## Galien Township Planning Commission Regular Meeting November 6, 2017 7:30pm @ Galien Township Office

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The meeting was called to order at 7:29pm

Roll Call: Present- L. James, J. Rochman, J. Richter, C. Carr, C. Lorance. Absent- None

**Agenda:** C. Lorance made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of email addresses to New Business. J. Richter supported. Motion carried. No nays.

<u>Minutes:</u> C. Carr made a motion to approve the October 2, 2017 minutes as presented. J. Rochman supported. Motion carried. No nays. C. Lorance made a motion to approve the October 23, 2017 minutes as presented. C. Carr supported. Motion carried. No nays.

<u>New Business:</u> Setting up new email addresses for PC members was discussed. J. Richter will set up the email addresses on Wednesday and email them to the PC members along with the password for the accounts.

<u>Public Comments:</u> Dan Milsk gave J. Richter 3 letters that will be shared at the next public hearing regarding the MM ordinance. J. Richter reported she also received a letter via email that will be added to the folder for the next public hearing.

Jerry Mast spoke and reminded the PC that this is the time when we need to try and balance the interests on both the pro and con sides when putting the final touches on the ordinance. Dan Milsk spoke and asked that all applicants be given an equal opportunity to apply for a license and run their business.

## **Updates:**

<u>Master Plan:</u> L. James needs to find out if the questions were approved by the Village PC or reviewed by the Village Board. She will report next month. J. Richter will try to get MP letter examples from other clerks to use as a reference.

<u>Medical Marihuana:</u> C. Lorance thinks we should still move ahead with the rezoning of the US 12 corridor. L. James thinks that the US 12 corridor is a good idea except that no one has applied for a license in that area so she thinks the rezone isn't something we should do. C. Carr feels we should look at each applicant where they have applied and give their neighbors a chance to speak about each one. J. Richter thinks we should look at each applicant and send a letter to notify the neighbors within 1000 feet instead of 300. J. Rochman agrees with C. Carr that each applicant should be looked at individually.

L. James agrees with sending notices to neighbors within 1000 feet but isn't sure on a setback number from a residence. C. Lorance still prefers the US 12 corridor but feels that no licenses should be granted should not be less than 500 feet from a residence.

<u>Public Comments:</u> Gary Lozmack asked why we would want to hide the marihuana facilities and scatter them around the township. Are we ashamed of them?

Shane Clanton is happy about the discussion of looking at each applicant individually. He feels that only the people directly affected by these businesses should have the loudest voice not the ones just showing up to complain.

Steve Rochman thinks we are over concerning ourselves with small details.

Jeffrey Hank thinks section 3.4 item 4 building height should be a case-by-case basis. He also thinks that 3.4 item 13 should be a case-by-case consideration.

Jason Blaugh commended the PC for our work and reminded us of the December 15<sup>th</sup> that is approaching fast.

Steve Radcliff asked if the US 12 corridor would still be considered a SUP

Dan Milsk asked about 3.2 item 1 no consumption. He thinks that grower needs to be able to sample their product for flavor and quality checks. He thinks that requiring an asphalt parking lot is too much. He also feels that sending letters to everyone within 1000 feet is too much and that it should stay at the 300-foot requirement.

Our next meeting is December 4, 2017 7:30pm

C. Lorance made a motion to adjourn the meeting. J. Rochman supported. Motion carried. No nays

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49pm