

**KOCHVILLE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
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**7:00pm:** opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present: Tony Leuenberger, Joanne Cammin, Russ Herlache, Ron Robishaw, Don Jackson, Rhonda Ferrell, and Chair Kiss.

**Approval of agenda:** Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the presented agenda. Seconded by Mr. Robishaw. Motion carried.

**Approval of minutes of October 12, 2015:** Mr. Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of October 12, 2015. Seconded by Mr. Leuenberger. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** no comments

**Close public comment:**

**PA33 committees:** no comments

**Report from Township Board Member: Rhonda Ferrell:**

- The Board held a Public Hearing on 10-19-15 for the establishment of an industrial development district and an industrial facilities exemption certificate application for Wineman Technologies.
- The Board approved Resolution 15-23: Request to establish an industrial development district for Wineman Technologies: 1668 Champagne Drive.
- The Board approved Resolution 15-24: Wineman Technologies industrial facilities exemption certificate application with a change of abatement time frame to 7 years from the proposed 12 years.
- The Board approved a contract with the City of Saginaw for plumbing/mechanical inspections and plan review services.
- The Board approved the elimination of DPW General Laborer position to be replaced with seasonal positions.
- The Board approved PA 116 Farmland Preservation Resolution #15-21 for Robert and Gail Schlicker.
- The Board approved PA 116 Farmland Preservation Resolution #15-22 for Joshua Schlicker.
- The Board held a Public Hearing on 10-28-15 regarding solid waste disposal pick up assessment roll, and neighborhood subdivision street lighting operation and maintenance special assessment roll.
- The Board approved Resolution 15-25: Kochville Township special assessment roll to provide solid waste pickup and disposal with a limit up to \$159 per unit. This year's collection will stay at \$138.
- The Board approved Resolution 15-26 Kochville Township special assessment roll to provide neighborhood subdivision street lighting operation and maintenance.
- The Board approved the adoption of Ordinance 15-05: Revision of certain sections of Chapter 92, Parks and Recreation Ordinance.

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- The Board approved Section 92.018: Budget requests and Section 92.048: Regulating the possession of firearms on Township properties.
- The Board approved a change in the Township health insurance plan to Blue Cross Blue Shield Simply Blue PPO plan effective for 2016 and including a \$500 bonus to all full-time employees to be paid in 4 quarterly increments.
- The Board approved revisions to the Employee cell phone policy. Employees will now be responsible for any overage cost of their phones percentage of allotted plan talk minutes.
- The Board approved the Christmas in Kochville Fireworks/Special Event application.
- The Board approved Ordinance 15-06: Establishment of Construction Board of Appeals. This Board is required by State Law. Mr. Palmer is asking for 3 members with 1 alternate.
- The Board approved Resolution 15-27: Approving SASWA Apportionment of Operational Costs for 2016 Budget (\$5,625).

**Business Items: Training session: (Sarah Traxler):** Ms. Traxler, McKenna Associates presented a power point presentation on the Supreme Court ruling: Reed v. Gilbert. All sign codes are impacted in the United States by this Supreme Court ruling.

Discussion followed on the following topics:

- History of first amendment in sign regulation.
- Content and viewpoint neutrality.
- Regulating terms of signs on time, place and size.
- Commercial and noncommercial speech.
- On-site and off-site signs.
- Community's direction.
- Political, ideological, temporary and permanent directional, real estate, agriculture, gasoline, and time & temperature signs.
- Our sign ordinance.

Discussion continued. One should be mindful of restrictions on number of signs and the required maintenance and removal of a sign that has deteriorated. Signs are big money and a huge asset to any commercial business in today's society. A flag or a banner is a temporary sign. One should keep in mind traffic and pedestrian safety, community aesthetics, protection of free speech, and prevention of blight and clutter. Be mindful of content restrictions and noncommercial speech on any lawful sign.

**Other Business:** Chair Kiss stated the Freeland millage was defeated. DDA open house will be held at the Kochville Veterans Hall on Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm. Taboon restaurant located at 5212 Bay Road has closed.

**Comments from Staff/Commission:** Mr. Palmer stated there were 2 clients interested in putting two housing units for assisted living/senior living along Tittabawassee Road. Mr. Dier said there was a rezoning application submitted for Kochville Road. It is a 17 acre parcel which they would like to develop into townhomes. It will be a rezone from R-1A to R-3. This property is adjacent to the Veterans Hall.

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There is a site plan application submitted for Wineman Technology on 1658 & 1668 Champagne Dr N for construction of a 28,230 square foot manufacturing facility.

Tony Leuenberger and Russ Herlache attended the Rowe training in Flint. Rowe is looking at putting their presentations on videos.

Mrs. Cammin commented on the new sign at the Township Hall.

**Adjourn: Next meeting December 14, 2015:** Mr. Herlache made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Cammin. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Rhonda Ferrell, Secretary