

North Stonington, CT

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2022 - 7:00pm

Old Middle High School – Media Center 298 Norwich-Westerly Road North Stonington, CT 06359

MINUTES APPROVED – MARCH 3, 2022

1. <u>CALL MEETING TO ORDER</u>: Vice-Chair Wayne Wilkinson called the Regular Meeting of the North Stonington Planning & Zoning Commission to order on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 7:01 p.m.

<u>COMMISSIONERS PRESENT</u>: Wayne Wilkinson, Vice-Chair, Mark Leonard and Robert Mazzella (Alternate)

<u>COMMISSIONERS ABSENT</u>: Louis Steinbrecher, Chairman, Pat Lewis, Secretary, Ed Learned, Jennifer Pensa (Alternate) and Robert Kappes (Alternate)

STAFF PRESENT: Planning, Development & Zoning Official Nathan Reichert & Administrative Assistant Cheryl Konsavitch

- 2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: None
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Brian Rathbun addressed Senate Bill 6107 pertaining to an Act concerning the Zoning Enabling Act which would have an impact on municipal zoning dictated by the State.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING**:

TX AM #22-001 (*Text Amendment*) Application of North Stonington Planning & Zoning Commission, c/o Nathan Reichert PDZO, 40 Main Street, North Stonington, CT 06359 requesting a regulation text change imposing a 6-month cannabis use permitting moratorium.

Vice-Chair Wilkinson read the application into the record.

Seated: W. Wilkinson, M. Leonard, R. Mazzella

N. Reichert went over the Text Amendment and stated the moratorium is for a limited time in order for the Commission to write regulations for Cannabis Establishments.

The Commission discussed the text amendment and had general questions pertaining to it.

Vice-Chair Wilkinson asked if there were any questions or comments from the public pertaining to this application. The following people spoke:

Robert Carlson, 1st Selectman Brian Rathbun, Grindstone Hill Road Anne Nalwalk, Northwest Corner Road Vice-Chair Wilkinson asked if there was anyone from the public speaking in favor of this application. The following people spoke:

Robert Carlson, 1st Selectman Anne Nalwalk, Northwest Corner Road

Vice-Chair Wilkinson asked if there was anyone from the public speaking against this application. The following person spoke.

Brian Rathbun, Grindstone Hill Road

MOTION by M. Leonard, SECOND by R. Mazzella to close the Public Hearing on TX AM #22-001. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. PENDING APPLICATIONS:

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MOTION by M. Leonard, SECOND by R. Mazzella to approve TX AM #22-001 (*Text Amendment*) Application of North Stonington Planning & Zoning Commission, c/o Nathan Reichert PDZO, 40 Main Street, North Stonington, CT 06359 requesting a regulation text change imposing a 6-month cannabis use permitting moratorium effective the day after publication.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. PLANNING ISSUES & DISCUSSION: None

7. SENIOR PLANNER & ZONING OFFICIAL'S REPORT/ISSUES:

ZEO Activity Report/January

N. Reichert went over his activity report with the Commission for January and will e-mail it to the Commission.

- 8. OLD BUSINESS: None
- 9. NEW BUSINESS: None
- 10. **NEW APPLICATIONS**: None

11. REVIEW MINUTES:

Review minutes of Regular Meeting of 01/06/22. The minutes of 01/06/22 were accepted as submitted.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by M. Leonard, SECOND by R. Mazzella to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Konsavitch

Cheryl Konsavitch, Administrative Assistant Land Use Office