

WISCASSET ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MINUTES, APRIL 11, 2022  
5:30 p.m. VIA ZOOM

Present: Al Cohen, Jackie Lowell, Karl Olson (arrived during the meeting) Don Oyster, Anna Ridle, Planner Emily Rabbe and selectboard liaison Sarah Whitfield

1. Call to Order

In the absence of the chair, the secretary called the meeting to order.

2. Election of Vice Chair

Jackie Lowell nominated Al Cohen as vice chair. Vote 3-0-1 (Cohen abstained)

3. Approval of Minutes of March 28, 2022

Don Oyster moved to approve the minutes. Vote 4-0-0.

4. Draft Marijuana Ordinance

Changes to the draft included:

- The right to hire third party consultants at applicant's expense to review proposals and determine impact or resolve issues,
- Definition of Person to include partnerships or corporations
- Revocation of license and transfer of license
- Check sizes of cultivation facilities
- Retail stores will be allowed in the Commercial zone on Route 1 from Page Avenue to Montsweag Brook
- Cultivation, testing, manufacturing facilities limited to the Rural District on Gardiner Road
- Marijuana retail stores, cultivation, testing, manufacturing facilities not allowed in Village 1 and Village 2 districts
- The required distances from schools, churches, etc. would be measured from building to building (Note: State requires from property line to property line so have changed that in the draft ordinance)
- Application fee will be required in full with the application.
- Site Plan Review fee separate from licensing fee
- Fees are set by the select board
- Town appointed officer is changed to Town Clerk
- Public Hearing by the select board is separate from public hearing by planning board
- State and local residency requirements are removed
- If license is revoked, fees are forfeited, and applicant can not apply for three years
- Marijuana sales allowed only at fixed location – delete farmer's market, etc.

Changes will be discussed at the next meeting.

5. Other Business – none

6. Adjournment

Al Cohen moved to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. Vote 5-0-0