

MERIDIAN TOWNSHIP- COMMUNITY RESOURCES COMMISSION

MAY 13, 2026

ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM

PRESENT: Chair Styka, Vice-Chair Robinson, Commissioner Webster, Commissioner Orr, Commissioner Maingu, Commissioner Whiting-Dobson,

STAFF: Human Services Specialist Love

ABSENT: Trustee Wilson, Commissioner Langhals and Commissioner Turimella

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Styka called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. AGENDA

Commissioner Whiting-Dobson made a motion to approve the May 13th agenda as written. Seconded by Vice-Chair Robinson.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes were approved as written.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A: Mobile Health Clinic: Commissioner Webster

- A Community Clinic is scheduled for Edgewood on May 21st 1-4 p.m.
- The Clinic is deciding on a date to come to the Farmers Market. They are looking into Wednesday, July 15th. Date to be confirmed.

B: #Sockoutsuicide

- Meridian Cares will have a table at the run at Playmakers on Thursday, May 14th from 5-7 p.m. Come if you are able.
- #Sockoutsuicide day is May 15th. This is the day to post sock photos and take the pledge. The CRC will take a photo of our socks at the end of the meeting.

C: Protect the Pack

- Protect the Pack is an annual health, safety and community resource event hosted by Okemos Public Schools.
- Meridian Cares will have a table OHS Stadium on Thursday, June 11th 5-7 p.m. Come if you are able.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A: Connecting Seniors to Community Newsletter

- Specialist Love shared a flyer she made for seniors in the area.
 - o Introduced Meridian Cares, Senior Project Fresh, Senior Watch Programs, Redi Ride, Congregate Dining, and DHHS Navigation Help

- Shared contact information for Specialist Love if anyone needs help applying or needs more information.
- The flyer will be in the Grange Acres, Marsh Point and Stratford Place newsletters.
- Commissioner Whiting-Dobson suggested posting the flyers in local doctor's offices, libraries, community boards, churches etc.

B: Summer Meeting Dates

- According to the Community Resource Commission Policy and Procedures *The commission shall meet at least 10 times per year at the Township Municipal Building.*
- We cancelled the February 2026 meeting due to illness and no quorum.

Commission Webster made a motion to remove the June 11th meeting of the Community Resource Commission. AIF-Yes

- The next meeting of the Community Resource Commission will be on July 9, 2026.

C: Celebrate Meridian

- Celebrate Meridian is scheduled for Saturday, July 25th
 - Meridian Cares will have a booth at the event. Times TBD.

D: Polar Plunge

- On Sunday, January 25, 2026, Meridian Township Parks and Rec held a Polar Dash and Splash. The event profits went to Meridian Cares.
- At the Township board meeting on Thursday, May 7th the Parks Dept. presented Specialist Love with a check for \$981.81 for Meridian Cares.

6. HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT

- April 2026 Highlights
 - The month ended with \$48,408.67 in cash.
 - We used \$7,305.99 in Emergency Needs Funds
 - Sold 36 Redi-Ride Passes

7. OPEN FORUM

- Commissioner Maingu brought up the large apartment fire at Chandler Crossing. This apartment is outside of Meridian Township. According to postings, donations are being accepted at the Chandler Crossing leasing offices.
- Abby Tithof, Human Resources Director and Specialist Love's boss has taken a new position out of the Township. At this time, Specialist Love will report to Manager Dempsey.

8. ADJOURNEMENT

Chair Styka made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 P.M. with no opposition.