



TOWN OF CHARLTON
37 MAIN STREET
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Marijuana Advisory Committee

February 5, 2019

Members Present:

James Philbrook-Chairman/Health Director
Deborah Noble-Selectman
Daniel Dowd- Police Detective/Lt.
Dennis Carlson- Fire Inspector
Jean Vincent-Planning Board Representative
Jamie Leehy- Citizen Representative
Rick McManus- Citizen Representative

Also Present:

Doug Shaffer- Valley Green Grow
James McMahan- Green Gold Group
Michael Curtis- Four Score Holdings LLC
Kurt Smith-Four Score Holdings LLC

- Chairman of the Marijuana Advisory Committee, James Philbrook, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
- James McMahan of Green Gold Group (GGG) gave a status update of the GGG medical marijuana facility. Per the DOT, entrance into the facility will only be accessible off of Route 20 and exit only onto Route 31. Internal signage, painting, and a concrete planter to close off the 48 foot curb cut is needed. A granite curb will be installed from the curb cut to the existing sidewalk when the ground thaws.
- James Philbrook stated that GGG will need to register as a Public Water Supplier (PWS) or tie into the public water supply. Brief discussion about this.

- Mr. McMahon stated that he needs to speak with Curt Meskus, the Building Commissioner, to verify that the sign designed for the facility meets sign code. GGG will be filing paperwork for the final inspections very soon.
- Discussion about child-proof labels and packaging for marijuana products.
- Discussion about the first training session for the Charlton GGG facility employees.
- Jamie Leehy asked Mr. McMahon what will prevent people from going to dispensary to dispensary and buying large amounts of product. Mr. McMahon explained that if a sale is denied, the information is sent to the Cannabis Control Commission within 24 hours. For medical sales, the state uses a patient tracking database which shows the prescribed amount for the patient. Each facility will be able to see the amounts purchased by the customer at other facilities. Mr. McMahon explained that there is not a database for the recreational side as of yet.
- Lt. Dan Dowd asked when the GGG facility will open. Mr. McMahon stated that February is still possible. Lt. Dowd also asked if recreational marijuana will still come into play shortly after the medical opening. Mr. McMahon stated that he believes it will be 30+ days before the medical to recreational conversion. If recreational is approved, GGG will rent privately owned lots in Charlton to hold an additional 500 cars. Customers will be transported by shuttle bus from the lots to the facility on Route 20 through Trolley Crossing then into the facility's back driveway. The front parking lot will be reserved for medical patients and recreational handicapped patients. Parking instructions will be explained in the media. Tickets will be provided on the shuttle bus for facility entry. There will be a medical sale express line. Police presence will be active in the satellite parking lots.
- Discussion about the estimated transaction time of 10 minutes.
- GGG will be meeting with the Town Planner on 2/20/19 to discuss the sale of recreational marijuana.
- Doug Shaffer of Valley Green Grow (VGG) gave a status update. There is a hearing scheduled on 3/6/19 for the definitive sub-division plan. VGG is currently involved in two lawsuits; zoning by law issue is in land court on 2/11/19 and the site plan appeal which was filed on 1/22/19. VGG filed a motion to move the site plan appeal to state land court on 2/5/19.
- Michael Curtis and Kurt Smith of Four Score Holdings LLC gave an update on the status of the proposed facility at 144 Sturbridge Rd. The existing building will be used and a small addition will potentially be added on the west side for housing HVAC equipment. The Host Agreement and application only addressed

cultivation manufacturing. Four Score presented the application back in the Fall of 2018.

- Deb Noble asked how many employees are projected. Four Score estimates 12-16. Ms. Noble also asked how much product will be grown at the facility. Four Score estimates 2,000-2,500 pounds annually. There will be 9,000 square feet of cultivation space. 75% of this can be used for canopy. Four Score is meeting with the Planning Board on 2/6/19.
- Lt. Dowd asked when the Four Score cultivation facility will potentially open. Four Score estimates 2020.
- Ms. Noble mentioned the municipal water lines to potentially tie into. Four Score is hoping to tie into public water and use the existing well as a backup source.
- Committee member announcements- Ms. Noble welcomed Rick McManus, new citizen representative and Jean Vincent, new Planning Board representative.
- Chairman's announcements-None
- Mr. McMahan stated that a soft opening for the GGG facility will be held for the committee to attend. Mr. Philbrook suggested sending out a Doodle Poll in order to agree on a date and a meeting will be posted for the walk through. Mr. McMahan suggested a time during the employee's training week. Also, Mr. McMahan will schedule a tour of the North Brookfield facility on 2/20/19 for the members who did not attend the previous tour.
- Ms. Noble made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m. Second by Lt. Dowd, all in favor.

James Philbrook

