

Montrose Township Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
December 5, 2011

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Fikes @ 7:00 PM.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Present: Morrie Fikes, Harry Powell, James Ingram, Gary Keeler, Don Pollard, Janet Trueblood, & Chris Sajdak.

Absent: None

Staff Present: Dennis Miller - Building Department

Meeting Minutes – 10/3/2011 Regular Meeting:

A motion was made by G. Keeler, and supported by C. Sajdak, to accept the Meeting Minutes from the 10/3/2011 regular meeting as presented. **Motion Carried: 6 - 0**

New Business: None

Zoning Ordinance Review: Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

G. Keeler noted that the Michigan Townships Association was that a moratorium on Medical Marijuana Dispensaries should last no longer than 12 months before action is taken.

D. Miller volunteered to set up a meeting with the Township Attorney to discuss what actions the Planning Commissions could/should take at this time.

Pond Ordinance:

The Planning Commission reviewed the rough draft of the proposed modification to the existing Pond Ordinance prepared by the Building Department with Mr. Miller. Discussion points were as follows:

1. Inclusion / exclusion of minimum square footage.
2. Use of Performance Cash Bonds to ensure final inspections are requested by contractor/property owner and required Rescue Stations are in place.
3. The types of evidence accepted and from whom they would be accepted in regards to the ability of the proposed pond to hold water.
4. What measures need to be takes to promote the general safety of the public when a pond does not/cannot maintain water? (i.e. Reduce of grading in entire pond to 4' Horizontal to 1' Vertical)

The Board asked Mr. Miller to bring back another rough draft with the proposed changes from the 12/5/2011 review to a future meeting.

Other Business: Approval of Officers for 2012:

Chairman M. Fikes asked if there were any nominations for the Chairman position. A motion was made by H. Powell, supported by G. Keeler, to nominate M. Fikes for the position of Chairman. **Motion Carried: 6 - 0**

Chairman M. Fikes asked if there were any nominations for the Vice-Chairman position.

A motion was made by D. Pollard, supported by C. Sajdak, to nominate H. Powell for the position of Vice-Chairman. **Motion Carried: 6 - 0**

Chairman M. Fikes asked if there were any nominations for the Secretary position. A motion was made by H. Powell, supported by D. Pollard, to nominate C. Sajdak for the position of Secretary.

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Approval of Meeting Dates & Times for 2012:

A motion was made by H. Powell, supported by D. Pollard, to accept the proposed meeting dates for 2012. **Motion Carried: 6 - 0**

Chairman M. Fikes asked for an informal vote on who would be interested in moving the meeting starting time from 7 PM to 6 PM. As there were an equal number of votes for and against changing the meeting time it was decided that the starting time would remain 7 PM.

Citizens Comments: None

Adjournment:

A motion was made by D. Pollard supported by G. Keller to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 PM. **Motion Carried: 6 - 0.**

The next regular Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2012 at 7:00 PM

Respectfully,
Chris Sajdak
Board Secretary