

Mike Koshar, Supervisor  
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Arlington Township  
Van Buren County, MI.  
52022 34<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Bangor MI 49013

Georgette Peterson, Trustee  
Ted Swanson, Trustee

March 2, 2021

Call to Order: Supervisor Koshar called meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Roll call: Clerk De Leo, Treasurer Pitts, Trustee Peterson, Trustee Swanson, and Supervisor Koshar, all present

Pledge: Was led by Supervisor Koshar.

Public Comment: Mike Sosin who is representing Dragonfly Kitchens II gave a presentation on stacking additional licenses on present farm on CR 215. He acknowledged the fact that the Planning Commission approved 10 additional licenses for them. He also gave his opinion of the ordinance for growing marijuana.

Tom Crandall believes the public didn't get to express their views on the opening of the farm on CR215 for Dragonfly Kitchens II.

Jenn Zielinski gave her thoughts on licensing and the cost. She told us that only so many licenses can be sold to each farm do to size. Also, growing Lavender around the outside can help with the smell. Spaying the flowers can also help with odor. She works for one of the grow operations.

Cheri Duncan asked about stacking licenses and wondered why the ordinance didn't prevent that. Why it only prevented new grow operations. No new farms but more licenses mean more marijuana.

Ron Kline: The issues of the moratorium were written in simple language. His idea of the moratorium was to stop new farms and allow the growers to expand. One grower has done a great job complying with the regulations.

Clayton Robison: Dragonfly Kitchens II told us that the density of plants on each farm needs to be fair. He is against favoritism of one grower over another.

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Phil Sanborn: Has been traveling trying to catch up on what is going on in Arlington Township. He doesn't think growers should be able to buy another farm and expand growing operations.

Ron Kline sees nothing in the ordinance that prohibits stacking but nothing that allows new property purchase to be joined with original.

Clayton Robison: Answering the comment that property north of Dragonfly Kitchens II is for sale. He is sure an option to purchase by someone other than Dragon Fly Kitchens II has been presented to the owner.

After much discussion Trustee Swanson, made a motion: I move the board recommend the approval of additional licenses requested by Dragonfly kitchens II located at 26980 CR 215 Bangor MI 49013 and send it back to the planning commission with the following instructions, 1. Have Dragonfly Kitchens II provide in writing how many additional licenses they are seeking and how many plants they are able to grow on their current parcel.

Support by Trustee Georgette Peterson:

The motion and support were rescinded by Trustee Swanson and support by Trustee Georgette Peterson.

Comment by Clayton Robison that if the expansion will not be approved then he is only requesting 3 new medical marijuana licenses.

Trustee Swanson made a motion to approve 3 new medical marijuana licenses to Dragonfly Kitchens II based on the request from Dragonfly Kitchens II. ‘

Support by Trustee Georgette Peterson.

Roll Call vote: De Leo, no, Swanson yes, Pitts yes, Peterson yes. Koshar yes.

Motion carried.

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Motion by Trustee Ted Swanson: I move the board deny the approval of the site plan for the 28<sup>th</sup> Street expansion property purchase of Dragonfly Kitchens II to be combined with the current property on CR 215 as the current moratorium is in effect until June 2021.

Support by: Trustee Georgette Peterson

Discussion about how language of the moratorium reads, the board discussed #4 of the moratorium which states “This resolution shall not apply to those applications already filed with the Township nor prevent those with existing licenses/pending applications from seeking additional licenses on that property (stacking)”

There was discussion on the key words “That property”

Also the board stated that the original Special Use Permit was granted for the current land parcel that Dragonfly Kitchens II owns now and the new land parcel would require a new special use permit which the moratorium prevents.

Roll call vote: De Leo, yes, Peterson yes, Pitts yes, Swanson yes, Koshar yes

A clarification on the minutes of February 15/2021 minutes was presented. The motion read: *Planning Commission Recommendation: 50504 28<sup>th</sup> ave. (50405 28<sup>th</sup> Ave. Bangor MI 49013) is requesting a SUP renewal and additional 6 licenses. Motion by Trustee Peterson, supported by Treasurer Pitts to approve recommendation of planning commission. Roll call: De Leo, no, Peterson, yes, Pitts, yes, Koshar, yes. Swanson, yes. Motion carried.*

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The request was for seven licenses not six as the minutes reported. This was a clerical error. 50504 28<sup>th</sup> Ave paid for seven licenses. A roll call vote was taken to repair the error. Koshar yes, De Leo no, Pitts yes, Swanson yes, Peterson yes.

Comments: Cheri Duncan is wondering when all this will end and Arlington Township can get back to taking care of the citizens other issues.

Mike Sosin gave his appreciation for all the work the planning commission and Board has done.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm., by Supervisor Mike Koshar.

Minutes submitted by  
Arlington Township Clerk Douglas De Leo,