

Medical Marijuana Ordinance
Meeting Minutes 01/19/16

Meeting called to order @ 07:10pm by Chairman MacMaster

Committee members present – Les MacMaster, Sarah Gormady, Dan Drake

There were several members of the public (Business Owners along Main Street). We had a good conversation throughout the meeting.

Agenda Item 1 – Survey of surrounding towns with Medical Marijuana Ordinances.

Sarah reported on Waldoboro (Moratorium). She said the focus was safety issues regarding cultivation. She said that the moratorium was old (2010) and has expired.

Sarah then reported on Waterboro (Moratorium). The focus was on dispensaries and was dated Dec 2010. This has since expired.

Les reported on the Town of York. This ordinance is directed at “Dispensaries and Production Facilities”. The ordinance was very similar to the OOB ordinance and is dated 2014.

Of note, the Town of York has a clear exception for small producers. Qualified Patients and Caregivers may grow in “every base zone and overlay zone”, provided the location is the growers primary residence.

Agenda Item 2 – Conversation with Emily Ward

Les attempted to get Selectperson Emily Ward to come to the meeting to discuss her concerns and ideas regarding an ordinance. Emily was unable to attend, but did comment that any ordinance would have to address safety, signage, construction issues, fire, air and zoning issues.

Agenda Item 3 – Contact with DHHS

Les made multiple phone calls to the DHHS regarding presentations or educational material. He was unable to actually talk to anyone. Sarah indicated she may have a contact at DHHS and will pursue it.

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 2 at 7:00pm at Pike Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 08:29pm.