



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday August 13, 2024

Opening:

The regular meeting of the City of Lackawanna Planning and Development Board was called to order at 6:00pm.

Present: Geercken, Smith, Galanti, Friend, Algawani

Excused: Spahn, Zambron

Motion to approve minutes for the meeting on 6/26/24: Smith: Second: Zambron

All yeas carried 4-0

New Business

Item #1

Ratification of Special Use Permit for Retail Cannabis Dispensary

Karen Pepe

1385 Abbott Rd

Karen Pepe representing

Mr. Clark stated the Zoning Board ratified the special use permit. That was a step towards your actions. The last meeting the Planning passed 4-0 the special use permit and the approval of the site plan. Today is to ratify your vote from the July 30, 2024 meeting.

Mr. Marion stated the idea is it was pending the approval of all of the variances, site plan and the special use permit.

Mr. Clark stated the parking variance has been decided, (no discussion) and whether or not the City is in the cannabis game are not to be discussed. The only topic is the special use permit and site plan.

Motion of open the public meeting: Smith: Second: Geercken

All yeas carried 5-0

Member Smith said the last time we meant the hours of operation was not discussed

Josh Pepe – 1385 Abbott Rd- stated 10am to 10pm Monday thru Saturday and 10am to 6pm Sunday.

Mr. Marion said they can't operate between the hours 1am and 7am.

Member Algawani said the building 1377 next door on Abbott Rd considered as a educational services land use and a special school, so how are they able to open up right next to the facility.

Mr. Clark stated it is a private non for profit teaching people basic job skills and it covers all ages. We did cover that in the Zoning Board meeting and it is not a public school, private school, charter school, it is a training facility.

Motion to close the public hearing: Geercken : Second: Smith

All yeas carried 5-0

Motion to ratified approval of the Special Use Permit and Site Plan:

Geercken: Second: Smith

Yeas 4 Nays 1 carried 4-1

Motion to adjourn: Geercken: Second: Friend

All yeas carried 5-0