

SPRING ARBOR TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

The regular meeting of the Spring Arbor Township Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Carl Jacobson at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Hall.

Members Present: Mike Archer, David Herlein, Carl Jacobson, Doug Martz, Ken Melville, Matt Potter, and Richard Roth

Members Absent: Susan Luplow and Mel Rice

Staff: Jan Gardner - Township Zoning Administrator

Minutes – On a motion by Melville and seconded by Potter the minutes for the October 9, 2012 meeting were accepted. Approved.

Public Comment – None

New Business -

Proposed Text Amendment for Medical Marihuana: Jan gave the Planning Commission background information as well as an overview of the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act and the effect of the proposed text amendment. The issue was discussed and the members are in agreement to move forward with a public hearing on the proposed text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

Proposed Text Amendment to Sign Regulations: Jan presented a draft of the sign regulations that addresses Electronic Message Signs. Discussion followed and the Commission agreed to discuss further at the January 2013 meeting.

Old Business –

Master Plan: The Master Plan 2012 Edition was distributed to the members. A copy of the minutes from the November 12, 2012 Master Plan Committee meeting was also distributed and discussed. Discussion focused on how to prioritize and begin implementing the objectives. The Planning Commission would like to encourage a joint meeting with the Township Board in early 2013.

Member Comments – Members expressed their appreciation for all of Mel's efforts in acquiring new Christmas decorations for the Township.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Herlein, Secretary