisinski move to approve the temporary relocation of Precinct 10 from the Meridian Township Service Center to Precinct 12; Wardcliff School for the May 4, 2021 Special Election. Seconded by Commissioner Sundland.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Wisinski move to approve the temporary relocation of Precinct 15 from the Meridian Township Senior Center to Precinct 7; Kinawa School for the May 4, 2021 Special Election. Seconded by Commissioner Sundland.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

6. SCHEDULE DATE FOR PUBLIC ACCURRACY TEST (by April 29, 2021)

Clerk Guthrie recommended scheduling the test for September 15, 2021.

Commissioner Wisinski moved to table the date for the public accuracy test and include this item on the next meeting agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Sundland.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

7. SCHEDULE FUTURE ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING DATE TO DISCUSS:

- A. Scheduling date for Approval of Ballots for May 4, 2021 Special Election
- B. Appoint Precinct Inspectors and Chairs, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election (between March 25-April 13, 2021)
- C. Establish Receiving Board and appoint Inspectors, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election
- D. Establish Absentee Voter Counting Board (AVCB) and appoint Inspectors, subject to adjustments as necessary, for the May 4, 2021 Special Election

8. OTHER BUSINESS - NONE

9. PUBLIC REMARKS

Marie Wicks, 2375 N. Wild Blossom Court, congratulated the members on their election and re-election to the Township Board. She stated she has been invited by Clerk Guthrie to assist with administering the May election.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Sundland moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Wisinski.

VOICE/HAND VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

Clerk Guthrie adjourned the meeting at 6:37 pm.



To: Election Commission
From: Deborah Guthrie
Date: March 26, 2021
Re: Agenda Action Items

As a requirement of any election and since a Special Election has been scheduled for May 4, 2021, the Election Commission needs to approve the establishment of an Absentee Voter Counting Board and appoint Inspectors to serve; establish a Receiving Board and appoint Inspectors to serve; and appoint Precinct Inspectors; all subject to adjustments as necessary.

Additionally, the Election Commission also schedules a public accuracy test. Since a Special Election has been set for May 4, 2021, the public accuracy test needs to be scheduled and I am recommending the test be held on Thursday, April 21, 2021.

The following motions are being offering for consideration:

Move to approve the establishment of an Absentee Voter Counting Board and the appointment of Inspectors to serve; establish a Receiving Board and the appointment of Inspectors to serve; and appoint Precinct Inspectors to serve; all subject to adjustments as necessary and also move to schedule a public accuracy test on Thursday, April 21, 2021.