

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**APPROVED**

**September 27, 2021  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198  
853-4000, Town Hall Room, 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: Chair Hendrickson, Commissioners McConnell, Cordill, Shrewsbury, Richards,  
Snyder, Trezise, Blumer, Premoe**

**ABSENT:**

**STAFF: Director of Community Planning & Development Timothy Schmitt, Assistant  
Planner Keith Chapman, Information Technology Director Stephen Gebes,  
Multimedia Producer Samantha Diehl**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Hendrickson called the regular meeting to order at 7:05 pm. and called roll of the Planning Commission.

All members of Planning Commission are present and participating remotely from Meridian Township.

**2. PUBLIC REMARKS**

Chair Hendrickson opened public remarks at 7:07 pm.

Chair Hendrickson closed public remarks at 7:09 pm.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Commissioner Blumer moved to approve the agenda.  
Seconded by Commissioner Cordill.**

**Chair Hendrickson added seven communications in support of the public hearing agenda  
item SUP #21-95**

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. September 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

**Commissioner Trezise moved to approve the minutes of September 13, 2021 Planning  
Commission minutes. Seconded by Commissioner McConnell.**

Commissioner Shrewsbury offered a friendly amendment to the minutes of September 13, 2021. Under Section 4A the draft minutes read that Commissioner Shrewsbury offered the friendly

amendment, however she did not. Upon review it was found that Commissioner Cordill offered the friendly amendment to the previous minutes.

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

## **5. COMMUNICATIONS - NONE**

## **6. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

A. Rezoning #21-070 – 5114 Jo Don Drive, Rezone north half of property from RCC, Multiple Family – Maximum 34 dwelling units per acre, to RB, Single-Family, High Density.

Chair Hendrickson opened the public hearing at 7:03 pm.

Director Schmitt outlined the case for discussion. Director Schmitt explained this rezoning was a condition put on the applicant's original rezoning request. He recommended the Planning Commission suspend bylaw 6.4a and vote on the rezoning tonight.

**Commissioner Premoe moved to suspend bylaw 6.4a for the purpose of voting on Rezoning #21-070. Seconded by Commissioner Richards.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Commissioners McConnell, Premoe, Cordill, Shrewsbury, Richards, Blumer, Snyder, Trezise, Chair Hendrickson

NAYS:

Motion carried: 9-0

**Commissioner Cordill moved to recommend approval of rezoning #21-070 – 5114 Jo Don Drive to the Township Board. Seconded by Commissioner Trezise.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Commissioners McConnell, Premoe, Cordill, Shrewsbury, Richards, Blumer, Snyder, Trezise, Chair Hendrickson

NAYS:

Motion carried: 9-0

Chair Hendrickson closed the public hearing at 7:10 pm.

## **7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE**

## **8. OTHER BUSINESS - NONE**

## **9. REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

A. Township Board update.

Director Schmitt reported the Township Board has approved the 2022 Budget. He also reported the board waived their rules to act on the Woodward Way Project in an effort to start construction as soon as possible.

B. Liaison reports.

Commissioner Premoe:

- Attended virtual Brownfield Redevelopment Authority meeting

Commissioner Blumer:

- The Downtown Development Authority have failed to have a quorum the last two meetings

Commissioner Cordill:

- The Corridor Improvement Authority met last week and sent out letters in conjunction with the Transportation Commission requesting three crosswalks

## 10. PROJECT UPDATES

A. New Applications

NONE

B. Site Plans Received

- 2285 West Grand River – Minor exterior changes for new bank, Capitol National
- 4903 Dawn Ave – Modification of outdoor seating space, Ellison Brewery

C. Site Plans Approved

## 11. PUBLIC REMARKS

Chair Hendrickson Opened Public Remarks at 7:15 pm.

NONE

Chair Hendrickson Closed Public Remarks at 7:15 pm.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Commissioner McConnell Moved to Adjourn.  
Seconded by Commissioner Trezise.**

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

Commissioner Hendrickson adjourned the regular meeting at 7:15 p.m.