

ATLAS TOWNSHIP, MI
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES • FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Regular Meeting

Virtual Meeting

7:00 PM

as permitted By Public Act 0228 of 2020
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1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Jay TenBrink called meeting to order at 7pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Patrick Major	Member	Present
Jay Tenbrink	Chair	Present
Mike Rembor	Vice Chair	Present
June Amman	Secretary	Present
John Birkner	Member	Present
James Lusty	Member	Present
Greg Thurk	Member	Present

All members joined the meeting from their homes in Atlas Township

3. STAFF PRESENT

Adam Young, Township Planner

David Lattie, Township Attorney

Katie Vick, Clerk

Lexi Christner, Recording Secretary

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION TO:	Motion to approve the February 17, 2021 Planning Commission meeting agenda.
MOVER:	Mike Rembor
SECONDER:	Patrick Major
AYES:	Patrick Major, Jay Tenbrink, Mike Rembor, June Amman, John Birkner, James Lusty, Greg Thurk
RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1 Meeting Minutes for Planning Commission January 20, 2021.

MOTION TO:	Motion to approve as amended the January 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes stating J. Amman abstained item #6 due to absence.
MOVER:	Mike Rembor
SECONDER:	Patrick Major
AYES:	Patrick Major, Jay Tenbrink, Mike Rembor, June Amman, James Lusty, Greg Thurk
ABSTAIN:	John Birkner
RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

6. REPORTS

Update was giving regarding calls and questions pertaining to the Medical Marijuana Caregiver Permit.

The Accessory Building Application Fee of \$250 was discussed at the Township Board Meeting night prior.

More research is being done regarding Township fees and fee schedule.

7. PUBLIC HEARING

- 7.1 Potential Medical Marijuana Caregivers Zoning Amendment - Public Hearing
Chair TenBrink opened Public Hearing at 7:11pm.

D. Lattie gave update on Atlas Township discussing adoption of light to medium industrial for the Medical Marijuana Caregivers. Atlas opted out of facilities and dispensaries.

Gave overlay of plant to patient ratio, and concerns the township had regarding zoning.

The Township had one application of the Medical Marijuana Caregiver application submitted before tonight's meeting. D. Lattie made comment they will not be penalized with the zoning ordinance.

Public Hearing closed at 7:32pm by Chair TenBrink.

- 7.2 Potential Self-Storage Units Zoning Amendment - Public Hearing
Chair TenBrink opened Public Hearing at 7:32pm

Public Comment was made stated they wanted an overview.

A. Young revised rules of ordinance and gave an overview.

- comply to expand or create
- update technology and/or security system
- live in manager to maintain property, and/or 24 hour surveillance system

Public Hearing closed at 7:38pm by Chair TenBrink

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Note: 1) Each person addressing the board is asked to voluntarily state their name and address for the record.

2) Three (3) minutes will be allowed for an individual addressing the board. Each individual present will be allowed an

opportunity to address the board.

3) Please refrain from being redundant.

4) All comments are to be directed to the chair.

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PUBLIC MEETING OR
PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD CONTACT THE ATLAS TOWNSHIP CLERK AT 810-636-
2548 DURING
REGULAR OFFICE HOURS, NOT LESS THAN SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS
PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC MEETING OR PUBLIC HEARING.

none.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9.1 Consideration to the Medical Marijuana Caregivers Zoning Amendment

A. Young gave update and background on distribution.

- Sale between Caregiver and Patient
- Includes Delivery, home visits and Hospital visits protected under act.

D. Lattie made comment keep light to medium industrial zoning only.

Comment regarding F. on last page, who is authorized for the inspections listed on the permit.

D. Lattie made comment that the Genesee County Sheriffs Department will be conducting the final inspections on the permit. Permits are void after 1 year from acceptance date, and must be updated regularly when a change is made regarding

number of patients. Each Permit is a fair fee of \$250.00.

MOTION TO:	Motion for Text Amendments adding new Section 300.341, Medical Marihuana Primary Caregivers be presented to Township Board as F is amended. "The building inspector, or other Township Representative designated by the Township Board, including Police, state electrical or plumbing inspector shall have the right at any time to enter and inspect the premises for safety and compliance purposes."
MOVER:	Mike Rembor
SECONDER:	Patrick Major
AYES:	Patrick Major, Jay Tenbrink, Mike Rembor, June Amman, John Birkner, James Lusty, Greg Thurk
RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

9.2 Consideration to Self-Storage Units Zoning Amendment

Discussion made regarding machines with flammable liquid not drained.

A. Young made comment stating language had no more detail and machinery is fine.

Members okay with written language.

Concern was made of business activity ran out of an individual unit, with traffic and parking.

A. Young and D. Lattie each made a statement that no business is to operate out of any Storage Units.

MOTION TO:	Motion to recommend Consideration to Self-Storage Units Zoning Amendment to The Township Board for approval of #13, "No repair, servicing, painting, or other maintenance activity may be conducted on the premises. Further, no unit may be utilized for any business activity other than storage."
MOVER:	Mike Rembor
SECONDER:	Patrick Major
AYES:	Patrick Major, Jay Tenbrink, Mike Rembor, June Amman, John Birkner, James Lusty, Greg Thurk
RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

10. NEW BUSINESS

none.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

none.

12. ATTORNEY COMMENTS

none.

13. BOARD COMMENTS

J. Birkner requested an update regarding the oak tree protection, Amman came back with a confirmed protection.

14. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO:	Motion to adjourn Planning Commission Meeting at 8:17pm.
MOVER:	Mike Rembor
SECONDER:	James Lusty
AYES:	Patrick Major, Jay Tenbrink, Mike Rembor, June Amman, John Birkner, James Lusty, Greg Thurk
RESULT:	PASSED [UNANIMOUS]