

A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Wednesday, January 03, 2018 at 9:00 am.

Present: John Margie, Chairman; David Sheedy, Vice Chairman; William Dowling, Clerk; George Samia, and Rebecca Johnson, Administrative Assistant.

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Forum

Appointment

Action Items

The Board of Selectmen discussed the pros and cons for having a special election in February and whether or not to have the election in April.

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, a unanimous vote, to approve an addition to the ballot at the Regular Town of East Bridgewater election Saturday, April 7, 2018 at the Jr. Sr. High School Gymnasium from 11:00am – 7:00pm with the following ballot question:

BALLOT QUESTION

“Shall the Town of East Bridgewater adopt the following Zoning Bylaw?”

Full Text of Zoning Bylaw

Section 14 – Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed

Consistent with G.L. c.94G sec. 3(a)(2), all types of marijuana establishments as defined in G.L. c. 94G, Section 1(j), to include all marijuana cultivators, marijuana testing facilities, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana retailers or any other type of licensed marijuana-related businesses, shall be prohibited within the Town of East Bridgewater.

Town Counsel Summary of Proposed Zoning Bylaw

The proposed Zoning Bylaw would prohibit all commercial businesses related to marijuana within the Town of East Bridgewater, including marijuana cultivators, marijuana testing facilities, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana retailers or any other type of licensed marijuana-related business. The proposed Zoning Bylaw would not prohibit the personal use of marijuana or growing of marijuana at a residence, as permitted by law.

Mr. Sheedy stated that a Yes vote is to ban any sales of non-medically prescribed marijuana in the Town of East Bridgewater.

A No vote would be to allow establishments to be licensed and sales of non-medically prescribed marijuana in the Town of East Bridgewater. This explanation will be on the ballot.

Town Administrator Report

Board Discussions

M/Sheedy, s/Dowling, motion to adjourn.

VOTE: Yes – Margie, Sheedy, Dowling a unanimous vote in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 am

 Clerk
Board of Selectmen