

Minutes of the October 15, 2019 Planning Commission Meeting
And Public Hearing
Held at the Lee Township Hall Midland Michigan

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm

Present: Bill Stewart, Rick Payne, Mike Spitznagle and Doris French

Excused: Mari Spraul

Guest: Rodney Nanney

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Bill and seconded by Mike. Motion passed.

A motion to accept the minutes of the September meeting with the correction of the possible Dow public hearing in November was made by Rick and seconded by Bill. Motion passed.

At 7:07 pm a motion to go into public hearing was made by Bill and seconded by Mike. Bill yes, Rick yes, Doris yes, Mike yes.

Home Occupations: Rick read the changes to the ordinance. Questions were answered and it was decided to delete b. 3. under allowable uses. Charts will be updated.

Site Plan: Chapter 8 text deletions and replacements. No changes were made to the proposed language.

Special Use Permits: Changes discussed and approved.

At 7:20 pm a motion to close the public hearing was made by Bill and seconded by Mike. Bill yes, Rick yes, Doris yes, Mike yes.

After discussion it was decided we would send the three ordinances to the Board for approval. A motion to send the amended ordinances to the Board was made by Bill and seconded by Rick. Bill yes, Rick yes, Doris yes, Mike yes.

It was recommended that the Planning Commission members have three ring binders for the Ordinances. This will make it easier to replace pages when needed.

New Business: Rick suggested we look at the Master Plan over the winter months to see what changes we want to make, e.g. commercial and industrial properties. Also have the zoning maps show smaller areas per page. The cost of the maps was also discussed.

Marijuana Ordinance: Rodney will ask the Clerk where the approved ordinance is. The license ordinance should be updated. We will review the zoning for marijuana licenses. We will get a draft of the policy and hold a public hearing on this. Then recommend it to the Board.

Old Business: The Dow property proposal included office space and a storage building. It requires a special use permit and site plan. We should have this information to meet the publication deadline by the December meeting. Rick will call to see how the plans are coming.

Public Comment: The purchase of an existing building for a proposed business was discussed. The parties were given information they can follow with deadlines, survey, etc. No other information was received by the Commission.

No other public comments.

Rick wants to change the November meeting to the 12th. A motion to approve the change was made by Bill and seconded by Mike. Motion passed. Doris will change the date on the list in the entrance and Bill will change it on the website.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill and seconded by Rick. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

The next meeting will be November 12, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French
Planning Commission Secretary