

Newton Township Planning Commission

Public Hearing

Called to order 6:30

Community comments: Metzger sent letter thru Degraw Law that stated ok as long as follows all laws. Diane Inman present for more info. No other community comments.

Planning Commission members asked questions about parking, hours of operation, and more details of the plans for the property.

Closed public hearing 6:53

Meeting Minutes July 6 , 2021

Meeting was called to order at 6:54 pm

Roll call was taken, members present – Stan Wawzysko, SueAnn Jessup, Michelle Barnes, Rick Westphal and Eric Dittmer (left at 7:43pm). Barb Merlihan, Troy Radcliff and Joyce Foondle were also present.

June 2021 Minutes were read and approved by all.

Old Business:

- Reviewed parts of Article 10.
 - Changes 10.04 were reviewed and approved
 - Reviewed 10.05 – approved as written with the addition of “as defined under MCL600”. Joyce will verify the exact name needed.

New Business:

- Herb Creek Gardens Conditional Use was reviewed, and the planning commission recommends the township board approves with the following conditions: (Motion by RW, support by SJ)
 - Hours of operation can only fall between 7am-10pm.
 - Maximum of 50 people at one time
 - Establishment meets all Federal, State, and Local laws.
 - Parking in designated area only, maximum of 30 cars, each vehicle minimum of 200 sq ft.
 - Post sign during events that states “No On Street Parking”
- Article 10.07 (corrected agenda item, originally read as 10.06) – approved as written.
- Census Update – it is complete, the printable form will be available around September.
- Discussed having a Public Hearing for the next section of Articles completed this far; Article 8 – Sign Regulations, Article 9 – Parking and Loading Requirements, and the addition of Recreational Vehicle definition

Next meeting: August 3, 2021

- Public Hearing 6:30pm, Meeting to follow immediately after the conclusion of the public hearing.

We adjourned the meeting at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted Michelle Barnes