Minutes for Regular Meeting of the Planning Board

Date: February 3, 2021

Called to order @ 7:08pm via google meet.

Present: Planning Board: Brian Hawthorne, Robert Silberberg, Peter Lapointe,

Judy Cole, Jerry Little

Attendee: Matt Shippee

1) Approved Minutes of December 16, 2020

- 2) Brian read abbreviated minutes of 01/06/2021 meeting approved with one abstention (Lapointe).
- 3) Due to posting requirements, the January 20, 2021 was cancelled,
- 4) Correspondence:
 - a. Rec'd Public Hearing Notice from Town of Ashfield for Special Permit.
 - b. Rec'd from 27 Broom LLC: Electronic copies drawings submitted for the special permit; copies of odor control monitoring log sheets showing no messages or comments left on their phone line; and, follow up correspondence send to the Fire Department.
 - c. Rec'd an email forwarded to all boards from K.P Law regarding the sunset of amended deadlines for action due to the pandemic.
- 5) Brian is still working on budget for the finance committee. Peter needs to follow up with PVPC about Technical Assistance.
- 6) 27 Broom LLC: Matt Shippee has sent correspondence to Brian requesting copies of meeting minutes and records of any correspondence. He has concerns about the official start of construction and weather related delays. He has concerns about the odor and whether there is compliance with the provisions of the special permit and for the work that was permitted for the barn.

Since a permit and certificate of occupancy was issued for the barn renovation and the harvest and outdoor grow is complete, there is no action we can take as SPGA. The board cannot act on claims of non-compliance without receiving a formal complaints. Multiple members of the board visited the outdoor grow because of concerns raised by Mr. Shippee. No detectable odor was discerned during those visits. We will take these concerns into consideration. Since the outdoor grow was a one year permit, we will have a public hearing, receive comments and provide oversight when/if 27 Broom requests permission to grow outside.

- 7) Joint meeting of Town Boards: The discussion was helpful and there will be future meetings. The board needs a representative to serve on a Master Planning Committee. Some members have concern about being new to town and being able to represent the history of the town. Kimberly Longey interjected that she was a new resident 22 years ago, became involved in the town as a new arrival and encouraged everyone to participate.
- 8) Zoning Changes: Made a motion to accept and transmit the proposed changes to the Select Board. Next step will be public info meeting and then public hearing. Peter suggested since changes were minor that the information meeting might not be necessary. Once the Select Board votes to send us the changes, we can establish the date for the public hearing. We will have a short meeting on the 2/10 to vote on the meeting date.
- 9) Correspondence: Brian has received a copy of a Zoning Determination Form from Roberta and Jamie Wooldridge at 1 Pleasant Street for a site plan review. Building Inspector has not responded. Will need to establish the time line for public hearing once the determination form is processed.
- 10) Brian asked for help preparing the Annual Report. Judy will look through the minutes and make a first pass.
- 11) Meeting Adjourned 8:48 pm
- 12) Next meeting 2/10 @ 7pm.

Adjourned at 7:34

Next meeting (via Google Meet) February 16.