

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

**APPROVED**

**October 9, 2017**

**5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864-1198**

**517-853-4560, Town Hall Room, 7:00 P.M.**

**PRESENT: Commissioners Baruah, Cordill, Ianni, Premoe, Scott-Craig,  
Tenaglia, Richards**

**ABSENT: Commissioner Lane**

**STAFF: Senior Planner Peter Menser**

**1. Call meeting to order**

Chair Ianni called the regular meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

**2. Public Remarks-NONE**

**3. Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Scott-Craig moved to approve the agenda as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Premoe.

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

A. September 11, 2017 Regular Minutes

Commissioner Scott-Craig moved to approve the minutes as written.

Seconded by Commissioner Premoe.

VOICE VOTE: Motion approved unanimously.

**5. Communications**

A. Brett Dreyfus regarding Charles Marohn, "Strong Towns: How to Build Prosperity in Communities"

**6. Public hearings-NONE**

**7. Unfinished Business-NONE**

**8. Other Business**

A. Master Plan update

Senior Planner Menser gave updates to the Master Plan progress

- Having a Master Plan in important to have in place for financial opportunities.
- Amended version was available for public review February to May of 2017.
- Township Board has had several meetings to discuss content changes.
- A public hearing has been scheduled and noticed for October 23, 2017.
- Graphic Designer has incorporated all changes and posted to the website.
- Planning Commissioners can request printed copies if needed.
- CATA route map change changes will be made.

- PICA/Pathway map changes will be made.
- Planning Commission's November 13, 2017 meeting will be for action on Master Plan.
- Commissioner Scott-Craig asked that the photos on pages 41, 42 and 43 have the captions removed prior to publishing.

**B. Shaping the Avenue Initiative**

Senior Planner Menser gave updates to the Shaping the Avenue Initiative

- Consultants provided the form based code in draft form on October 6, 2017
- A conference call is scheduled for the week of October 16, 2017
- Once a thorough review is done the Planning Commission will be given a briefing by staff

**9. Township Board, Planning Commission officer, committee chair, and staff comments or Reports**

- Commissioner Scott-Craig gave a summary of the Economic Development Committee meeting he attended on October 5, 2017.
- Commissioner Richards gave a summary of the Transportation Commission meeting he attended on September 28, 2017.
- Commissioner Scott-Craig gave a summary of the last meeting of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority which he attended.
- Commissioner Premoe gave a summary of the Building Board of Appeals that were held on September 27, 2017 and August 9, 2017.

**10. Project Updates**

**A. New Applications**

1. Tentative Preliminary Plat #17012 (Mayberry Homes), develop 25 single family lots on 25 acres located east of Powell Road, north of Grand River Avenue.

**B. Site Plans Received - NONE**

**C. Site Plans Approved - NONE**

**11. Public Remarks**

None

**12. Adjournment**

Chair Ianni adjourned the regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela M. Ryan  
Recording Secretary