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**FIFE LAKE AREA  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
APPROVED MINUTES  
APRIL 23, 2019  
(Rescheduled April 9, 2019)**

Eby Call the meeting to Order at 6:30 pm with Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Chrissy Ingersoll, Forest Area School Board, Linda Forwerck-Fife Lake Township Supervisor, Mary Kelley-Fife Lake Village Council, Pam Lawrence-Fife Lake Township Planner, Dawn Zimmerman-Fife Lake Township Board Trustee, David McGough-Fife Lake Village Council, Marcia Eby- Fife Lake Village Planner. All members Present, Quorum Established.

Also Present Elise Craft, State Craft, Planning Staff.

**Approval of Agenda**

Agenda shows number 4 and number 7 on the agenda as duplicate items. Kelly made **Motion** to accept the agenda with the removal of number 7. Lawrence Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

**Approval of Minutes**

**AMENDMENT:**

March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes- Other Board Members and Lawrence corrected some name spellings *Bertron/Bertram, Heart/Hart, Kacki/ Keckler*.

Also under New Business, second paragraph; reads: *Lawrence suggests language changed to boundary to permitted premise and building being permitted premise.* Should Read: **Lawrence suggested language changes from neighboring boundary to permitted premise, and building being permitted premise.**

Forwerck made **Motion** to approve March 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended, Lawrence Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Kelley made **Motion** to approve March 19, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes as presented, Lawrence Seconded. All in Favor, **Motion Carried**.

Conflict of Interest – Chrissy Ingersoll-Medical Marijuana and Dawn Zimmerman- Medical Marijuana.

Forwerck reported, Terry Street, Fife Lake Township Clerk appointed Parliamentarian enforcing Roberts Rules of Procedures, could not attend. Please be respectful.

**Citizen Comment –**

Ricky Newton of 6550 US HWY 131, Fife Lake. Citizen Comment Form, Discussion on transparency of the March 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of 2019 Minutes, bias on comments included; Minutes do not reflect his comments. While reflecting all of Deb Newalls.

Mr. Newton would like to see Commissioners claiming conflict of interest should state the conflict.

Mr. Newton noticed Time taken to get the Application process started feels like Planners are kicking can down the road.

Forwerck agreed Commissioners should state their reason for conflict of interest.

Ingersoll stated she is a local realtor and works for Zimmerman's property. Zimmerman split property assumed to be used for pole barn, storage not medical marijuana. Ingersoll also acts on the Forest Area School Board hoping to make a difference in the safety of our children.

Drew Nowak from Freedom Green introduced himself as a prequalified state licensed company out of Kalamazoo, MI with a facility going up in Kalkaska. Sees there is a demand in Northern Michigan for Applicants with professional experience. He also corresponded in writing to be on the April 23, 2019 Agenda with literature.

#### Old Business

Forwerck introduced Denny Corrado, from Regal Security Consultants and Mark Henschell have been invited specifically to this meeting to answer our questions.

#### **New Business**

##### Medical Marijuana Training-

Mark Henschell, State Police Detective, Trooper Pat. Lauri Minor-Not present.

Detective Henschell reported on Medical Marijuana training, LARA, Background Investigations and personal interviews. L.A.R.A.=Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. Covering sixteen counties in northern Michigan. Supported by Senator Vanderwal. We are another resource trying to help the process go smoothly Working with Regal Security will help the Townships work through any issues.

Five licenses; Provision, Process, Growing Levels A,B,C., Testing and Transporting.

The goal is to maintain a three day process through L.A.R.A. Starting with Regulatory Assessing Fees to Applicants starts at roughly \$6000.00 invested all in non-refundable fees up to \$45,000.00 per a single license. Includes sales tax, but ends the excise tax.

Denny Corrado, Regal Security, approved the Planners abstaining who have a conflict of interest. Discussion on important facts the Planners will need to compile a successful ordinance before viewing applications.

Lawrence asked if 24/7 security was required. Per Denny and Detective Henschell, the medical

marijuana is the most secure business. While Physical security is not required the alarm system and camera coverage is required to cover all areas with commercial grade locks and metal roll up doors. No weapons on the premises required by law. Like Massachusetts training program and the pharmacy narcotics rules for delivery and compliance.

Mr. Nader asked about outdoor growth. There already have been issues with odors especially from outside grow.

Outdoor growth must also follow the no see or smell rules that require fencing to cover the height of the plant, proper ventilation and securely locked.

Kelley asked about the guidelines on the model ordinance.

Denny, Regal Security, said they have sample ordinance that includes state requirements. Compliance is key. No applicant shall move forward without being compliant. This is why the language needs to work for both parties.

Lawrence asked if waste water issues are addressed in the guidelines.

Disbursement controlled, recycle waste water.

Brent explained how no waste water works.

Forwerck asked about required well size and power.

Gallon of water per plant per day.

Lawrence asked about the boundary issues.

Five Categories that must be approved according to use include;

Dispensary; Now called Provisioning Center is done through affidavit

Processing

Growing; A,B and C levels.

Testing Facility; Product testing clear from pesticides or other poisons possible.

Packaging; Transporters must have valid driver's license, medical marijuana card is not required, however Testing and Transporting facilities cannot be connected.

A week is not enough time to process from Zoning Administrator to finish. Goals to simplify the process for time sake is being reviewed.

Forwerck and Lawrence Corrected as ZA, Deb Rodriguez went to Mt.Pleasant to check out the ordinance language as it is very similar to Traverse Cities. Fife Lake has two license, Mt. Pleasant has five. Mt.Pleasant does not require State preapproval where Fife Lake does, confirmed by Nader Saco of 4921 White RD, Kalkaska and Stephen Ezell of 9835 King Fisher Tr, Traverse City.

Each category has two licenses.

Kelley discussed how the Lottery would be a separate draw per application, making it possible one won't get all categories needed for their goals. Three most popular; Provisioning, Processing and Growing.

Because the language is so new, time frame needed to be stretched. While not trying to drag out the process we would rather be ready, therefore the Fife Lake Township Board amended the Ordinance time frame.

Fife Lake Township Board meeting Thursday night will focus on Denny, Regal Security, services. Retainer fee is six hundred dollars after that seventy five dollars per hour. The Township Board, Village and Planning Commission are invited to attend meeting on Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> of April 8:00 am at the All Seasons Resort.

Denny said workshops to complete the ordinance would be the quickest way to finalize. With the Attorney and staff we are looking at three to four weeks until complete. Mr. Nowak was hoping the completion time could be narrowed down after first meets.

Compile a committee of 2-3 people for the application process.

\$6000 in budget for training go to Elise and Attorney to help with the ordinance process.

Lawrence made **Motion** that the Fife Lake Area Planning Commission recommend the Fife Lake Township Board to set up training sessions with Planning, Township Board, legal counsel and staff to obtain necessary education and compliance about medical marijuana utilizing Denny Corrado, Regal Security, Kelley Seconded. Voice Vote: Lawrence, Forwerck, Kelley, Eby, McGough all yays, Zimmerman, Ingersoll-Abstain. **Motion Carried.**

FLAPC meets Second Tuesday of the month May 14, 2019.

Eby already has meeting May 6, 2019 from 2:30 – 4:30 workshop afterwards. Tentatively we could meet afterwards at 6:30.

Forwerck asked how does posting work. She will contact lawyer for advice on posting.

Regal Security may host the workshops off site to speed the process. Elise believes that without notice of meeting actions cannot be voted on.

Elise, State Craft Staff, went through questions on the joint planning 2019-2020 work plan. Eby will bring questions to meeting with Elise.

MTA is offering training Introduction to Planning and Zoning May 16, 2019, from 5-8 pm in Traverse City \$91 per person. May 2, 2019 deadline for sign up.

Tessa, Village Treasurer, will need time sheets. Village pays quarterly.

Next meeting agenda items;

Village Ordinance advertisement signage at the Ball Park

Zoning Ordinance outline- Need to review the future zoning map.

Pugsley Site Plan- Starting to store building materials on said property. Elise will meet with developers on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to confirm site plan is ready for May 14, 2019 PC meeting or Public Hearing cannot be held until next meeting for proper postings.

Short Term Rentals, Lawrence provided some literature on short term rentals

No comments received at this time during 63 day Master Plan amendment tentative approval.

Forwerck reported on U.S. 131 Explore, media will have website done in the next 30 days.

Training agenda

Training budget can be altered.

#### CITIZEN COMMENT

Ricky Newton – I am thankful to people helping get through the process. You have heard me when I was discouraged, you guys have shown your willing to roll up your sleeves and get to work.

After checking with Attorney on quorum rules, Denny, Regal Security, recommends holding a workshop off site May 6, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Kelley Thanked Detective Henschell and Regal Security for their help.

Lawrence made Motion to Adjourn, Kelley Seconded. All in Favor, FLAPC Adjourned at 8:24 pm.

April 23, 2019 FLAPC Draft Minutes Approved with one correction at the May 14, 2019 Meeting.