



PLANNING BOARD

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Don Roth Jr, Vice Chair
Heather Sullivan
Tom Witkowski
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Vacant Seat

Minutes of Planning Board Meeting 12 October 2022

Members Present: Paul Mattor, Chair; Don Roth Jr, Vice Chair; Gregg McPherson, Heather Sullivan, Seth Davis.

Absent: Tom Witkowski

Others Present: David McCubrey, Select Board; Martha Huff via zoom.

Call to Order: With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chair Paul Mattor at 7:00 PM.

Minutes: Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 24 August 2022 as presented. Motion carried 4-0-1. After discussion, an error was found in the minutes of the 24th. Motion was made and seconded to revisit the minutes of 24 August 2022. Motion carried 4-0-1. At the meeting on the 24th, under review of the minutes of the 10th, the secretary stated that the site visit was to Wild Acres Drive. However, the site visit on the 10th was to Poland Spring. Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 24 August 2022 as corrected. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the site visit to Wild Acres Drive on 24 August 2022. Mr. McPherson noted that he was present as a member of the public, not as a member of the Board. Motion carried 3-0-2 to approve the August 24 site visit minutes as corrected.

Correspondence: None.

Reports: Mr. McCubrey reminded everyone to vote on November 8. Absentee ballots will be available until October 27. He also encouraged everyone to attend a joint meeting between Buxton and Hollis regarding the decommissioning of the Bar Mills Dam, to be held in Buxton on Wednesday 26 October 2022 at 7:00 PM. He discussed LD290, stabilization of taxes for Maine residents over age 65.

New Business: New Maine laws concerning changes to regulation of marijuana. Some of these changes will affect the Hollis marijuana business ordinance. LD 1957 replaces the term "marijuana" with the term "cannabis." Cannabis is the scientific terminology. The Office of Marijuana Policy is now the Office of Cannabis Policy (OCP). The Hollis ordinance will now become "Cannabis Business Ordinance for the Town of Hollis, Maine." The term "marijuana" will be replaced with the term "cannabis" throughout the ordinance. The revised ordinance will have to be approved by Hollis voters

LD 1827 "An Act To Permit Curbside Pickup and Limited Delivery of Adult Use Marijuana." This would **not** permit a drive-through sales window. The State already allows delivery of **medical** marijuana. LD 1927 "An Act To Authorize Certain Off-premises Sales of Adult Use Marijuana." If approved by the Town, this would allow an authorized provider to sell adult use marijuana at a specific off-premises event within the Town of Hollis, under very specific guidelines.

Mary Hoffman has submitted a memo outlining how these changes might affect the Town. The Select Board has not yet voted on the proposed ordinance changes. Under "Performance Standards for Cannabis Business" she proposes to add the following items:

#5 *"In accordance with changes in State Statutes, Adult Cannabis Stores may operate curbside pickup and limited delivery services in accordance with State Statute LD 1827."*

#7 *"No Cannabis Business may be located or deliver within 1,000 (one thousand) feet of a private or public school."*

Under the section describing "Cannabis Stores" she proposes adding #5 *"A Cannabis Store may operate limited delivery service and curbside pickup in accordance with both State statutes and the content of this ordinance and have a written plan for the Town to review prior to implementation."*

Ms. Sullivan made a motion to schedule a public hearing regarding the proposed changes to the Hollis Cannabis Ordinance. The motion was seconded and discussed. The motion carried 4-0-1. The public hearing will be scheduled for the next Planning Board meeting. Motion was made and seconded to include discussion of both LD 1827 and LD 1927 in the public hearing. Motion carried 4-0-1.

Public Comment: None

Long Range Planning: None

Plan for Next Meeting: Wednesday 26 October 2022

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM.

Minutes submitted by Martha Turner, Secretary

Approved by Planning Board 9 November 2022