

Perry Township Planning Commission Meeting  
January 17, 2019

Members present: Larry Place, Mark Fraser, Duane Wood, & Sandra Michalek, Excused: Walter Saxton & Joe Ocenasek

President Place opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag and roll call.

Fraser moved, second by Wood to approve the agenda. Carried

Wood moved, second by Fraser to approve the October 18, 2018 minutes. Carried

Township Report: Fraser commented that there has been an inquiry of 5 people who are interested in having a grow operation for marijuana. The State has not written the rules yet concerning recreational marijuana. People can now have 12 plants for their own use and so many joints. The proposal for legalizing marijuana passed by only 6 votes at the township election.

SEDP is having inquiries concerning pieces of township properties Fraser moved, second by Wood to authorize Place to sign the year end report for the township board. Carried

Fraser moved, second by Michalek to adjourn this meeting and attend the DDA meeting where they will be discussing the recreational marijuana bill. Carried

DDA Meeting: Discussion on planting hemp. It will cost \$1.5 million for buy land in Rose Industrial Park for a grow facility. If a township doesn't want to allow growing marijuana, they have to opt out. The State has until next Dec. to write the rules for recreational marijuana. The County is also working on rules. Patients and caregivers can grow up to 12 plants. People can petition to put an initiative on the ballot. The 5 people interested in growing have now declined due to the price dropping so much because there will be so many growing marijuana. They may want to grow hemp. Not a lot can be done until the State sets regulations. Being under County Zoning it is more or less up to them to do regulations. A County can make an ordinance stricter than the State so the County will wait and have a moratorium for a year for the State to do the act. Some dispensaries

have reopened because of need for medical marijuana.

Next meeting will be announced.

Sandra Michalek, Secretary