

Emmett Township Planning Commission
June 25, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mueller at 7:00 pm

Attendance taken: Mueller, Reliford, Roose, Bowen, Powers present

Motion made by Powers, seconded by Roose, to approve the May 17, 2021 minutes.

Guests in the audience: None

Old Business:

- Discussed medical marijuana growers and future ordinance. Board will table the development of an ordinance. Currently medical growing is approved by the state. The state only allows medical marijuana to be grown in residential zoning. We currently have a home based business ordinance. Planning Commission believes this is a good starting point for anyone getting approval for growing medical marijuana.
- Confirmed letter was sent to applicant for electrical permit denial. Reviewed Article 4 again, regarding the applicant putting up a barn in our agricultural zone and then requesting power. There is no house on the property. The owner of the property states he wants to have a woodworking shop, which does not meet the criteria for what is allowed in our AG district.
- Planning Commission to create an ordinance in Article 12, # 30, pertaining to higher amperage electrical updates and installations. Discussion so far includes:
 - a.) Property owner will need approval from electrical inspector up to 320 amps. Any more amperage wanted will need approval from the Planning Commission, as well as meeting all other requirements in the zoning district.
 - b.) Use the wording "to preserve the characteristics of the district" when writing the ordinance.
 - c.) Commercial and Industrial districts will have to go through normal site plan review and approval.
 - d.) 50 kva or 320 amps can be approved by electrical inspector without approval from planning commission or twp. Board.
 - e.) All permits require a letter of intent, to be reviewed by the inspector of jurisdiction or planning commission.
 - f.) Inspector should deem Planning Commission review for any Special Land Use. or amperage over 320
- Master Plan review was tabled for further discussion

No correspondence

Motion to adjourn at 9:40 pm made by Roose, seconded by Powers.

Respectfully Submitted by Acting Secretary

Joan Bowen
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7-19-21 Motion made to approve minutes made by Powers,
seconded by Reliford