

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LEE TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2017
7:00 P.M. LEE TOWNSHIP HALL
MIDLAND MICHIGAN

PRESENT: Rick Payne, Mari Spraul and Doris French. Excused Mike Spitnale and Tom York

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes with corrections that Rick Payne was excused from the May meeting and that the township board was also present at the August meeting was made by Rick and seconded by Mari. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

The Text amendments will be going to the board shortly. Mari has some wording changes to make.

MTA class Hot Topics report:

Medical marihuana was discussed. It is a gateway to other drug abuse, the money cannot be put in the bank, and LARA has not set the rules for it yet. Since it has more negative than positive aspects, a motion was made by Mari and seconded by Doris to opt out. Mari yes, Rick yes, and Doris yes. Motion passed. The planning commission will recommend to the board that they draft a resolution/ordinance opting out.

Short term rental was discussed. The township has water trails. The property bordering on them is single family housing. Those properties could be rented out for weekends. Since only three members were present, the short term rental will be discussed at the October meeting. Michigan Planning Enabling act has also been tabled until the October meeting.

The November meeting has been scheduled for November 8 to avoid conflict with the election.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rick rebutted the report that Mari gave at the August board meeting regarding the ZBA decision.

Wireless Communication text amendment will not be included with those going to the board. Mari has to talk to the Code Enforcement Officer before it can be reviewed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: opened and closed.

Our next meeting will be October 3, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mari and seconded by Rick. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris French
Planning Commission Secretary