

MINUTES
MONTCALM TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MONTCALM TOWNSHIP HALL
March 6, 2019 7:15 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- Chairman Richard Karnatz led the Pledge of Allegiance

CALL TO ORDER

- Chairman Richard Karnatz called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Members present: Richard Karnatz (Chair), Robert Hemmes (Zoning Board of Appeals Liaison), Jeff Dolphin (Vice-Chair), Erin Nerychel (Secretary), Jessica Shearer (Board Liaison)
- Members absent: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- Motion to approve the agenda was made by Jeff Dolphin and seconded by Robert Hemmes. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A motion to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting was made by Jessica Shearer and seconded by Jeff Dolphin. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENT FROM ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

- Mike Nelson asked that the planning commission consider adding set backs on private roads to the zoning ordinance. Also commented on special land use permit for medical marijuana growers.

COMMENTS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS

- Discussed wind energy meeting held at MCC.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS

- None

OLD BUSINESS

- Short Term (daily/weekly) Rentals Ordinance Amendment Discussion
 - Discussed letter from Turk Lake residence.
 - Discussed and reviewed Village of Suttons Bay Short Term Rental Ordinance.
 - Discussed adding police enforcement to ordinance
 - \$150 inspection fee, \$200 license fee every 3 years
 - Discussed adding motorized water craft restriction
- Jeff Dolphin motioned to recommend the Montcalm Township Short Term Rental Police Ordinance including revisions made during the 3/6/19 meeting to the township board. Robert Hemmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Roll Call Vote:
 - Robert - Yes
 - Jessica - Yes
 - Richard - Yes
 - Jeff - Yes
 - Erin – Yes
- Medical Marijuana
 - Discussed changes in the state agency and licensing.
 - Discussed sending a Planning Commission board member to visit a medical provisioning facility and inviting a township board member.
 - Discussed medical regulations:
 - Number allowed
 - Special land use permit required

PUBLIC COMMENT ON OLD BUSINESS

- None

ADJOURNMENT

- Jeff Dolphin moved that the meeting be adjourned. Robert Hemmes seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Nerychel, Planning Commission Secretary