

**KINGSTON TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

APPROVED: November 17, 2010

DATE: October 20, 2010
LOCATION: Kingston Township Hall
TIME CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 PM by Chairman Filbert

MEMBERS PRESENT:	(CHECK ONE)		
GROVE	YES	X	NO
STEINHOFF	YES	X	NO
FINK	YES	X	NO
DEAVERS	YES		NO
FILBERT	YES	X	NO
GIFFIN	YES	X	NO
TALBOTT	YES	X	NO
STITES	YES	X	NO

X Resigned 10-18-10

Voting Status Throughout Meeting

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairperson Filbert asked members if they had any comments or corrections regarding the September 15, 2010 Meeting Minutes. With Members finding no discrepancies, Member Grove made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. The motion was seconded by Alternate Giffin and was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Discussions continued regarding Zoning Resolution Text Amendments and the legal process for adoption found in Article 26 and ORC 519.12. First, Members discussed an omission found in Article 26 regarding public notice requirements listed in ORC 519.12; specifically, language was omitted for Trustee public notice requirements if the proposed amendment alters the text of the zoning resolution. After reviewing the proposed additional text and minor editorial changes in a document *referenced as Item 1*, Members approved recommended language changes.

Attention then turned to a draft Preamble which had been rewritten to be more historic than legislative. After considerable discussion where several sentences were deleted, one paragraph was relocated and two paragraphs were removed, Members approved the Preamble *referenced as Item 2*.

Next, the Text Amendment Procedure *referenced as Item 3* was reviewed by Zoning Inspector Talbott and Zoning Secretary Stites to reacquaint Members with the legal process required by Article 26 and ORC 519.12. Discussions continued regarding a proposed Text Amendment Approval Timeline *referenced as Item 4*. Members were informed that the text amendments had been forwarded to Zoning Attorney Michael O'Reilly. He indicated his review comments, along with preparation of the necessary Motion for the Zoning Commission to initiate the official Text Amendment Process, would be completed by November 5, 2010.

Members agreed that Zoning Inspector Talbott should review the legal recommendations upon receipt, forward them immediately to Executive Director Sanders for incorporation into the final draft document, and forward a copy to each Member at the same time. Members determined that the Text Amendment Overview previously discussed should only be used by Chairman Filbert during his presentation to the Trustees since the document only listed highlights and did not represent every proposed change made during the text amendment process. All felt that all interested parties should review the entire document for themselves to determine any comments. Members also agreed that Zoning Commission Public Hearing would be set for December 15, 2010 as part of their regular monthly meeting.

At the end of all discussion, Zoning Secretary Stites was instructed to make all final changes to the Preamble and Article 26 and forward them to Executive Director Scott Sanders for inclusion in the draft, amended Zoning Resolution.

ZONING REPORT:

The September 2010 Zoning Reports to the Trustees *referenced as Item 5* was distributed. Members were advised to contact the Zoning Office with any questions regarding the information contained in the report. Zoning Inspector Talbott briefed Members on the status of the Zoning Commission Vacancy; indicating that the Trustees would be making an appointment at their November 2, 2010 Meeting. He also informed Members that the Trustees made \$2,548 from the sale of surplus township equipment sold on October 5, 2010, and that the Trustees would be holding a Special Meeting on October 26, 2010 to award the solid waste collection contract having received bids from Rumpke and Big O Refuse.

MEDIA ARTICLES:

- Frustrating Septic System Laws, The Columbus Dispatch, September 30, 2010 *referenced as Item 6.*

NEW BUSINESS: None

FOLLOW UP ITEMS:

Zoning Office to develop fee language for minor and major changes to approved development plans and Article 16-Institutional District--present to the Trustees for approval.

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Fink made a motion for adjournment. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Steinhoff and was unanimously approved.

TIME: 8:20 PM

SUMBITTED BY:

Recorded and submitted by Dave Stites, Zoning Secretary.