

**Brimfield ZBA Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, October 13, 2021 - 5:30pm**

Members in attendance were Kevin Moore, chair, Jon Fagerstrom, vice chair, Paul Vandal and Jeff Fitzgerald. Deb Fagerstrom as clerk.

The meeting was called to order by Kevin Moore at 5:30 p.m. Seconded by Jon Fagerstrom.

1. A public hearing was held on behalf of David and Deborah Markham for the property located at 86 First Street, Parcel ID #: Map 5C, Block A, Lot 55, for a proposed addition to the first-floor bedroom. Discussion took place regarding a medical hardship for Mr. Markham and his need to remain on the first floor. Jeff Fitzgerald mentions that abutters have shown up and support the project. They are trying to build this with the least amount of obtrusion and have only one place possible to add on.

Kevin Moore motioned to approve a variance for this project, based on the medical hardship. Paul Vandal seconded. Jeff Fitzgerald yay. Jon Fagerstrom, no. Motion passes.

2. A public hearing was held on behalf of Real Poirier for the property located at 142 Holland Rd, Parcel ID#: 17, Block C, Lot 12 for proposed construction of a 10,000 sq. ft building with the purpose of being a marijuana grow facility. Mr. Poirier explained that he has already complied with the Building Department and that the Board of Selectmen have already signed off as well. The property is located in agricultural/residential but the building is considered commercial. Abutter Pia Rogers spoke about concerns regarding the smell of marijuana and whether there would be signs stating it was a grow facility. Jeff Fitzgerald asked about whether this would be grown indoors due to it being a controlled substance. Mr. Poirier explained that it would be and that there will not be signs.

Jon Fagerstrom motions to allow the special permit based on this being allowed and with current state mandates already in place. Paul Vandal seconded. Jeff Fitzgerald and Kevin Moore abstained. Motion passes.

3. A public hearing was held on behalf of Paul Vandal for the property located at 49 7th Street, Parcel ID #: Map 5A, Block B, Lot 2, for a proposed 24x30 foot garage. Several abutters attended in person as well as by sending in letters of support for the project. Jon Fagerstrom questioned the street line listed on the survey plans and needed clarification. Kevin Moore motioned to table this until next week when the plans could be updated. Jeff Fitzgerald seconded. All in favor. New date set for October 19, 2021 at 5:30.

Kevin Moore motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Seconded by Jon Fagerstrom.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Fagerstrom, Clerk

Kevin Moore, Chair \_\_\_\_\_

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