

**MINUTES**  
**Homestead Inland Joint Planning Commission**  
**Homestead Township Hall**  
**March 18, 2015**

**1.) Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Andersen at 7:06 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Fred Poynor, Christy Andersen, Mary Miller, Dan Moore, Roger Hubbell were present. Brad ~~Skusa~~ **Skusa**, Cathy Demitroff, and Rob ~~Widrig~~ **Widrig** were not present.

Staff present: Roger Williams, Zoning Administrator and Sara Kopriva, Recording Secretary.

There were 8 members of the public present.

**2.) Agenda**

Motion by Hubbell and seconded by Mille to approve with addition of "Presentation by Sherriff and Prosecutor" under item 6. a. to the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**3.) Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Miller and seconded by Moore to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2015 meeting with the correction under Reports, Zoning Administrator to "Not present". Motion carried unanimously.

**4.) Public Input**

Andersen read the rules for public input aloud.

Karen (↔) **Mallon**- asked about Zoning Administator's policy for returning phone calls.

**5.) Close Public Input: at 7:12 PM**

**6.) New Business:**

**a. Continuation of review and comment on the proposed amendment to add Section 3.37 regarding Medical Marijuana to the Zoning Ordinance**

Presentation by Sheriff and Prosecutor

They explained the law and how it would be enforced at the County level. There were various questions asked and answered regarding the law and what could and could not be done.

Public Comments

There were comments from the public regarding who would enforce and what needs to be done to get the County to enforce.

#### Board Comments

The board agreed to schedule a joint meeting with the Township Boards and attorney to discuss how to move forward.

#### **b. Board discussion regarding pesticide drift and residential agricultural issues raised by Cindra Moore**

Cindra's letters were handed out to the members. Williams explained that it is Department of Agriculture that enforces. Difficult situation because it is the same zoning district and buffers would be difficult to require. Right to Farm Act supersedes most zoning.

#### **7. ) Old Business**

##### **a. Payment Vouchers**

Motion made by Miller and seconded by Moore to pay vouchers for those present tonight. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **8.) Reports**

##### **a. Homestead Twp Board – Dan Moore**

Approved budget. Placed ad for various bids including park manager and law maintenance. May 16 from 8 to 12 is clean up day.

##### **b. Inland Twp Board report – Mary Miller**

Passed budget. Talked about Hazard Mitigation Plan and did not adopt. Special meeting 3/19 for presentation by Mr. Post about Mitigation Plan. May 2 from 8 to 11 is clean up day.

##### **c. Zoning Administrator**

Slow Spring-5 permits this year, mostly pole barns. Bill in legislature to allow local government to not publish notices in the newspaper. Freedom of Information Act allows to charge deposit for info and attorney fees can be charged.

#### **10.) Open Public Discussion:**

There was none.

#### **11.) Close Public Discussion**

#### **9) Planners Moments- Right to Farm Act Update**

#### **11.) Board go around, discussion/announcements**

Miller- would like updated contact list

Moore-Pancake breakfast on Sundays this month

Hubbell- asked about how the Zoning Ordinance and Right to Farm work together

## 12.) Adjourn

Being no more business.

Motion made by Miller to adjourn at 8:57 PM.

Respectively submitted by Sara Kopriva