

Town of Veazie Planning Board

Meeting Minutes

8 February 2011

Call to Order : 7:02 PM

Present : A. Thomas (CEO); Board members C. Cronan (Chair), K. Carr, K. Tableman (Assoc mbr. Seated by the Chairman) and J. Manter (recorder of minutes); Town Atty. T. Russell.

Minutes : No minutes

01-10-11 Meeting minutes audio-record to be archived.

Medical Marijuana

Atty. T. Russell submitted:

- Updated version to proposed Land Use Ordinance
- Additions/subtractions noted in red
- Addressed concerns/comments from 12-21-10 meeting.

Review of proposed Ordinance:

- Dispensary cultivate in zone C-1?
- Any other State conviction prohibits association w/ dispensary/cultivation facility?
- Hemp products sale allowed?

Concerns addressed during discussion:

- Dispensary may cultivate as part of own operation only
- Atty. Will alter wording – “any jurisdiction” of conviction
- Hemp products not referenced – food products require vendor’s license.

Public Hearing set for Tuesday, 15 March.

Timber Harvesting

Current Land Use Ordinance provisions allow for up to 40% timber harvest on a Town property; no clear-cutting. The proposed Amendment provides for higher % of cutting upon approval of a forest management plan submitted by a licensed Forester. The Town may consult with a licensed Forester reviewing this plan.

Intent of consulting Forester –

- review not clear
- add: separate line – “ After consultation with the Town Forester, or a consulting forester retained by the Town, ...”
- Add: “Permit fee to be set by the Town Council”.

Board members will review – revise – reformat – and discuss at a future meeting.

Open Space

Hand-out from Chm. Cronan – provision of a 3-tier review process for determining open space requirements

- pre-application sketch
- conceptual consultation
- full application.

Page 3 of hand-out – substitutions for current language on Open Space

- land selection criteria
- “road requirements” approach vs. “Add value” approach.

Standards in Comprehensive Plan

- Planning Board’s duty – determine: submitted plan meet?
- Appeal procedure
- Connectivity?
- Planning Board conducts a review process – cannot delegate.

Legal Protection of Open Space

- development rights transferred in any case of ownership
- Town and State – 3rd party rights of enforcement
- Open space protected in perpetuity
- Motorized uses – reference buffers
- Net residential space vs “green” & net residential space.

Next Planning Board meeting – March 15.

CEO A. Thomas – out fro knee surgery – March 6 & 22.

Adjourn 8:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



moved to accept: K. Carriz; seconded: C. Cronan
Voted at the 15 March mtg 3-0 (2 abstained); S. Smith -
Andersen not present at the meeting; J. Munter felt
conflict of interest judging own minutes)