



PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

City Hall, 125 South Maple Street, Fennville, MI 49408
Monday, February 24, 2020
6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Piantek at 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Andry, Bolles, Martin, Rae, Piantek
Absent: None

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Was recited.

4. Public Comments

Sandra Houston – voiced her concerns with allowing recreational marijuana on Main Street.

Reverend Houston – shared information with the Planning Commission on how marijuana affects communities. Further voiced his concerns with allowing recreational marijuana on Main Street.

5. The Planning Commission will be asked to review a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to prohibit recreational marihuana in the Central Business District.

Background Information: Last month, the Planning Commission worked to develop rules and regulations on recreational marijuana. On February 3, 2020 the City Commission formally adopted the licensing ordinance. During that same meeting, the City Commission asked that the Planning Commission prohibit recreational marijuana facilities within the Central Business District.

The regulator ordinance will remain in effect. The requested prohibition will require an amendment to the text of the zoning ordinance separate from the licensing previously adopted. Staff is proposing adding a section to the language of Section 18 regarding the Central Business identifying the prohibition.

A zoning text amendment requires a public hearing which must be noticed in the newspaper for at least 15 days prior to the hearing. Tonight the Planning Commission is being asked to review the proposed language and set a public hearing. Based on publication deadlines and the minimum notification period, the public hearing could be set March 23rd or later.

Moved by Martin, seconded by Piantek to set a public hearing date of March 23, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. regarding a proposed Zoning Ordinance amendment to prohibit recreational marihuana in the Central Business District. Voted Yes: All. Motion carried.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Amanda Morgan".

Amanda Morgan
City Administrator

Approved by Planning Commission: **DRAFT**