

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
January 18, 2018**

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting/Public Hearing was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Joe Rohde, Jason Hofstede, Marlene Saari-Mieloszyk, Bob Lynn, Sandy Lahtinen, Joe Kafczynski, and Darrin Kimbler

Absent: none

Also Present: LeRoy Johnson, John Rakovitus, and Mike Carlson

Public Comment: A citizen said he didn't receive a copy of the medical marijuana survey but always get his garbage bill. Another citizen asked if there was room for discussion before the medical marijuana survey was discussed. A citizen said it was poor timing for the survey with the holidays and that he felt the numbers didn't truly represent the people.

Additions and/or Approval of Agenda: None. Motion made to accept the agenda as presented by Lynn, supported by Kafczynski, all in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, December 14, 2017: Motion by Saari-Mieloszyk, supported by Rohde to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence from Zoning Administrator: LeRoy Johnson addressed the Planning Commission. Reports were distributed and information and summaries of projects were answered. Two hundred three (203) actions were received in 2017 and one hundred thirty six (136) actions were received/taken in 2016. Motion by Kimbler, seconded by Lynn to accept the reports and place them on file. Motion carried.

New Business:

Review of PC By-laws – A copy of the current PC By-laws was distributed to all the PC Board members in their board packet.

Election of Officers – A motion by Rohde, seconded by Saari-Mieloszyk, to keep the officers the same. The motion passed on a roll call vote with everyone in favor.

Summary of 2017- Lahtinen presented the board with a summary of 2018. Motion by Kimbler, seconded by Rohde, to accept it as presented and submit it to the township board of trustees.

Old Business: Results of the medical Marijuana survey were received at the township offices. Lahtinen expressed confusion on the Planning Commission not compiling the results of the survey at the January 18th meeting and bringing the summary to the regular township board as agreed by consensus at the last regularly scheduled PC meeting. Kimbler explained that he took his direction from the township

supervisor and the deputy treasurer had entered all the data, word for word on Kimbler's computer. Survey monkey was more accurate than us compiling it as a board. This was decided at a subcommittee meeting. Subcommittee meetings are not subject to open meeting rules and no minutes are required to be taken at subcommittee meetings. The cost to compile was \$125.00 plus the deputy treasurer's time to enter it into survey monkey on his computer. Hard copies of the survey are available in the supervisor's office. Action comes from moving it to the county board, tabulation is nothing more than counting. Kimbler presented a power point on the summary of the Medical Marijuana survey as well as other data from the survey. Saari-Mieloszyk requested that only the Medical Marijuana portion of the Power Point be presented to the regular township board. Motion by Kimbler, seconded by Rohde, to forward the survey to the township board. Roll call vote, Rohde, yes, Kafczynski, yes, Lynn, yes, Hofstede, yes, Saari-Mieloszyk, yes, Kimbler, yes, Lahtinen, abstained. Motion carried.

Public Comment: A citizen said that industry can make a lot of money off of medical marijuana vs. mining which would lead to an influx of dollars into our community.

Adjournment/Schedule next meeting: A motion by Lynn, supported by Kafczynski to adjourn the Meeting at 7:25 pm. Next meeting will be April 19th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Jason Hofstede, Chairperson

Sandy Lahtinen, Secretary