

**TOWNSHIP OF NELSON**  
**COUNTY OF KENT, MICHIGAN**

Minutes of a Special meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Nelson, Kent County, Michigan, held at the Township Hall on the 5 day of May, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., local time.

PRESENT: Members: Britton, Hoffman, Austin, DeJong and George.

ABSENT: Members: None.

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Austin and seconded by Member DeJong.

**RESOLUTION TO CALL SPECIAL TOWNSHIP ELECTION AND APPROVE  
BALLOT PROPOSAL FOR MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS**

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2019, the Township Board of the Township of Nelson adopted an ordinance to amend the Township zoning ordinance to prohibit in the Township any and all types of “marihuana establishments,” as defined and used in the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, Initiated Law 1 of 2018, (the “MRTMA”); and

WHEREAS, Section 6(1) of the MRTMA provides that citizens may petition to initiate an ordinance to provide for the number of marihuana establishments within the Township, and that the question of adopting such an ordinance shall be submitted to the electors of the Township at the next regular election if a petition is filed signed by five percent (5%) or more of the number of qualified electors of the Township voting in the last gubernatorial election; and

WHEREAS, a petition for “an ordinance to permit two Marihuana Grow Establishments and two Marihuana Processing Establishment [sic] within the Township” has been timely filed with the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township Clerk has verified that the petition contains the number of qualified signatures required by Section 6(1) of the MRTMA; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore the duty of the Township Board to submit the proposal to the electors of the Township on the next regular election date

IT IS, THEREFORE, RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The question whether to adopt an ordinance permitting two marihuana growers and two marihuana processors within the Township shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the Township at an election to be held Tuesday, August 3, 2021.

2. The ballot proposal to be submitted to the electors is hereby certified in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

3. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Kent County Clerk as soon as possible, but in no event later than 4:00 p.m. on May 11, 2021, and to take other steps which are necessary or useful in scheduling the election.

4. The last day of registration for the August 3, 2021 special election in any manner other than in person shall be Monday, July 19, 2021. Pursuant to Section 498(1) of the Michigan Election Law, the Township Clerk is available at the Township Hall located at 2 Maple Street, Sand Lake, Michigan 49343 to receive in-person applications for voter registration during her regular office hours.

5. The Township Clerk is hereby directed to provide for publication of notice of registration, which is hereby approved substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, with publication not later than July 5, 2021.

6. The Township Clerk is further directed to provide for publication of a notice of election, which is hereby approved substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, with publication not later than July 27, 2021.

7. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to follow all procedures required by the Michigan Election Law for this special election and may combine the notices required to be provided herein with any other notices required to be provided under State law with respect to the August 3, 2021 election or have any such required notices published by the County on behalf of the Township, provided that any combined notices include the text or a summary of the proposal as required by law.

8. The publication of the notice of last day of registration and notice of election shall be made in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township reaching the largest number of persons to whom said notices are addressed.

9. The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to file, within five days after the election, a certified copy of the official declaration of the election results with the County Treasurer.

10. All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith shall be and the same are hereby rescinded.

YEAS: Members: Britton Hoffman Austin DeJong George

NAYS: Members: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Laura Hoffman

Laura Hoffman, Clerk  
Township of Nelson

STATE OF MICHIGAN     )  
  ) ss.  
COUNTY OF KENT        )

I, Laura Hoffman, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township of Nelson, Kent County, Michigan (the "Township") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Board at the Special meeting thereof held on the 5 day of May, 2021, the original of which is on file in my office. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, including in the case of Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, including in the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by publication or posting at least eighteen (18) hours prior to the time set for the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my official signature this 5 day of May, 2021.

Laura Hoffman

Laura Hoffman, Clerk  
Township of Nelson