

Cannabis Working Group

Meeting of Wednesday, May 2, 2018

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Attendees: Stanley Andrews, Glenn Cannon, Jennifer Copeland, William Grant, Dominique Rapoza, George Slade, Rob Wheeler

Absent: Richard Conron, Terri Guarino, Dennis Woodside,

Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by George Slade

William Grant administered the meeting

Rob Wheeler of the Finance Committee was introduced

It was agreed to postpone the election of Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk because of number of missing members.

During public comment, Don Hayward asked about relation of schizophrenia to medical marijuana. Ms. Rapoza offered a brief explanation.

George Seaver wanted to speak on a study, which he brought to the meeting. Mr. Grant ruled that the topic was not related to the agenda or the focus of the working group. Mr Seaver exited the meeting.

Mr. Hayward asked about water use concerns of the cannabis growing area. After a brief discussion by Mr. Andrews and Mr. Grant, it was decided that the working group wasn't equipped to answer specifics of water usage. Mr. Hayward exited the meeting.

John Bunevith made a comment and exited the room shortly afterward.

Discussion and creation of a mission statement was deferred until the proponent was in attendance. Before the next meeting, members should gather thoughts to contribute to this statement.

Mr. Slade said that he would provide information about what the Selectmen expect to have for the Fall Town Meeting.

Mr. Cannon distributed the copies of the general time line that has a finish date around mid-July.

Ms. Copeland distributed samples of Host community agreements from other municipalities. It was considered to be beneficial to have access to these agreements to see what might be good for the town of Bourne, including the number of (retail) outlets.

A discussion took place of possible sites visits to assist the group in making a decision. If we can see what works and what doesn't, would be helpful. The Medical Health Distributor in Mashpee and facilities in Wareham and Plymouth might yield valuable information.

Hiring an "expert" or facilitator was discussed. Jason Cullinan, a town resident affiliated with the Home Grown Academy in Carver, offered his assistance for future reference. He briefly presented his qualifications and left his contact information.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 16th. Location and time needs to be determined.

Mr. Andrews moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Slade. Unanimous approval at 6:40 pm.

Submitted by George Slade

Approved – 5.23.18