

**Limington Planning Board Meeting  
Held**

June 20, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Limington Municipal Complex by Chair, Joyce Foley. Planning Board members present: Joyce Foley, Debra Black, Pete Langevin, Bob Gervais and Darryl Hubbard

Members absent: Bob Gervais,

Staff present: Donna Sawyer, Planning Board Secretary

Others present: Aaron Sleeper, Elliot Wing

**Agenda Items:**

- 1. Public Hearing for installation of Solar panels, Map R14, Lot 33** – Alix & Aaron Sleeper, Applicants
- 2. Conditional Use Permit for Medical Marijuana Solventless Manufacturing Facility, 13 Airport Drive, Map R15, Lot 2A, Elliot Wing**

**2. Other Business**

**Public Hearing for installation of Solar panels, Map R14, Lot 33** – Alix & Aaron Sleeper, Applicants

Chair Foley asked the applicant, Aaron Sleeper, to come before the Board and describe his application. Aaron Sleeper said the installation of the solar array panels is on a plot of land behind his store next to the new substation on Route 11. Once installed, these 480 solar panels will supply the remainder of his power needs to run his operation. The area will be fenced in to keep trespassers from coming into the area and the area is not visible from the road.

The Public Hearing closed and Chair Foley moved to page 56 of the Ordinance to review **Standards Applicable to Conditional Uses**. Chair Foley read through the Standards:

**6. G. 1. It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to demonstrate that the proposed use meets all of the following criteria.**

**A. The use will conserve shore cover and visual, as well as actual access to water bodies.**

Not applicable.

**B. Traffic access to the site meets the standards contained in this Ordinance; and traffic congestion has been addressed in accordance with performance standards in this Ordinance.**

Not applicable.

**C. The site design is in conformance with all municipal flood hazard protection regulations.**

Not applicable.

**D. Adequate provision for the disposal of all wastewater and solid waste has been made.**

Not applicable.

**E. Adequate provision for the transportation, storage and disposal of any hazardous materials has been made.**

Not applicable

**F. A storm water drainage system meeting State standards shall be installed.**

Not applicable

**G. Adequate provisions to control soil erosion and sedimentation have been made.**

Will be done..

**H. There is adequate water supply to meet the demands of the proposed use and for fire protection purposes.**

Yes

**I. The provisions for buffer strips and on-site landscaping provide adequate protection to neighboring properties, including public areas, from detrimental features of the development, such as noise, glare, fumes, dust, odor, adverse visual impact, and the like.**

Meets

**J. All performance standards in this Ordinance, applicable to the proposed use will be met.**

Yes, will meet

**K. The use will not result in unsafe or unhealthful conditions.**

Will meet

**L. The use will not have an adverse impact on natural beauty, historic sites, or rare and irreplaceable natural areas.**

Not effect

Chair Foley asked that the area be cleared of Debris,

A security fence be installed around the installation,

Roadway entrance must be cleared of debris.

Chair Foley asked for a motion to approve the installation of 480 solar array panels as requested by Alix and Aaron Sleeper.

Darryl Hubbard made a motion to approve the installation of the solar array and Bob Gervais seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

**Medical Marijuana Solventless Manufacturing Facility, 13 Airport Drive, Map R15, Lot 2A, Elliot Wing**

Chair Foley asked Elliot Wing, owner, to come forward and tell the Planning Board about his solventless marijuana manufacturing facility. Chair Foley said there would be a site walk scheduled and it was scheduled for June 27 at 5:00 pm. Chair Foley explained the steps by the Board in the approval process.

Elliot Wing said he intended to use the space for research and practical application of solventless extraction using ice and water for cannabis. He is not cultivating cannabis. He will be taking cannabis from other growers by bringing the cannabis in and using water and ice to make bubble hash. He would then further process it with heat filtration using a heating press and further, he will be making some food grade application, as well. He also plans to preform research into automation and design. Design will be a big part of his work and will be putting products together.

Chair Foley asked about how he obtains the product. Wing stated that he trains the grower how to harvest correctly so that he can transport the product. He continued by explaining that solventless extracts are really desired in the marketplace. He explained that solvent based extracts are a fad that is dying out. He said his system is easier to produce product with less work and the product is a lot cleaner and a more desirable product that people want to see.

The product he produces then goes back to the grower to do whatever they wish. There will be no traffic coming and going at his site. Planning Board members asked questions about entry to the building and what happens to the water after washing product and how much water is used a day. He estimated his water usage would be right around 40 gallons/day. Chair Foley asked about the process and Elliot Wing said he will show the Board a 3 minute video of the process when they come for the site walk.

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His debris will go into a dumpster that is locked. What goes in the dumpster is water soaked weed and has very little value. It is compostable, however, if one so chooses.

Bob Gervais made a motion to accept this application and Debra Black seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

**Minutes**

The members reviewed the minutes of the June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chair Foley had 2 minor changes.

Bob Gervais made a motion to accept the minutes with the 2 changes of the minutes requested by Chair Foley. Debra Black seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

These minutes taken and transcribed by Donna Sawyer, Secretary to the Planning Board.