

**TOWN OF RYE  
PLANNING BOARD SITE WALK  
Monday January 13, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.**

**Planning Board Members Present: Vice-Chair JM Lord, Jeffrey Quinn, Katy Sherman and Steve Carter.**

**Others Present on behalf of the Town: Planning/Zoning Administrator Kimberly Reed and Police Chief, Kevin Walsh.**

**No one from the Rug Store attended nor the owner of the Property.**

Ms. Reed explained the purpose of the Site Walk: The Building Inspector received an application from the owner of the Rug Store to sell CBD Oils. Building Inspector sent out an email to all dept heads if there were any concerns. Police Chief, Kevin Walsh responded that he had concern with parking. Planning & Zoning Administrator put this request for Change of Use on the Planning Board agenda to discuss and Chair Losik along with the Board agreed that a site walk was needed to make a determination if exempt or a site plan was needed. The owner of the Rug Store has not reached out nor attempted to talk to the Planning and Zoning Administrator about this application nor has he filed for exemption or site review. The Board is to determine which course of action should be taken.

The board looked at the businesses and a plan held up by the Police Chief from the Waterscapes site review which was before the Planning Board years ago.

The Board looked at the parking lot and there were cars parked in the handicap that were not handicap and one car that parked over a white line and that took up two spaces.

Acting Chair, Lord counted the number of the parking spaces. There were three businesses and a residence that was comprised of apartments and Waterscapes behind.

Ms. Reed stated she was not sure if any of them were the owners, perhaps renters. She was not sure.

Member Quinn was confused as to why they were here, it seems to him that they should be before the Board with rationale with a product that you would pick up at a health food store which is a lot of in and out traffic, that kind of facility. If that is the product, they are going to affect every other user of the parking lot.

Police Chief stated that just the current businesses without the new one, where does the ambulance go? The fire trucks obviously on RT 1 near the hydrants but ambulance for these 3 businesses where does it go. 4<sup>th</sup> business there is no pattern to the traffic.

Acting Chair Lord agreed, he said he and Member Sherman walked around the back and there was a car blocking the road around the back.

Chief Walsh pointed out that the handicap parking spot is blocked.

Consensus that the businesses owner needs to come before the Planning Board for site review.

Chief Walsh supports the Planning Board that a parking plans is needed.

The planning board determined that the building inspector should let the rug store operator know that if he intends to sell CBD oil in addition to rugs, he must apply to the planning board for site review

Motion to Adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Reed, CFM  
Planning & Zoning Administrator