

# INLAND TOWNSHIP BOARD

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

Monday October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022 6:00 PM

19668 Honor Hwy

Interlochen, MI 49643

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Public Input (Please read rules below out loud)
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes – Last meeting
7. Old Business
8. New Business
  - a. Discuss medical marijuana-different aspects.
  - b. Discuss Prescott proposed wedding venue-Bendon Rd
  - c. Discuss ordinance regarding dwelling size definition.
9. Public input
10. Reports/Discussion
11. Adjourn

### Public Input Rules

1. Any person wishing to address the Board/Commission may do so one-time per public input period.
2. While not required, please provide name and address for the record.
3. The amount of time each person is allowed for public comment shall not exceed 3 minutes.
4. This is an “input” option: The members may not comment or respond to presenters. Silence or non-response for the board/commission should not be interpreted as disinterest or disagreement by the board/commission. Comments shall be addressed to the directly to the board/commission not to a specific individual on the board/commission or others in the audience.



INLAND TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
6:00pm  
19668 Honor Highway  
Interlochen MI 49643

1. Call to Order: 6:00pm by Jim Clark
2. Pledge of Allegiance (recited by all)
3. Roll Call: Present: Nellie Thomas, Laura Turmel, Jim Clark, Paul Huffman and Mary Miller
4. Public Input: none
5. Approval of Agenda: Miller moved to approve, seconded by Turmel. Motion unanimously carried.
6. Approval of Minutes from July 20, 2020: Motion by Miller, seconded by Turmel to approve the July 20, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.
7. Old Business: none
8. New Business:
  - a. Introduction of new recording secretary: Mari Dew
  - b. Request by Township Board to amend Zoning Ordinance to allow Medical Marijuana Processing Facilities. Miller gave background: we are deciding whether it would be advantageous to allow processing within the township, rather than sending product out to other locations to be processed. This would be a 2-part process:
    1. The Planning Commission would approve zoning for growers to obtain a license to process within Inland Township, amending language to include “processors” as well as “growers” and
    2. The Board of Review would decide on a Licensing Ordinance and how many to allow. This would require a public hearing at the Board level, in order to amend the Licensing Ordinance.

There was discussion of the processing process, and Anthony Dutt and Jason Corbin of 18553 Honor Highway appeared to elaborate and share an informational binder with the Planning Commission. They said that they are currently the two employees of the one licensed grow operation in Inland Township and that adding a processing operation would not change the number of employees in the foreseeable future; it would still just be the two of them.

Corbin (who holds an Engineering degree from Colorado University-2008) emphasized that they use a solvent-less extraction procedure for processing (only water, heat, pressure and ice), so there are no significant byproducts that would be harmful to the environment. The processing facility would be built behind the current growing facility, which is set back 1000 feet from Honor Highway and not visible from the street. Miller has visited the facility and confirmed this. Transport would be coming and going from the facility 1-2 times per month to pick up the processed product, so there would not be a significant increase in traffic, but Dutt and Corbin noted that being able to process the product in-house would significantly cut down their current transport cost of taking it downstate.

Dutt is currently living in Inland Township, and Corbin expressed a desire to relocate here, as they both wish to build a business and family here. For the processing facility, they are proposing a new metal and concrete building, designed by JL Design Group. Proposed plans for this building are included in the binder that they presented. Dutt also shared that Michigan is on track to do \$1 billion in Medical Marijuana-related business in the state this year, second only to California (and larger than Colorado).

If the Planning Commission decides to allow this to move forward, the Zoning Ordinance would need to add language for “processors” as well as “growers” and the allowance would change from 0 to 1. Clark noted that the Planning Commission would need to decide if this is a use that commercial wants to allow. This would apply to everyone in the Zoning district. The Board of Review would also need to approve a Licensing Ordinance for this use.

Turmel motioned to add Medical Marijuana processing to Section 10.2, subject to the Inland Township Board of Review, and Miller seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Sara will draft the language, and Miller will report to the Board that the Planning Commission/Zoning makes this recommendation.

- c. Public Input Length: Clark proposed to move discussion back from 30 to 15 minutes; Thomas moved to approve, Huffman seconded. Motion unanimously carried
  - d. December meeting date set for Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. All agreed.
9. Public Input: Anthony Dutt of 18553 Honor Highway thanked the commission for the time they are putting in and expressed his appreciation.
10. Reports/Discussion
- a. Turmel asked about the status of the gravel pit, and Sara shared that no application has been submitted since the zoning was changed.

b. Miller mentioned that she heard that Homestead Township had reversed the call regarding the noise ordinance. Sara said that she figured it might get overturned.

11. Adjournment: Motion by Miller, seconded by Turmel, to adjourn at 6:47pm. Motion unanimously carried.

