



*Hampton Township*  
**Cannabis Ordinance Amendment**  
**Public Hearing Meeting Minutes**  
**June 16, 2025**  
**7:30pm**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Jeremy Irrthum

**ATTENDANCE**

Jeremy Irrthum  
David Peine  
Matt Bester  
Casondra Schaffer  
Cody Tix

The purpose of the hearing is to consider, hear from the public, and act to make a recommendation in regards to the Cannabis Business Amendment.

The standard Public Hearing Process was followed:

1. Introduction: outline the rules, talk about what the rules are and follow that plan
2. Establish the ground rules: public will be limited to 5 minutes
3. Applicant presentation: applicant presents what they want to build
4. Public Testimony: anyone from public can voice their opinion
5. Rebuttal Testimony: applicant can counter any questions made by the public testimony
6. Closing

The meeting was attended by the planning commission members, township clerk, and an audience of two residents.

**INTRODUCTAION**

Jeremy Irrthum opened the meeting then outlined the meeting structure.

**ESTABLISH GROUND RULES:**

Jeremy Irrthum stated the Public testimony is limited to 5 minutes per person. He explained the Public Testimony portion of the meeting is for individuals to ask questions and state concerns. Questions will be addressed by the applicant during the Rebuttal Testimony.

**APPLICANT PRESENTATION**

Hampton Township served as the Applicant. Jeremy Irrthum read aloud the proposed amendment Section 631: Cannabis Businesses. He highlighted paragraph A, Purpose commenting that while there is no immediate demand for a Cannabis Business in Hampton Township, the Township is reluctantly following the State of Minnesota's requirements.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY:**

One resident expressed concerns about the smell of cannabis crops. The Planning Commission responded this is considered an agricultural product and would be allowed like any other crop. The planning commission acknowledged the concern but indicated this meeting was for Cannabis Businesses not cannabis crops.

Jim Sipe, an audience member and Township Supervisor, explained the circumstances behind this ordinance amendment and how it was designed to allow the minimum required by the State and allow for future State changes without additional amendments.

**REBUTTAL TESTIMONY**

Given the State of Minnesota's mandate and the Township's carefully crafted amendment there was no rebuttal by the applicant (Township). Jeremy Irrthum asked the Planning Commission if there was any questions or discussion regarding the proposed amendment. There was none.

**CLOSING BY PLANNING COMMISSION**

Casondra Schaffer made a motion to recommend that the Township Board accept this ordinance amendment as written. Matt Bester seconded. Motion carried.

Matt Bester made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm. Dave Peine seconded. Motion carried.  
Meeting was adjourned.

Date Signed: 06/17/2025

Chair:



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Clerk:



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