

**REPUBLIC TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016**

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Fred Nannestad called the workshop meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** Ms. Hangas, Ms. Maze, Mr. Sandblom, Mr. Feldhusen, Mr. Kraft, Mr. Richter, Mr. Nannestad.
Workshop: Workshop regarding the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (Act 33 of 2008) was presented by Fred Nannestad. Concentration given on the rules and regulations the Planning Commission is governed by. Concentration on Master Plan for the Township, Capital Improvements and the Zoning ordinance with the Zoning Ordinance Act along with when the Planning Commission is required to review and act upon these areas. Workshop concluded at 7:24pm—Republic Township Planning Commission meeting called to order at 7:24pm.
- 2a. **Roll Call:** Ms. Maze, Ms. Hangas, Mr. Sandblom, Mr. Feldhusen, Mr. Kraft, Mr. Richter, Mr. Nannestad.
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Dan Mitchell requested addition to agenda for future training for Planning Commission members. Added to New Business, 9B. Motion to approve agenda with addition by Laura Maze, seconded by John Kraft; motion carries.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes by Tom Sandblom, seconded by John Kraft; motion carries.
5. **Public Comment:** None
6. **Zoning Administrator's Report:** Dan Mitchell gave report. Discussion regarding enforcement of Blight Ordinance ensued. John Kraft made motion to enforce the Blight Ordinance, Laura Maze seconded. Tom Feldhusen moved to amend the motion to include a press release announcing intention to enforce the Blight Ordinance starting April 1st, seconded by Liz Hangas. Motion carries.
7. **Committee Reports:**
 - A. **Zoning Ordinance Review Progress:** Tabled until April Meeting.

B. Fire/EMS: Report given by Laura Maze on the 3/2/2016 meeting; discussion ensued.

C. Training for PC Members: Discussion regarding training availabilities. Suggestion by Mr. Nannestad to petition board individually for CUPPAD training for the Planning Commission. Motion by Liz Hangas, seconded by Tom Sandblom. Liz will send letter to board members. Motion carries.

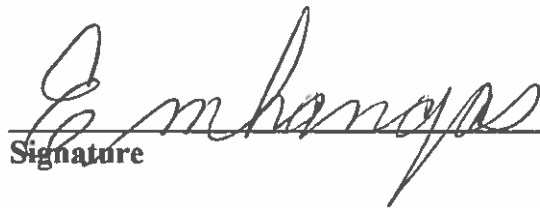
8. Old Business: Workshops on hold.

9. New Business:

A. By-Laws-- Fred will work on language changes and bring corrections to next meeting.

10. Public Comment: Liz commented on Rec. Committee meeting.

11. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Tom Sandblom, seconded by John Kraft. Meeting adjourned at 8:08PM.


Signature _____ Date 4/14/16

Republic Recreation Committee
February 11, 2016
Minutes

- 1. Call to Order:**
Kristina Koski called meeting to order @ 12:15 pm. Jim Brennan, Kim Isaacson, Kristina Koski present; Michael Todd absent (excused) sick.
- 2. Approval of Agenda:**
Jim Brennan, Kristina Koski
- 3. Approval of Minutes:**
Last found meeting was in April of 2014. Due to disbandment no prior minutes to approve.
- 4. Public Comment:**
No public present
- 5. Unfinished Business:**
 - a. Northern Lights Campground** – Many aspects discussed including the sign by Woodworks Unlimited, work bees for silt fence, and matching funds. Explanations made to Kim on how the grant process works concerning funds we have etc.. Jim Brennan also discussed the idea of a Veterans Memorial to be done somewhere in the area (school lake).
 - b. Bums Field** – We examined a list compiled by Mike T. for work that needs to be done. Soil, cost for spraying dandelions, old pavilion for a netting area etc.. Charlie Niemi needs to be contacted regarding soil and we allotted a \$1,500 budget number for work here.
 - c. Republic Beach area** – Horseshoe court score boards need to be spruced up/fixd. Basketball court needs new asphalt; price rubberized and regular. The volleyball court also needs good beach sand. Kim will look into RYO having sand from the youth camp. Alloted a possible \$2,000 for budget needs in this area.
- 6. New Business:**
 - a. Heritage Trailhead Building** – Discussed the sign being done for building, the need for new roof etc. being included in a new grant being done by UPEA. The new grant process is looking for historical funds as well.
 - b. Added Wetlands** – Jim discussed his contact with Jim Kippola and Humboldts planning commission contacting Cliffs on future possibilities.
- 7. Public Comment:**
No public present
- 8. Adjournment : 1:25 pm**

Kristina Koski

Republic Recreation Committee
March 7th, 2016
Minutes

1. **Call to Order:**
Called meeting to order @ 12:00 pm. Present: Jim Brennan, Kristina Koski, Michael Todd, Liz Hangas, Kim Isaacson absent (excused) sick.
2. **Approval of Agenda:**
Jim Brennan 1st, Liz Hangas 2nd
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
Kristina Koski 1st, Jim Brennan 2nd
4. **Public Comment:**
No public present
5. **Unfinished Business:**
 - a. **Northern Lights Campground** – No new business. Discussed compiling a volunteer list for additional work once construction starts.
 - b. **Bums Field** – Much discussion on needs for field between Mike and Jim. Sand needed must be stamp sand. The needs of a netting area, and the possibility of an artificial mound. Also discussed the future revenue and maintenance being done without DPW. Discussed inviting Kara/Little League to next meeting to discuss help with keeping field maintained.
 - c. **Republic Beach area** – Discussed cleaning the beach sand.
 - d. **Heritage Trailhead Building** – Public hearing is on March 14th at noon. Liz is having a Republic pamphlet getting printed to highlight our town. Cost is approximately \$600.00. This will be included in the welcome center along with other information for visitors. Also discussed the importance of the new sign being a Republic Welcoming Center with Heritage Trailhead being included. Questioned that all bills are being charged to rec.
 - e. **Wetlands** – Jim is still trying to contact CCI
 - f. **Budget** – Discussed and compiled final budget numbers for the Recreation to be given to Planning Commission and Township Board. Motion by Jim Brennan to propose \$47,860 on rec budget. 2nd by Liz Hangas
6. **Public Comment:**
No public present
7. **Adjournment:** 1:00 pm

Kristina Koski