

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN  
TOWNSHIP BOARD STUDY SESSION 2023 **-APPROVED-**  
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos MI 48864-1198  
517.853.4000, Township Hall Room  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023 **6:00 pm**

PRESENT: Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Hendrickson,  
Sundland, Wilson, Wisinski

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Township Manager Walsh, Community Planning and Development Director Schmitt,  
Deputy Clerk Lemaster, Township Attorney Kuschel

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/INTRODUCTIONS

Supervisor Jackson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLLCALL

Deputy Clerk Lemaster called the roll of the Board. All board members are present.

4. CITIZENS ADDRESS AGENDA ITEMS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Supervisor Jackson opened public comment at 6:03 PM.

NONE

Supervisor Jackson closed public comment at 6:03 PM.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Trustee Wisinski moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Trustee Hendrickson.**

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine,  
Trustees Hendrickson, Sundland, Wilson, Wisinski

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

6. BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Recreational Marijuana

Supervisor Jackson gave a brief summary of the township's discussions of Recreational marijuana thus far.

The Township board discussed the following topics with Director Schmitt and Township Attorney Kuschel:

- Only five marijuana dispensaries in the township
- Only one dispensary per overlay district
- No marijuana growing facilities in the township
- The competitive review process of marijuana permit applications
- The timeline to completion of the marijuana ordinance
- The concept of delivery, drive-through, and curbside pickup of marijuana
- The full and partial transfer of recreational marijuana permits
- Recreational Marijuana sales tax revenue shared by the county
- Time limit until commencement of operation by marijuana permit holder
- Researching other communities experience with permit transfers

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Supervisor Jackson opened Public Remarks at 8:20 pm.

NONE

Supervisor Jackson closed Public Remarks at 8:20 pm.

8. OTHER MATTERS AND BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS-NONE

9. ADJOURNMENT

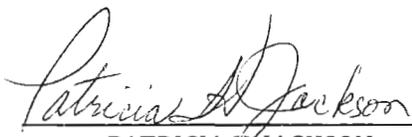
**Trustee Wilson moved to adjourn, Seconded by Treasurer Deschaine.**

VOICE VOTE: YEAS: Supervisor Jackson, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine, Trustees Hendrickson, Sundland, Wilson, Wisinski

NAYS: None

Motion carried: 7-0

**Supervisor Jackson adjourned the meeting at 8:22 pm.**



PATRICIA H. JACKSON,  
TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR



DEBORAH GUTHRIE  
TOWNSHIP CLERK