

Minutes – Planning Commission

October 25, 2017

Meeting called by: Chairperson, Ellen Moore @ 7:3 PM *Members present*: Babcock, Gunnell, Moore, Myers, Sevey, Sawade, Tilburt

Approval of Minutes: Motion to accept August Minutes as written by Tilburt, second by Sevey, All Ayes, Carried.

Approval of Agenda: Agreed to accept as written.

Appreciation Pizza from Robinson's Body Shop: Motion for recess by Sevey, second by Myers, All Ayes, Carried.

Agenda Item: Medical Marihuana Facilities Regulatory Ordinance *Proposal*: Suggestion by Mark for 2 separate ordinances

- Regulatory Ordinance flexibility by Township Board to edit/change.
- Zoning Ordinance would repeal previous ordinance; further define medical marihuana facilities. *Will be acted upon after Public Hearing.*

Moore: Called for PC to discuss and work on both but not pass at this time due to public hearing in November.

Consideration: Per Mark, PC's main task is to look at which type of facility and how many; determine which classes and "stacked" combinations. PC's focus is on land use only – state hasn't delegated form of use to township.

PC Concerns: Need a decision to proceed with a recommendation to the board. *Moore*: Called for vote in favor of proceeding.

In Favor	<u>Opposed</u>
Myers	Tilburt
Babcock	Gunnell
Sawade	
Moore	
Sevey	

Recommendation to proceed passed.

Discussion: Regulations and verbiage pertaining to caregivers; Section 3: Provisioning center (Distribution Center) – retail only; Section 4: number of growing permits (4); Section 2. (i) "Product" clarification; Testing report forthcoming; start-up costs & fees, and township share of state licenses issued; Zoning should rule out residential; Eligibility/experience for growers – statute sets qualifications but township could regulate if violated; Visible Transporter regulations and licenses, i.e. Chauffeur or CDL; Testing - tied to State statutes; FOIA doesn't apply due to medical privacy act; Nonrefundable facility fee of \$5,000 and set up in escrow; Licensing approval by township official. *Conclusion*: Mark will revise ordinance to reflect:

- Grower permits not more than 2 Class A and 2 Class B
- Processor permits not more than 2
- Secure Transporter permit not more than 2
- Marihuana Provisioning Center not more than 2
- Safety Compliance Facility not more than 2

Recommend Zoning locations as:

- Provisioning Center = Hwy Commercial/Hwy Industrial
- Transporters = Industrial
- Growers = Industrial only
- Lab = Industrial
- Combinations = Industrial

Mark will post Public Hearing Notice for November meeting.

Agenda Item: White Creek Storage Addition, Phase III

Proposal: Addition of 8 more units to west end – tenants will be contractors with trailers.

- *PC Concerns*: Space being used for parking rather than storage. Currently, although tenants are prohibited to do so, vehicles are parked in violation.
- Discussion: Outdoor storage (not authorized) being used as parking lot and patrolled for illegal storage, i.e. between buildings; Driveway is access available for emergency vehicles; Zoning remains Industrial; Fencing for security issues; Screening by existing building; Lot would have crushed asphalt to avoid sinking trailers if hot weather; Water & sewer is limited to 14 connections by the Health Department – available to tenants at extra cost – currently has common bath facility.
- *Conclusion*: Required Engineer approval/certificate to insure storm water is used properly. Reminder of White Creek responsibility for violators and any necessary citations.
- *Moore*: Called for motion to approve preliminary site plan. Motion by Tilburt, Second by Gunnell, All Ayes, Carried.

Non-Agenda Item: Correspondence Received - Robert Toland re: new copy of Master Plan for Board.

Non-Agenda Item: PC Member Input – Sevey – need to review black-top for future developments. Ellick – currently a bad situation - needs to be required/enforced; Mark can draft ordinance for this.

Open Discussion for Audience: PC addressed by Tim (Sue) Hans for consideration of event barn on 21 Mile Rd.; J. Gross – met with them and appears as good location; could be an ordinance for Agriculture Tourism Business; there are similar business' i.e. golf course but should be dealt with individually.

Moore: PC needs to examine the issue

Discussion: Not only for weddings but for other events as well; liquor license determination. *Conclusion*: Mark will draft ordinance.

Other Business: Township Board Representative Report - No Board of Appeals Representative Report – No Planning Consultant Report – No Zoning Representative Report – No news from St. John's Catholic Church; Pending.

New Business: Next meeting, Tuesday, November 21st – Will be Public Hearing re: Medical Marihuana Facilities and Minimum Lot Size in AR-2 District

Moore: Motion to adjourn. So moved by Tilburt, Second by Bunnell. All Ayes – motion carried.