

**Lake Township-Roscommon County**  
**Special Meeting**  
**April 23, 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.**

The Lake Township Board met on Tuesday, April 23, 2019, for a special meeting. Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America was recited.

**Purpose of meeting:** To discuss the following:

- Rewrite of Ordinance #9/New Ordinance #55
- Decision on Medical Marijuana/Ordinance Creation
- Set time frame for decisions of Ordinances above
- New/remodel Township Hall Thoughts
- MTA Resolution on Township Board member Elections on Nonpartisan/Partisan
- Portion of Ballot – Township Board's Position

**Present:** Dave Emmons-Supervisor, Harry Trier-Treasurer, Pete Klahn-Trustee

**Absent:** Tonya Clare-Clerk, Tony Farhat-Trustee

The board supports a nonpartisan ballot with no primary election of a township board position.

New/Remodel township hall thoughts were tabled until the regular township board meeting on May 14, 2019 for a recommendation by the Planning Commission. A public hearing will be held to hear the public's opinion. Trier suggested instead of building or remodeling for a hall, create a storage space for files and/or a small meeting room. Emmons noted that the township's master plan states that the township should provide an office space to go to, in which the current hall does not have adequate space and members are forced to work outside the hall, out of their homes.

Pillinger-Daniels, Chairman reported that the Planning Commission passed a motion and roll call vote on March 19, 2019, for the go ahead regarding medical marihuana and presented recommendation to the board on April 9, 2019. Items recommended are listed on page 7 of the presentation.

Resident's concerns are growing in a residential lake area and increased traffic. Emmons stated the Ordinance will state the dispensary will be within the 55 corridor, has to be so many feet away from the lake, has to be open only certain times of the day, hard surface parking, etc. Emmons stated that it is "the way of the future" and will bring income to the township.

Klahn cautioned the township to "walk, not run"; he does not support growing, processing centers, and transport, but has no problem with provisional centers at this time.

A resident asked that the vote on medical marihuana be postponed until all board members could be present.

Following discussion and resident's opinions, Motion: Emmons to "opt in" for medical marihuana provisional centers. Planning Commission will write ordinance to support with the approval of the township board. **Second:** Trier. **All in favor.** **Roll call vote:** Trier-yes; Klahn-yes; Emmons-yes.

Emmons asked the Planning Commission to write ordinance for medical marihuana provisional centers only, for board approval by June or July regular board meeting.

Discussion of where to show money revenue from marihuana sales.

Planning Commission is reviewing Ordinance #55 written by attorney to supplement Ordinance #9 that allows changes that are outdated or unclear (Judge noted that it does not replace Ordinance #9 zoning book).

Regarding changes of ordinances, a resident read an ordinance that says "Planning Commission shall consist of five members that are appointed by the township supervisor and approved by the board. All members should be qualified electors of the township". Emmons stated that the MTA book says "with the exception of one". Emmons said he would look it up.

**Meeting adjourned @ 7:55 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by  
Patricia Ryan, Lake Township Deputy Clerk  
*Approved as written at May 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting*