## Fryeburg Planning Board Meeting July 28, 2020 – Legion Hall &Via Zoom

Members in attendance: Patrick Emery, Ed Price, Charlie Buterbaugh, Tom Rebmann, Edy Kizaki

Emery called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. It was determined that there was a quorum.

Application for Jacobs Adult Use Cannabis Cultivation: Philip Jacobs of Earth & Fire gave a brief description of his plans to build a greenhouse for the purposes of adult use marijuana cultivation. He said that he will be installing a greenhouse that will be used from March until October for the growing season and utilize his garage in the off season to keep and maintain his plant genetics. The application is for a Tier 2 license, which allows to have up to 2000 sf of marijuana cultivation. The product will only be sold wholesale to various businesses.

Rebmann asked what type of foundation the greenhouse will be setting on- Jacobs stated that it would sit on crushed stone.

Buterbaugh asked about using chemicals being used on the plants- Jacobs stated that he will be growing everything 100% organic.

Price asked about an operation plan- Jacobs stated that it is all laid out in the State of Maine application with required information.

Price asked if there would be lighting in the greenhouse- Jacobs stated that the only grow lightning that would be in the garage in the off season and that the greenhouse will only use natural light and heat.

Price asked what security measures he has in place for the garage area- Jacobs stated that he has 24 hour video surveillance and gets notified of any activity 24 hours a day.

Price made a motion to deem the application complete and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kizaki. This passed unanimously 5-0.

Price made a motion to hold a public hearing on August 25<sup>th</sup> 2020- after some deliberation the motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Emery. This passed unanimously 5-0.

**Application for Paradigm Brands, LLC:** Thomas Yerrick of Paradigm labs gave a brief description of his plans of setting up and running an extraction lab located on the Four Seasons site. The lab is called a C1D1 and consists of 3 shipping containers connected together creating an area of 24' x 40'. It would be shipped to Maine from Colorado and erected on site.

Buterbaugh asked about the butane that is used and remains in the soil- Yerrick stated that there will be very little butane left in the soil biomass and that would eventually evaporate.

Rebmann asked about the lease agreement with the land owner- Yerrick stated that they have letter from land owner stating that he is ok with the business plan (no official lease was presented)

Price asked about what part of the existing building would be used in conjunction with the extraction lab- Yerrick stated that they are still discussing their options.

Price asked where the C1D1 lab would be positioned on the lot-Yerrick stated that it would be placed back left of the existing building as you are viewing from the road, and would have a 8' privacy fence around the containers.

Kizaki asked what the containers would look like- Yerrick stated that pictures can be viewed at THC-Safety.com. Jim Lieberman the owner of C1D1 laboratories gave a brief description of the lab design.

Kizaki asked about safety hazards- Lieberman stated that its all metal construction, air is constantly recirculated, explosion proof and sensors with onboard fire suppression.

Kizaki asked when the 3 containers are connected is it one big room- Lieberman stated that it is divided but it has large openings between the containers for each room.

Buterbaugh asked if they had applied for their renewal medical marijuana license- Yerrick stated that it should be in the mail any day now.

Price made a motion to deem the application incomplete and would review it again at the 8/25/2020 meeting as long as supporting information was submitted in time. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buterbaugh and passed unanimously 5-0.

Kelli Bouthiette (assisting Yerrick in application process) asked if they could get the information to the board and have a public hearing on 8/25/2020- Price stated "No" that they need more information and would review the application for completeness on 8/25/2020.

**Application for CMP Substation:** Jim Melvin representing CMP gave a brief description of the proposed substation upgrade on Portland Street. Melvin stated that the upgrade is crucial to the ever evolving power demand. It would take 9 months from start to finish and they were hoping to start construction next summer.

Rebmann asked what the purpose of a substation- Jeremy Pettengill (Engineer for CMP) stated that its purpose is to step down the voltage to be used by the consumers.

Buterbaugh asked about vegetative screening around the substation- Melvin stated that they will use "Fat Albert Spruce" for screening because of its slow growing ability and it does grow very high.

Kizaki asked how far the site is from Wards brook- Melvin stated that it is around 300'.

Kizaki asked if the building would be built onsite- Melvin stated that the panels would be built off site then erected on site.

Price asked about the set of stairs depicted on the drawings- Melvin stated that it goes to the basement area and that the building will have a full 8' Basement.

Price asked why the discrepancy in the sizing of entry way culvert diameter- Melvin stated it was the doing of the stormwater engineer and that they would install the larger 15" culvert to follow MDOT's recommendation.

Price asked if the new substation would be receiving more voltage- Pettengill stated that they would be receiving the same voltage but it will have the ability to accept higher voltage after the upgrade.

Price asked about the emergency lighting at the facility- Pettengill stated that it has backup battery powered lights that will come on automatically if the grid loses power.

Price made a motion to table the application, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rebmann. This passed unanimously 5-0.

Price made a motion to hold a public hearing on 8/25/2020,  $2^{nd}$  by Buterbaugh. This passed unanimously 5-0

**CEO Report:** Price made a motion to accept the CEO report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kizaki. This passed unanimously 5-0.

Public comment: None

**Other Business:** Price asked the CEO to get in touch with Lee Jay from Southern Maine Development to start back up the rezoning discussions.

Price made a motion at 7:50 pm to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Buterbaugh. This passed unanimously 5-0.