

## **Columbia Charter Township Planning Commission**

**Columbia Charter Township Hall**  
8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230

**February 4, 2026, at 7:00 PM**

### **Minutes**

**Call to Order** -Chairperson Wanty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and the pledge of allegiance was recited.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call** – Chairperson Wanty called the roll: Present: Chairperson Todd Wanty, Britt Phenicie, Hollis Jeffreys, Mike McKay, Rick DeLand

Absent – Krissie Barnes, Secretary, Bob Jenson Vice chair

Recognized Guests: Brittany Stein, Mike Trout

**Approval of Agenda** – Motion by Mr. Wanty and support by DeLand to approve the agenda. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes** - Motion by Mr. McKay and support by DeLand to approve the minutes from January 8, 2026, Planning Commission Meeting. Ayes all. Motion Carried.

**Public Comments** – Opened at 7:04pm Closed at 7:05pm, no public comments were presented.

#### **New Business**

**a. Election of Officers for CY 2026**

Motion by McKay to support by DeLand to maintain the current slate of Officers, Todd Wanty Chairman, Bob Jenson Vice Chair, and Krissie Barnes Secretary. Voice vote, all Ayes, motion carried.

**B. Annual Report for Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.** The report created by Brittany Stein was presented to the Planning Commission and included the various Public Hearings, Site Plan reviews, Building Permits issued, New house construction and various approvals for home updates, and so on. It also covered variances requested and either granted or denied for CY 2025. Discussion ensued with no major

issues being discussed or recommended to revise.

c. Master Plan update. Ms. Stein discussed the next steps in the Master Plan revision work plan. We will first review the Community Vision and Demographics. Her time to work on it is limited due to the workload on other Zoning and Planning activities in the Township.

Public Comment: 7:30-7:38 PM

Mike Trout, Municipal Services Director discussed the Public Hearing scheduled for Monday February 16, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Township to approve the Greater Irish Hills Recreation Plan .

Commissioner Comments: A discussion concerning the Township's ordinances concerning Data Centers and large scale aggregate mining operations, are we prepared? Mike McKay mentioned that we should review the work done by Leoni Township from a legal basis, on the recent denial to rezone a current golf course to Heavy Industrial as another hot button topic.

### **Adjournment**

*Wanty moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. The motion was seconded by DeLand. Ayes all. Motion Carried.*

*Meeting Adjourned*

*Respectfully submitted Todd Wanty*