

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN

JOINT BOARD AND COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING -**APPROVED**-

5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198 517.853.4000,

Township Hall Room

TUESDAY, February 10, 2026, 5:30PM

PRESENT: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Burghardt, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Wilson, Trustee Trezise and Trustee Sundland

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Township Manager Dempsey, Deputy Manager and Public Works Director Opsommer, Fire Chief Hamel, Human Resources Director Tithof, Communications Manager Diehl, IT Director Gebes, Parks and Recreation Director Wisinski

**BOARD/
COMMISSION
MEMBERS:** Communications Commissioner Nevells, Capital Area District Libraries (CADL) Head Librarian Moore, CADL Member Drake, Economic Development Corporation (EDC) Vice Chair Fosdick, Corridor Improvement Authority Chair Peffers, Corridor Improvement Authority Member Nugent, Community Resources Commission (CRC) Chair Styka, CRC Member Orr, CRC Member Robinson, CRC Member Turimella, Planning Commissioner and Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) Member Nahum, Planning Commissioner Chair Shrewsbury, Environmental Commissioner Miksicek, Planning Commissioner and Environmental Commissioner McConnell, Park Commissioner Chair Nardo-Farris, Board of Review (BOR) Member Federau, BOR Member Such, Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Vice Chair Sdao, Lake Lansing Advisory Committee Chair Armbruster, Lake Lansing Advisory Committee Member Taylor, Communications Commission Chair Whiting-Dobson, Communications Commissioner Pavangadkar, Communications Commissioner English, Land Preservation Advisory Board (LPAB) Member Parnell

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Hendrickson called the February 10, 2026, Regular Township Board meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Hendrickson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Clerk Demas called the roll of the Board. Seven Board members present at 5:32 pm.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Trustee Wilson moved to approve the agenda. Supported by Trustee Trezise.

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Burghardt, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Sundland, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 7-0

5. ACTION ITEM

A. Resolution and Letter Opposing ITC's Oneida to Sabine Lake Electric Transmission Line

Manager Dempsey gave an overview of the item.

Board discussion occurred which included opposition to ITC's Oneida to Sabine Lake Electric Transmission Line as well as support of the proposed resolution and letter of opposition.

Trustee Trezise moved to approve the resolution and associated letter in opposition to ITC's Proposed Oneida to Sabine Lake Electric Transmission Line Project in Meridian Township. Supported by Trustee Wilson.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Burghardt, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Sundland, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 7-0

At 5:36 pm, Supervisor Hendrickson called a recess until 6:00 pm. The Board reconvened at 6:00 pm.

6. PRESENTATION

A. Recapping 2025 and Reviewing 2026 Goals

Supervisor Hendrickson welcomed present Board and Commission members.

Manager Dempsey gave a presentation recapping 2025 and reviewing 2026 goals.

7. JOINT MEETING WITH TOWNSHIP BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

A. Reports of Activity in 2025 and Look Ahead to 2026

i. Board of Review

Member Deb Federau provided a report on the Board of Review activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

ii. Capital Area District Library

Head Librarian Moore and Member Drake provided a report on the Capital Area District Library activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

iii. Planning Commission

Commissioner Nahum provided a general overview of the Planning Commission which included a report of activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

iv. Zoning Board of Appeals

Member Nahum provided a general overview of the Zoning Board of Appeals which included a report of activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

v. Corridor Improvement Authority

Chair Peffers provided a report on the Corridor Improvement Authority activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

vi. Park Commission

Chair Nardo-Farris and Director Wisinski provided a report on the Park Commission activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

vii. Communications Commission

Chair Whiting-Dobson provided a report on the Communications Commission activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

viii. Environmental Commission

Commissioner McConnell provided a report on the Environmental Commission activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

ix. Downtown Development Authority

Vice Chair Sdao provided a report on the Downtown Development Authority activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

x. Community Resources Commission

xi. Chair Styka provided a report on the Community Resources Commission activities and fundraising efforts in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

xii. Lake Lansing Advisory Board

Chair Armbruster provided a report on the Lake Lansing Advisory Board activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

xiii. Economic Development Corporation

Vice Chair Fosdick provided a report on the Economic Development Corporation activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

xiv. Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Manager Dempsey provided a report on the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

xv. Local Officials Compensation Commission

Director Tithof provided a general overview of the Local Officials Compensation Commission which included activities in 2025 and an explanation that the public body meets biannually.

xvi. Land Preservation Advisory Board

Member Parnell provided a report on the Land Preservation Advisory Board activities in 2025 and a look ahead into 2026.

xvii. Election Commission

Clerk Demas provided a report of Election Commission activities in 2025 including a presentation about precinct boundary changes and a look ahead into 2026.

The Board thanked Board and Commission members.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Hendrickson opened public comment at 7:28 pm.

The opportunity to speak was provided to the public.

Supervisor Hendrickson closed public comment at 7:28 pm.

9. ADJOURNMENT

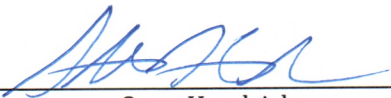
Trustee Wilson moved to adjourn. Supported by Trustee Lentz.

VOICE VOTE YEAS: Supervisor Hendrickson, Clerk Demas, Treasurer Burdghardt, Trustee Lentz, Trustee Sundland, Trustee Trezise, and Trustee Wilson

NAYS: NONE

Motion carried: 7-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.



Scott Hendrickson
Township Supervisor



Angela Demas
Township Clerk