

Hopkins Township Planning Commission  
Special Meeting Minutes 9/27/2016

Planning Commission Members: Chair Mike Timmer; Mark Forbes; Tadd Heft; Ken Rutgers; Chuck Wamhoff; Steve Wamhoff; Fred Morley

Members Present: Mark Forbes; Tadd Heft; Mike Timmer; Fred Morley

Meeting Called to Order at: 7:05 PM

Meeting Adjourned at: 8:05 PM

Location: Hopkins Township Hall

+ Commission attendance noted above.

+ Kirk Scharphorn Zoning Administrator present.

**Minutes of the 8/23/2016 Meeting:** These were previously emailed to commissioners and briefly discussed.

**MOTION:** A motion was made and supported to approve the 8/23/2016 meeting minutes. This motion was approved.

- **Agenda:** Wind Energy Systems
- **Zoning Administrator Updates:**
  - **Medical Marijuana Facilities in Michigan:** This is a brand new Michigan law. A summary of information important to local municipalities was handed out. We do not have to allow these facilities somewhere in the Township. If we do nothing to allow these facilities, they will not be legal in Hopkins Township. The consensus in this meeting is that we do not want them in our Township.
  - **Wind Energy Systems:** A couple items need to be addressed in finalizing our proposed ordinance. Decommissioning of the towers should be tightened up. Setbacks should be from the property lines, not from a dwelling. Zoning Administrator will send out changed language.
  - **Other Items:** Wedding barn status good, things going well. The Township has paid the bill for the recent cleanup of the major blight enforcement project. There are several issues that need to be completed on the cleanup.

**MOTION:** A motion to adjourn was made and supported at 8:05 PM. This motion was approved.

Submitted by:

Fred Morley, Secretary  
Hopkins Township Planning Commission

Minutes approved: