

**MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP
COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 9TH, 2022
ADMIN CONFERENCE ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

PRESENT: Commissioner Suzanne Brouse, Kathy Langhals, Kimberly Maingu, Aaron Richmond, Georgia Styka, Yvette Robinson

ABSENT:

STAFF: Human Services Specialist Mary McGinnis, Human Resources Director Abigail Tithoff

BOARD LIASON: Marna Wilson

PUBLIC: Josie Tithoff, Naren Turimella

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Brouse called meeting to order at 7:01pm.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Agenda was approved as written.

III. PUBLIC REMARKS

Introductions.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Staff will update July minutes to reflect accurate attendance.

B. Commissioner* moved to approve July minutes, seconded by Commissioner*. The minutes were approved with 6 in favor and 0 opposed.

C. Commissioner* moved to approve September minutes, seconded by Commissioner*. The minutes were approved with 6 in favor and 0 opposed.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Holiday Baskets

- i. Staff gave update on state of Holiday Basket programs. Baskets for Thanksgiving will be delivered by participating churches the weekend before Thanksgiving. December Holiday baskets will be delivered to Grange Acres on December 13th, at 9am.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Code of Ordinances

- i. The CRC Code of Ordinances was discussed.
- ii. It was highlighted that the CRC is expected to hold 10 meetings, with a quorum, each year.
- iii. Board Liaison position was defined as a non-voting member of the CRC, appointed by the Township Supervisor, who communicates relevant information from the township Board to the CRC.
- iv. Discussion on recruiting new members for the CRC. The CRC is promoted on the Township website, and could potentially be advertised during public remarks at a Board meeting.

B. Public/Private Partnerships

- i. Staff will be focusing on expanding network and forming relationships with more organizations and communities in the area (i.e. libraries, faith based communities, schools, clubs, etc)

C. Potential Time Change for Meetings

- i. Staff presented idea to change CRC meeting time from 7pm to 6pm. Commissioner Styka moved to change meeting time, seconded by Commissioner*. The motion was approved and future CRC meetings will be held at 6pm.

VII. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023

- A. Commissioner Styka volunteered to run for CRC Chair, seconded by Commissioner*. Styka was given the floor to speak about why she would like the position. She would like to increase CRC involvement in community events, and has experience as leader of Meridian Garden Club.
- B. Commissioner Robinson volunteered to run for CRC Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner*. Robinson was given the floor, and stated that her experience working for the State Human Services Department would be beneficial in this position, as she is familiar and comfortable with policies and procedures regarding government programs. She is prompt and organized, and reads everything. She also stated that she has an understanding of the residents that benefit from CRC programs, as she has walked in their shoes. She would like to represent the CRC and work together with Staff and Board Liaison to grow the program.
- C. Commissioner Styka was elected as CRC Chair, effective January 1, 2023, with 6 in favor, and 0 opposed.
- D. Commissioner Robinson was elected as CRC Vice Chair, effective January 1, 2023, with 6 in favor, and 0 opposed.

VIII. HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT

- A. Chairperson Brouse requested information on Human Services Specialist job description.
- B. The October financial report was reviewed.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Dusty's Cellar is holding a fundraiser for Meridian Cares during the month of November. They are requesting donations at the register and matching donations up to \$2,500.

X. PUBLIC REMARKS

None

XI. ADJOURNEMENT

Meeting was adjourned without objection at 8:37pm.

***Missing the names of Commissioners who introduced a motion, and commissioner who seconded motion. Staff is hoping to amend this at December meeting.**