

Bridgewater Township Planning Commission Minutes - Approved

I. 10-July-17 meeting called to order at 7:06 P.M. by Dave Horney

II. Roll Call

Cal Messing Dave Horney Mark Iwanicki

III. Citizen Participation

- None

IV. Review and Approve Agenda

- Motion to approve the agenda as amended – Dave Horney
- Second to motion - Cal Messing
- Vote – unanimous

V. Approval of Minutes

- Motion to approve minutes from 25-May-16 as amended – Mark Iwanicki
- Second to motion - Dave Horney
- Vote – unanimous

VI. Public Hearings

A. None

VII. Old Business

A. Bridgewater Bank site plan update

. Dave Horney reported that he talked to the Bank people last Friday and they said that they were still in discussion with the Road Commission on issues with the road rights-of-way around the bank. They are also dealing with the drainage issues raised by the engineering report.

VIII. New Business

A. Marijuana permits in the township especially as allowed under state law for growing and processing

- Rodney Nanney presented a list of items for discussion (see attached). Of the 5 types of businesses likely to want to locate in the township, growing, labs/analysis and transport were seen to fit the township character and plans. Processing was not seen

as a good fit due to potential waste streams and sales/retail were seen to have too much traffic to be a problem.

- There was discussion about the number of permits to allow in the township for each type of business - too many and the township could be swamped, too few and the permits could become more valuable than the land.
- Labs/analysis and transport were judged to fit in the hamlet, growing in the ag district, with restrictions with respect to distance from churches/school, from other such businesses/ etc. Growing should be restricted to indoor facilities for security reasons. It appears that the Special Land Use mechanism could be used for township control.
- There was seen to be a need to control the maximum size of such buildings, location relative to setbacks and screening for appearance.
- Rodney Nanney will provide a more detailed summary of the discussion to the township attorney and the commission members.

IX. Communications

A. Report from Zoning Administrator – Rodney Nanney

- A report was provided and is on record

B. Trustees report - none

XI. Public Comment

A. None

XII. Adjournment

- Next planning commission meeting is 14-Aug-17 at 7:00 P.M.
 - Motion to adjourn – Dave Horney
 - Second to motion – Cal Messing
 - Vote – unanimous
- Meeting adjourned at 9:02 P.M.