

I. Call to order:

Mike Griffith, Chairman called the Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 7pm at the Rome

Township Hall – 9344 Forrister Road - Adrian, MI 49221. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

II. Roll call:

Present: Sheri Wilt, Leo Oswald, Mike Griffith, Jeff Elwell, Pat Bournes, Kevin Fisher, and Jack Griffes

Absent:

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Motion to approve 31 July 2019 minutes by Jeff , 2nd by Leo , motion passed.

IV. Additions/Changes to Agenda: none

Motion to approve agenda by Pat , 2nd by Leo . Motion carried.

V. Reports:

-Township Board – approved Mark Fish as Electrical Inspector and Sheri Wilt on Planning Commission

-Zoning Officer – not present

-Zoning Board of Appeals – concluded that original Special Use Permit was still valid for what they wished to do relative to signage at The Springs. Question was raised as to if fee would be returned to them. Mike said that would be up to Township Board would need to decide and act upon.

-Planning Board Commission - no report beyond the Board of Appeals as reported above

VI. Order of Business:

1. Recreational Marijuana Ordinance - Board adopted what is worded as an Ordinance in a Special Meeting without involvement of Planning Commission - this was protested by Mike as improper procedure. Leo reported that a majority of voters in Rome Twp had voted in favor of Recreational Marijuana at General Election. Leo reported on various aspects of the law approved at general election which allows individuals over 21 to possess, process, and grown specifically limited quantities for personal recreational use. Board has currently prohibited all commercial recreational establishments in the Township. Leo was asked to work on writing a potential ordinance - he was going to look at Madison Twp ordinance. ----- Sheri moved to table discussion of Recreational Marijuana Ordinance until we get sample ordinances, Kevin 2nd, motion passed.
2. Review Master Plan and/or an Ordinance - discussion about old ordinances and amendments which do not have signatures - some have numbers which Leo suggests would not have been issued unless ordinance was passed by the board. ---- Pat moves that we go through ordinance book ordinance by ordinance and say yes or no. Planning Commission will push proper approval process so that all ordinances can be shown as fully and legally approved. 2nd by Jeff. Motion passed.
3. Review online business - no traffic - no visitors - Jack read email from Anne Fisher. Discussion ensued Mike said we do not need to regulate an online business because there is no traffic, etc..

VII. Public Comment: none

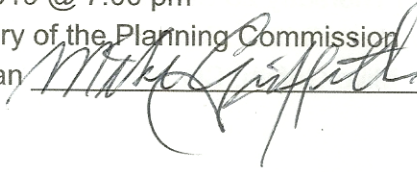
VIII. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn @ 8:52 pm by Pat , 2nd by Kevin - motion carried unanimously, meeting adjourned

Meeting to be held 4th Thursday 26 Sept 2019 @ 7:00 pm

Minutes submitted by: Jack Griffes, Secretary of the Planning Commission

Minutes approved by: Mike Griffith, Chairman

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