

Marengo Township Planning Commission @6:00 pm September 22, 2021  
Special Meeting-Public Hearing

Call to Order by Kent VanSickle, Chairman

Pledge of Allegiance

Board members present, Debra Huffman, Mike Flynn, Jerry Buller, Kent VanSickle, Paul Shippell, Todd Hazel. Absent: Greg Shippell

Motion made by Jerry Buller to approve agenda. Seconded by Mike Flynn. Motion carried.

Correction in minutes of previous meeting, September 1, 2021. Public comment is incorrect and is to be omitted. Motion made by Jerry Buller to approve minutes with the correction. Seconded by Todd Hazel. Motion carried.

Matthew Kuschel, Township Attorney, explained that set backs can be changed by an Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance.

No communications read.

Motion made by Jerry Buller to open Public Hearing. Seconded by Mike Flynn. Motion carried. Public hearing open at 6:18pm.

Public Hearing: Request from Park Consulting Group, Kalamazoo, MI, for a Special Use Permit: to establish a marijuana grower and processing facility on parcel 15-020-015-01, 22695 J Drive N, Marshall, MI.

Representative from Park Consulting Group, Leise Rosman, discussed the plans of the marijuana grower/processor facility proposed. Property has an existing greenhouse that would be retrofitted to grow marijuana plants from seed to mature plants and provide space for a processing facility. No new buildings are planned for the site, all processes will be completed in the existing greenhouse and/or existing "bunk house". Project would plan to use primarily sunlight to grow plants. Grow lights will be used in part of process, for seedlings and small plants, these will be located in enclosed areas of the building. 500,000 sq ft facility. Security and fencing measures discussed.

Questions from public: Request information about odor control and ventilation. There will be carbon filters and height of building will reduce issues with odor.

Site plan for Parks Consulting Group, parcel 15-020-015-01, 22695 J Drive N., was not presented.

Motion made by Jerry Buller to close the public hearing. Seconded by Todd Hazel. Motion carried. Public hearing closed at 6:45pm.

Matt Kuschel provided additional information to the board regarding items that need to be addressed in a site plan review. Items such as waste disposal and security information. Discussion.

Motion made by Jerry Buller to table the request for Special Use Permit and Site Plan Review at this time and to schedule a special meeting for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 to complete the request. Seconded by Mike Flynn. Motion passed.

No additional comments.

Motion made by Jerry Buller to adjourn. Seconded by Mike Flynn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Special meeting set for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Debra Huffman, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debra Huffman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.