Bridgewater Township Planning Commission County of Rice, State of Minnesota December 5th, 2024 Official Minutes

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) Roll Call: John Klockeman, Ray Larson, Kurt Schrader, Emily Fulton-Foley, Mike Little, Bruce Morlan, Ex-Officio Kathleen Kopseng, Lori Noreen.
- 4) Approval of Agenda
 - a) Ray Larson made a motion to approve the agenda, Emily Fulton-Foley seconded, all approved.
- 5) Approval of Minutes: October 31st, 2024
 - a) Kurt Schrader made a motion to approve the minutes of October 31st, Mike Little seconded, all approved.
- 6) Open Forum: N/A
- 7) Public Hearing:
 - a) Amendments to Zoning Ordinance Related to Cannabis
 - i) The Commissioners reviewed the Memorandum that Cindy Nash provided. It was noted that the County has already approved the amendments and the Township must amend its ordinance to stay consistent with the County's provisions.
 - ii) John Klockeman opened the Public Hearing at 7:04pm. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:04pm.
 - iii) Discussion was held and a decision was made to make a call to Cindy Nash so that she could clarify a few items in the Resolution draft. After review of the draft with Cindy it was noted that within the Resolution a few areas of wording needed to be corrected/updated.
 - iv) It was stated that if this Resolution passes another would be drafted delegating authority to Rice County for Cannabis and Hemp Business Retail Registration.
 - v) The Committee agreed on the discussed changes to the Resolution draft. Emily Fulton-Foley made a motion to recommend to the Board to approve the Resolution amending the ordinance related to Cannabis as amended, Mike Little seconded, John Klockeman, Ray Larson, Kurt Schrader, Emily Fulton-Foley, and Mike Little approved. Bruce Morlan abstained. Motion passed.
- 8) Updates and Miscellaneous
 - a) December Meeting reschedule date
 - i) It was discussed to potentially change the date of the scheduled December meeting. It was decided to keep the scheduled meeting date and if no applications are submitted in time to review the meeting will be cancelled and regular meeting will resume in January 2025.