

**REPUBLIC TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015**

1. **Call to Order** – The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. **Members Present** –Tom Feldhusen, Tom Sandblom, and John Kraft. Stacy Davis was absent. Dan Mitchell was present as Zoning Administrator.
3. **Approval of Agenda** – Motion to approve by John Kraft, seconded by Tom Sandblom. All in favor, motion passed.
4. **Approval of Minutes** – Motion to approve the minutes of September 8, 2014 regular meeting and September 8, 2014 Public Hearing by John Kraft; no other current Planning Commission member currently present was at those meetings. Motion by Tom Feldhusen, seconded by Tom Sandblom to approve minutes for January 12, 2015 meeting all in favor, motion carried.
5. **Public Comment** – None
6. **Adopt Amended By-Laws:** Chairperson Williams noted that one amendment was that the meeting date rule was changed to reflect that further meeting date changes could be done by resolution, membership may be five or seven, among other minor changes. Motion to approve by John Kraft, seconded by Tom Feldhusen, **Roll Call Vote: Feldhusen: Y, Sandblom: Y, Kraft: Y, Williams: Y, Davis: Absent**
By-Laws Adopted
7. **Resolution for Meeting Dates Change:** The resolution was read into the minutes, there was some discussion about posting the information for compliance purposes. Motion by John Kraft to approve the resolution, seconded by Tom Feldhusen, **Roll Call Vote: Feldhusen: Y, Sandblom: Y, Kraft: Y, Williams: Y, Davis: Absent**
Resolution Adopted
8. **Adoption of Operational Plan:** This is a broad explanation of what everyone's responsibilities should be to give everyone a better idea of what direction the commission should take in the coming year. This will help in keeping things more cohesive. Motion to approve by John Kraft, seconded by Tom Sandblom, **Roll call Vote: Feldhusen: Y, Sandblom: Y, Kraft: Y, Williams: Y, Davis: Absent**
Operational Plan Adopted
9. **Zoning Administrator's Report** – One permit issued. Report Attached.

10. Committee Reports: No real reports, There was some discussion on finally taking action to move forward to promote this area and make some necessary changes in order to do that.

11. Old Business/New Business:

- A. Chairperson Williams had attended a “community “ meeting, but it was not well attended, so she spoke about having more focused meetings in the next month or so with some of the established groups here in town to get their “take” on what they see for the future for Republic Township and then branch out again.
- B. Also, the Fishing Derby this year will be coupled with the “All School Reunion”, perhaps we can get with the Sportsmen’s Club to assist in promoting these two activities more so than usual.
- C. We want to encourage people to put forth ideas and give them reassurance that this time, things will be different and all ideas will be given their due. We are serious about improving things in this town.
- D. We need to help the Heritage Garden with expansion of the wonderful things they do to help make this town more beautiful.
- E. We need to put it out to the people that we are serious about helping promote any positive activity or idea.
- F. **Public Comment** – None
- G. **Adjourn** – Chairperson Williams adjourned the meeting @ 7:38 PM

Signature

Date