

OLIVE TOWNSHIP  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
JANUARY 8, 2019

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairperson Vander Zwaag.**

PRESENT

Wayne Vander Zwaag  
Jerry Geertman  
Brian Raak  
Dwayne Dreyer  
Steve Kushion, Zoning Administrator

Absent- Al Nienhuis

4 members of the public present.

Dreyer provided a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Geertman and carried unanimously.

Dreyer provided a motion to approve the minutes of the November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting. Motion was seconded by Geertman and carried unanimously.

- **At 7:01 pm Chairperson Vander Zwaag opened the floor for any citizen comments regarding items not on the agenda.**

No comments.

- **At 7:02 pm Chairperson Vander Zwaag opened the Public hearing for a Zoning Ordinance Amendment adding Section 21.53 “Prohibition of Recreational Marihuana Establishments”**

Diana Sandoval from PureWest compassion clinic spoke about the benefits of medical marihuana and felt that the Township should be proactive in approving medical marihuana within its borders. Sandoval spoke at length about her business and medical marihuana. Kushion discussed her going before the Township Board to discuss this, as they have not opted out of medical marihuana at this time.

Christopher Martinez from PureWest compassion clinic also spoke about the benefits of medical marihuana.

Todd Holmquist stated that he was there to see if Marihuana facilities would be banned because he was looking to get into the growing business.

There was some discussion amongst the PC about what the Township Board has already approved and medical marihuana.

Geertman provided a motion to approve the **Zoning Ordinance Amendment adding Section 21.53 “Prohibition of Recreational Marihuana Establishments”**. Motion was seconded by Dreyer and carried unanimously.

- **At 7:35 pm Chairperson Vander Zwaag opened Planning Commission Member Comment.**

Kushion noted that he would provide the 2019 meeting schedule to the PC via email.

- **At 7:36pm Raak provided a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Dreyer and carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Steve Kushion, Zoning Administrator

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_