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Notice of Public Hearings

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By Lisa M. Pedroli at 2:04 pm, Apr 10, 2019

Notice is hereby given that the Hopedale Planning Board will conclude a public hearing on Wednesda May 1, 2019 in the Draper Room, Hopedale Town Hall at 78 Hopedale Street, Hopedale, MA on the following application.

7:00PM

Shall this Town adopt the following zoning and general bylaws:

Summary: On July 28, 2017, Chapter 55 of the Acts of 2017, entitled, "An Act to Ensure Safe Access to Medical and Adult-use of Marijuana in the Commonwealth" (the "Act") was enacted, amending the law approved at the November, 2016 State Election under Ballot Question 4. As required by the Act, restrictions on operations of certain types of non-medical marijuana establishments must be approved by Town Meeting <u>and</u> by the voters of the Town at an election.

The Zoning Bylaw below will prohibit operation in the Town of non-medical marijuana retailers as noted below. The bylaws will not prohibit operation in the Town of marijuana cultivators, independent testing laboratories and product manufacturers. Also, the bylaws will not impact the location or operation in the Town of medical marijuana dispensaries. The bylaw below was passed in December 2017 Special Town Meeting. The bylaw is being revised to add "Commercial" to the previously approved bylaw.

Bylaws:

A. Zoning Bylaw:

Section 12.12, Non-Medical Marijuana Retailers. Marijuana retailers, as defined for purposes of G.L. c.94G, §1, shall be prohibited from locating and operating in the Town of Hopedale in any zone other than **Light Industrial**, **Industrial** and **Commercial** with a **Special Permit**.

All interested parties may be present at the appointed time.