

ALLEGAN TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

May 9, 2011

7:30 PM

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Chairman Terry Skoglund called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM with Ted Heckman, John Palenick, Hollis Hough, Martin Ruitter, Jim Connell were present. Absent was Mike Buese
 - b. Also present was the Township Attorney, John Lohrstorfer.

- II. Approve Minutes of March 14, 2011 Meeting
 - A. Heckman/Palenick made motion to approve minutes which passed with an aye vote.

- III. Medical Marijuana Ordinance
 - A. Lohrstorfer read some article from New York Times and from a paper in California.
 1. Still lots of tension in communities.
 2. Focus was on wanting to set up commercial dispensary so people have a place to come and sit around.
 - B. Lohrstorfer stated that he didn't understand why the push for commercial dispensaries.
 - C. Also stated that many pass moratoriums for 6 months to work on ordinance and they were sued. Case still in court.
 - D. Lohrstorfer stated that there are 71,000 people with cards out of 130,000 who have applied. 70% have seen 55 doctors.
 - E. Lohrstorfer brought 2 Versions for the Marijuana Ordinance.
 - F. Much discussions followed.
 - G. Supervisor Schulz said he would like to see a map put together to show the areas where the growing of marijuana would be allowed.
 - H. Chairman Skoglund stated it would be good to get this started as they only have 4 months left to have ordinance and public hearing.
 - I. Skoglund also asked each member what version they liked . Each member thought it would be best to go with version 1.
 - J. Lohrstorfer said it would be best to get the public hearing done first and then do the final on the ordinance, so that you get recommendations from the people in the township.

K. Marty/Jim made motion that Attorney Lohrstorfer take version 1 and review some of the language on delivery of marijuana and also the distance of 1000 ft. from schools, parks, daycare and churches.

1. Motion passed unanimously following roll call.

L. A Public Hearing was set for Monday, June 13 at 7:30 PM

M. Supervisor Schulz wis going to put the map together.

IV. Adjourn

A. Heckman/Palenick made motion to adjourn with meeting closing at 8:55 PM.