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Planning Board Minutes Tuesday, October 15, 2013

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, Willard (John) Goldthwaite Jr. at 7:00pm. Members present: George Basbanes, Brett Rock, Joan Simmons and Joe Vlcek Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall, 511 Main Street, lower level

Proposed Medical Marijuana Moratorium Article for Special Town Meeting

This meeting was called by the Planning Board to address the request made by Selectman Alterisio who asked that the Board reconsider holding a hearing for the marijuana moratorium article.

The article was written by Town Counsel at the request of the Planning Board. On September 16th, the Board voted to hold a hearing. A day later the article was forwarded to the Board of Selectmen for review. The Selectmen were to return the article to the Planning Board within 14 days (by 10/1). Mr. Alterisio addressed the Board at their meeting on October 7th. The article has yet to be returned.

Points that were brought up:

- 1) The Planning Board had already voted to hold a hearing.
- 2) The expense is relatively minimal.
- 3) Town Counsel feels that it is in the town's best interest to go forward with a moratorium.

After the discussion, Brett made a motion to go forward as planned with the hearing for the Marijuana Moratorium. Joan 2^{nd} the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda</u> <u>Meeting of October 21st</u>

The Board asked that the October 21st meeting be cancelled if no agenda items come up by the 17th.

George made a motion to close the meeting at 7:26pm. Joe 2^{nd} the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann – Secretary Dunstable Planning Board