

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Greenfield Township Trustees

Meeting

November 15, 2017

Held 3:00 PM

The Greenfield Township Trustees met in a special session at the township office. Dave Cotner called the meeting to order. Dave Cotner, Lonnie Kosch, and John Reef were present.

Pete Griggs from BJG Law Firm spoke on medical marijuana coming into the township. He stated that Greenfield Township has no moratorium on medical marijuana and the township needs to make some determinations on this. The Township should determine where they are allowed or not allowed, like residential. Kevin asked even if we don't have a comprehensive/land use plan. Mr. Grigg said we do have a comprehensive plan, our text and zoning map, under the Supreme Court is our comprehensive plan. He explained a processing license is only for growing. A dispensary license allows them to sell oil and edibles, but not marijuana for smoking since the law forbids smoking, but vaping is allowed, which brings up the concern for vaping shops opening in the township. Mr. Griggs said that doctors can't prescribe but can make a recommendation and then you take this recommendation to a dispensary, you just can't walk in off the street to buy marijuana. Mr. Griggs spoke on any taxes and fees, resolutions prohibiting any more dispensaries or cultivation coming in to the township and TIFF monies. He said to keep in mind the one that has been granted a license is grandfathered in. If allowing them, Mr. Griggs recommended determining location restrictions and treating them as conditional uses that comes before the BZA, not permitted uses. He also said he thinks there will be more of these since it is such a big money maker for the state. Kevin said he thinks there are 2 businesses that have submitted their paperwork for dispensaries in the township. Mr. Griggs said the township can determine what you want in the township, dispensaries, cultivation, only one, both or none and acreage minimums. Kevin stated all the proposed sites are zoned industrial. Mr. Griggs said that they need to meet the requirements for the zoning, setbacks, building size, etc. He also stated that if you pass a resolution today pertaining to this and down the road you want to change it, you can resend it or change it. You also can pass a moratorium prohibiting any other marijuana businesses from coming into the township.

Motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Kosch; seconded by Trustee Cotner. All voted yes and meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.