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Planning & Zoning Commission

PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES Tuesday, October 7, 2014

7:05 PM Main Meeting Room Oxford Town Hall

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Carver called the Public Hearing to order at 7:05 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Ed Rowland, John Kerwin, Pete Zbras, Harold Cosgrove, Arnie Jensen, Jeff Luff, Tanya Carver and Pat Cocchiarella.

Also Present: Town Planner Brian Miller and Jessica Pennell, Administrative Secretary.

Absent: Todd Romagna and Glen Persson.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Oxford Planning & Zoning Commission Proposed Regulation Amendments:

Moratorium on the application and approval for any facilities for the sale, distribution or production of "medical marijuana" as defined by Connecticut General Statutes, for a period commencing on the date of the publication of the approval of this amendment until April 1, 2015, or such date when the Commission adopts zoning regulations for the sale, distribution and production of medical marijuana, whichever is first. The purpose of this moratorium is to enable the Commission to study and evaluate the issue, including the recently adopted state laws and regulations, and the potential land use impacts upon various sectors of the community.

Chairman Carver outlined the Public Hearing Procedures.

Commission Secretary Cocchiarella read the Legal Notice.

Commissioner Cosgrove called for a Point of Order and asked that the Commission and the Public have a chance to comment at this time.

<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> - None

<u>APPLICANT PRESENTATION</u> - None

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION

Alternate John Kerwin questioned if there is any precedence for the Commission to have a moratorium at this time, and what type of analysis and study will be done.

Chairman Carver stated that at one of the last seminars that they attended, it was stated that Commission's should have a set amount of time to review this item and come up with Zoning Regulations for their town.

Alternate John Kerwin stated that he is referring to the legal aspect of having a moratorium.

Chairman Carver stated that the Commission has had moratoriums on other items. She stated that they would commit a subcommittee.

Commissioner Jensen questioned if the Commission has done any review or research to date.

Chairman Carver stated that there has not been any review done to date.

Brian Miller, Town Planner stated that the Commission has until April 15, 2015.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

CONTINUE/CLOSE

MOTION BY Vice Chairman Luff to *CLOSE* the Public Hearing. Second by Alternate Ed Rowland. VOTE: All Ayes.

Respectfully submitted, MAANU Jessica Pennell

Administrative Secretary Planning & Zoning Commission

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