

**LIVINGSTON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**APPROVED – August 15, 2018**

**6:30 p.m.**

**304 E. Grand River Ave., Howell, Michigan**

<b>PLANNING COMMISSION</b>		
<b>COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:</b>	<b>BRIAN PROKUDA JEANNE CLUM BILL ANDERSON</b>	<b>MATT IKLE CLAIRE STEVENS JIM SPARKS</b>
<b>COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:</b>	<b>LAURA ABRAMSON</b>	
<b>STAFF PRESENT:</b>	<b>ROB STANFORD</b>	<b>SCOTT BARB</b>
<b>OTHERS PRESENT:</b>	<b>MARK MEISEL-TYRONE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR</b>	<b>BRUCE POWELSON – MARION TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION</b>
	<b>KELLY VAN MARTER – GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR</b>	

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was called to order by Commissioner Prokuda at 6:30 PM.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER IKLE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA DATED AUGUST 15, 2018, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDERSON.**

**All in favor, motion passed.**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER SPARKS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING DATED JULY 18, 2018, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLUM.**

**All in favor, motion passed.**

6. **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

## 7. ZONING REVIEWS

### A. Z-30-18: TYRONE TOWNSHIP, ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS -

#### ARTICLE 21 SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 21.55 MEDICAL MARIJUANA USES.

The Tyrone Township Planning Commission proposes revising amendments regarding medical marijuana uses, more specifically in the Township's FR district.

**Township Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval.** The Tyrone Township Planning Commission recommended Approval of the text amendments at their July 10, 2018 meeting. There were a few public comments as noted in the review.

**Staff Recommendation: Approval.** The proposed amendments appear to be reasonable and appropriate and are consistent with provisions in Michigan Public Acts 281 and 283. It appears that the proposed amendments should successfully eliminate the identified loophole in the township's current Michigan Medical Marijuana Act (MMMA) regulations.

Because of the fluidity and evolving course of action by the State of Michigan and its legislature and associated agencies related to the passage of PA 281 and 283 (MMMA), Staff would highly recommend that the Township consult with Township legal counsel before taking any formal action to approve these amendments.

**Commission Discussion:** Commissioner Prokuda invited Mr. Mark Meisel, Tyrone Township Planning Commission, to speak further and provide a brief background and summary of these amendments to the Commission.

**Public Comment:** Mark Meisel, Tyrone Township Planning Commission Chair, provided a comprehensive update as to where in the process these amendments currently stand. Mr. Meisel stated that the Township is currently undergoing further legal review of these amendments with Township counsel and other legal experts as to their consistency and legal standing concerning the provisions of the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act (MMMA, PA 281 and PA 283 and Initiated Law 1 of 2008).

#### **Commissioner Action:**

**Commissioner Action:** IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER SPARKS TO RECOMMEND NO ACTION, ENCOURAGE FURTHER REVIEW. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ANDERSON.  
**Motion passed: 6-0**

### B. Z-31-18: GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP, ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS - ARTICLE 10 PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT AND ARTICLE 25 DEFINITIONS.

The Genoa Charter Township Planning Commission proposes several amendments to Article 25 Definitions and Article 10 Planned Unit Development of the Genoa Charter Township Zoning Ordinance.

The majority of proposed amendments regard the addition of two new types of Planned Unit Developments (PUD). These PUD zoning districts may be applied to the south Latson Road interchange area.

**Township Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval.** The Genoa Charter Township Planning Commission recommended Approval of the Zoning Ordinance Text amendments to Articles 10 and 25 at their July 9, 2018 meeting. Several public comments were received at the June 11, 2018 public hearing; some in support of industrial use south of I-96 along Latson Road and other comments that were not in support of industrial use.

**Staff Recommendation: Approval.** The proposed text amendments related to Interchange Commercial PUD and Interchange Campus PUD are well thought out and well written. This proposed text amendment was needed to further the Genoa Township Master Plan I-96/ Latson Road Subarea Plan. County Planning Staff urge Genoa Charter Township to consider the minor revisions and observations noted by staff in the review.

**Commission Discussion:** Commissioner Clum asked how far south the districts extend. Kelly Van Marter, Genoa Township Community Development Director, explained the limits in more detail. Commissioner Sparks asked about the microbrewery, less than 60,000 gallons – what size barrel is this based on. Kelly Van Marter stated that the proposed regulations are based on State regulations. Commissioner Prokuda asked about where the Township is in the process of implementing these provisions. Kelly Van Marter provided more details about the development process going forward.

**Public Comment:** Kelly Van Marter, Genoa Township Community Development Director, provided a few brief comments regarding the proposed amendments.

**Commissioner Action:**

**Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER SPARKS TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER CLUM.  
Motion passed: 6-0**

8. **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**10. REPORTS**

**A. County Planning Staff Reports**

1. **2018 Livingston County Master Plan Review Period.** Materials were provided to Commissioners highlighting the local and regional organizations that were contacted regarding the Draft Livingston County Master Plan. In addition, a spreadsheet was also provided to Commissioners detailing public comments garnered thus far.
2. **Schedule Public Hearing for 2018 Livingston County Master Plan.** Commissions agreed to hold a public hearing for the Livingston County Master Plan as part of the October, 17, 2018, County Planning Commission meeting.

**Commissioner Action: IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER IKLE TO FORMALLY SET THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE AND TIME REGARDING THE 2018 LIVINGSTON COUNTY MASTER PLAN TO BE HELD DURING THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING ON OCTOBER 17, 2018 AT 6:30 PM. SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STEVENS.  
Motion passed: 6-0**

3. **Schedule Visits To Local Planning Commissions.** Commissioners and Staff coordinated scheduling of visits to local Planning Commissions for the month of September and early October. Planned visits will be to Conway Township (Sept. 10), Green Oak Township (Sept. 20), Howell Township (Sept. 25), Marion Township (Sept. 25), Unadilla Township (Sept. 27), and the Village of Fowlerville (Oct. 9).
4. **Other.** A handout was provided to Commissioners regarding the upcoming opening of the new University of Michigan Medical Clinic in Brighton.

**11. COMMISSIONERS HEARD AND CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Commissioners Clum and Ikle stated they will not be in attendance at the September Livingston County Planning Commission meeting.

Bruce Powelson, Marion Township Planning Commissioner stated that he had a very nice visit to Lutz County Park for Dark Sky viewing of the Perseid Meteor Shower.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Action:** IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER CLUM TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:30 P.M., SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SPARKS.

**Motion passed: 6-0**