



AGENDA
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ELECTION COMMISSION
DECEMBER 27, 2023 – 1:00 pm
Meridian Municipal Building
Township Hall

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approval of Draft Minutes
 - A. October 10, 2023
3. Communications
 - A. Notice of Election Commission Meeting
4. New Business
 - A. Establish the Absent Voter Counting Board, Receiving Board, and Election Inspectors for the February 27, 2024, Presidential Primary Election and Authorize the Clerk to make modifications as needed.
 - B. Designate the Clerk to conduct logic and accuracy tests of the electronic voting systems for the February 27, 2024, Presidential Primary Election
 - C. Redrawing a Short Boundary Line for 3 Homes
5. Other Business
6. Public Remarks
7. Adjournment

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING **-DRAFT -**
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198
517-853-4300, Regular Meeting
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023, **5:00 pm.**

PRESENT: Clerk Guthrie, Trustees Sundland, Wisinski

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Emily Gordon, Deputy Clerk

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Clerk Guthrie called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. October 28, 2022

Commissioner Sundland moved to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2022, Election Commission Meeting, as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Wisinski.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

3. Communications

A. Notice of Election Commission Meeting

4. New Business - Recommendation to the Township Board for the Early Voting Plan including Early Voting Site

Commissioner Wisinski asked what the advantages are of Early Voting.

Clerk Guthrie talked about how this gives other options for voters.

Clerk Guthrie gave background information on Proposal 2022-2, the State funded early voting grant and the process to finding the Early Voting Center

Commissioner Sundland asked if voting machines are part of the grant.

Clerk Guthrie spoke about the grant and equipment costs.

Clerk Guthrie gave information on the next steps for the Resolution to be presented to the Board.

Commissioner Wisinski moved to recommend the Meridian Township Board support Meridian Township's Early Voting Plan and Early Voting Site by resolution at the October 17, 2023, Township Board meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Sundland.

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

5. OTHER BUSINESS - NONE

6. PUBLIC REMARKS – NONE

7. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wisinski moved to adjourn. Seconded by Clerk Guthrie

VOICE VOTE: Motion carried 3-0.

Clerk Guthrie adjourned the meeting at 5:10 pm.



CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY
LEGAL AD NOTICE: ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2023 AT 1:00 PM

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
LEGAL NOTICE
ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING
DECEMBER, 27, 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Meridian Township Election Commission will conduct a regular meeting on Wednesday, December 27, 2023, at 1:00 pm, in the Town Hall Room, Meridian Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI, to establish an AV Counting Board, Receiving Board, and Election Inspectors for the February 27th, 2023 Presidential Primary Election and to set the date of the Public Accuracy Test.

The meeting agenda, packet and/or virtual meeting credentials will be posted on the Township webpage at www.meridian.mi.us

Publish:

Lansing State Journal
December 24, 2023

Deborah Guthrie
Township Clerk



To: Election Commission
From: Emily Gordon, Deputy Clerk
Date: December 27, 2024
Re: Election Commission Action Items

The Election Commission is required 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.

The Election Commission must also schedule a public accuracy test for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election. The public accuracy test needs to be scheduled to take place no later than February 12, 2024. I would recommend the test be held on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 10:00 am.

Jurisdictions with a population of at least 5,000 will be eligible for pre-processing. Pre-processing is allowed to begin on Monday, February 19th, however we will begin the following Monday, February 26th between the times of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The following motions should be considered:

"Move to approve the resolutions of establishment of an Absentee Voter Counting Board and the appointment of Inspectors to serve; to establish a Receiving Board and the appointment of Inspectors to serve; and to appoint Precinct Inspectors to serve; and to approve the pre-processing of Absentee Ballots on February 26, 2024; and to appoint inspectors to serve all subject to adjustments as necessary by the Clerk, for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election"

"Move to Hold the January 31, 2024 Presidential Primary Election Public Accuracy Test on Wednesday, January 31, 2024 at 10:00 am, subject to change via the Clerk. "

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A RECEIVING BOARD
FOR ELECTIONS HELD IN MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Election Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 27th day of December, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____

WHEREAS, the Township Clerk is responsible for conducting elections in the Charter Township of Meridian; and

WHEREAS, MCL 168.679(a) provides the Election Commission of a city, township, or village shall, by resolution, provide that at an election at which the ballots are counted and certified at the precinct, one (1) or more additional boards of election inspectors be appointed to serve as Receiving Boards; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Township of Meridian Receiving Board is responsible for the duties as outlined in Section 168.679(a) of the Michigan Election Law (Article 116 of 1954); and

WHEREAS, the board of election commissioners shall appoint two (2) or more election inspectors, with an equal number from each major political party to the Receiving Board prior to each election;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN that the Election Commission authorizes the establishment of a Receiving Board and the appointment of two (2) or more election inspectors, with an equal number from each major political party, for all future elections beginning with the February 27, 2023 Presidential Primary Election.

ADOPTED: YEAS:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

) ss:

COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY RATIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted at a regular meeting of the Election Commission on the 27 day of December 27, 2023.

Deborah Guthrie, Township Clerk

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN ABSENT VOTER
COUNTING BOARD FOR THE 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Election Commission of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 27th day of December 2023, at 1:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____

WHEREAS, the Township Clerk is responsible for conducting elections in the Charter Township of Meridian; and

WHEREAS, Subject to section 168.764d, if a city or township decides to use absent voter counting boards, the board of election commissioners of that city or township shall establish an absent voter counting board for each election day precinct in that city or township; and

WHEREAS, Subject to section 168.764d, the Board of Election Commissioners shall establish the absent voter counting boards; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN that the Election Commission authorizes the establishment of an Absent Voter Counting Board for the February 27, 2024 Presidential Primary Election.

ADOPTED:

YEAS:

NAYS:

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

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Deborah Guthrie, Township Clerk