

**Minutes of City of Newaygo Planning Commission
April 7, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 6:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance by Arthur Westcott.

Present: Williams, Westcott, Wight, Stevens, Fetterley and Day. Also present City Manager Schneider.

Absent: Chambers, Kroll and Faulkner.

Motion by Williams, second by Wight to excuse the absent members. AIF/MC

Motion By Wight, second by Stevens to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

Public Comments: None.

Motion by Williams, second by Stevens to approve the March 15, 2015 minutes as written. AIF/MC

Motion by Williams, second by Wight to open the public hearing on a request for special use approval for car sales and service/repair by MI Tech Group, Inc. at 404 Adams Street (M-37). AIF/MC

Rich Blachford: Need to stop hand written signs. There is no frontage. There have been cars parked over there that appear to have for sale signs. Ogg denied and said they were cars there for detailing for car dealers.

Art Westcott: Car washing must be done inside.

Bill Barry for Paul Singh (owner B&F Party Store): Should not be allowed to use B&F driveway, Mr. Singh is concerned about liability. Their customers should use the north entrance to the property. Dirt from outdoor car washing running down B&F driveway. He has used B&F sign post to support his signs – that has been corrected.

MI Tech Group is not using waterless car washing technology outside.

Jon Schneider stated that he has had to ask Ogg to move signs back from road to allow visibility from East St. corner and B&F driveway. That has been done.

Faulkner arrived at 7:00 p.m.

Ron Wight: Not approved to do car washes.

Motion by Wight, second by Stevens to deny special use request for car sales and service/repair. AIF/MC

Clarification: Request does not meet requirements of Sections 21.03 and 21.04 of the Newaygo City Zoning Ordinances. No hand written signs – does not conform to sign ordinance. No outdoor car washes. No value added services. Mr. Ogg stated at the previous meeting where retail sales and auto detailing was approved that "detailing" would take place inside the east end of the building, or at a customer's site using a mobile wash unit."

The board affirmed: auto detailing only – no wiper blades, bulbs, battery replacements, etc.

Motion by Stevens, second by Williams to adjourn at 7:29 p.m. AIF/MC

Respectfully submitted,

C. Douglas Day,
Secretary