Frederic Township Planning Commission Meeting - 08 July 2019

Members Present: Ron Chappel, Anne Goscicki, Karen Harrison, Lori Johnson, Dan McCoy, Michele Stanley and Francis Hummel (arrived late)

Members Absent: None

Also present: Shelley Pinkelman (Zoning Administrator), Bill Johnson (Township Supervisor), Brandon Gabriel (Zoning Enforcement), George Powell (Township Attorney), Todd Tompkins, Jodie Quick, Nick Tompkins and Ron Fisk

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Secretary Harrison. Roll-call attendance was taken followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of 20 May 2019 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes: A motion was made by Stanley and supported by Goscicki to approve the minutes of the last meeting. The motion carried.

Approval of the Agenda: A motion was made by Goscicki and supported by Johnson to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Old Business:

1. Review of Final Proposed Zoning Ordinances: At the May 20th meeting the idea of expanding the number of medical marijuana provisioning centers was brought forward by Shelly Pinkelman and Supervisor Johnson.

George Powell, the Township Attorney, reviewed the revised Zoning Ordinance dealing with Commercial Medical Marijuana Facilities. He explained that Section 1.4: Authorization of Facilities and Fees was rewritten to change the number of Provisioning Centers allowed in the Township. Presently only 5 Provisioning Centers are allowed in Frederic Township. The proposed modification is: "Three (3) provisioning centers connected to a medical marijuana grow facility and/or a medical marijuana processing facility are permitted, and an additional five (5) stand alone provisioning centers will be permitted, all of which will be restricted to operation in the Village Overlay District. There will be an unlimited number of provisioning center licenses available in the Recreational Forest, Mixed Use and Commercial Zones, located outside of the Village Overlay District."

Pinkelman clarified that there are presently three (3) approved provisioning centers in the Village Overlay district that are connected with a grow or processing center. Only one is presently in operation (Humblebees). The other two approved are at the old ice house and the property next to Sledheads. As stated above the proposed ordinance would allow for another 5 standalone businesses in the Frederic Village Overlay that would solely be provisioning centers. The already approved grow/processing facilities are inquiring about selling product out of their facility (and thus be a provisioning center).

There was a discussion about the proposed language, and since the Planning Commission did not have adequate time to evaluate the proposed changes (the written text was only available immediately before the meeting), a **motion** was made by Stanley and seconded by Johnson to table the decision to a later meeting. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Public comments were part of the discussion above to understand the proposed change in the zoning ordinance for medical marijuana.

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Adjournment: A motion was made by Stanley and seconded by Chappel to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karen Harrison, secretary.

Next Meeting: 22 July 2019 at 10am

