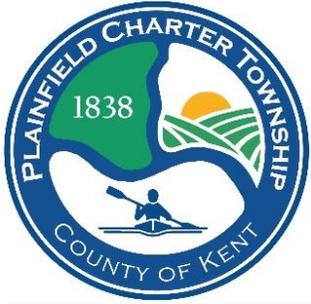


Plainfield Charter Township Strategic Plan

2019-2021

Quarterly Update
Spring 2019



Township Board and Community Identified Strategic Plan Goals:

Preliminary Goals:

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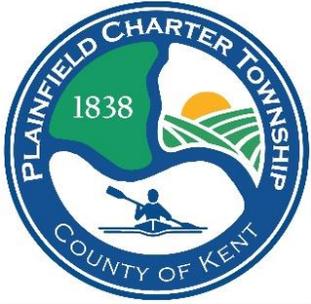
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GOAL #1: Economic Development

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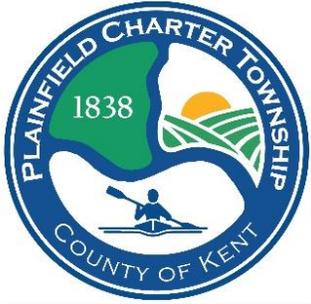
Objective #1: Develop an Economic Development Plan for the Plainfield Corridor.

In 2019, we will budget for and begin the process to develop an Economic Development plan for Plainfield Avenue from 4 Mile Road and Northland Drive. This plan will re-position the corridor as a location for business attraction and growth as well as enhance the customer and resident experience on the corridor.

Status: In Process

The 2019 budget includes \$40,000 to hire a consultant to guide the development of the plan.

The Governance Committee is recommending the Board establish a Citizens Advisory Committee to guide the redevelopment plan.



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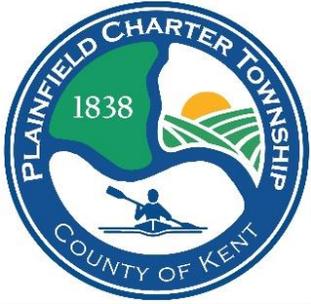
Re-Position Plainfield Avenue as a vibrant place for business retention and attraction.

Objective #2: Utilize Economic Development Incentive programs where available and where desirable to promote the Plainfield Redevelopment Plan.

In 2019, we will research and review development incentives available to Plainfield Township and evaluate which incentives would be the most beneficial for the enhancement of the Plainfield Corridor and set these incentives in place by the end of 2020.

Status: In Process

Research has begun with further research to continue. Primary incentive programs use of state Brownfield incentives as well as other tax increment financing options.



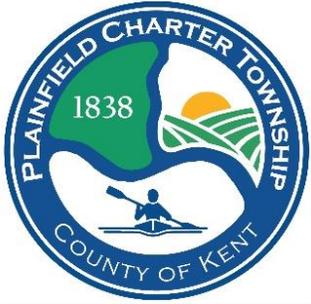
GOAL #1: Economic Development

Re-Position Plainfield Avenue as a vibrant place for business retention and attraction.

Objective #3: Implement the Economic Development Plan for the Plainfield Corridor.

Following the adoption of the Economic Development Plan for Plainfield Avenue we will begin implementation of the plan and its recommendations. This will include reviewing needed changes to zoning, new incentives for business development, traffic improvements, and other items as determined by the plan. Implementation of the plan will begin immediately upon adoption of the plan and will continue until all desired recommendations are accomplished.

Status: Begin upon adoption of plan.



GOAL #2: Infrastructure

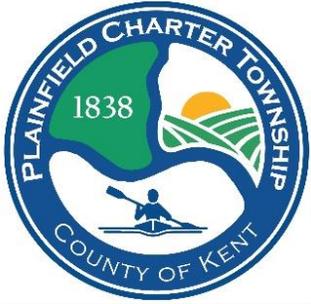
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Objective #1: Improve the overall condition of local roads in Plainfield Township.

We will work with the Kent County Road Commission to identify the level of funding necessary to elevate 50% of our local roads to a “good” or “fair” rating by 2025. We will accomplish this by increasing our General Fund contribution to road maintenance annually until the target amount is met.

Status: In process

Staff has met with the Road Commission to study the financial needs to bring 50% of local roads into a good/fair rating by 2025. The results of this analysis were presented to the Board in early 2019, and indicate that stable funding around \$750,000 - \$1,000,000 annually from the Township will accomplish this goal.



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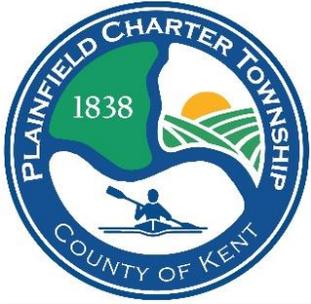
Objective #2: Create a Campus Master Plan to guide capital improvements and maintenance.

In 2019 we will complete structural assessments on all Township buildings and use this information to develop a campus master plan for the ongoing planned maintenance of all Township buildings. We will use this plan as the basis for capital improvement budgeting for 2020 and beyond.

Status: In process

Facility assessments have been completed on all township facilities. Assessments identify both proactive and reactive maintenance as well as estimated costs.

Assessments will be utilized to develop a formal multi-year capital improvement plan to be considered in future budgets.



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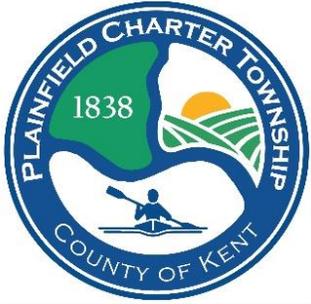
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Objective #3: Acquire homes which are at-risk for flooding and create unnecessary costs for the operation of the sewer system.

In 2019 we will continue our work on eliminating structures in the Grand River floodplain. We will accomplish this by working with property owners who volunteer to sell their property to the Township with the intent of removing the structure from the floodplain. Funding will come through grants, sewer funds allocated for this purpose, and the General Fund.

Status: In process

The Board recently acquired another property in the floodplain and the Township will continue to watch for future opportunities for further floodplain remediation.



GOAL #3: Quality of Life

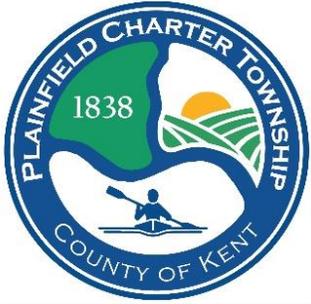
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Objective #1: Develop and improve Township park property.

Over the next three years we will continue to improve our Township parks by preparing the former Grand Rogue campground for public access, completing the development of Premier Park with a restroom and pavilion structure, and developing soccer fields at Grand Isle Park. We will also improve or replace playground equipment at existing parks.

Status: In Process

Work is underway to prepare Grand Rogue Park for public access. Plans are moving forward for soccer fields at Grand Isle Park while plans for the restroom structure at Premier Park are currently on hold while other items are given funding priority.



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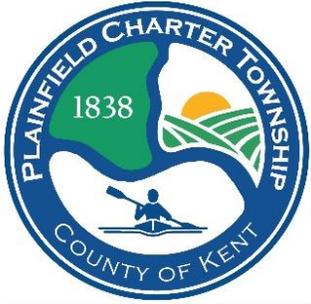
Objective #2: Replace the Community Center.

In 2019 we will develop a plan to replace the existing community center with a new or renovated structure. This plan will include a facility needs assessment, cost estimates, and financing plan. After the development of the plan we will begin implementation with a target of ground-breaking for a new facility by the end of 2020.

Status: In process

The Board formed a Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) in early 2019 to lead the process of planning a new facility. The CAC has conducted multiple site visits, developed design statements to guide decision making, and has reviewed draft conceptual programming spaces.

-An initial report will be provided to the Board in July and a citizen engagement/feedback process will begin shortly thereafter. A full recommendation with estimated costs is expected to be presented to the Board in the Fall 2019.



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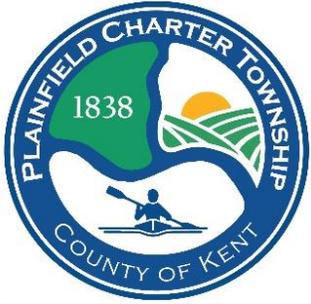
Objective #3: Increase sidewalk connectivity.

We will improve Plainfield Township's sidewalk network by updating the Sidewalk Master Plan and increasing General Fund allocations for sidewalk construction. Additionally, we will seek grant funding opportunities to supplement local funding.

Status: In Process

The Board adopted an updated sidewalk ordinance to provide a funding source for continued sidewalk installation.

The Township submitted projects for potential non-motorized trail funding with federal funds and will continue to explore other potential funding options.



GOAL #4: Identity

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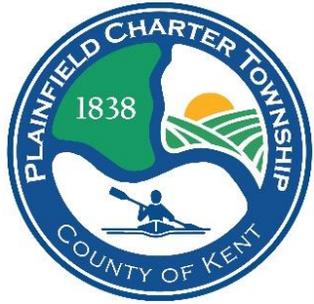
Objective #1: Continue regular communication with Township residents through various methods.

In 2019 we will continue existing methods of regularly communicating with residents including a weekly e-newsletter, spring and fall printed newsletters, and inserts in tax and utility bills. Additionally, we will use other online tools including Open Town Hall to solicit public feedback on Township initiatives.

Status: Ongoing

The Township continues use of the weekly newsletter, social media, water bill inserts, tax bill inserts, and twice annual Plainfield Profile to communication information to residents.

We will be utilizing the Open Town Hall feedback system for work related to the Community Center, Recreation Master Plan, Plainfield Redevelopment, and other initiatives.



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Objective #2: Improve public signage in the Township.

In the next 3 years we will budget for and implement the replacement of existing Township signs using the updated logo and branding standards. Digital signs at Township Hall and Fire Station #3 will be included to provide the ability to share messages and timely information with those passing by.

Status: In Process

Funding was included in the 2019 for new signs at Township Hall and Fire Station #3. Signs have been ordered and approved by the Board. Also, the 10 Mile water tank was repainted this spring and the Township logo was added.

Funding was also included for signs at the Cemetery, signs are in development, and will be presented to the Cemetery Committee for feedback.