

# Roscommon Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting

January 8, 2018

**Meeting called to order by Chairperson Akin at 6:00 pm**

**Roll Call Vote of Members:** Brotebeck present, Milburn present, Akin present, Terrian present

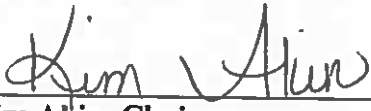
*Zoning Administrator: DuPuis present.*

*Also in attendance:*

- **Agenda:** Motion: by Terrian, second by Brotebeck to approve the Agenda as presented. Roll call vote. All yes, Motion carried.
- **Minutes:** Akin asked the commissioners if they all had a chance to look over the previous meeting minutes. Motion: by Brotebeck, second by Terrian to approve the Dec. 11, 2017 minutes as presented. All yes, Motion carried.
- Minutes from Jan. 2, 2018 Meeting: Akin asked the commissioners if they all had a chance to look over the meeting minutes from the work session. Motion: by Brotebeck, second by Terrian to approve the Jan. 2, 2017 minutes as presented. All yes, Motion carried.
- Chairman Akin opened the meeting by stating that public hearing number one for the evening is parcel number 72-011-204-001-0130, Site Plan Review and Special Use Permit for a Motel at 216 S. Harrison Rd. (Previously Twin Pines Adult Foster Care and later Twin Pines Motel – Unpermitted). Akin asked if Twin Pines was ever permitted as a motel. DuPuis stated that his research on the property shows none. DuPuis introduced Manfred and Maria Kallmannsohn as the parties requesting the special use permit. DuPuis went on to explain the background of the request and history of the use of the property as a motel, which the Kallmannsohn's were not aware of when they purchased the property in March of 2017. Akin stated that due to the property never being approved for use as a motel it was her opinion that we should proceed with the process of a "Special Use Permit" as stated in our Zoning Ordinance which would require a public hearing being posted in the newspaper and letters being sent to property owners within 300 feet. Akin also stressed that the reason for that is not only for the board's protection and safety but also the Kallmannsohn's. Milburn stated that she concurred with Akin on her assessment. Brotebeck also agreed. Akin suggested that we get the notice put in the paper immediately and schedule a special meeting and public hearing before the end of January to expedite the process for the Kallmannsohn's who began the process at the beginning of December 2017. The special meeting was scheduled for January 29, 2018. Akin then introduced public hearing number two, which is the medical marihuana ordinance. Akin stated that we had a special work session to discuss how we could move forward on the ordinance. We looked at the map and where we could allow facilities and found we were extremely limited due to our proliferation of resident's homes in all zoning districts. In addition we are also very conflicted on several parts of the law, including enforcement of state requirements and local ordinances as well as many other issues. We, as a board are not comfortable or informed enough to move forward with drafting an ordinance at this time. I would therefore entertain a motion that the Roscommon Township Planning Commission table any decisions on the medical marihuana ordinance until a later date and when the Township Board decides to bring the issue back to the table, we will do it in a public hearing and notice requirements will be followed. Milburn made the motion, Brotebeck support, roll call all yes.
- Chairman Akin then opened the meeting for public comment and questions.

**ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:**

- Adjourning Meeting: Brotebeck made motion to adjourn, second by Terrian at 6:42 p.m. All yes, motion carried.
  
- Next Scheduled Meeting Date: Jan 29, 2018.



**Kim Akin, Chairperson**

  
**Bob Brotebeck, Secretary**

Prepared and submitted by Terry A. DuPuis