

ARCADIA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING  
June 29, 2021

A Public Hearing of the Arcadia Township Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, June 29, 2021, at the Arcadia Township Hall, 4900 Spencer Street, Lum, Michigan. In the absence of D'Arcy and Lashbrook, McClelland was asked to act as chair for this meeting. McClelland opened the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members present: Woloszyk, McClelland, Kennedy, Howe and Arnold. Members Absent: D'Arcy and Lashbrook. Others present: Supervisor John Howell, Township Attorney Michael Gildner, township resident Oliver Dawod, and Recording Secretary, Teresa Gormley.

MOVED BY Howe, SECONDED BY Arnold, to approve the agenda as presented with an exception to table the approval of the June 15, 2021 meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED BY Arnold, SECONDED BY Howe, to suspend the review and approval of the June 15, 2021 meeting minutes until the next regular meeting of August 17, 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC TIME – Public time was opened at 7:34 pm. The Planning Commission observed a moment of silence in memory of former chairperson, Jim D'Arcy, who recently passed away unexpectedly. No one else from the public spoke. Public time was closed at 7:35pm.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA LANGUAGE. As a clarification, this commission will consider adoption of medical marijuana language for Article IV only – not Article V.

McClelland opened conversation referring to Article IV, Section 4.02. Arnold questioned if this language considered Ag commodity or is it exempted from sales tax as far as production. Howell stated there is no protection under Agricultural uses. Tobacco falls under farming and is legal federally. Marijuana does not, adding that marijuana is not federally legal but it is legal in the state.

Howell offered to explain highlighted areas that were specified on the draft copy of this proposed language. Afterward, the Planning Commission took a few minutes to review the proposed document.

MOTION BY Arnold, SECONDED BY Kennedy, to accept the draft as amended and to recommend approval to the Township Board.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Arnold, YES; Howe, YES; Woloszyk, YES; Kennedy, YES; McClelland, YES

Absent: D'Arcy, Lashbrook.

YES (5) NO (0) ABSENT (2)

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC TIME

Opened at 7:45 pm. Nothing additionally was shared at this time. Closed at 7:45 pm.

NEXT MEETING

Next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 7:30 PM.

MOVED BY Arnold, SECONDED by Howe to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED.

Submitted by:

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Teresa M. Gormley  
Recording Secretary

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Richard McClelland  
Acting Chairperson/Secretary