

MINUTES
LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP HALL
8870 NORTH LONG LAKE ROAD
TRAVERSE CITY, MI 49685

TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2011 (REGULAR MEETING)

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 P.M.
2. ROLL CALL – Commission members Tobin, Witkop, Verschaeve, Humitz, Marsh, and Cuthbert were in attendance. Hoffman was excused.
3. Also in attendance were the Township Planner and the Zoning Administrator.

There were three members of the public present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Moved by Tobin supported by Humitz to approve the agenda with the amendment to add the minutes for the April 7, 2011 Special Meeting under Approval of Minutes. Motion carried.
5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT (Declare and cite agenda item.) –There were none stated.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MARCH 22, 2011 (REGULAR MEETING) –
Moved by Witkop supported by Verschaeve to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Moved by Tobin supported by Humitz to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2011 special meeting as presented. Motion carried.
7. BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT (Any person may speak for up to 3 minutes.) - None
8. POSTPONED BUSINESS: None
9. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None
10. PENDING BUSINESS

A) DISCUSSION ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA

1) PRESENTATION BY STAFF

Sickterman presented background information regarding state law and presented regulation options for the Planning Commission to review.

2) DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS

The Planning Commission discussed where to allow caregivers to provide services, how many caregivers per property, and if a land use permit should be required.

3) DECISION AND DIRECTION BY COMMISSIONERS TO STAFF

The Planning Commission directed staff to draft ordinance language regarding use in residential area, to ask attorney for clarification on some issues, and to discuss commercial operations at the next meeting.

B) DISCUSSION OF TEMPORARY USES

1) PRESENTATION BY STAFF

Sickterman presented changes to amendment language based on last month's comments from the Planning Commission.

2) DISCUSSION BY COMMISSIONERS

The Planning Commission reviewed changes and discussed the length of time a temporary use can exist and signage.

3) DECISION AND DIRECTION BY COMMISSIONERS TO STAFF

Public hearing to take place at May meeting

11. NEW BUSINESS - None

12. PUBLIC COMMENT (Any person may speak for up to 3 minutes) –None

13. REPORTS

- A) PLANNERS MOMENTS – Creating Active Communities
 - B) PLANNER – Report submitted.
 - C) ZONING ADMINISTRATOR – Report submitted.
 - D) TOWNSHIP BOARD REPRESENTATIVE – Hoffman not present/
 - E) ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPRESENTATIVE - Humitz reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals approved a variance request that was tabled at their April meeting. There will be a meeting in May.
14. CORRESPONDENCE – A letter was received from Dennis Wiand regarding lot coverage. Letter to be made part of the record at next month's public hearing regarding lot coverages.
15. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS – None
16. ADJOURNMENT – Moved by Witkop supported Tobin to adjourn at 8:26 pm.

JOY TOBIN, SECRETARY
LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

SARA KOPRIVA, ACTING RECORDING SECRETARY
LONG LAKE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

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