## Roscommon Township Planning Commission

Regular Meeting

July 10, 2017

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

Roll Call Vote of Members: Brotebeck present, Milburn present, Jeske absent, Akin present, and Terrian present.

Zoning Administrator Muckenthaler present.

Also in attendance: Steven Vintapatr, Kristina Vorce, Mike & Linda Kopischka, Joel Noerr, Rex Lamberts, Mike Kaspar and Jim Mikolaizik.

- Agenda: Motion: by Brotebeck, second by Terrian 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 Milburn to approve the June 12, 2017 minutes as presented. All yes, Motion carried.
- Hearing #1: Medical Marihuana Commercial Facilities published notice and would be discussing and making recommendation in favor or against any of the types of facilities allowed under Michigan Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act. Akin asked for public comment, Joel Noerr stated his support for all facilities especially grow facilities and the need for provisioning centers. Also talked about secure transport need and the need for more education. Mike Kaspar spoke of his support for facilities due to economic and positive change for the community. Akin closed meeting to floor and asked Board members for thoughts. Terrian stated items learned at seminar in Lansing such as licenses can be revoked if not in compliance. Terrian talked about Board appointed by Governor, licensee requirements, tracking software, nonrefundable license fees. Terrian stated his opinion that two licenses for each facility would seem reasonable. Akin stated that Supervisor advised she wanted recommendation for or against and if recommendation was for facilities, where they would be located. Terrian would like secure transports, processors and small agricultural. Brotebeck agreed with Terrian and stated his agreement with the benefits of it but would like to learn more. Milburn stated that she agreed there is a need but that lack of enforcement guidelines, regulation framework has not been put in place by the State of Michigan and her concern with allowing any facilities. Milburn stated the ability to allow at a later date and not wanting to allow before all the State framework was in place. Akin stated she believes people want to say no if they do not believe in it but that it was a zoning issue and with a good zoning ordinance it could be regulated. Akin stated that we should not wait because there is a need and that most people are in favor. Akin would like two of each facility, grower and processors in agricultural and/or industrial on 27, transports, safety and provisioning centers in commercial or industrial. Brotebeck state the need for regulations. Terrian stated his agreement of using special use permit. Akin discussed the permit income that could help with attorneys or enforcement. Milburn stated again the lack of guidelines regarding enforcement. Akin stated it was the State's job to enforce. Brotebeck stated that zoning regulations is what the Planning Commission should be doing. Akin stated that we should be a leader and the need to come up with something that would benefit the Township. Terrian agreed and the stated need for continued education and well-worded ordinances. Akin again stated her recommendation for two of each facilities with growers, processors in Agricultural and Industrial, transporters, provisioning centers, safety compliance in Commercial or Industrial. Motion by Terrian, second by Brotebeck to recommend to Township Board to allow two (2) types of each

license: Growers, Processors, Transporters, Provisions Centers and Safety Compliance Facilities with Growers and Processors allowed in Agricultural and Industrial districts, and Transporters, Provisioning Centers and Safety Compliance Facilities in Industrial or Commercial districts with the guideline that any use will be considered a Special Use. If approved Zoning Ordinances will be written to regulate. Roll call vote, Terrian yes, Brotebeck yes, Milburn no, Akin yes. Motion carried.

- Public Comments: None
- Adjourning Meeting:
  - Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting Date: August 14, 2017.
- Motion by Brotebeck, second by Terrian to adjourn at 6:40 pm. All yes, Motion carried.

Kim Akin, Chairperson

**Bob Brotebeck, Secretary** 

Prepared and submitted by Carie A. Milburn