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Minutes
January 22, 2019

Meeting Posted: Yes
Place: Ritter Memorial Building, 960 Massachusetts Avenue, Lunenburg, MA
Time: 6:37 PM

Present: Matthew Allison, David Prokowiew, Kenneth Chenis, Paula Bertram, Adam R. Burney
Absent: Tanner Cole

RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA: Draft Bylaw- A. Burney had an opportunity to speak with some members of the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) at this past week's MMA Annual Meeting. He asked for their input concerning individuals coming into a co-op after it has been licensed. Feedback to him was that it would require a change of license being filed with the CCC. K. Chenis inquired if the size of a cultivation changes, does that also require a new license. There was discussion of holding the hearing for the warrant article at the Board's 02/25/19 meeting.

The Board reviewed Draft 1. Definitions will be added into the text. A. Burney noted that retail shops for Marijuana Accessories, e.g., rolling papers, are not included in the Bylaw as they are not governed by the Town. Craft marijuana co-ops shall require individual permits for each location. P. Bertram wanted more detailed Submittal Requirements. The Operation and Management Plan will be edited to include waste requirements. There was discussion surrounding odor and limiting odor distance from building. Lengthy discussion ensued upon P. Bertram's voicing her concern with the extensive amount of area that would be unavailable if no marijuana establishment can be located within 500 feet of public/private schools for K through 12, daycare providers, municipal recreation facilities and houses of worship and funeral homes. Board consensus was to define municipal recreation facilities as active recreation facilities and no distance restriction for conservation. Family childcare providers – 250 feet, childcare facilities licensed by the Commonwealth – 500 feet, and houses of worship and funeral homes – 250 feet. K. Chenis questioned why only ½ of the plants could be flowering. A. Burney responded it is due to the pungent odor from the flowers. Consensus was to delete 4.15.G, 4.15.H and 4.15.I as that information is already covered in the M.G.L. and CCC regulations. There was discussion on whether the setback should be 500 or 250 feet from a marijuana retail structure to a residential structure or zoning district.

Based on this evening's workshop, A. Burney will update the draft Bylaw and discussion will continue at the Board's January 28th meeting.

MRPC: DLTA Population Study- D. Prokowiew made Motion to table to 01/28/19, P. Bertram Seconded, all aye.

MASTER PLAN: Capital Planning Article- D. Prokowiew made Motion to table to 01/28/19, P. Bertram Seconded, all aye.

D. Prokowiew made Motion to adjourn, P. Bertram Seconded, all aye.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:30 PM

Documents used at meeting:
Draft 1 – Non-Medical Marijuana