

Planning Board

Town of Wales

8/31/2020 6:15 PM

Present: Lynn Greene (**Lynn G**), Danelle LaFlower (Virtually) (**Danelle L.**), Laurie Hornacek (**Laurie H.**), Diane Piazza (**Diane P.**), Jason Oney (**Jason O.**)

Guests: Liz Dickinson (Virtually)

Lynn G. opened the meeting at 6:15 PM.

****Agenda Item:** Continued Discussion Wales Marijuana Bylaw

Prior to the meeting the board members had read and reviewed Marijuana bylaws from surrounding towns that were approved by the Attorney General's Office.

Laurie H. makes a motion that the board accepts the "definitions" listed along with having the state requirements and CCC's checklist listed as a prerequisite to applying with the town. **Danelle L.** wanted to highlight some requirements she would like to see in Wales's bylaw. **Danelle L.** would like there to be a "dark sky" standard to help with light pollution along with putting bans on forest loss and clear cutting for the purpose of building a marijuana establishment. The board highlights what they liked about surrounding towns bylaws and the board discusses the option of allowing outside growth of Marijuana but would need to do some research. The board has concerns about how outside growth will be monitored and secured.

Diane P. would like to see a checklist within the town's bylaw showing the CCC requirements along with state requirements that would need to be completed prior to applying with the town. The board feels that the Fire and Police departments should conduct annual inspections of the property/business to make sure they are in compliance with certifications, licenses and town conditions set in its bylaw.

The board continued to read through surrounding town's bylaws focusing on open space, signage, required checklists, police surveillance/patrol, decommissioning, lighting and required notifications. The clerk will begin to piece together the board's recommendations and create a draft for the next meeting.

Laurie H. makes a motion to end the meeting, **Danelle L.** 2nds that motion, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.