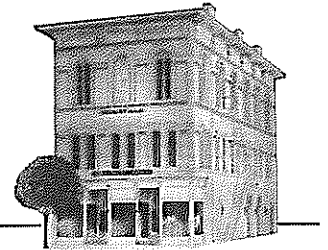




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**Village of Jonesville  
PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA  
April 9, 2014  
7:00 P.M. Village Hall**

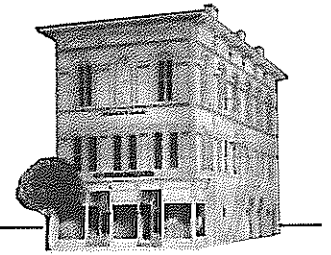
- A. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE
- B. PUBLIC COMMENT
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – April 9, 2014
- D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 12, 2014
- E. PUBLIC HEARING & SUBSEQUENT ACTION
- F. NEW BUSINESS
- G. ONGOING BUSINESS
  - 1. **Medical Marihuana Ordinance [Discussion Item]**
  - 2. **Medical Marihuana Moratorium Recommendation [Action Item]**
- H. ADJOURNMENT



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To: Jonesville Planning Commission  
From: Tim McLean, Assistant to the Manager *T.M.*  
Date: April 4, 2014  
Re: Assistant to the Manager's Report for April 9, 2014

## G.1 Medical Marihuana

From the February meeting, the Planning Commission had an opportunity to review the options at its disposal for the regulation of medical marihuana caregiver/grow operations in Jonesville. It was decided that caregiver/grow operations were similar in scope to uses permitted in Light Industrial districts. Under permitted uses in those districts, tobacco growing and any other processing of finished products from raw materials are allowed. It was determined that medical marihuana grow operations fell under a similar use and should be classified as a light industrial use. There had been some concerns about deed restrictions within the industrial park prohibiting this type of activity. Nothing listed under prohibitive uses in those deed restrictions pertains to this type of use.

There are two proposed approaches to creating an ordinance for the permitting of medical marihuana caregiver/grow operations. If allowed simply as a permitted use within Light Industrial districts, it would necessitate changes to the zoning ordinance in Chapter 1: Definitions, Chapter 2: General Provisions, and Chapter 12: Light Industrial District. Should this be a viable option for the Planning Commission, the terms and requirements for such an ordinance would be placed in Chapter 2, Section 2.35. The sections to be utilized from the proposed language provided by the municipal attorney would have to be agreed upon by the Planning Commission. The advantages to this approach are that it permits caregivers to operate in the Light Industrial District while still maintaining adequate distance from schools and churches. The changes that would be made to Chapter 2 would still require caregivers to operate within the bounds of the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act. And it requires caregivers to follow the terms established by the Planning Commission.

The second proposed approach would be again, to restrict medical marihuana caregiver/grow operations to the Light Industrial District, but to place it in the zoning ordinance as a special use. If this approach was adopted, it would necessitate changes to the zoning ordinance in Chapter 1: Definitions, Chapter 12: Light Industrial District and Chapter 14: Special Land Use. There are advantages and disadvantages to this approach. This approach gives the Planning Commission authority to evaluate caregiver/grow operations on a case by case basis. A potential disadvantage to this is that anytime someone wanted to establish a caregiver/grow operation in the Light Industrial District, it would necessitate a public hearing and a full review of the Planning Commission. At this time, I would like to review the proposed options with the Planning Commission and choose which is the most viable option.

## G.2 Medical Marihuana Moratorium

The current moratorium on medical marihuana is set to expire on April 18, 2014. The Planning Commission is currently making progress on a definitive policy for medical marihuana. As the Planning Commission is not yet in a position to send a proposed ordinance to the Village Council for approval, it is my recommendation that the Planning Commission take action to recommend that Village Council extend the current medical marihuana moratorium for an additional six months. Village Council will convene at the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2014. Should Council approve an extension of the moratorium, it would have a new expiration date of October 16, 2014.