

**Frankenlust Township Board Meeting
Medical Marijuana-Public Information
December 7, 2017 – 3:00 P.M.**

The special meeting of the Township Board was called to order by the Supervisor, Ron Campbell to hear information on the medical marijuana issue. Present were Revord, Fisher, Campbell and Britton. Begick was excused

Supervisor, Ron Campbell, informed those gathered that this was a public informational meeting only and that no decisions would be made at this time.

Boji Group. Boji Group owns United Wholesale Grocer which is located in Frankenlust Township. They are interested in the board developing an Ordinance to allow them to transform their building into a facility to grow medical marijuana. A Power Point presentation was given on medical marijuana explaining the chemical (CBD cannabis oil referred to as cannabidiol) in the marijuana that is extracted to help patients with over fifty-one health issues. A video was presented of a young child it had aided in decreasing the number of seizures she was having daily. They are interested in putting a facility in our Township that would produce up the 1500 plants to be used for medical purposes. This would provide jobs in our area and revenue to the Township. They do not plan on adding on to their existing facility.

Bay County Sheriff's Department. Deputy Barry Gatza stated that one marijuana plant can have a value of \$1000.00 or more depending on the size of the plant. One pound of marijuana is worth \$2,500.00. Some plants can produce more than a pound of the marijuana. Marijuana is being put into e-cigarettes and burned without a scent. Teens are "smoking" marijuana at a younger age using this method. Mexico was always the main producer of marijuana coming into the United States. With the laws being developed in the United States, the marijuana being used as a medical or recreational product and is all produced here. Many guidelines and laws are still being developed on state and federal levels to monitor and control marijuana. There are strict "seed-to-sale" tracking systems in place to handle medical marijuana responsibly. Saginaw is a huge hub for other drugs coming from Mexico.

Zoning Administrator. Rodney Nanney, Frankenlust Township Zoning Administrator, spoke on the licenses the Township could provide for testing facilities and transportation facilities for this product. There would need to be a lot of time and work put into setting up ordinances for this issue.

Questions were asked by residents attending the meeting. Concerns were expressed about property values being affected for those living near the facility, odors and security around the building.

This issue will be voted on at the next board meeting.

Supervisor, Ron Campbell Adjourned the Meeting
Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.
Board meeting December 12, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Debbie Fisher, Clerk
Ronald Campbell, Supervisor