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PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

May 3, 2017

The Leoni Township Planning Commission held a meeting Wednesday, May 3, 2017, @ 6:30 p.m. 913 Fifth Street, Leoni Township Meeting Hall, Michigan Center, Michigan

Members Present: J. Spencer, L. Maurer, J. Kruse, J. Southworth, K. Cole, V. Beckwith & B. Lester

Members absent: 0

Persons in attendance: 28

Public Comment: Open at 6:33pm.

Neeta Delaney – No evidence medical marijuana helps. Not tested. Clinical group of 300 doctors concur.

Terry Cleunion – lost a son to cancer. A doctor at U 0f M signed for his medical marijuana card. The state leaves it up to local communities. Doesn't keep MM from coming into the community, only the revenue sharing.

Paula Givens (attorney) – \$25 million the first year. Marijuana tracking act, state tracking system. Every gram is accounted for, each plant has a # identifier.

Brandt Johnson – Aspect of allowing licensing with business; business plans, floor plans, tracking plans.

Ryan Basore – professional people getting involved, not all looking to just get high.

Public Comment: Closed at 6:54pm.

Purpose of Planning Commission read by Spencer.

Motion by Southworth, supported by Cole, to approve of the agenda as presented.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Southworth, supported by Beckwith, to approve the minutes of April 17, 2017.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Public Hearing: Open at 6:56pm.

Site Plan Review Mike Hill Watts Road Pole Building

Motion by Kruse, supported by Spencer, to approve Mr. Hill's request, with the condition that the ZBA approves his setback variance request.

Roll Call Vote: All in favor

Public Hearing: Closed at 7:00pm.

Public Hearing: Medical Marijuana; Open at 7:00pm.

Paula Givens – Final rules in October; inventory control, record keeping plans, cultivation plan, waste management, natural pesticides, security, odor requirement, dispensaries can only buy from licensed growers. Can be grown in industrial, agricultural, and unzoned.

Brandt Johnson – caregiver crop failure, patients still have access to MM. Several enterprises to benefit (jobs).

Paula Givens – purchasing limits. Recreational, MI Legalize, most likely on the ballot in 2018. Taxation different for recreational and medical. Secure transport, GPS. No grandfathering in, all must apply for new license. 5% to County Sheriff's Office. Application fee, annual licensing fee. Caregiver can still sell to their patients. Will email sample ordinances from other communities. Effective December 20, 2017; now is the time to prepare as a participant, not wait until December.

Howard Linnabary – Need the right information, from both sides.

Vern Beckwith – Size? Plan for growth?

Paula Givens – Must be a resident prior 2 years to apply (Corporate entity does not apply).

Public Hearing: Closed at 8:37pm.

New Business: None

Discussion: None

Adjournment: 8:37pm.

Dorothy Dickinson, secretary

Next meeting: May 17, 2017