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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Selectboard Meeting Order of Agenda for Monday November 9, 2020, at 6:00 PM, Via Zoom

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Webinar ID: 816 7256 2245 Passcode: 449955 Dial-in, audio-only: (929) 205 6099

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Great Barrington Selectboard will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on town's website, at www.townofgb.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so by following the instructions at the top of the agenda. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

*****ALL VOTES ARE ROLL CALL*****

- 1. CALL TO ORDER-6:00 PM OPEN MEETING
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - a. May 18, 2020
 - b. June 8, 2020
- 3. SELECTBOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS
- 4. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT
 - a. HWW Updates- corrosion control/request for update from DEP
 - b. Traffic Lights-Request for update on off-hour signal flashing
 - c. COVID Sidewalk Stencils-Update
 - d. Virtual Coffee w/TM update- Regular Schedule
- 5. LICENSES OR PERMITS
 - a. Elise Abrams for a driveway permit for 548 Egremont Road (Discussion/Vote)
- 6. NEW BUISNESS
 - a. Chapter 61A Right of First Refusal (Discussion/Vote) To Waive/Transfer/Exercise Right of First Refusal of Abigail Haupt, LLC, property on Hurlburt and Alford Roads, comprising 44 acres, identified as Assessor's Map 31, Parcels 10 and 11, and portions of Tax Assessor's Map 31, Parcels 12 and 13, also identified as Lot 1 on Plat File DF-15.
 - i. Explanation of Project
 - ii. Recommendations from Other Boards
 - iii. Motion to Waive / Transfer / Exercise Right of First Refusal

Agricultural Preservation Restriction (Discussion/Vote):
 Acknowledgement of notice from Mass. Department of Agricultural Resources of the Commonwealth's proposed purchase of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction at 180-190 North Plain Road, from North Plain Farm, LLC, and Selectboard vote to reduce the notification period from 120 days to 60 days.

7. OLD BUISNESS

a. Zoom Meeting Format Cont'd (Discussion/Vote)

8. PUBLIC HEARING

- a. Special Permit application from Berkshire Aviation Enterprises, Inc., for a an aviation field in an R4 zone at 70 Egremont Plain Road, Great Barrington, per Sections 3.1.4 E(1) and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw. (Continued from August 10, August 24, September 14, September 21, October 5, 2020, and October 26, 2020) (Discussion/Vote)
 - i. Selectboard Deliberation
 - ii. Motion re: Findings
 - iii. Motion re: Approval/Denial/Table
- b. Special Permit application from Coastal Cultivars, LLC, 399 Boylston Street, 6th Floor, Boston, to locate a retail marijuana establishment at 454 Main Street, Great Barrington, closer than 200 feet to the property of a private school. The special permit application is filed per Sections 7.18.34.3 and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw
 - i. Open Public Hearing
 - ii. Explanation of Project
 - iii. Speak in Favor/Opposition
 - iv. Motion to Close or Continue Public Hearing
 - v. Motion re: Findings
 - vi. Motion re: Approval/Denial/Table
- 9. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME Citizen Speak Time is an opportunity for the Selectboard to listen to residents. Topics of particular concern or importance may be placed on a future agenda for discussion. This time is reserved for town residents only unless otherwise permitted by the chair, and speakers are limited to 3 minutes each.
- 10. SELECTBOARD'S TIME
- 11. MEDIA TIME
- 12. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT SELECTBOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting November 23, 2020 Special Meeting November 18, 2020 Regular Meeting December 9, 2020 Regular Meeting December 21, 2020

/s/ Mark Pruhenski

Mark Pruhenski, Town Manager

Pursuant to MGL. 7c. 30A sec. 20 (f), after notifying the chair of the public body, any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting of a public body, or may transmit the meeting through any medium. At the beginning of the meeting, the chair shall inform other attendees of any such recordings. Any member of the public wishing to speak at the meeting must receive permission of the chair. The listings of agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Town of Great Barrington

Fee \$50.00

Selectboard

Application for Acce	ss to a Public Way	/ Driveway Permit
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INSTRUCTIONS

RETURN FIVE (5) COPIES OF THIS FORM AND ALL ACCOMPANYING PLANS, ALONG WITH THE \$50.00 FEE to the Department of Public Works office in Town Hall, 2nd Floor, 334 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA 01230. Plans must show the location of the driveway on the property and must also indicate all details needed in order to determine that driveway regulations are met, including paving material, width, grade, drainage, culverts, angle to street, etc. See Chapter 153 of the Town Code for driveway regulations.

Application Date 9 24 2	.020		
Name of Applicant / Property Owner	Elise R. Abi	rams	
Mailing address 548 Eg	remont RJ	9+ Barringt	on, MA 01230
Phone number (413) 5	28-2027	0	
Location of proposed driveway / highway	rentrance 542 Eg	remont RJ	
Contractor who will perform the work	JR WUR	inson	
Address & phone number of contractor	622 Boar	Iman St. Sh	reffield NAOIDS
Proposed construction date \(\sum_{\text{\chi}} \)	ovember 15	2020	1. 1
Type of driveway (gravel, asphalt, etc.)	gravel		
	Print Form Submit five (5) copies of complete		
Applicant hereby agrees to notify the Gree hours before construction is begun. Appli regulations governing access to public wa Code for regulations and design requirem	cant further agrees to conform to lys and to all conditions that may lents. Applicant's Signature:	all requirements of the Town be placed on this permit. See	n of Great Barrington Chapter 153 of the Town
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(signature)	(title)	/And	

NEW CURB CUT - ELISE ABRAMS FROM RTE 71 TO EXISTING BUILDING

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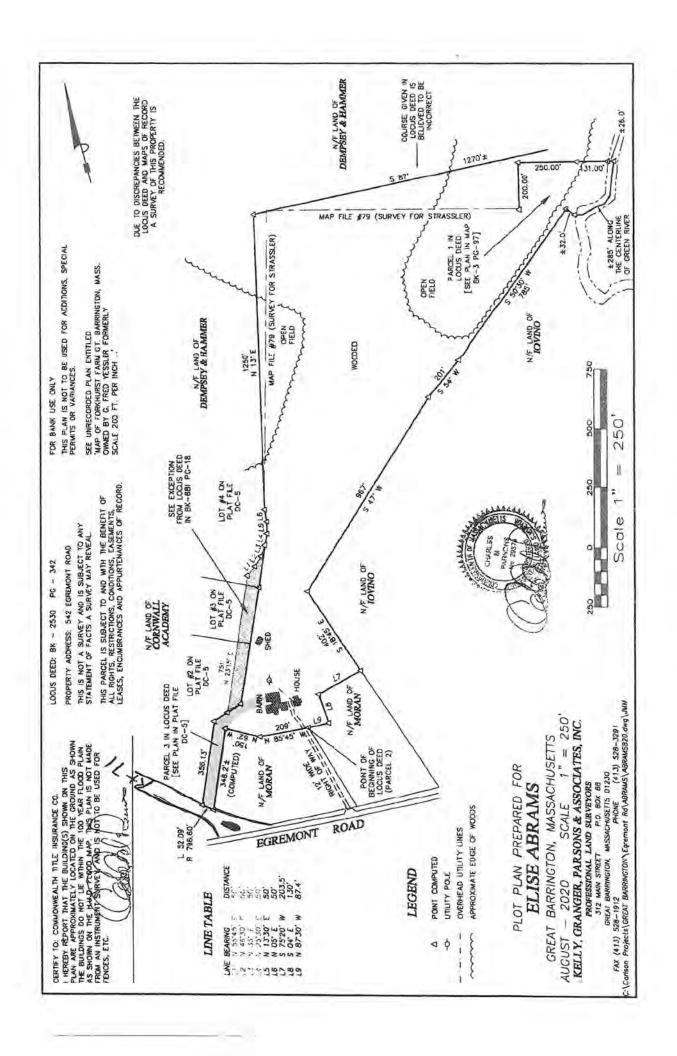
EGREMONT PO (PTE 23)

* PLOT PLAN OFT (ACHED)

JR WILKINSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC 622 Boardman St. Sheffield, MA 01257

Sheffield, MA 01257 413-394-023/2 Joe/cour

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John Malumphy Highway-Facilities Superintendent

E-mail:jmalumphy@townofgb.org www.townofgb.org



20 East Street Great Barrington, MA 01230

Telephone: (413) 528-2500 Fax: (413) 528-2290

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Public Works Highway Division

Conditions on Application for Access to Public Way

Applicant

Elise R Abrams

Location:

548 Egremont rd

From:

John Malumphy Highway Superintendent/Sean VanDeusen, Public Works

Director

Date: October 29, 2020

- 1. The applicant shall construct the proposed access to conform to the following applicable criteria listed under **Section 153-14**, **Design requirements** of the Town of Great Barrington Code::
 - B. <u>Driveway location</u> as shown on the attached plan is acceptable, with regards to alignments with the way, profile, sight distance conditions and not located at the extreme edge of the property.
 - C. <u>No more than two</u> (2) driveways shall normally be allowed for any property, unless there is a clear necessity for more.
 - D. Driveways shall not normally be approved <u>at intersections</u>, because of potential safety hazards.
 - E. <u>Culverts</u> taking the place of roadside ditches shall have a diameter of not less than 15" (*A culvert is not required at this location*)
 - F. <u>Entrance elevation</u> at the point of entry into the public right-of-way shall be no more than the elevation of the shoulder of the road.
 - G. Driveways should be so constructed that water from the driveway shall not drain onto the crown of the road.
 - H. In no instance shall the edge of the driveway entering onto the road conflict with the flow of surface water runoff.

- I. <u>Driveway width</u>. Any curb at the entrance shall be rounded off with a radius of three (3) feet.
- J. <u>Pitch of driveway</u> shall be downward from the edge of the road to sideline of the town right-of-way or front property line.
- K. Driveways should be located to the best advantage with respect to the alignment with the way, profile and sight distance conditions. In no instance shall a driveway intersect the way at less than a sixty degree angle. Unless there is no alternative, a driveway should not be located within a required side yard.
- L. No permit shall be issued for any driveway to a structure or proposed structure on a grade in excess of ten percent (10%) above the road or street level until and unless the applicant submits plans to the Highway Superintendent showing that the driveway will be constructed in a such a way so as not to discharge water, stones or other materials onto any public street, road or highway.
- 2. Install a paved driveway apron in accordance with the following requirements:
 - A. Apron dimensions: Width = 22-feet maximum along the roadway which includes a 3-foot radius curb on each side. Length = 5-feet minimum from edge of roadway.
 - B. Place 3-inches of bituminous concrete on 12-inches of compacted gravel.
 - C. Place asphalt tack coat along the edge of the road where the apron meets the edge of the existing pavement.

The applicant agrees to notify the Highway Superintendent (528-2500) at least 48 hours prior to the installation of the paved apron.

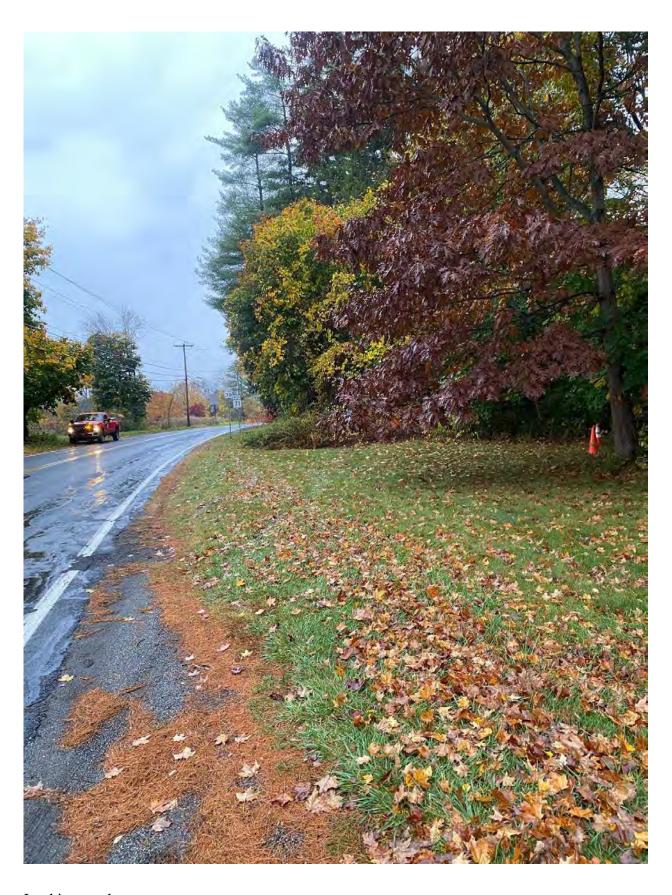
- 3. Should there be, after completion of the driveway, discharges of water, stones, or silt onto the public way or onto property of any abutters or neighbors, the property owner shall take whatever steps are necessary to eliminate such discharges.
- 4. The applicant shall maintain the proposed access to conform to the following applicable condition listed under **Section 153-17**, **Continuing responsibility of owners**, of the Town of Great Barrington Code:

Abutting property owners shall be responsible for keeping culverts under their driveways cleared and for maintaining driveways in condition conforming to the requirements of the permit.

Note I suggest a hidden driveway sign be installed by the appropriate party and visible approaching from the east.



Looking southeast



Looking northwest.

Jackie Dawson

From: Chris Rembold

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 9:03 AM

To: Charles Burger; Jackie Dawson; John Malumphy; Great Barrington Conservation

Commission

Subject: RE: Driveway Permit Application for 542 Egremont Road

That makes sense, thanks Charlie.



Christopher Rembold, AICP

Assistant Town Manager Director of Planning and Community Development 413-528-1619 ext. 108 crembold@townofgb.org

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The Secretary of State's office has determined that most e-mails to and from municipal offices and officials are public records. Consequently, confidentiality should not be expected.

From: Charles Burger <cburger@Townofgb.org> Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2020 9:01 AM

To: Chris Rembold Chris R

<JMalumphy@Townofgb.org>; Great Barrington Conservation Commission <conservation@townofgb.org>

Subject: RE: Driveway Permit Application for 542 Egremont Road

I likely have no issues. It is a level area. The full driveway is not shown but unlikely to be a problem. Chris – I believe the curb cut is 30' but reduces down to a 12' driveway. That is helpful for us making the turn.



Charles Burger

Fire Chief 413-528-0788 ex 101 cburger@townofgb.org

Town of Great Barrington Fire Department 37 State Road Great Barrington MA 01230



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From: Chris Rembold <crembold@Townofgb.org>

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 7:32 PM

To: Jackie Dawson < idawson@Townofgb.org>; Charles Burger < cburger@Townofgb.org>; John Malumphy < IMalumphy@Townofgb.org>; Great Barrington Conservation Commission < conservation@townofgb.org> Subject: RE: Driveway Permit Application for 542 Egremont Road

Just two comments.

- (1) The driveway as proposed is far too wide. The bylaw allows for only 16 feet maximum width.
- (2) The sight distance seems good, but I suggest a "hidden driveway" warning sign be placed by the appropriate party in an appropriate location, so it is visible as one approaches from the east, driving westbound.

Other than that I see no issues.

Chris



Christopher Rembold, AICP Assistant Town Manager

Director of Planning and Community Development 413-528-1619 ext, 108 crembold@townofqb.org

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From: Jackie Dawson < idawson@Townofgb.org>

Sent: Monday, October 26, 2020 2:33 PM

To: Chris Rembold crembold@Townofgb.org; Charles Burger cburger@Townofgb.org; John Malumphy <a href="mailto:slight:sligh

Subject: Driveway Permit Application for 542 Egremont Road

Please see the attached documents for a driveway permit application. Comments are needed by Noon on Wednesday November 4, 2020.

Thank You!

Jackie

Jackie Dawson

From:

Great Barrington Conservation Commission

Sent:

Monday, October 26, 2020 3:25 PM

To:

Jackie Dawson

Subject:

RE: Driveway Permit Application for 542 Egremont Road

Jackie

No Conservation issues.

-Shep



Shepley W. Evans

Conservation Agent Animal Control Officer 413-528-1619 ex 122 conservation@townofgb.org

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Thank You!

Jackie

IRA J. KAPLAN ATTORNEY AT LAW

THE MAHAIWE BUILDING 314 MAIN STREET, SUITE 9 GREAT BARRINGTON, MA 01230

OFFICE: 413-528-1211 MOBILE: 413-358-3214 IJKLAW@GMAIL.COM

October 8, 2020

Selectboard Town of Great Barrington 334 Main St. Great Barrington, MA 01230

> RE: Proposed Transfer of Land Subject to MGL c. 61A Hurlburt and Alford Roads

Dear Selectboard:

I represent Abigail Haupt LLC concerning the proposed sale of a portion of its property located adjacent to Hurlburt and Alford Roads in Great Barrington subject to MGL c. 61A. The proposed sale to the John D. Gidwitz Revocable Trust, constitutes essentially all of Tax Assessor's Map 31, Parcels 10 and 11, and portions of Tax Assessor's Map 31, Parcels 12 and 13, containing a total of approximately 44 acres, shown as Lot 1 on a plan recorded at Plat File DF-15 in the South Berkshire Registry of Deeds, a reduced-scale copy of which is attached as "Exhibit A." You may recall that Lot 2 was recently conveyed after the Town waived its Right of First Refusal for Lot 2 on May 13, 2020.

I am informed by Buyer's counsel that Buyer intends a change of tax status to allow residential use on approximately five acres that will be removed from Chapter 61A. Attached as "Exhibit B" is a Purchase and Sale Agreement dated August 24, 2020 with a purchase price of Five Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$540,000.00.) Attached as "Exhibit C" is a waiver for the Selectboard to execute if, and when, the town waives its right of first refusal.

Please contact me with any questions.

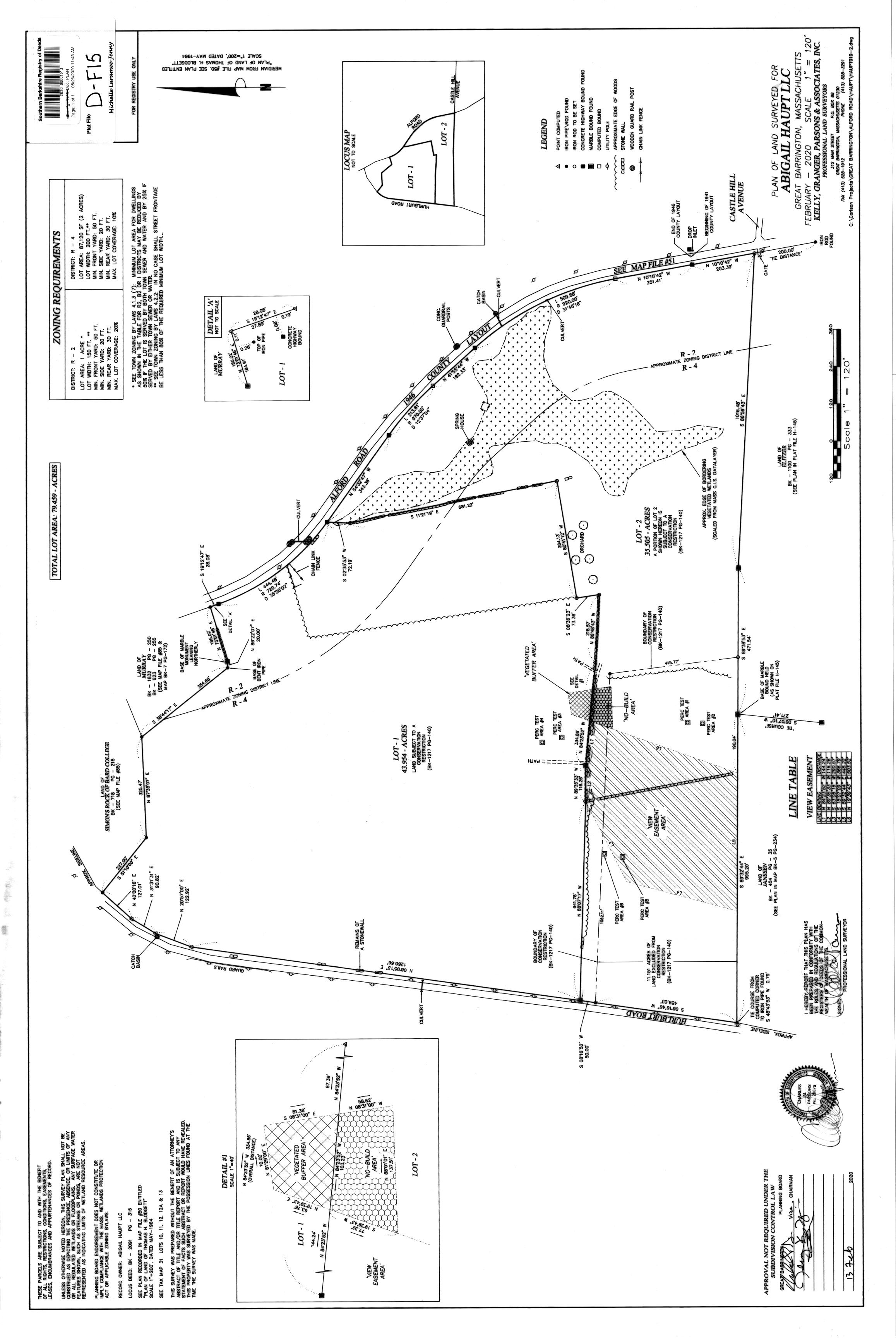
Very truly yours,

Ara J Kaplan

Enc.

cc: Great Barrington Planning Board Great Barrington Board of Assessors Great Barrington Conservation Commission Mass. State Forester Tom Ryan Lori Robbins, Esq.







STANDARD BERKSHIRE COUNTY MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE **PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT - LAND**

•	1	PARTIES:		SELLER(S)			BUYER(S)		
			Name(s)	Abigail D. Haupt	(ADH)		JOHN D GIDWIT	Z REVOCA	BLE TRUST
			A al al	Abraart	lan of	116			
			Address	Froigalit	impt 1	<u>lu</u>	110 E. 87TH ST		
							NY, NY 10128		
•	2. BU	DESCRIPT YER agrees	ION: Sub	pject to the terms ar	nd conditions	hereinafter	set forth, the SELI	ER agrees	to sell and the
	as	more particu	ularly desc	ELLER'S real Parcel locribed in a deed date y of Deeds in BookAssessor's Ma	ed	and reco	orded in the	SOUT	H
	Bei	rkshire Coun	ty Registr	y of Deeds in Book		. Page		, or Land C	ourt Certificate
	#_			Assessor's Ma	ар #			Section#	
	Lot	#		(the "Parcel").					
•	3.	PURCHAS	E PRICE:	For the Parcel, BUY	ER shall pay	the "Purcha	ase Price" sum of	\$	540,000.00
	of v	vhich an initi	al deposit	has been paid this c	day in the amo	ount of		\$	5,400,00
	and	l within <u>32</u>	_ days of S	SELLER'S signed acc	eptance an ac	lditional dep	osit in the amount of	\$	20,400.00
	Will	be paid, res	ulting in a	ı balance to be paid i	n the amount	of		\$	514,200.00
	in c	ash, wired fo	unds, or b	y certified / bank che	eck at the Clos	sing.			
		3.1 Escrow	: All depos	sits are to be held by	the Listing Br	oker	LANCE VERM	EULEN RE I	NC.
		("Escrow A	gent") in a	non-interest bearing	escrow acco	unt, unless	otherwise specified	herein.	
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		5.4 Insurance	ce Conting	gency Date:	•••••	***************************************		10/	01/2020
		5.5 Inspecti	on Contin	gency Date:				09/	21/2020
		5.6 Sewage	r / vvater ii	nspection Date: (if ap	oplicable)		***************************************		N/A
	6.	MORTGAG	E / INSU	RANCE CONTINGE	NCY: The E	Buyer's obli	gations under this	Agreement (are contingent
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such test be unsatisfactory to BUYER, BUYER may cancel this Agreement by written notice received by the Listing Broker or Seller's Attorney no later than 5:00 p.m. on the Inspection Contingency Date, whereupon all obligations of the parties shall cease and BUYER'S deposits shall be promptly returned in full. BUYER'S failure to give such notice shall be a waiver of BUYER'S right to cancel under this Paragraph. The BUYER and Buyer's consultants shall have the right of access to the Parcel for the purpose of conducting an inspection, at reasonable times, upon twenty-four (24) hours advance notice to the Seller's Agent. In consideration of BUYER'S right to inspect and terminate, Buyer acknowledges that by accepting the deed BUYER accepts the condition of the Parcel and releases the Seller, Seller's Agents and Buyer's Agents (which include the Selling and Listing Brokers), from any and all liability relating to any defects in the Parcel without limitation.

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•	8. SEWAGE DISPOSAL: The SELLER represents that the Parcel is currently served by a municipal sewer system on the Parcel may be available in the street may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system service to the property shall be borne by the buyer, unless otherwise negotiated. If the premise is not served by a municipal sewer system the sale may be available in the sale may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available in the street may be available in the premise is not served by a municipal sewer system the sale may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available in the street may be available in the street may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available in the street may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system may be available in the street may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring sewer system several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges connected to bring several may be available. Any municipal fees or charges or ch
	9. WATER: SELLER represents that the Parcel is currently served by a municipal water system on the Parcel may be available in the street X not available. If the Parcel is served by a municipal water system, SELLER represents that the Parcel is served by a well / a private water company / no well on Parcel / as outlined in paragraph 30 'Special Conditions'. If a well is present, SELLER represents that it is not located entirely within the boundaries of the Parcel and does not contain defects known to SELLER. Any fees or charges connected to bring water service to the property shall be borne by the buyer, unless otherwise negotiated.
-	10. <u>POSSESSION</u> : Full possession shall be delivered at the Closing Date. The Parcel shall be free of encroachments burdening the Parcel and of improvements that encroach on adjoining Parcel, including but not limited to buildings, septic systems, well and driveway, and has sufficient legal access to a public way.
•	11. <u>SURVEY</u> : SELLER represents that <u>new/x no new</u> boundaries are being created by the sale of the Parcel. If boundaries are being created, SELLER shall deliver to BUYER at the Closing a survey of the Parcel, in recordable form. The SELLER shall pay for the preparation and recording of the survey, unless otherwise provided herein.
	12. ADJUSTMENTS: Current real estate taxes, water rates, and sewer use charges are to be apportioned as of the Closing Date. If the real estate tax rate is not set as of the Closing Date, the apportionment of real estate taxes shall be made on the basis of the tax assessed for the most recent preceding year, with a readjustment at the request of either party, when the amount of the current year's tax rate is set. If the amount of the tax is reduced by abatement, the rebate, less the reasonable cost of obtaining it, shall be apportioned between the parties. SELLER or SELLER's attorney shall transmit to Buyer's Attorney, at least ten (10) days prior to the closing date, all mortgage and lien payoffs, municipal apportionments, state conveyance tax, and any other expenses required to be disclosed on the Closing Disclosure. Failure to transmit the expenses defined herein shall constitute SELLER's acceptance of Buyer's Attorney's calculations, performed using all reasonable and obtainable information. Such calculation shall be final and binding upon the parties.
	13. <u>BETTERMENT ASSESSMENTS</u> : SELLER represents that the Parcel <u>is / X is not</u> subject to a betterment assessment. If the Parcel is subject to a betterment assessment, <u>SELLER agrees to pay the total outstanding betterment assessment at the closing / BUYER agrees to purchase the Parcel subject to, and assumes the payment of the betterment assessment.</u>
•	14. <u>TITLE</u> : The Parcel shall be conveyed by a good and sufficient quitclaim deed unless otherwise specified herein (accompanied by a Certificate of Title, if registered), conveying a good, clear record, marketable and insurable title, free of all encumbrances and exceptions, except:





- a) Real Estate Taxes assessed or to be assessed on the Parcel to the extent that such taxes then are not yet
- b) Federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, by-laws, and rules regulating the use of land, particularly environmental, building, zoning, and health, if any, applicable as of the date of this Agreement, provided that as of the Closing Date, the Parcel may be used as of right for single family residential use or, the Parcel may be used as of right for
- Utility easements in the adjoining ways.
- 15. USE OF PROCEEDS TO CLEAR TITLE: To enable SELLER to make conveyance as herein provided, the SELLER may at the time of delivery of the deed, use the purchase money or any portion thereof to clear the title of any or all encumbrances or interests. Upon request, SELLER shall promptly provide BUYER's Attorney with written payoff instructions from all of SELLER's mortgagees. Said payoff instruction shall be in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 183, Section 1, et seq. At closing, BUYER's Attorney shall transmit all of SELLER's payoffs to said mortgagees, and BUYER's Attorney shall be responsible to promptly secure and record the discharges of said mortgages. BUYER's attorney shall be compensated by the SELLER the customary fee associated with securing the discharge or discharges. SELLER shall pay the cost of discharge(s), and SELLER shall reimburse BUYER's Attorney the cost (if any) of overnight mail charges.
- 16. EXTENSION: If, after a reasonable and diligent effort, SELLER is unable to deliver possession as defined in paragraph 14 or convey title of the Parcel as required hereunder, upon notice by either party, prior to the Closing Date, this Agreement shall be automatically extended for 30 days (or if Buyer's mortgage commitment sooner expires to a date one business day before the expiration of such commitment). Seller shall remove all mortgages, attachments and other encumbrances incurred or assumed by SELLER which secure the payment of money, provided the total amount thereof does not exceed the Purchase Price, and SELLER shall use reasonable and diligent efforts to remove other defects in title, or to deliver possession as provided herein, or to make the Parcel conform to the provisions hereof. At the end of the extended period, if all such defects have not been removed, or the SELLER is unable to deliver possession, or the Parcel does not conform with the requirements of this Agreement, BUYER may elect to terminate this Agreement and to receive back all deposits, upon receipt of which all obligations of the parties hereto shall cease.
- 17. STANDARDS: Any title matter or practice arising under or relating to this Agreement which is the subject of a Title Standard or a Practice Standard of The Real Estate Bar Association for Massachusetts shall be governed by said Standard to the extent applicable.
- 18. NOMINEE: BUYER may require the conveyance to be made to another person, persons, or entity ("Nominee"), upon notification in writing delivered to SELLER at least five days prior to the Date of Closing. The appointment of a Nominee shall not relieve BUYER of any obligation hereunder. Any note or mortgage or other document to be delivered from BUYER to SELLER shall be executed by or unconditionally guaranteed by BUYER, unless otherwise specified herein.
- 19. **CLOSING**: Simultaneously with the delivery of the deed, SELLER shall execute and deliver:
 - A bill of sale for all personal property included as part of the sale, if requested by the BUYER.
 - b) An affidavit, satisfying the requirements of Section 1445 of the Internal Revenue Code and regulation issued thereunder, which states, under penalty of perjury, the SELLER's United States taxpayer identification number, that the SELLER is not a foreign person, and the SELLER's address (the "1445 Affidavit");
 - c) Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or Form W-9, as applicable, with SELLER's tax identification number, and an affidavit furnishing the information required for the filing of Form 1099S with the Internal Revenue Service and stating SELLER is not subject to back-up withholding.
- 20. ACCEPTANCE OF DEED: Acceptance of the deed by BUYER shall be a full performance and shall discharge every agreement and obligation herein except any agreements which by their terms are to be performed after the Closing. THE BUYER FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE BUYER IS PURCHASING THE PARCEL 'AS IS' and BUYER has not relied upon any statements or representations, oral or written, regarding the condition or value, present or future, of the Parcel made either by the SELLER or the Seller's Agents, which are not otherwise contained in this Agreement and that the Seller's Agents are acting exclusively upon behalf of the SELLER. All oral or written representations between the parties are merged herein. BUYER further acknowledges it is the BUYER'S responsibility prior to closing to obtain any and all governmental permits for any intended use of the Parcel including,



SELLER(S) Initials ADH





but not limited to, health or environmental department, planning or zoning board approvals. SELLER and SELLER'S representative(s) make no representations as to the adequacy of the Parcel being conveyed for BUYER'S intended purposes, disclosed or undisclosed.

- ▶ 21. UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS: The parties acknowledge that the Massachusetts Board of Fire Prevention has issued regulations governing the maintenance, repair, and removal of underground storage tanks to prevent and detect leakage of tank contents into surrounding soil and water supplies. The SELLER hereby discloses that to the best of Seller's knowledge, there __are / X are not underground __oil / __propane storage tank(s) at the Parcel. If there are one or more underground tanks at the Parcel, the SELLER further discloses that the tanks __have / __have not been used within the past six (6) months exclusively for the storage of fuel oil and to the best of the SELLER'S knowledge there has been no release or leakage of oil from such tank(s). If the Parcel is not in compliance with 527 CMR 9.00 et.seq. and BUYER does not cancel this Agreement, pursuant to paragraph 7, BUYER shall be obligated to purchase the Parcel and shall be deemed to have assumed the obligation to bring the Parcel into compliance with 527 CMR 9.00 et. seq.
 - **22.** <u>MERGER</u>: The parties agree that this Agreement contains all of the terms and conditions of this transaction. It is mutually agreed that any oral or prior written representation made by either party prior to the execution of this Agreement is null and void. This Agreement shall be construed as a legal contract under seal and is binding upon the parties, and their respective heirs, successors, and assigns.
 - 23. <u>SURVIVAL</u>: Notwithstanding any presumptions to the contrary, all covenants, conditions, and representations contained in this Agreement, which by their nature, implicitly or explicitly, involve performance in any particular manner after the Closing and delivery of the deed, or which cannot be ascertained to have been fully performed until after the Closing and delivery of the deed, shall survive the Closing.
 - **24.** <u>TERMINATION</u>: In the event the BUYER terminates this Contract in accordance with the provisions herein relating to "Mortgage / Insurance Contingency," "Inspection Contingency," "Sewage/Water Inspection", default by SELLER, or the failure of any contingency shown under special conditions, the Escrow Agent shall forthwith refund such deposit money together with accrued interest thereon (if applicable) to the BUYER.
- - 26. RELEASE OF DEPOSITS: The deposits (which term shall include all interest earned, if any) made hereunder shall be held in escrow, subject to the terms of this Agreement and shall be duly accounted for at the time for performance of this Agreement. The deposits may not be released from escrow without the assent of both BUYER and SELLER. The recording of the deed to the Parcel shall constitute such assent. In the event of any disagreement, the Escrow Agent shall retain the deposits pending written instructions by both the SELLER and BUYER, or by a court of competent jurisdiction. So long as Escrow Agent served in good faith, BUYER and SELLER each agrees to hold harmless Escrow Agent from damages, losses, or expenses, arising out of this Agreement or any action or failure to act, including reasonable attorney's fees, related thereto. BUYER and SELLER acknowledge that the Escrow Agent may be counsel or fiduciary to one of the parties and agree that Escrow Agent may continue to act as such counsel or fiduciary notwithstanding any dispute or litigation arising with respect to the deposits or Escrow Agent's duties.
 - 27. AGREEMENT TO MEDIATE DISPUTE OR CLAIMS: Any dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the breach of this Agreement, or the brokerage services provided in relation to this Agreement shall be submitted to mediation in accordance with the Rules and Procedures of the Homesellers / Homebuyers Dispute Resolution System ("DRS"). Disputes and claims shall specifically include, without limitation, representations made by the SELLER, the BUYER, or the Broker(s) in connection with the sale, purchase, finance, condition, or other aspect of the Parcel to which this Agreement pertains, including without limitation, allegations of concealment, misrepresentation, negligence and / or fraud. The mediation conference shall be held within 30 days from the date on which the mediator receives notice of the dispute. If the parties reach a settlement, they shall both sign a settlement agreement. If the parties cannot reach a mutually agreeable settlement, they may arbitrate or litigate the





dispute without regard to the mediation receivership, injunction, or other provisional remedies shall not constitute a waiver of the right to mediate under this paragraph, nor shall such filing constitute a breach of the duty to mediate. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive the closing.

- 28. **GOVERNING LAW:** This Agreement is to be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- **29. LICENSEE-CONSUMER RELATIONSHIP:** BUYER and SELLER acknowledge that they have been provided with a completed copy of the 'Mandatory Licensee-Consumer Relationship' form, as mandated by the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons.

30. SPECIAL CONDITIONS / ADDENDA: Land Rider THIS OFFER IS SUBJECT TO BUYER'S AND SELLER BUSINESS DAYS OF SELLERS SIGNATURE.	is / is not attached. R'S ATTORNEY REVIEW AND REVISION WITHIN 5
	R TO EVALUATE BUILDING PLANS, SITE DEVELOPMENT ERS OR POTENTIAL RESTRICTIONS, DEEMED TANTS.
BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THEY ARE RESPONDRIVEWAY COMING IN FROM ALFORD RD. THE 50%	NSIBLE FOR 50% OF THE COST OF THE SHARED 6 SHARE IS ESTIMATED TO BE \$25-30,000.
Property is subject to restrictive covenants from Bershared driveway access from Alford Rd. This proper additional land may be cleared with "BNRC" approva	kshire Natural Resources Council. BNRC has approved ty is subject to a 5 acre building envelope, however, al. Taxes to be determined.
Property being sold is Lo of Land recorded with to of Deeds in Plat File DF-1	t as referenced on a flow the Southern Berkshine Registry
31. TERMINATION OF OFFER: This offer is subject BUYER by 5 a.m. / X p.m. and (date) _ and terminated, and deposit paid by BUYER shall be returned.	to SELLER(s) execution and delivery of this agreement to August 20, 2020 , after which time this offer is void urned.
32. TIME: Time is of the essence of all provisions of the agreement. Any reference to "days" shall mean calendar	his agreement, unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this days and is not intended to mean only business days.
shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shaby signature is delivered by facsimile transmission, e-relectronic signature service, such signatures shall create	uted in two or more counterparts, each of which together all constitute one and the same instrument. In the event that mail delivery of a ".pdf" format data file, or through a secure e a valid and binding obligation of the party(s) executing (or e same force and effect as if such facsimile or electronic
34. THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT. IF N under seal by the Parties hereto as of the latter of all date 1 through 5, together with referenced additions, if any.	IOT UNDERSTOOD, SEEK LEGAL COUNSEL: Executed es set forth below, and incorporating all provisions on pages
SELLER: DATE Abigail D. Haupt	BUYER: 8/20/2020 BUYER: DATE JOHN D GIDWITZ REVOCABLE TRUST
SELLER: DATE	BUYER: DATE
SELLER's Attorney's Name	BUYER's Attorney's Name





PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT - LAND RIDER I

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Agreement hereinbefore, the following shall apply.

X in th	BLIGATION CONDITIONS. Buyer's one box(X) opposite the paragrapment by notifying Listing Broker or Se	h. If any of the f	ase is subject to the following conditions which collowing conditions are not met, BUYER may oriting, prior to the date indicated.	ontain and cancel this
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X E.	Obtaining prior to <u>09/21/2020</u> at changes or subdivision approval, as reference.	BUYER'S sole co specifically set fo	est and in good faith, variances, special permi rth on Rider II, attached hereto and incorporated	ts, zoning herein by
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3. <u>THI</u> Execute any.	S IS A LEGALLY BINDING RIDER and under seal by the Parties hereto as	TO THE AGREEMS of the latter of all	MENT. IF NOT UNDERSTOOD, SEEK LEGAL C dates set forth below, together with referenced ac	OUNSEL.
SELLEF Abigail	Abigul D. Hagt B. Haupt	8-24-20 DATE	Docusigned by: Solution Solu	DATE
SELLEF	R:	DATE	BUYER:	DATE



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Fax:



WAIVER OF RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL

We, being a majority of the members of the Selectboard of the Town of Great Barrington, Massachusetts, having been notified of a purchase agreement for the proposed conveyance of certain land of Abigail Haupt, LLC, presently taxed under MGL c.61A (see lien recorded in Book 1269, Page 206) consisting of Assessors Map 31, Parcels 10 and 11 and portions of Map 31 Parcels 12 and 13 containing approximately 44 acres, as more particularly shown on a plan recorded at Plat File DF-15 in the South Berkshire Registry of Deeds, said land being adjacent to Hurlburt and Alford Roads in Great Barrington, hereby waive any rights which the town may have to purchase said land pursuant to MGL c. 61A, upon the same terms contained in the purchase agreement dated August 24, 2020, and hereby designate either the Chair or the Vice-Chair to execute this Waiver on our behalf.

Stephen C. Bannon, Chair	
Edward Abrahams, Vice Chair	
Kate Burke	
Leigh Davis	
William Cooke	-
COMMO	ONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BERKSHIRE, ss.	, 2020
Selectboard and proved to me through	he above-named of the satisfactory evidence of identification, which was, to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are signed above and
	signed it voluntarily on behalf of the Selectboard for the Town of
	Notary Public My Commission Expires:

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS



Department of Agricultural Resources

251 Causeway Street, Suite 500, Boston, MA 02114 617-626-1700 fax: 617-626-1850 www.mass.gov/agr



CHARLES D. BAKER Governor KARYN E. POLITO Lt. Governor KATHLEEN A. THEOHARIES Secretary

JOHN LEBEAUX Commissioner

October 26, 2020

Board of Selectmen Town of New Marlborough 807 Mill River Southfield Road Mill River, MA 01244

Re: APR Project Name: North Plain Farm, LLC, Project ID # 20C07

As required by General Laws Chapter 7C, Section 37, enclosed please find:

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- 1) A "NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION", commonly known as the "120 Day Notice", informing you that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acting through its Department of Agricultural Resources ("MDAR"), proposes to purchase an Agricultural Preservation Restriction ("APR") on farmland in your municipality as described in the enclosed Notice. The return receipt attached to this packet will confirm that you have received this notice.
- 2) A "CONFIRMATION OF NOTICE" on this project. We ask that you (1) post and/or publish this NOTICE, and (2) hold a public announcement at which the NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION is read into the record. This can be at a regular Select Board or City Council meeting, or at another public meeting for which standard legal notice was given. Please understand that the municipality need not take any action or vote concerning the acquisition the announcement is for informational purposes only.
- 3) A "CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE" that following said adequate notice, the hearing/public announcement mandated by Section 37 has been held within the Municipality not later than 120 days prior to the planned acquisition. Once the meeting has been held, please complete and return the enclosed signed "Certificate of Notice". The date that you certify for the announcement starts the minimum 120-day (4-month) clock for closing on the APR.
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- 4) A "CONSENT TO REDUCTION OF NOTICE PERIOD" for this project. The law also allows for reduction of the notification period if the local public officials and legislators so agree. Because of MDAR's priority classification of this farmland for protection, we ask that your municipality agree to reduce the 120 day notification period to 60 days to expedite the process. The closing for this project is a time-sensitive matter, and your cooperation in this request is very much appreciated by the Department.

If you have any question regarding this proposed acquisition, I can be contacted at 413-726-2003. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Barbara Hopson APR Regional Planner

Cc: Dorothy Du, APR Program Administrator

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION RESTRICTION ON PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON

Date of this Notice: October 26, 2020

Notice of proposed acquisition is hereby given to:
(X) Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Great Barrington, or
() Mayor or City Manager of the City of
Separate notice will be given by the Department to the appropriate: County Commissioners, Regional Planning Agency, and the members of the General Court representing the district in which the land is located.
In compliance with G. L. c. 7C, Section 37, the Commonwealth Massachusetts, acting by and through its Department of Agricultural Resources (the "Department"), hereby gives notice that it proposes to acquire an agricultural preservation restriction ("APR") on the real property identified herein for the purpose of protectin perpetuity its superior and productive agricultural resources by preventing their conversion to other uses. The application received by MDAR indicates that the property is owned by North Plain Farm, LLC and consi parcel (s) located at North Plain Road (Route 41) in Great Barrington as approximately represented on the attached map. The APR may encompass all or parts of the area shown.
The current use of the property is primarily for <u>hay and rotational grazing.</u>
Following the recording of the APR, the use of the subject property is limited to agricultural use as more particularly set forth in the APR document, the General Laws [Chapter 184, Sections 31], and the Regulations the Department [330 CMR 22.00 et seq].
Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, by:
Laterory Hoper
Barbara Hopson, APR Regional Planner

Project name: North Plain Farm, LLC Project 1D#: 20C07

CONFIRMATION OF NOTICE REGARDING PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION RESTRICTION

In compliance with the G. L. c. 7C, Section 37, notice is hereby given that an announcement at a public meeting was held for the purpose of disclosing the conditions or reasons supporting the Commonwealth's proposed acquisition of an agricultural preservation restriction ("APR") on certain property in the Municipality of <u>Great Barrington</u> as more particularly described in the attached NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACQUISITION.

The date, time, an	d place of the hearing are as follows:
Date:	
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	CERTIFICATE OF NOTICE
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Project name: North Plain Farm, LLC

Project 1D#: 20C07

CONSENT TO REDUCTION OF NOTICE PERIOD

APR Project Name: North Plain Farm, LLC, Project ID# 20C07

As authorized by the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 7C, Section 37, the undersigned and duly authorized representative(s) of the Town of Great Barrington do hereby consent to a reduction of the 120 day notice period prescribed for the announcement at a public meeting on the Commonwealth's proposed acquisition of an Agricultural Preservation Restriction referenced above to not less than 60 days.

Date:	_	
	Stophen Bannon, C	hair, Selectboard
Signature	Name	Title

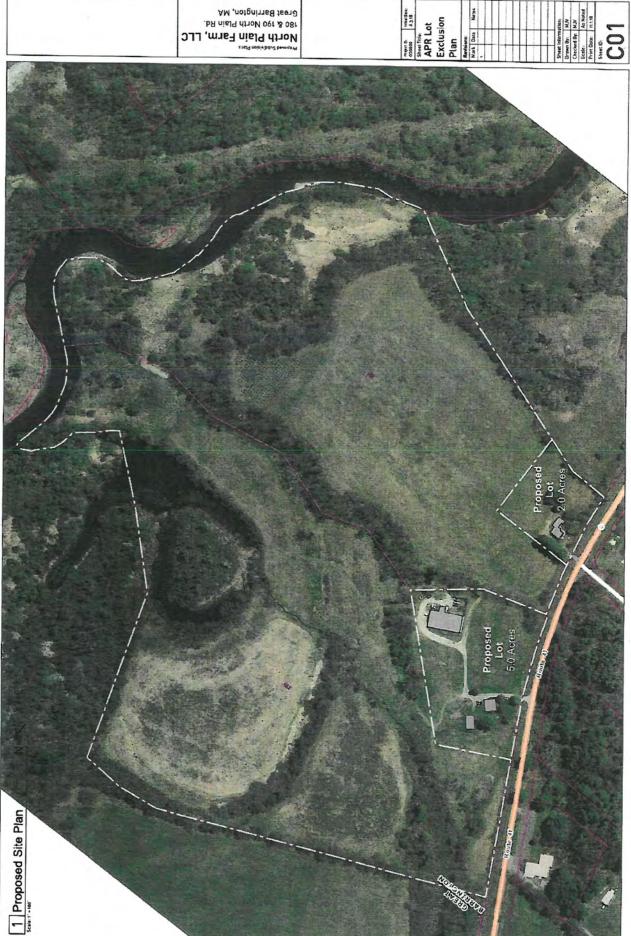
Additional signatures are required for a 60 day Waiver from legislators and Regional Planning Agencies. MDAR will attain those additional approvals.

Please complete this form and return to:

Ronald A. Hall Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources 138 Memorial Drive, Suite 42 West Springfield, MA 01089

Project name: North Plain Farm, LLC

Project ID#: 20C07



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TITLE: Zoom (Virtual) Meeting Platform

BACKGROUND: On March 15th of this year, Governor Baker imposed strict limitations on the number of people that could gather in one place in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis. The Selectboard immediately suspended all in-person public meetings, but began meeting again via teleconference by March 23rd in accordance with the revised Open Meeting Law (OML). The revised OML suspended provisions that prohibited holding public meetings by phone or in virtual formats. By April 13th, the Selectboard transitioned to the video platform known as "Zoom Video Conferencing" by Zoom Video Communications.

The Selectboard choses to use the Zoom "webinar" format for holding meetings. This is a paid add-on feature to our account that allows for board members and staff to be promoted to "panelist" status, with full access to their microphones. All others attending the meeting are listed as participants, and can be recognized to speak by the chairman at the appropriate times. The chairman can open mics for participants, can elevate participants to panelist status, and also demote panelists and residents once they've completed their presentation, finished asking their question, or finished making their comment.

We've received feedback from a few residents, noting that they would prefer we use the basic meeting format which would allow for all participants to see one another during meetings. We have also been asked to enable the "chat" feature which would allow all participants to chat directly with another participant, or to send a group message to all participants.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Selectboard continue to use the webinar format and not enable the chat function for the following reasons:

- 1. The webinar format allows Selectboard members and staff to easily see and interact with each other with only one screen of "panelists".
- 2. The webinar format allows Selectboard members and staff to manage their own mics and share content (such as a slide show or spreadsheet) when needed.
- 3. The webinar format provides increased security. Recent "Zoom Bombings" have occurred in meetings where the basic format was used. These incidents resulted in audio clips of both racist and sexually explicit material to be shared in a public setting.
- 4. The chat function could potentially lead to OML violations, could allow for participants to influence board members, and could be generally distracting to all participants.
- 5. The Chair is prohibited from "requiring" that participants identify themselves under the OML. Participants can only be required to state their name and address if they choose to address the board.

In summary, the webinar format more closely resembles an in-person meeting of a board, with the Chairman managing the meeting, open communication between board members and staff, and ample opportunities for participants to use the "raise your hand" feature to be recognized and to speak. With upwards of 100 participants at times, the webinar format is the most user-friendly option from the host perspective. Furthermore, we have received verification from the Attorney General's Office that the webinar format is in full compliance with the OML, and our Zoom Representative has confirmed that there is no current option available in the webinar format to allow for all participants to see one another. If and when that does become available, the Selectboard could re-visit this topic.

PREPARED AND APPROVED BY:	DATE:
	<u>11/06/2020</u>
Mark Pruhenski/Town Manager	

Mark Pruhenski

From: OpenMeeting (AGO) < openmeeting@state.ma.us>

Sent: Wednesday, October 14, 2020 9:12 AM

To: Mark Pruhenski

Cc: Steve Bannon; Ed Abrahams
Subject: RE: Virtual Meeting Question

Good Morning,

Your summary of our conversation is accurate.

Sincerely,

Sarah (Chase) Monahan
Assistant Attorney General
Division of Open Government
Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General
One Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108
Phone: 617-963-2540

From: Mark Pruhenski < MPruhenski @ Townofgb.org >

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 4:04 PM

To: OpenMeeting (AGO) < OpenMeeting@MassMail.State.MA.US>

Cc: Steve Bannon <sbannon@Townofgb.org>; Ed Abrahams <eabrahams@Townofgb.org>

Subject: RE: Virtual Meeting Question

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Hi Sarah,

Thanks for taking the time to talk with me by phone just now, and thank you for providing the below information.

Can you please confirm that the Selectboard is not obligated to identify members of the virtual audience when we meet, and that there is no prohibition on using the webinar format provided by Zoom as long as all participants can hear each other when speaking or addressing the board?

It's also my understanding that the Selectboard cannot require members of the public meeting to identify themselves when simply attending, but may do so if a member of the public wishes to speak.

Thanks in advance for the written confirmation.

Best, Mark



Mark Pruhenski

Town Manager 413-528-1619 ex 2 mpruhenski@townofgb.org

Pronouns: he/him/his

Town of Great Barrington 334 Main Street Great Barrington MA 01230



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Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 12:35 PM

To: Mark Pruhenski < MPruhenski @ Townofgb.org >

Cc: Steve Bannon <sbannon@Townofgb.org>; Ed Abrahams <eabrahams@Townofgb.org>

Subject: RE: Virtual Meeting Question

Hello Mr. Pruhenski,

The Open Meeting Law does not require that public bodies allow public comment or public participation during meetings - on the contrary, the Open Meeting Law specifies that nobody shall address the public body without permission of the chair. However, the Attorney General encourages public bodies to allow public comment and/or public participation when feasible. Because the Open Meeting Law does not require that public bodies allow for public comment or public participation during meetings at all, the manner that public bodies may choose to accept comment or questions is outside the scope of the Open Meeting Law.

Public hearings, on the other hand, are governed by separate laws that impose additional requirements, and may require opportunity for public comment or testimony. Those requirements are outside the scope of the Open Meeting Law and therefore do not fall within the Division of Open Government's jurisdiction. Public bodies and members of the public should consult with legal counsel for guidance on the requirements for public hearings.

Please let us know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Sarah (Chase) Monahan
Assistant Attorney General
Division of Open Government
Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General
One Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108
Phone: 617-963-2540

From: Mark Pruhenski < MPruhenski@Townofgb.org>

Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2020 11:59 AM

To: OpenMeeting (AGO) < OpenMeeting @ MassMail.State.MA.US>

Cc: Steve Bannon < sbannon@Townofgb.org>; Ed Abrahams < eabrahams@Townofgb.org>

Subject: Virtual Meeting Question

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Good Morning,

I'm reaching out for some clarification on virtual meetings.

Like many communities in the Commonwealth, we converted to virtual meetings during the early months of the COVID pandemic. We're currently using the Zoom platform. We use the regular meeting format for smaller boards and committees, and the webinar format for Selectboard meetings since we can have 50-100 attendees at times. The webinar format has the 5 Selectboard members on the main screen visible to all participants, as well as the Town Manager, Asst. Town Manager, and anyone promoted to make a presentation.

Attendees are asked to use the "raise your hand" feature (or *9 if they are calling in by phone), and they are recognized by the Chair in a similar fashion to an in-person meeting. In addition, we always include opportunities for residents to speak to the board during "citizen speak time" and the media during "media time" on our agendas.

Can you please tell me if this is an appropriate and legal use for public meetings? We have been questioned by a few residents on whether this is legal or not but no one has been able to provide any decision and/or guidance from your office, hence my email for clarification. If you have any questions, feel free to reach me directly on my cell at: 413-717-8328.

Thanks in advance. -Mark



Mark Pruhenski Town Manager 413-528-1619 ex 2 mpruhenski@townofgb.org

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Continued on: August 10, August 24, September 14, September 21, and October 26, 2020

Public Hearing was closed on October 26, 2020

TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Great Barrington Selectboard will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 6:30 pm, to act on the Special Permit application from Berkshire Aviation Enterprises, Inc., for a an aviation field in an R4 zone at 70 Egremont Plain Road, Great Barrington, per Sections 3.1.4 E(1) and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw. A copy of the application is on file with the Town Clerk.

The meeting will be held via remote video/teleconference and in accordance with current emergency health orders, in-person attendance at this hearing will not be permitted. Instructions for participating in the Hearing will be listed on the Selectboard's August 10, 2020 agenda, which will appear on the Town's website, www.townofgb.org, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, or you may call 413-528-1619, x. 2 to receive instructions.

Stephen Bannon, Chair

Please publish July 16 and July 23, 2020 Berkshire Eagle

Follow the link to see the application and supporting documents: https://www.dropbox.com/s/537qbbwmz67ct17/Airport%20SP%20application.pdf?dl=0

Airport information submitted by applicant for August 24, 2020 meeting: https://www.dropbox.com/s/m1lk817u0ne1r79/airport%20supplement%20filed%20August%2018%2020

Airport letters in support, since last meeting and up to 3:00 PM Thursday 8/20/2020: https://www.dropbox.com/s/kfxie3acu2kgvj3/airport%20new%20letters%20in%20support.pdf?

Airport letters in opposition, since last meeting and up to 3:00 Pm Thursday 8/20/2020: https://www.dropbox.com/s/5ol3cr9e70qggav/airport%20new%20letters%20opposed.pdf?dl=0

New letters in support (since 8/24 meeting):

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New letters in opposition (since 8/24 meeting):

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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Great Barrington Selectboard will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, November 9, 2020 at 6:00 pm, to act on the Special Permit application from Coastal Cultivars, LLC, 399 Boylston Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA, 02116, to locate a retail marijuana establishment at 454 Main Street, Great Barrington, closer than 200 feet to the property of a private school. The special permit application is filed per Sections 7.18.4.3 and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw. A copy of the application is on file with the Town Clerk.

The meeting will be held via remote video/teleconference, and in accordance with current emergency health orders, in-person attendance will not be permitted. Instructions for participating in the Hearing will be listed on the Selectboard's November 9, 2020 agenda, which will appear on the Town's website, www.townofgb.org, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, or you may call 413-528-1619, x. 2 to receive instructions.

Stephen Bannon, Chair

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Delivered in Hand

October 5, 2020

Mr. Stephen Bannon Chair, Selectboard Brandee Nelson Chair, Planning Board Great Barrington 334 Main St. Great Barrington, MA 01230

Re: Site Plan Review and Special Permit Application/454 Main St.

Dear Mr. Bannon:

Enclosed herewith is the application of Coastal Cultivars, LLC for a special permit to operate a retail cannabis establishment at the above address. The special permit is requested for a reduction in the setback requirement between a cannabis establishment and a school. §7.18.4.1 requires a 200 foot setback from the establishment to the school; §7.18.4.2 requires that the distance be measured in a straight line from the closest point of one property to the closest point of the other.

1. Basis of Special Permit Application

^{*}Also admitted in Florida

Also admitted in Texas

The use is permitted as of right in the district. However, this is a highly unusual situation. The John Dewey Academy is located on a parcel of land that exceeds 62 acres. While a waiver of this requirement is necessary, the actual distance between the applicant property and the John Dewey Academy is 942 feet. In fact, the Academy is closer in distance to Calyx Berkshire Dispensary at 307 Main St. than it is to the applicant location. The proximate portion of the Academy property is not used by the school, and is separated from the applicant location by a four-lane State Highway, a sidewalk and a rather imposing wall of about 8 foot in height.

2. Description of the Project

The applicant, Coastal Cultivars LLC, seeks to operate a retail marijuana establishment on the first floor of 454 Main St. The first floor is 2215 ft.². There will be no exterior changes to the building or the grounds.

As the jewelry business consisted of a showroom and back office space and required a high degree of security, use as a cannabis retailer will not require any significant alterations. In fact, the only exterior change will be replacement of the current sign with a sign announcing this retail establishment, at the existing sign location. The locus will otherwise be indistinguishable from its present condition.

The owners of the premises have been attempting to sell the building since the closure of the jewelry business. It is a prime retail location and the owner has received significant offers for the property. However, the offers entail demolition of the existing building and construction of a "big box" retail store. The present proposal may be the only viable way of maintaining the current building.

3. Consistency with Master Plan

Coastal's use satisfies many of the objectives of the town's Master Plan.

Preservation and adaptive reuse are express objectives of the Master Plan. In particular, this building qualifies as an "historic treasure of the architectural landscape." This proposal would preserve the historic beauty of one of the principal gateways to the Downtown. It will preserve a highly visible gateway location in accordance with Economic Development Goal 5 and preserve an historical and cultural asset in accordance with Historic and Cultural Goal 1. Further, revenue derived from the Host Community Agreement and the 3% local retail sales tax will provide significant revenue for the town to address its aging infrastructure.

The building at 454 Main Street was restored and preserved without taxpayer funds, and brought back onto the town's tax roll for the first time in 90 years. The best way to preserve this building is to have a viable business utilizing this unique space. The Gothic Revival building was built as a home 170 years ago and is now an architectural treasure. Located at the gateway to Great Barrington, it is a prominent landmark that contributes to the beauty and character that are emblematic of Great Barrington's distinctive brand. The unique nature of the building makes it's reuse very challenging. It is not protected by historic restrictions, and could be razed by right. The ONLY other party interested in this property at a major intersection and southern gateway to the town has been a big box developer. This proposal will bring a viable business to Great Barrington, add significantly to the tax revenue and preserve a landmark historic building from being razed for a big box store.

Peter L. Puciloski

Enclosures

SUBMISSION

- 1 Cover letter, including description of the project, relief sought and conformity to Master plan.
- 2. Application, signed by Owner and Applicant.
- 3. Site plan review dated December 12, 2013 and minutes of Planning Board meeting of even date.
- 4. Site plan review dated August 20, 2014 and minutes of Planning Board meeting of June 12, 2014
- 4. Photo of existing Building
- 5. Site plan and ortho photo
- 6. Certified list of abutters.
- 7. Excerpt from zoning map.
- 8. Excerpt from USGS topo.
- 9. Topo from Mass. GIS.
- 10. Provisional license for operation in Wareham.
- 11. Letter of support from Director of Planning and Community Development, Town of Wareham
- 12. Letter of support from David Baum, Head of School, John Dewey Academy.
- 13. Letter of Intent
- 14. Description of applicant's operations in other locations.
- 15. Our firm check in the amount of \$150.
- N.B. there are no changes proposed to landscaping, drainage, or exterior security.

Fee: \$150.00 Paid: 425

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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON Application for a Special Permit to the Board of Selectmen or Planning Board

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
Number Assigned 913 - 20
Special Permit Granting Authority 5B
Copy to Recommending Boards 10/8/29
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Public Hearing (1/9/20

APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL PERMIT UNDER TOWN ZONING BYLAWS FOR TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON, MASSACHUSETTS

FORM SP-1

REV. 11-2013

MAP 22 LOT 3.0 BOOK 2203 PAGE 326 ZONING DISTRICT(s)
Site Address: 454 Main Street
Date of Application September , 2020
Applicant's name and complete mailing addressCoastal Cultivators, LLC
399 Boylston St., 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02116
Applicant's phone number (617) 838-7997 Applicant's email address: jarrad.glennon@gmail.com Name and Address of Owner of land exactly as it appears on most recent tax bill: Kerin Kiskadden LLC
454 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA 01230
I(we) request a Special Permit for: Reduction in setback from private
school
Under Section(s) 7.18.4.3 and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaws.

APPLICANTS MUST READ AND COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

One Signed Original application with each of the items below, as applicable, and fourteen (14) exact copies of the entire application package are to be submitted. Applications must include:

1. Completed application form, including signatures.

- Brief written description of how the project is in harmony with the Great Barrington Master Plan. (Copies of the Master Plan are available for free download from the Town website. Hard copies can be read at the Clerk's office or the Town libraries.)
- Site Plan, drawn to scale, applicable to the site and the proposed use of said site for which this special
 permit is requested.
- 4. Any other specifications necessary to further describe the site or proposed use for which a special permit is requested. At least one copy of any maps being submitted shall be no larger than 11" X 17". Plans should show all existing and proposed structures, property lines and dimensions, driveways, walkways and parking areas. All proposed landscaping, parking, loading, and similar improvements must be in compliance with the applicable sections of the Zoning Bylaw.
- Certified list of abutters within 300' on the Assessors Maps to the subject property, including map and lot number. List must be obtained from the Assessors' Office.

FORM SP-1 REV, 11-2013

 Zoning Map designating the zoning district(s) and location for the area for which a special permit is requested, plus a USGS map enlarged and showing the site location within the Town.

 Drainage Plan indicating the destination of all runoff from the property. In the event of substantial increase in impervious surfaces, the SPGA may require calculations or expert analysis of the plan.

8. Landscaping Plan drawn to scale and showing existing and proposed landscaping.

If applicant and owner are different, a letter signed by the owner of the property authorizing the
applicant to apply for the special permit.

SPECIFICS:

- 1. All site plans and specifications must be signed and dated by the preparer.
- 2. ALL OWNERS of property must also sign the application.

3. A copy of special permit procedures is available upon request.

 Fee for application is \$150.00 to cover the cost of the public hearing notices in the newspaper and notification to parties in interest. If the cost exceeds \$150.00, the applicant shall pay the balance due

upon notification from the Granting Authority.

5. Once all the necessary papers, maps, etc. are compiled into the required Original and Fourteen sets, call the Town Planner's office at 413-528-1619 ext. 7 to arrange an appointment to file your application. The application will be reviewed for completeness and a date for a public hearing before the Board of Selectmen or Planning Board will be scheduled. Meetings of recommending boards (e.g. Planning Board, Conservation Commission and Board of Bleedth) will also be arranged at this time.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Co-Applicant (by Property Owner, if different

PLEASE READ AND SIGN BELOW

ALL COSTS INCURRED BY THE TOWN FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF EXPERTS OR CONSULTANTS REQUIRED BY ANY TOWN BOARD, AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANALYZING OR EVALUATING ANY PROJECT THAT IS A SUBJECT OF A SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION SHALL BE ASSESSED TO THE APPLICANT AND SHALL CONSTITUTE PART OF THE APPLICATION FEE, A COPY OF THIS REGULATION SHALL BE PROVIDED TO THE APPLICANT IF REQUESTED.

I have read the above regulation and agree to be bound by it.

Signature

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Signature of Co-Applicant (e.g. Property Owner)

Date 03 SEP 2020

PLANNING BOARD

DATE: December 12, 2013

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

PLACE: Large Meeting Room FOR: Regular Meeting

PRESENT: Jonathan Hankin, Chairman; Suzanne Fowle; Jack Musgrove; Ethan Culleton

Malcolm Fick, Associate Member Chris Rembold, Town Planner

Mr. Hankin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

FORM A'S:

Michael Parsons and Jack Magnatti were present from Kelly, Granger, Parsons and Associates with a Form A application for Flag Rock LLC on Grove Street in Housatonic. Mr. Culleton recused himself from the discussion and left the room.

Mr. Parsons said parcels of land are being cut out from the larger piece of land to be conveyed to abutters. None of the parcels is to be considered separate building lots. Parcel A contains .068 acres of land. Parcel B contains .068 acres of land. Parcel C contains .405 acres of land. Parcel D contains .166 acres of land. Parcel E contains .065 acres of land. Parcel F contains .157 acres of land.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve the plan, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Parsons and Mr. Magnatti presented a Form A application on behalf of Marianne and Jerome Comcowich Trust for a parcel of land located on the west side of Route 23 aka South Egremont Road. The property, which has three houses on it, predates zoning. Mr. Parsons said the law allows for the division of land on which two or more structures stood prior to subdivision control law.

Lot 1 contains .515 acres of land. Lot 2 contains .398 acres of land. Lot 3 contains .519 acres of land.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve the plan, Mr. Culleton seconded, all in favor.

Alexander Thorp from Accord Engineering and Surveying, LLC was present with a Form A application on behalf of Susan Godwin and John Lindquist for three parcels of land located on the south site of State Road. Parcel A contains 0.26 acres of land. Parcel B contains 0.15 acres of land. Parcel C contains 3 acres of land. Parcels B and C are not to be considered separate building lots.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve the plan, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

MINUTES: NOVEMBER 14, 2013

Ms. Fowle made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, Mr. Culleton seconded, all in favor.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: 185 EAST STREET

Naomi Blumenthal was back to discuss the Site Plan Review application for 185 East Street. The Board had conducted a site visit prior to the meeting.

Ms. Blumenthal said she had incorporated most of the Boards suggestions and comments discussed at the last meeting. She said the amount of asphalt had been reduced and airport mix will be used on where applicable. She said asphalt will be used where there is a problem with runoff and airport mix where the grade is less steep. She said gravel will be used in the area where the cars will be parked. The area is 27 feet wide allowing for 3 cars to park side by side. There will be small turn around in front of the house that will be gravel with planting along the edge.

Mr. Rembold asked if the asphalt will be removed.

Ms. Blumenthal said the asphalt will remain and the grading will be to edge of it.

Mr. Hankin said Ms. Nelson was not able to attend the meeting but she did look at the site. She sent an e-mail with today's date. Mr. Hankin read the e-mail.

Ms. Blumenthal said she has addressed the asphalt driveway. She said the driveway is like a luge shoot for water. Anything we do on the site will be an improvement to the drainage. Snow will be pushed beyond the parking area.

Mr. Hankin said the impervious area is going to be increased.

Ms. Blumenthal said if the site is not functional with less impervious area what should we do? She said the blacktop has been reduced from the original plan.

Mr. Hankin said the impervious area is being tripled.

Mr. Musgrove asked where the water from the roof goes.

Ms. Blumenthal said there are goes that go into the ground. The gutters could be directed into the proposed drywell. She said there does not seem to be a drainage issue on the street.

Mr. Rembold said there is an attempt to catch some of the water before it hits the driveway. There is concern over an increase in the impervious surface.

Ms. Fowle asked if the snow could be piled south of the catch basin in the southeast corner.

Mr. Fick said there will be less storm water flow from the property but there will be an increase in the impervious surface. He said it seems as if the issue is balanced.

Mr. Musgrove said there is a decrease in the runoff even though there is an increase in the impervious surface. He said overall the property does not seem different from the rest of the properties in the neighborhood.

Mr. Hankin said he has a problem with parking next to the property line.

Mr. Musgrove said it seems like it is the nature of the neighborhood.

Mr. Hankin said it would be less offensive with tandem parking.

Ms. Blumenthal said she is very frustrated with the discussion. She said she has reduced the asphalt and adapted the parking. It is very difficult to park tandem. She said she feels that there is a lot of time being spent on a little driveway.

Mr. Hankin said there is grading taking place under the neighbor's tree. He said the grading will affect the roots and it is over the property line.

Ms. Blumenthal said the tree is at least 10 feet from the property line. She said she is a gardener and she understands how the plants would be impacted. She said she does not understand how to make any other improvements. She said she does not understand what you want us to do. She said the Board was not being supportive of moving forward with a plan to make this house functional.

Mr. Hankin said the parking area should be narrower and there should be grass between the parking and the house.

Ms. Blumenthal said she doesn't want a difficult parking situation; she wants it to be easily accessible. She said this plan is in keeping with the neighborhood. She said she feels this discussion is very picky.

Mr. Culleton said he is sympathetic to the efforts made by Ms. Blumenthal. He said the Board should move forward. She has returned with a different scenario. It is not ideal but it is a tough site. He said we should move forward.

Ms. Fowle asked Mr. Hankin if is addressing a specific area of the Site Plan Review.

Mr. Hankin said he is addressing zoning.

Ms. Fowle read through Site Plan Review.

Mr. Musgrove said he the storm water runoff is being improved even though there is an increase in the impervious area. He said it is a net net.

Ms. Fowle said if there is no storm water management on East Street then there is nothing to tie into to catch the water before it goes into the street.

Mr. Musgrove said the turnaround mitigates the parking. He said he feels they have done all they can do.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve Site Plan Review, Mr. Culleton seconded. Ms. Fowle aye, Mr. Hankin nay. The motion passed 3-1.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: 454 MAIN STREET

Joe Lewis, the Construction Manager for Allegrone Construction, was present to discuss the Site Plan Review application on behalf of McTeigue and McClelland for a change of use at 454 Main Street. The applicant has a building permit but the Building Inspector determined that the applicant was required to have Site Plan Review from the Planning Board.

The Board conducted a site visit prior to the meeting.

Mr. Lewis said the parking area is in compliance with zoning. The parking will be decreased. There are no changes only shaping the area for accessibility.

Mr. Rembold asked what material would be used for the parking area.

Mr. Lewis said processed gravel.

Mr. Musgrove asked if there would be any asphalt.

Mr. Lewis said no.

Mr. Rembold asked if the parking or driveway would be regraded.

Mr. Lewis said yes. The area will be regraded for accessibility. The parking will be significantly reduced.

Mr. Fick asked if the parking would be delineated.

Mr. Lewis said currently it is not planned to be delineated.

Mr. Hankin said it appears that the project is going to be phased.

Mr. Lewis said this could be a five year project. Right now it is finance driven. He said the goal is to get into the building, meet the building code requirements and accessibility. He said landscaping and potentially blacktop for the driveway is down the road.

Mr. Musgrove asked if there is any obligation for the second floor.

Mr. Lewis said Stephan Green, the architect and Mr. May, the Building Inspector have reviewed what needs to be done to comply.

Mr. Hankin said he does not want to slow down the process but the site plan presented is not normal. It does not show the grade change.

Mr. Lewis said the reduction in the grade is shown.

Mr. Musgrove asked if there will be any exterior lighting

Mr. Lewis said nothing will be added. Any future light would be downward directed.

Mr. Musgrove asked if a change in the lighting would trigger further review.

Mr. Hankin asked when the applicant planned to be in the building.

Walter (McTeigue?), one of the applicants, was present. He said he planned to move in in the spring.

Mr. Rembold suggested the Board could put conditions on the Site Plan approval.

Mr. Musgrove said if there is a plan to pave or put in lighting we would want the applicant to come back for further site plan review.

Mr. Hankin said Ms. Nelson had visited the site and forwarded her comments. Mr. Hankin read the comments. He said Ms. Nelson has concerns about runoff from the site. Mr. Hankin said he has other concerns such as the lack of contour lines on the site plan. He said usually grading plans show the contours so it can be seen how the grade is reduced. He said he does not have what he needs to understand how the grading will be done.

There was further discussion of a contour plan with point elevations.

Mr. Musgrove said we could condition the approval to require the parking lot to slope onto your land. Bumpers will be installed along the edge of the parking area so a car can not drive over the bank. If there is any paving or added exterior lighting the applicant will return for further review. The lot will be graded so the water runs into the front yard area.

Mr. Hankin said landscaping has not been addressed.

Mr. (McTeigue?) said it has not been planned. We are working as we go.

Mr. Hankin said the driveway is being relocated.

Mr. Rembold said there is not request for a curb cut so it is not being changed.

Mr. (McTeigue) said the driveway is being made narrower but within the existing driveway.

Mr. Hankin pointed to the site plan.

Mr. Lewis said the plan should show the change for the driveway within the existing driveway. The drawing is incorrect.

Mr. Hankin asked if the driveway would direct water into the street.

Mr. Lewis said water does not currently run into the street. It goes into the low spot on the site and will continue to do so.

Mr. Musgrove said he does not want this applicant to come back. He said we need to condition the approval for what we want to see. The site does not currently drain into the street.

Mr. Hankin asked why trees are being cut.

Mr. (McTeigue) said there was a cedar tree that was a problem. There were some Norway Maples that were hanging over the road that were cut but there are some good specimens that we hope to save by thinning out the trees. The grounds are like a park.

Mr. Hankin asked if there is a blacktop apron where the driveway meets the road.

Mr. Lewis said no.

Mr. Rembold said there is no change in the driveway so the State won't review,

Mr. Hankin listed the following conditions:

There will be no runoff down the driveway into the street.

Wheel stops will be installed in the parking area along the abutting property to address safety concerns.

Outside lighting is forbidden. Any addition of exterior lighting, other than egress lighting, will require the applicant to return for site plan review approval. The egress lighting will be downward directed with horizontal cutoffs. There will be no uplighting.

The drainage will drain to the front yard, not into the street. Everything stays on the property.

Mr. Musgrove asked if there will be any runoff into the street.

Mr. Lewis said if there is any runoff it would only be the last 30 feet of the driveway and then only with a very heavy rain. He said nothing from the site will leave.

Mr. Lewis added a condition that there will be a 2% cross pitch away from the west property line. It could be more clearly shown on the plan.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve Site Plan Review with the conditions discussed, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

VARIANCE: LONG POND ROAD

Mark Volk from Foresight Land Services was present to discuss a variance request on behalf of Stephen Bennett for property on Long Pond Road.

Mr. Hankin disclosed that he had represented the previous owner of the property but had no conflict of Interest with this applicant.

Mr. Volk said the proposal is for a garage to be built in the front yard setback. The area was originally zoned with a 25 foot setback then it was changed to 50 feet. The garage will be 25 feet from the property line. There is no other place to locate garage. The variance request is driven by the difficult site constraints.

Mr. Hankin said this seems like a perfectly reasonable request.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to make a favorable recommendation to the ZBA for the variance for a garage on Long Pond Road, Mr. Culleton seconded, all in favor.

ZONING AMENDMENTS:

The Board discussed potential zoning amendments for the Annual Town Meeting. The first amendment has to do with deviation from parking and landscaping regulations. The intent would be to simplify the bylaw by allowing the permitting granting authority to waive the requirements instead of requiring a separate special permit to waive the requirements. In the event there is not a permitting authority the Planning Board would be the permitting authority.

Mr. Hankin said the Selectmen don't have a good grasp of parking or reading site plans.

Mr. Fick said the Planning Board would still be able to make recommendations.

Mr. Rembold said we owe it to potential applicants to give them a way to go through the process more easily.

Mr. Musgrove said it could be a joint special permit application.

Mr. Rembold said it would require a joint meeting otherwise there would have to be two public hearings and all the expense associated with the process.

Mr. Hankin said he wonders if there is another way to deal with this. He said he would like to discuss it again.

HOTEL/MOTEL LIMITS:

Mr. Rembold said the proposal would not change the cap that is currently in place. This proposal would be specific to redevelopment of historic structures. The Board of Selectmen would be the SPGA. They would be able to deviate from the room limit to make it possible for certain existing structures to have more rooms.

Ms. Fowle asked if we want hotels larger than what is allowed.

Mr. Fick said yes as it would attract new people to the area.

Mr. Hankin said yes, it would attract specific people.

Mr. Musgrove said he liked the proposal.

The Board agreed that this amendment could move on for a public hearing.

ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT:

Mr. Hankin said ADUs have less of an impact on a neighborhood than a 2-family unit. We are considering making 2-family dwellings by-right. We should make ADUs by-right in all zones.

Everyone agreed they should be by-right in every zone. The process should be less onerous.

TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL:

The proposal would allow two-family dwellings by-right where they are currently allowed by special permit and allow by special permit where they are currently not allowed.

Mr. Hankin said he is sympathetic to need to simplify this process but he suggested it might be advantageous to make this change incrementally. He suggested it might be easier to pass at town meeting if the change is made first in the R-I-B and R-3 zones. It may not pass if R-1-A is included.

Mr. Rembold said there are many two-family structures in the R-1-A zone where there are many large old structures.

Mr. Hankin said he understands the argument but he felt the people will oppose the proposal to keep it out of the R-1-A zone.

The Board decided to discuss this proposal more.

STREAM AND LAKE PROTECTION:

The Board briefly discussed the language presented. The determined there needed to be more work on the language. It will be discussed again.

MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT/FACILITIES:

Mr. Musgrove said he had one comment that the word "psychological" should not appear in the zoning bylaws. He suggested it be removed from page 7.

The Board had further discussion of the proposal and decided to discuss again.

TOWN PLANNER'S REPORT:

Mr. Rembold said the Building inspector has a building permit application that requires Site Plan Review for a Medical Marijuana Dispensary. The SPR would be for a change of use in the I-2 zone Gas House Lane. He said the SPR application would be on the agenda for the January 9 meeting. He suggested a site visit prior to the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Mr. Rembold said Barrington Brook has submitted a final version of the Open Space easement. He recommended the Board of Selectmen sign the agreement with the Planning Board as cosignatures. He said the Conservation Commission has written to Dave Ward to encourage him to produce the storm water plans.

Mr. Hankin said he had sent the annual report around. He asked if there were any comment. There were none.

Without objection Mr. Hankin adjourned the meeting at 10:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly L. Shaw

Planning Board Secretary

Materials Distributed or Presented for Tonight's Meeting:

Town Planner's memo/email to the Planning Board dated December 9, 2013

Draft Minutes of November 12, 2013

Revised Site Plan for 185 East Street

Site Plan application for 454 Main Street

Variance application for Long Pond Road, Bennett

Draft zoning amendments, v.2, dated 12/12/2013

E-Mail memo from Brandee Nelson dated 12/12/13



Town of Great Barrington Planning Board

Site Plan Review Decision

FOR PLANNING BOARD USE ONLY

INSTRUCTIONS TO PLANNING BOARD

Complete this form to record a Site Plan Review decision of the Planning Board. Make 4 copies of this completed form. File the original with the Town Clerk. File one copy, with attached plans, with the Building Inspector. File remaining copies with the Applicant, the Town Planner, and the Planning Board file.

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PLANNING BOAR	D DECISION		
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□ approve	d with conditions		
☐ denied			
The conditions of app	roval, if any, are as follows:		
1. Substantial confo	mance with plans submitted	, see attached plan, Sheet T1.	, prepared by Clark & Green Inc. Architecture,
Great Barrington, and			
2. Drainage shall be	nto the yard of the property.	- no runoff shall enter the str	eet from the driveway.
3. There shall be a 29	6 cross pitch away from the v	vest property line, so drainage	remains on the property.
4. The parking lot an	d driveway shall be gravel, n	ot paved.	
5. Wheel stops or a g	uard shall be placed at the e	nd of each parking space, alor	g the western edge of site, in order to prevent
vehicles from overtop	ping the hill into abutting pr	operty.	
6. There shall be no	exterior lighting other than re	equired egress lighting, which	shall have full cutoffs and no uplighting.
7. Modifications of t	nese conditions shall require	a new site plan review by the	Planning Board.
the approved Site Plan Lapse. The Applicant igrant thereof if a subst	and its conditions, if any. s hereby notified that, per 10	5,5.6 of the Zoning Bylaw, Site oner commenced except for g	oject only if the project has been completed per Plan approval shall lapse after one year from the good cause. Such approval may, for good cause,
Signed Senduly Planning Boar	Llaw	Date 12	-17-13

PLANNING BOARD

DATE:

June 12, 2014

TIME:

7:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Large Meeting Room Town Hall

FOR:

Regular Meeting

PRESENT: Jonathan Hankin, Chairman; Suzanne Fowle: Jack Musgrove; Brandee Nelson;

Malcolm Fick

Chris Rembold, Town Planner

Mr. Hankin called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Ms. Fowle had not yet arrived.

FORM A'S:

There were no Form A's presented.

MINUTES: MAY 8 & 22, 2014

Ms. Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of May 8, 2014 as amended, Mr. Musgrove seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve the minutes of May 22, 2014 as amended, Mr. Fick seconded, all in favor.

Ms. Fowle arrived.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: 465 MAIN STREET

Architect Stephan Green was present with Walter McTeigue to amend the site plan review for McTeigue and McClelland at 465 Main Street.

Mr. Green said he wanted to review the general ideas behind the site development and what needs to be done for the applicants to move into the space.

Mr. Rembold said the previously approved site plan review had a gravel driveway. They are now proposing to pave the driveway. There will be a sign and some lighting.

Mr. Green said the handicap accessible parking is currently located near the upper entrance on the north side of the building. In Phase II of the project the handicap parking will be in the main parking area with a ramp to access the entrance. The current north parking will become a garden.

Mr. Hankin said there is bollard lighting proposed, six lights.

Mr. Green said they will be LED lights.

Ms. Nelson asked if there is a cut sheet.

Mr. Green said no.

Mr. McTeigue said they are very sensitive to the lighting. They want the property to be as beautiful and tasteful as possible. The parking area will be as discreet as possible with downward directed lighting.

Mr. Musgrove asked if the parking lot could be paved without paving the driveway.

Mr. Green said it is not as neat and clean to do gravel and pavement.

Mr. McTeigue said the driveway width has been substantially reduced.

Mr. Green said the driveway is now 16 feet wide. It is just wide enough for two cars to pass.

Ms. Nelson said she would rather see everything paved instead of broken up.

Mr. Hankin asked if there will be runoff into the street.

Ms. Nelson said it looked like it might run into the street a little bit. She asked if the driveway could be pitched a little.

Mr. McTeigue said the driveway is flatter at the end. The sloped area directs runoff onto the lawn.

The conditions for the Site Plan Review approved on 12/12/2013 were read.

Mr. Green said there is a proposal for two one-watt lights pointing up to illuminate the corner columns of a new entrance canopy.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to amend the 12/12/2013 site plan review condition #4 to permit paving and condition #6 to allow for bollard lighting, and corner accent lighting. No lighting is to project into the night sky, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

SITE PLAN REVIEW: 241 NORTH PLAIN ROAD

Mark Fay was present with applicant Annett Grant to discuss converting a one family-dwelling into a two-family in separate structures. A second, free standing dwelling is proposed.

Mr. Rembold said the house is on a 4.5 acre lot. The existing house meets all setback requirements. It is not within 300 feet of the Williams River.

Mr. Fay said the perc test was done today and it passed.

Mr. Musgrove asked if a new septic system will be put in.

Mr. Fay said yes.

Mr. Musgrove read through the site plan review criteria.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve site plan review, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

BARRINGTON BROOK:

Jim Scalise, engineer from SK Design, was present to review condition #15 of the subdivision approval for Barrington Brook. Dave Ward and Matt Ward, applicants, were also present.

Mr. Scalise said per condition #15 Conservation Commission approval is required for more than 7 units. More than 7 units would require storm water analysis. Mr. Scalise said he looked at the site in the spring. A lot of the infrastructure is already in place. They needed to drill holes in the pipe to meet the discharge specifications. That was accomplished recently by Joe Wilkinson.

Mr. Scalise said it is his opinion that the Conservation Commission does not need to be involved because there is no work required in jurisdictional areas, thereforethe condition has already been met without needing additional grading work. He asked the Board to send a letter to the Building Inspector stating that the condition has been met.

Mr. Musgrove asked Mr. Scalise if it was his opinion that the drainage conditions are met because the catch basin is larger than originally thought, , thus avoiding going to the Conservation Commission because condition #15 has been met for Phase I.

Mr. Scalise said yes. The condition remains in place for Phase II and for units 4 & 5 of Phase I.

Ms. Nelson made a motion to send a letter to the Building Inspector that the engineer for Barrington Brook has demonstrated compliance with condition #15 of the subdivision approval therefore the applicant does not need to go to the Conservation Commission for approval. Condition #15 still applies to Phase II of the project and to units 4 & 5, Mr. Musgrove seconded, all in favor.

SPECIAL PERMIT & SITE PLAN REVIEW: 352 MAIN STREET

Nick Anderson of Berkshire Engineering was present to discuss changes to the proposed plan for St. James Place as per the discussion at the May 22 meeting.

Mr. Anderson said changes were made to the parking by eliminating 5 parking spaces at the farthest end of the parking. The parking spaces will terminate after parking spot #19. He said the eliminated spaces are not detrimental to the project.

Three parking spaces will be created on St. James Place. The People's Pantry entry will have an 8 foot walkway widening to 10 feet at the door. The steepness of the grade has been reduced. The slope is 4 to 1 which is quite walkable. Mr. Anderson said the concrete walk would be framed with curbing so there is no need for a wall.

Mr. Anderson said there will be three parking spots along St. James Place created in the public right of way. This will be a loading zone and will accommodate truck deliveries to the Food Pantry. He said the project is fully integrated into the Main Street reconstruction project.

Ms. Nelson said there will be no vehicular traffic up to the People's Pantry door.

Mr. Anderson said correct.

Mr. Hankin asked why area between the parking spaces and the sidewalk is paved.

Mr. Anderson said it will be easier for winter maintenance.

Mr. Hankin said the Design Advisory Committee recommended a low retaining wall along the walkway.

Mr. Anderson said it is not an area that would be appropriate for gatherings. They do not want to attract people to sit on a wall.

Mr. Musgrove agreed it is better not to have the wall.

Ms. Nelson asked if there is a plan for revegetating the slope.

Mr. Anderson said biodegradable fabric with turf. They just want to make it stable.

Mr. Hankin said this proposal is a much better solution.

Mr. Harris, applicant, said he appreciated the cooperation of the Town in assisting with the revisions.

Mr. Hankin asked if they had looked to see if more parking could be added near the garage.

Mr. Anderson said yes but it wouldn't work as it is too tight of a turn radius.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to approve site plan review, Ms. Nelson seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to send a positive recommendation to the Board of Selectmen on the special permit application of St. James Place for a community center use at 352 Main Street, exterior changes in the Village Center Overlay District and, pursuant to the following Planning Board findings, deviation from parking requirements of Section 9.6.11 #3 and 6.1.9:

1. Sufficient onsite parking is provided for the building's offices;

Additional parking spaces are available at off-peak hours pursuant to a shared use agreement with 342 Main Street;

3. Short term parking and loading for the People's Pantry is provided on St. James Place;

 The proposed plans maintain pedestrian safety and vehicular safety on the site, around the site, and accessing and exiting the site;

5. Future pedestrian or vehicular connections to the Town Hall parking lot may be possible;

6. Off-site parking is regularly available within walking distance;

 The building has been historically used for assembly with less parking than proposed for this use and will not be more detrimental than the previous use;

8. Historic preservation and preservation of green space are achieved.

Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

HOUSATONIC SOLAR 1: 0 PARK STREET

Kirt Mayland was present to discuss his project for a commercial solar array at 0 Park Street. Michael Marcus from New England Environmental Inc. was present to discuss the proposal.

Mr. Mayland said the site is 65 acres and more than half is in the Industrial Zone. The panels will cover about 13.7 acres, all in the Industrial Zone. He said it is a 3 megawatt DC site. He said he does not think the neighbors can see the project. He said it is a very secluded site.

Mr. Mayland said he is working with Natural Heritage,

Mr. Marcus said he is creating conservation restrictions for area 1 & 2. He said he can't finalize the documents until the study is done. He said construction is planned for when the turtles are in the river and not on the property, in the fall. He said the plan is for the work to be done before the turtles return in the spring.

Mr. Marcus said about 26 acres of the site is an old dump site and labeled a brownfield site. It was determined by Mass DEP that a solar use would be an acceptable reuse of the property. He said a small area is in the flood plain. A compensation plan will be provided.

Mr. Marcus said Natural Heritage gave guidelines for dealing with the turtles. The fence will be raised to allow them to move under it. A mowing plan will be established to avoid mowing when the turtles are in the area.

Mr. Marcus said there will be access to the site along Park Street or possibly Division Street. He said there will be a trail to Park Street. An existing car parking area off Division Street may be expanded.

Mr. Mayland said access through Hazen Paper will be perfect but they are prepared to provide an alternate access if necessary. He said there will be public access to the property. He would like to encourage the two school districts and the town to be served by the panels to be able to see where their power is coming from. He said there will be 3,000 linear feet of public access to the river.

Mr. Hankin asked if compensatory storage would be created on site.

Mr. Mayland said yes.

Mr. Hankin asked if vegetation would be planted under the panels.

Mr. Marcus said a low grass would be planted. The grass would be moved once a year.

Mr. Mayland said there will be some tree clearing in the conservation restriction area and in buffer zones. A cutting plan still needs to be filed with DEP and the Conservation Commission.

Mr. Marcus said there may be no trees in some of the area right now but young trees will grow. They will stay out of the wetlands. There will be selective cutting closer to the project.

Mr. Mayland said the lights near the access road would remain off. Any noise from inverters will be irrelevant and any traffic will be minimal.

Ms. Nelson read site plan review.

It was agreed that if the applicant is unable to get construction access through Hazen Paper he will need to get appropriate permits from the Town.

Ms. Nelson made a motion to approve the site plan review subject to the following conditions: The applicant will obtain suitable driveway access from the Town, if Hazen Paper does not allow access.

The maximum numbers of panels will be as shown on the plan dated June 12, 2014.

A bond or other financial surety acceptable to the Town will be obtained for decommissioning, and is to be provided to the Town prior to beginning installation of the solar arrays.

Mr. Musgrove seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Musgrove made a motion to send a positive recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for work in the flood plain, Ms. Fowle seconded, all in favor.

TOWN PLANNER'S REPORT:

Mr. Rembold said the Fetherolf v. Doyle lawsuit from 2007 was dismissed for lack of action. The applicant could come back in and start building.

Mr. Rembold said discussion at the Mass Planner's conference included the Marion solar issue that has not gone anywhere and there is a movement to rewrite Chapter 40A.

Mr. Rembold said he would miss the July 24th meeting. He suggested scheduling the July 10th meeting in Housatonic.

Mr. Hankin asked for Mr. Rembold to see if someone from BRPC could attend the July 10th meeting to discuss / present findings about Housatonic.

Having concluded their business, Mr. Hankin adjourned the meeting without objection at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted.

Planning Board Secretary

Materials Presented or Distributed for June 12, 2014

Town Planner's emails dated June 10

Site Plan application McTeigue and McClelland for 454 Main Street

Site Plan application 241 North Plain Road

Letter from SK Design dated June 10, 2014 regarding Barrington Brook condition #15

Special Permit application for 352 Main St, St. James Place, including revised plans dated June 2, 2014

Site Plan and Special Permit application for 0 Park Street, Housatonic Solar 1, including revised plans dated June 12, 2014



Town of Great Barrington Planning Board

Site Plan Review Decision

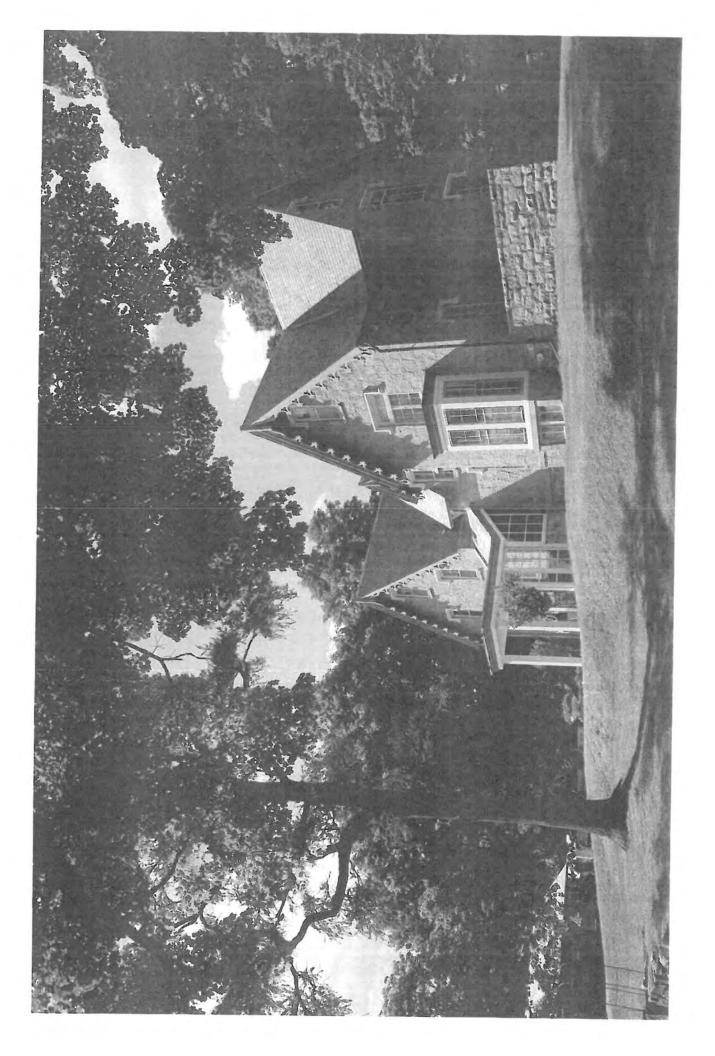
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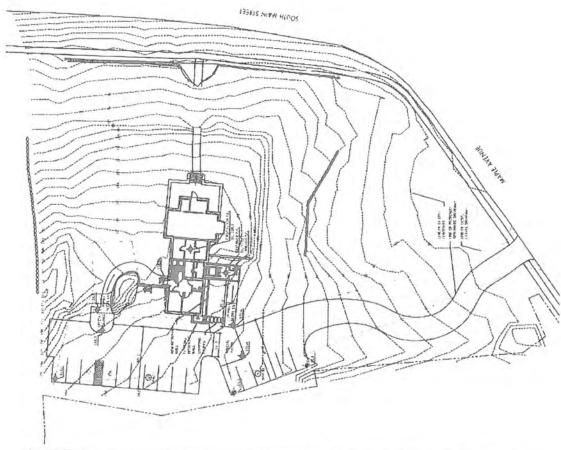
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FOR PLANNING BOARD USE ONLY

INSTRUCTIONS TO PLANNING BOARD
Complete this form to record a Site Plan Review decision of the Planning Board. Sign the form, and make 3 copies of the completed fo File the original with the Town Clerk. File one copy, with attached plans, with the Building Inspector. Send one copy to the Applicant a retain one copy for the Town Planner / Planning Board file.
APPLICATION INFORMATION
Application Number 48-14 Initial Filing Date 6/11/2014
Applicant Name McTeigue & McClelland / Walter McTeigue
Site Address 454 Main Street
Application for Modify Conditions #4 and #6 of site Plan decision of 12-12-2013 in order to pave driveway and add bollard
lights as shown on attached plan
PLANNING BOARD DECISION
By its vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed, on 6/12/2014 (date), the Planning Board approved approved with conditions denied The conditions of approval, if any, are as follows:
1. There shall be a 2% cross pitch on the driveway so drainage remains on the property
2. Bollard lighting and lighting in the porch area is permitted so long as no light shines into the night sky or spills off of the site.
Certificate of Occupancy. A Certificate of Occupancy shall be issued for this project only if the project has been completed per the approved Site Plan and its conditions, if any.
Lapse. The Applicant is hereby notified that, per 10.5.6 of the Zoning Bylaw, Site Plan approval shall lapse after one year from the grant thereof if a substantial use thereof has not sooner commenced except for good cause. Such approval may, for good cause, be extended in writing by the Board upon the written request of the applicant.

Title: Town Planner







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TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF ASSESSORS

October 2, 2020

ABUTTERS TO PROPERTY OF: KERIN KISKADDEN LLC

454 Main Street, Map 22 Lot 3, Book Z203 Page 326

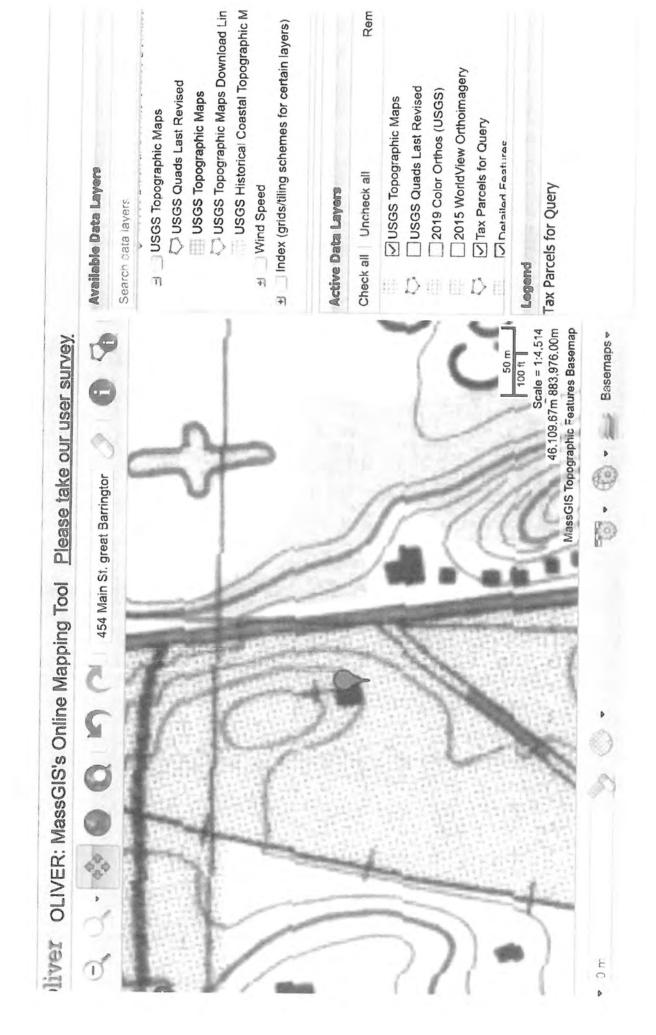
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MA	P LOT	ABUTTER
22	1	Kevin (estate) & Laura Jane Finnerty, 5 South St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1807
22	3A	10 Maple Ave LLC, PD Box 627, Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1807
22	2,1B	Nancy A. Mead & Thomas H. Mead Trustogs 20 at a land
22	5	Nancy A. Mead & Thomas H. Mead, Trustees, 20 Maple Ave., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1904 Millerton Co-Op Inc., PO Box 491, Millerton, NY 12546-0491
22	14	7 & 23 Inc., 490 Main St. #2, Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-2169
22	13,9	Cafua Realty Trust V LLC, 280 Merrimack St Ste A, Methuen, MA 01844-6435
22	12	500 Main Street LLC, 500 Main St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-2004
22	10	Mou Guo, c/o lee Bank, PO Box 627, Lee MA 01238-0627
22	8	Robert & Patricia A Vollmer 14 Pone St. Ca. B.
22	7	Robert & Patricia A. Vollmer, 14 Pope St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1908
22	18	Jose M. & Maria Quizhpi, 24 Pope St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1908 Palmer Properties U.C. 127 Wort Avg. Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1908
22	17	Palmer Properties LLC, 127 West Ave., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1811 Maniraj LLC, 485 Main St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1822
22	16	Toivo R. Tossavainen Jr. Trustee Do Br. 244
19	152,152A	Toivo R. Tossavainen Jr., Trustee, PO Box 314, Housatonic, MA 01236-0314
22	15	Educational Consultants, 389 Main St., Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1813 Town of Great Barrington, 334 Main St. Rm 208, Gt. Barrington, MA 01230-1832

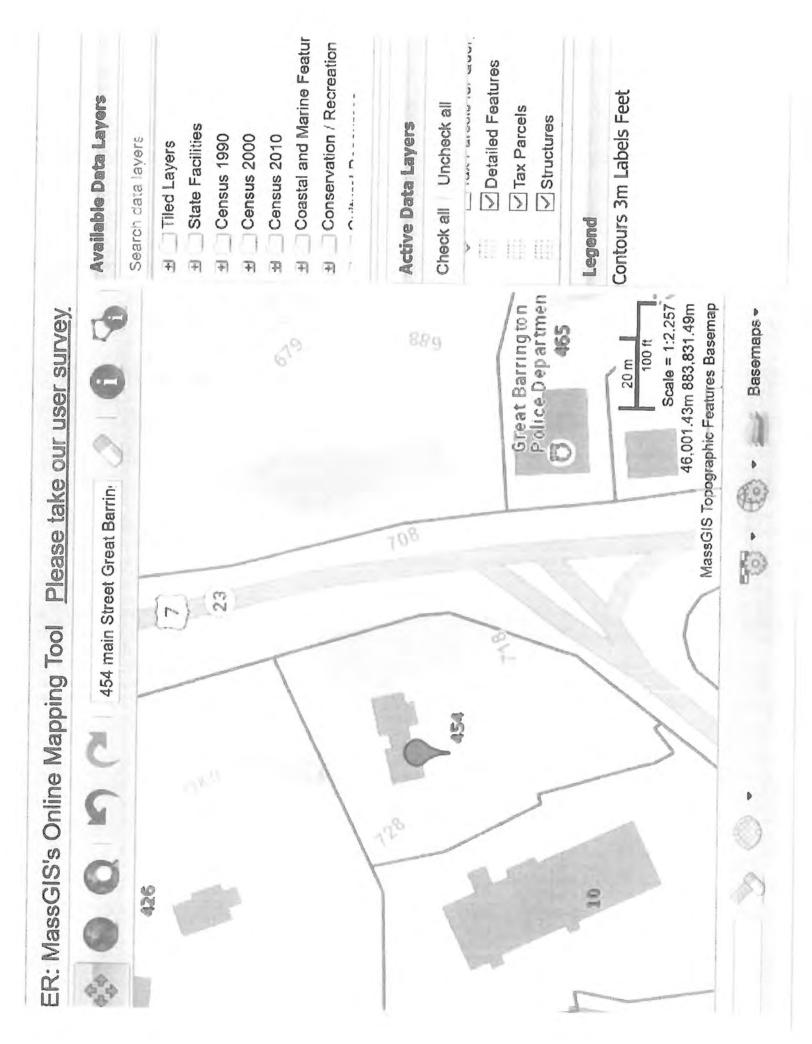
The above list of abutters to the subject property is correct according to the latest records of this office.

Sincerely,

Shaun McHugh Principal Assessor









COASTAL CULTIVARS, LLC MCN282052

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Coastal Cultivars, LLC 0 Patterson Brook Road, Wareham, MA 02576

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation) and information regarding the application submission:

Cultivation - Tier 11/Outdoor (90,001 to 100,000 sq. ft)

The application was reopened twice (2) for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

Туре	Status	Location
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Wareham

4. List of all required individuals and their business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role	
Ben Smith	Owner / Partner	
Jose Breton	Owner / Partner	
Jarrad Glennon	Owner / Partner	

5. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Entity	Role	
Samoel Ventures, LLC	Entity with Direct/Indirect Authority	
Greenfin LLC	Entity with Direct/Indirect Authority	

6. Applicant's priority status:

Provisional License Executive Summary 1



Expedited Applicant (License Type)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 21, 2019.
- The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 19, 2018 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on April 1, 2020 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Employ at least 25% of its employees from geographic areas of disproportionate impact, specifically Wareham, MA, or individuals who personally have, or have spouses that have, drug convictions.
2	Host bi-annual industry-specific educational programs to assist individuals who have been negatively impacted by cannabis prohibition.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

- There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
- There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday - Sunday: 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

- 15. The applicant submitted all applicable and required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.
- 16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal	

Provisional License Executive Summary 2



1	Employ at least 25% of individuals that are female, minority, veteran, disabled, and/or individuals' part of the LGBTQ community.
2	Have a management team comprised of 25% of female, minority, veteran, disabled, and/or individuals' part of the LGBTQ community.
3	Provide charitable donations to the Disabled American Veterans of Massachusetts.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

Not applicable

19. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

Not applicable

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

- 1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations;
- Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
- The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff;
- 4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee; and
- Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, with an updated Positive Impact Plan that provides detailed information on workshops and/or seminars and specific information on how it positively impacts people disproportionately harmed.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.



Town of Wareham Planning and Community Development

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August 13, 2020

To Whom It May Concern.

RE: Coastal Cultivars

Kenneth Buckland, Director of Planning and Community Development

Sonia Raposo, Department Assistant

Coastal Cultivars has been in Wareham for over two years. They have complied with all regulations and bylaws of the town. They have always been available for questions and to respond to questions quickly. They have actually gone beyond any requirements and have offered and provided assistance to the town in other economic development initiatives.

I recommend the company and its representatives as great corporate citizens.

Sincerely

Kenneth Buckland

Director

Dear Members of the Great Barrington Select Board,

I'm writing this letter in support of the proposed special permit application regarding 454 Main Street, the former home of McTeigue & McClelland.

We have no objections to granting of a special permit for a proposed marijuana retail location due to the distance being far in excess of 500 feet from our school, separated by a busy state highway and located directly across from the police station.

In addition, this property at the entrance to our town is a fine example of the historical and architectural character that makes Great Barrington so special. A thriving business in this location allows a landmark building like this to be utilized - and preserved.

Sincerely,

David Baum, Head of School

John Dewey Academy

Gower & Company 203 Main Street Providence, RI 02903 Petereschmitz99@gmail.com 781-571-1319

LETTER OF INTENT LEASE OF RETAIL SPACE

August 14, 2020

Dear Jarrad.

The following Letter of Intent (hereinafter the "LOI") serves to summarize Landlord's offer to Tenant to lease space at 454 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA. This LOI shows a good faith effort to enter into a lease for the above listed location. Should the parties be unable to come to a rental agreement, neither party shall have any further obligations to one another.

Landlord:

KERIN KISKADDEN LLC

Tenant:

COASTAL CULTIVARS, LLC

Premises:

454 Main Street

Great Barrington, MA 01230 (Land & Building)

Currently occupied by McTeigue & McClelland Fine Jewelers

Building Square

Footsge (Appx.):

2.215 First Floor 2,215 Second Floor 1,800 Basement

Letter of

Intent Execution:

LOI to be executed by 8/14/2020. With the execution of the LOI, Tenant will make a deposit that shall be applied towards the Special Permit process including filing, copying and attorney fees. Should Tenant receive special permit approval and Host Community Agreement (HCA), the balance shall be held in escrow until a lease between the parties is executed. If the special permit is denied with a good faith effort by Tenant

to get approval, Landlord shall return the balance of the deposit.

Lease Execution:

If the lease is not executed within 60 days of special permit HCA approval by the Town of Great Barrington, provided the Landlord has negotiated in good faith, Landlord may terminate the LOI and the remainder of the Samueleposit will be forfeited.

Initial Term:

Ten (10) years commencing on the Rent Commencement Date.

Delivery Date:

The latter of the expiration of Special Permit appeal period and Lease Execution subject to the sublease agreement for the second floor.

Pre-Permit and License Rent Commencement

Date:

January 1, 2021

No rent will be due until January 1, 2021. The rent shall be and month beginning. January 1, 2021

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Landlord may retain the right to use the second floor of the premises until Tenant begins paying the full rent of the North and per year. A separate sublease agreement shall be executed between the parties for use of the premises by the Landlord that will terminate upon 30 days notice to Landlord from Tenant. There shall be no rent charged for the sublease during the Pre-Permit and License Rental period.

If Tenant is unable to attain the necessary permits and licenses to open a Retail Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary within 360 days of Lease execution after diligently pursuing same, Landlord or Tenant may give 90 days notice to terminate the lease.

Annual Rent:

ar) with 3% increases every year throughout the term

Options To Extend:

Tenant shall be granted two (2) Five (5) Year Options to Extend the lease, exercisable upon not less than six (6) months prior written notice.

Option Rent:

Option Base Rent for each Option term to increase by five percent (5%) from final year of the prior Lease term with 3% increases annually thereafter.

Percentage Rent:

None.

Additional Rent

(Charges):

Subject to Landlord obligations below, Tenant shall maintain the premises both interior and exterior in similar Class A condition throughout the term of the lease at their cost, normal wear and tear excepted.

Non Profit Charitable

Charitable Contribution:

Tenant shall arrange to have the John Dewey Academy Health & Wellness Program as the designated recipient of the Town required annual charitable donation. The JDAH&W to be the recipient as long as the program meets the town's criteria for the local charity/non profit recipient.

Taxes:

Tenant shall pay the Real Estate Taxes during the term of this lease directly to the municipality. Tenant shall also be responsible for any additional taxes due associated with their use of the space. 2019 Real Estate Taxes were \$10,765.

Security Deposit:

Two months rent to be paid at Lease Execution and returned within 30 days of lease Termination unless terminated early and for cause and/or damage beyond reasonable wear and tear has occurred prior to turnover to Landlord.

Use:

A Retail Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary approved by the State of Massachusetts and the Town of Great Barrington primarily selling cannabis flower, pre-rolls, extracts and infusious, along with the sale of incidental related accessories, and for no other purpose without Landlord's consent which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

Landford Work:

Space to be delivered in as-is condition with merchandise and furniture removed and in broom clean condition.

Landlord will actively participate and lobby on behalf of the Tenant in support of Tenant's application for a Special Permit.

Tenant's Work:

Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall perform all work it deems necessary to open a typical Retail Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary, including, but not limited to any tenant-

specific lighting, flooring and wall finishes, and any and all FF&E. Landlord will provide working plans of the existing space."

Alterations:

Tenant will not make any structural or exterior changes to the Premises without obtaining the prior written consent of Landlord. Tenant may make such non-structural, interior alterations, changes, additions, and/or improvements including signage, in or to the Premises, as Tenant may desire for its business purposes, provided they have been reviewed and approved by Landlord. Landlord shall not unreasonably withhold approval.

Landlord's Repair Obligations:

Landlord shall repair and maintain all exterior and/or structural elements of the Premises, the roof, floor slab and any utilities serving the building up and to the meters or the building premises if not metered, unless caused by Tenant negligence. Landlord shall be responsible for any repairs to the HVAC system during the first and second lease years.

Tenants Maintenance:

Tenant shall repair and maintain the Premises, including but not limited to windows, doors, signs, HVAC (HVAC repairs after first and second lease years) and its replacement, utilities servicing the premises including (i) plumbing, (ii) sprinklers, and all non-structural portions of the interior of the Leased Premises. To be further defined in the lease.

Utilities and Rubbish Removal:

Upon Term Commencement, Tenant shall be responsible for securing and maintaining an account with the local utility provider(s). Tenant shall be solely responsible for and shall promptly pay all charges for water, gas, electricity, sewer, septic, cable, telephone, and any other utilities used upon or furnished to the Premises. Tenant shall secure and pay for trash removal in accordance with laws of the State of Massachusetts if controlled substances need to be handled per state and/or federal regulations.

Assignment & Subletting:

Tenant shall reserve the right to assign their entire premises with prior Landlord approval, which consent may not be unreasonably withheld. It shall not be considered unreasonable for Landlord to reject consent to a replacement Tenant that does not have equal or greater net worth than Tenant. Tenant shall not be relieved of its obligations under the Lease in the event of an Assignment or Sublease unless release is expressly approved by Landlord.

Go Dark:

Tenant shall have the right to close its store and or cease operations at any time and from time to time, provided Tenant continue to fulfill all other lease obligations, including the payment of rent and additional charges in accordance with the lease. If, after the Rent Commencement Date, pursuant to Tenant's election to do so, the Premises remain closed for a period in excess of ninety (90) consecutive days (except in connection with a casualty, taking, force majeure, renovation or assignment), Landlord, at Landlord's option, shall have the right, while the Premises remains closed, by thirty days written notice (provided the Tenant does not open the Premises for business during said notice period), to terminate the Lease and recapture the space.

Signage:

Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall install its standard storefront signage provided the same has received (i) Landlord's prior approval which shall not to be unreasonably withheld and (ii) is in compliance with governmental codes and regulations. Tenant will also have use of any pylon or additional signage permitted by the town of Great Barrington.

Contingencies:

Should Tenant not receive approval by the Cannabis Control Commission or local municipality for the operation of a Retail Adult Use Cannabis Dispensary, the lease shall terminate within six (6) months from the date of final rejection of a license to operate at a date mutually agreed upon between Tenant and Landlord. Tenant shall use all reasonable efforts to secure a license to operate from the state and local municipality. Landlord shall have the right to seek a license to operate in the event the Tenant has deemed their efforts to have been exhausted.

Brokers:

Tenant acknowledges that they have dealt with no other real estate agent. Landlord shall

be responsible for paying any fee due by separate agreement.

Lease Form:

Initial Lease draft on Landlord's lease form, to be consistent with the terms and provisions of this LOI, with the final form on terms agreeable to both parties acting in

good faith.

Please indicate your acceptance to this proposal by signing below where indicated and returning a copy to my attention. It is understood that (i) other substantial terms of the lease must be negotiated between the parties, and no liabilities or obligations of any kind whatsoever are intended to be created hereby, (ii) this letter is not intended to constitute a legally binding agreement to consummate the transaction referred to above nor an agreement to enter into a legally binding lease, and (iii) neither party may claim legal rights against the other by reason of the execution of this letter or by taking any action in reliance thereon.

Sincerely,

Peter Schmitz Executive Director Grower & Company

ACKNOWLEGED AND AGREED TO BY

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Jarrad M. Glennon, Manager

Acknowledged and Accepted by Landlord

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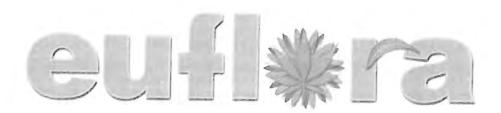


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Delivered in Hand

November 5, 2020

Mr. Stephen Bannon Chair, Selectboard Brandee Nelson Chair, Planning Board Great Barrington 334 Main St. Great Barrington, MA 01230

Re: Site Plan Review and Special Permit Application/454 Main St.

Dear Mr. Bannon and Ms. Nelson:

Please consider this as a supplemental filing for the pending application for site plan review and a special permit.

1. Parking

To clarify the anticipated employee count discussed at the Planning Board meeting, the applicant anticipates a total workforce of 10-15, working in shifts throughout the retail week. The Applicant anticipates no more than five employees on

site at any one time. There are 21 parking spaces on the property, only two of which are not paved.

The parking requirements of §9.5.2 would require one space for each 200 ft.² of usable floor area, or 11 spaces. In addition, the property is in the Village Center Overlay District; §9.6.11.2 requires only the maintenance of existing parking spaces when the structure is not being built or expanded in the property is in that overlay District. In order to insure adequate parking, the applicant has identified an area to be converted to 10 additional parking spaces, if necessary. If the necessity became apparent while the asphalt plants were open, it would be paved immediately. If it became necessary to use the area or in the winter months, it would be graveled and then paved in the spring.

2. Traffic

Attached to this submission is the Institute of Traffic Engineers traffic generation average peak data for marijuana dispensaries. Application of the average rate of 10.44 to the gross floor area of 2215 ft.² results in a peak traffic projection of 49 trips per hour. A trip is unidirectional, so that we are projecting roughly 25 vehicles in and 25 vehicles out during the peak hour.

Mr. Rembold was kind enough to provide the relevant of the Functional Design Report of Nitsch Engineering for intersection improvements at Main Street and Maple Street. Traffic was measured in April, 2018. (Page 12) The report provides a background traffic growth rate at the intersection of Main and Maple of less of 1% per annum, so the study is valid 2 ½ years later. (Page 17) the level of service summary reflects an LOS of between A and C for the morning peak hour, which is not relevant to this proposed use. For the weekday evening peak hour, it reflects an LOS of A for Main

St. traffic southbound and turning onto Maple, LOS of A for Main St. traffic northbound and turning onto Maple, and LOS of A for Maple Ave. traffic eastbound and turning south on Main. The LOS is B for Main St. southbound, continuing southbound and an LOS of C only for Maple Avenue eastbound and turning north on Main Street. (Page 28) The seasonally adjusted traffic counts for the peak evening hour were 1440 vehicles (nearly equally split between northbound and southbound) on Main Street, and 509 vehicles (with a slightly greater distribution eastbound than westbound) on Maple Street. (Page 12) the addition of 25 vehicles during the peak hour entering this property from Maple Street, and 25 vehicles exiting the property onto Maple Street is not anticipated to degrade the level of service.

The above, however, may well become irrelevant with the construction of the intersection improvements. Either of the alternatives will result in a level of service of B on both streets in both directions.

2. Landscaping

The applicant believes that current landscaping complies with the requirements of §6.2 of the Bylaw, and that the property is quite attractive. Nevertheless, we would be glad to update the landscaping to what the Board feels is appropriate

Very truly yours

Peter L Puciloski

Enclosures



EXHIBIT A

FINDINGS OF FACT AND BASIS FOR DECISION

Re: Special Permit #913-20 454 Main Street

A. Introduction

This Special Permit application was filed on October 6, 2020 by Coastal Cultivars, LLC, 399 Boylston Street, 6th Floor, Boston, MA, 02116 ("Applicant"), represented by Peter Puciloski of Lazan Glover & Puciloski LLP, to locate a retail marijuana establishment at 454 Main Street, Great Barrington, closer than 200 feet to the property of a private school. The application is made per Sections 7.18.4.3 and 10.4 of the Zoning Bylaw.

As described in the narrative, the site is improved with an historic building in which, until recently, a jewelry store was located. There are no exterior changes proposed to the structure but the freestanding sign would be replaced.

B. General Findings

The site is in the B-2 zoning district, where a marijuana retail establishment is permitted by right per the Table of Use Regulations, Section 3.1.4, C(13). However proposals must also meet the requirements of Section 7.18.4, item 1, since the subject site of 454 Main Street is within 200 feet of the property boundary of an existing school. The school in question, known as the John Dewey Academy (the "Academy"), is across the street at 389 Main Street. The two properties are within approximately 90 feet of each other, when measured in a straight line from the nearest point of the property lines.

While the properties are within 90 feet, the occupied buildings on the properties are approximately 800 feet apart when measured by a straight line. The properties have a significant physical barrier between them, however, as they are separated by a 4-lane highway (Main Street) and the Academy property has a high concrete and stone wall around it. There is a steep slope as well. The shortest pedestrian route from the subject site to the Academy main entrance, when using sidewalks and crosswalks, is approximately 1,100 feet. The Police Station is also located in the immediate vicinity.

The site consists of a paved driveway and parking area, which accommodates 19 paved and 2 unpaved parking spaces. The proposed retail establishment will be on the first floor of the building, a total of 2,215 square feet. At the rate of one space per 200 square feet per Section 6.1 of the Zoning Bylaw, the parking requirement is therefore 11 spaces; the site meets the parking requirement.

The proposed business will have 5 employees on site at any one time, leaving 16 spaces available for customers. The applicant estimates up to 25 vehicle trips into and 25 vehicle trips out of the site per hour. The applicant has identified an area for 10 additional on-site spaces. Creation of those 10 spaces will require Site Plan Approval by the Planning Board.

The Conservation Commission reviewed the proposal and has determined it has no jurisdictional interest.

The Board of Health will review the proposal on November 5.

The Planning Board reviewed the special permit application and made a positive recommendation to

the Selectboard.

C. Distance Requirement Finding

Section 7.18.4, item 3 authorizes the Selectboard to grant a special permit authorizing a deviation from this distance requirement if it finds the Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center will not be detrimental to a protected use.

The Selectboard finds that the 200 foot distance requirement may be reduced in this case because there are physical barriers—namely Main Street, the wall, and the topography—that adequately separate the sites. The proposed marijuana establishment at this location will not be detrimental to the school.

D. Special Permit Criteria and Findings

Section 10.4.2 of the Zoning Bylaw, granting of a special permit requires a written determination by the Special Permit Granting Authority "that the adverse effects of the proposed use will not outweigh its beneficial impacts to the town or the neighborhood, in view of the particular characteristics of the site, and of the proposal in relation to that site." This determination shall include consideration of the following criteria:

- 1. Social, economic, or community needs which are served by the proposal;
- 2. Traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading;
- 3. Adequacy of utilities and other public services;
- 4. Neighborhood character and social structures;
- 5. Impacts on the natural environment; and,
- 6. Potential fiscal impact, including impact on town services, tax base, and employment.

The Board's considerations in relation to each of the six special permit criteria are set forth below.

Criterion 1. Social, economic, or community needs which are served by the proposal.

The Board finds that the marijuana does not serve a need. It is consistent with several goals of the master plan: the business will contribute to employment and the tax base, as other businesses would, and unlike some businesses, it does not need to make alterations to the exterior of the historic building, thus helping preserve the historic structure.

Criterion 2. Traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading.

The proposed use meets the parking requirements, with 16 spaces left over available for customers. Assuming the projected 25 vehicles per hour are spaced out during the peak hour, the 16 existing surpluses spaces will suffice to meet parking demand. If not the applicant will improve 10 additional spaces upon approval by the Planning Board. The Board finds there will be no detrimental impact to traffic flow and safety including parking and loading.

Criterion 3. Adequacy of utilities and other public services.

The site is already served by drinking water and sewer systems. Other marijuana retailers have had no discernable impact to public health, fire, or police services. The Board finds utilities and services are adequate to serve this use.

Criterion 4. Neighborhood character and social structures.

No further development of the site will occur, therefore the Board finds that the proposal will not alter the neighborhood character.

<u>Criterion 5.</u> Impacts on the natural environment.

No further development of the site will occur, therefore the Board finds that the proposal will have no negative impacts on the environment.

<u>Criterion 6.</u> Potential fiscal impact, including impacts on town services, tax base, and employment.

The Board finds that the facility will not negatively impact town services, and it will increase employment and maintain the existing taxable value of the property.

Finding:

In consideration of the above Findings, the Board finds that possible benefits of the proposal outweigh possible detrimental impacts of the proposal.