**Brief Outline of Provisions in the Marijuana Business License Ordinance and Related Amendments to the Town’s Zoning Ordinance**

**Dec. 31st, 2018**

**Licensing Ordinance (9 pages):**

* Requires a Business License Approval from the Board of Selectmen (1-yr. license)
* Specific Application Process with Required Information
* Investigation/Review of Applicant’s Application and Site by Code Enforcement Officer, Police and Fire Chiefs.
* Public Hearing Required
* Operating Requirements:
  + Fixed Location only
  + Security Requirements
  + Odor and Ventilation Requirements
  + No Loitering
  + Compliance with State and Local Laws
* Violation Provisions
* Limits on Licenses (4 in total)

**Zoning Ordinance Amendments:**

* Home Cultivation: 21 yrs. and older who are domiciled on the property; as permitted use in all districts
* Registered Caregivers: are considered as Home Occupations and require a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board in all districts.
* List definitions; limits Marijuana Stores to 4,000 sq.ft.
* Valley Center District allows Marijuana Store and Registered Caregiver Stores as requiring a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board.
* Light Industrial District: allows Marijuana Cultivation Facilities, Manufacturing Facilities and Testing Facilities as requiring a Conditional Use Permit from the Planning Board.
* Standards:
* Signage: minimal and discreet; no marijuana symbol or pictures
* Home Cultivation Screening Required.
* Distance Requirements: 1,000’ from schools, child care, churches, recreation areas designed for children up to 18.
* Hours of Businesses Operation (8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
* Security Measures
* Required Interior Displays.
* Indoor Cultivation Only of Cultivation Facilities
  + No exterior evidence visible from public way, abutting property or public area.
* Odor and Ventilation Requirements
* Public Safety Requirements