

**BROOKS TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
May 21, 2018 @ 7:00 PM
APPROVED**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Pitzer, Pat Baker, Phil Knape, Matt Arthur, Danielle Hummel, Cheryl Rosen, Ryan Schultz

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Township Supervisor, Cory Nelson

Chairman Pitzer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was properly posted and a quorum of the Brooks Township Planning Commission was present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Moved by Knape **Seconded** by Schultz to accept the agenda. **Approved unanimously**

PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Schultz, **Seconded** by Baker to suspend the regular meeting and open the Public Hearing. **Approved Unanimously**

Public Hearing was opened with discussion of the following two issues:

- 1) Special Land Use (SLU) in the Commercial District for a Medical Marijuana Provisioning Center. The following presentation/comments were made:
 - James Barr, of White Cloud Business Services, LLC provided background information on the proposed site.
 - Chris Crisenbery, of AE Design, provided a detailed overview of the Site and Floor Plans for the existing structure on the proposed site including interior design and flow, security, lighting, ADA criteria, signage, drainage and landscape.
 - **No Public Comments/Correspondence**

- 2) Ordinance Amendments were reviewed as follows:
 - 1) Section 4.09 Summary of District Land Use – Identifies Special Land Use for any Medical Marijuana Licensed Facility.

 - 2) Section 14.12 Specific Standards for SLU – Recommendation to change Item 14, from 30% to 50% to make them consistent with other ordinance language.

Moved by Baker **seconded** by Knape to close the Public Hearing. **Approved Unanimously**

INFORMATIONAL SESSION – Commercial Land Expansion

Informational Session was opened with discussion of potential Brooks Twp. Commercial District Expansion (C-1 District); Eastward from the Newaygo City Boundary along M-82 (82nd St.) to the dividing line between Sections 29 and 30. Handout sheet and Map were provided. The following comments were made:

- Don Cornell asked why the boundary stopped at Linden.
- Debbie Glynn, lives on the N. side of Sunset and voiced concerns about potential impact upon residential property, including possible sewer/water hookup.
- Don Durst has 5 lots along M-82 and resides on Kathy St. He is interested in selling the 5 lots and wants to know potential impact commercial land expansion will have on his property.
- Sharon Haege noted concerns about potential traffic increase, service drives and duplication of services

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Schultz, **Seconded** by Rosen to accept the minutes of the April 23, 2018 meeting.
Approved Unanimously

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Expansion of business district – **Moved** by Hummel, **seconded** by Knape to set a Public Hearing for next month to expand the business district. **Motion carried; Arthur opposed**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Section 4.09 Summary of District Land Uses – Amendment to update chart signage for any Medical Marijuana Licensed Facility. **Moved** by Arthur, **seconded** by Rosen to forward for Board approval. **Motion carried; Baker opposed**
2. Section 14.12 Specific Standards – Recommendation made to change Item 14, from 30 percent to 50 percent to make them consistent with other ordinance language. **Moved** by Hummel, **seconded** by Knape to forward for Board approval. **Motion carried; Baker opposed.**
3. Special Land Use – Review indicates the parcel for the Medical Marijuana Provisioning Center fits ordinance requirements and all standards are met. **Moved** by Knape, **seconded** by Schultz to approve SLU for Medical Marijuana provisioning center. **Motion carried; Baker opposed.**

STAFF UPDATE: April Zoning Report distributed; Joe will attend on an as needed basis in the future.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Cory Nelson commended the Planning Commission for their diligence and work on recent issues.

Ken DeLaat announced his plan to run for County Commissioner for this district.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENTS: Pitzer announced the need for volunteers for Brooks Clean Up Days, held Saturday, June 2nd, from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Hummel requested a clean copy of the Medical Marijuana Ordinance. Baker requested copies of all recent Amendments for update of their Zoning Books.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Baker **Seconded** by Hummel to adjourn at 8:35 pm

Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Baker
Planning Commission Secretary

Dianna Schaafsma
Recording Secretary