

REGULAR CITY OF CHEBOYGAN PLANNING COMMISSION
May 20, 2019

Present: Horntvedt, Khan-King, Kopernik, Rogers, Maynard
Absent: Kronberg, Granger
Admin: Eustice, Bronson
Citizens: Sue Cheli,

Kopernik called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. requesting a roll call.

Motion by Kopernik to approve minutes of March 18 and April 1 Special Meeting.
Seconded by Kahn-King, approved unanimously.

Discussion of Medical Marijuana ordinance. Granger not in attendance to discuss his edits. Horntvedt suggested that the number of facilities should be increased. Much discussion on that point. Horntvedt also questioned how large facilities would be. The board inquired if it is state law that growing facilities be a certain distance from a church. Horntvedt to do some research. Much discussion. Eustice stated that he had fielded at least 25 calls from in Michigan and outside of Michigan inquiring as to whether or not Cheboygan was going to allow medical marijuana facilities. When Granger returns the commission will finalize the ordinance to send to council.

Elections of officers tabled until next regular meeting when all will be in attendance.

Discussion on Michigan Mainstreet and how to get building owners to follow guidelines regarding the look of their buildings. Currently there are no ordinances in place for building owners to follow a "theme". Discussion of form based code and how they could be difficult to manage.

Under Staff Report, Eustice distributed DDA Board Meeting Minutes and Historic Resources Commission Meeting Minutes. Eustice stated that Master Plan had been approved by council to be distributed. After 63-day wait period there will be public hearing in conjunction with June Planning Commission Meeting. Applications are due June 1 for Trails Town designation as well as Mullet to Mackinaw trails; they are ready to go. Waterways trail town application will be completed next year. The 425 agreement between The City of Cheboygan and Inverness Township will be signed on June 13, 2019.

Kopernik questioned whether the commission was in favor of short term rentals in residential areas, currently city rules state minimum 28 day rental. Bronson stated he would be against short term rentals in residential areas primarily due to parking.

Susan Cheli questioned what the status was of the paper plant plans to be a medical marijuana growing facility. Commissioners responded that they did not know. Ms. Cheli also stated that the board should seek input from others so we are not “reinventing the wheel”. She further stated her recently meeting professional retirees who have moved to Cheboygan on Lake Huron.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda J. Rogers, Secretary
City of Cheboygan Planning Commission