

## Zoning Board of Sugar Hill

December 20, 2022

**Members:** Mike Hern, Jim Keefe, Rick Quintal, Carl Hjelm, John Colony, Amy Venezia

**Guests:** Sarah Desrochers, Mark Desrochers, Glen Bailey, Jane Bailey, Cliff Hughes, Angela Hawkins, Minnie Cushing, Grant Ruggles, Cathy Cushing, Erin Godbout, Hugh Hawkins

Chairman Mike Hern called the meeting to order at 5:30PM on Tuesday, December 20, 2022.

On a motion made by Mike Hern, seconded by Carl Hjelm the minutes of the November 22, 2022 meeting were moved to be approved and accepted. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

### Case 22-02

**Clifford Hughes**

**Special Exception – Event Venue**

**Continued**

Chairman Hern noted that this was a continuation of the hearing on November 22, 2022. The Board was deliberating tonight and there would be no additional comments from any attendees. Chairman Hern read the definition of event venue voted on and approved at town meeting in 2022.

The Board reviewed the following criteria:

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| 1. Is the use ordinarily prohibited?        | No  |
| 2. Is the use allowed by special exception? | Yes |
| 3. Are conditions met?                      | Yes |

The special exception shall not adversely affect:

- The character of the area in which the proposed use will be placed. John noted that other wedding barns in town have been approved.
- The highway and sidewalks or use thereof located in the area. Chairman Hern noted that one condition will be there will be no on street parking allowed.
- Town services and facilities.

Chairman Hern also noted another condition for this special exception will be that they must adhere to the noise ordinance. John noted that he was unhappy with the lack of specifics presented where other special exceptions had presented very clear plans. Chairman Hern

stated that a site plan review will be needed in the future performed by the Planning Board which will look in detail at parking, facilities, etc.

With no further discussion Chairman Hern made a motion to approve the special exception with the conditions of no on street parking and must adhere to the noise ordinance of the Town of Sugar Hill. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Chairman Hern explained to Mr. Hughes that he would receive a notice of decision by email tomorrow and that there is a 30 day window in which any abutter or concerned citizen could appeal the decision. Cathy Cushing asked to whom the appeals were made. Chairman Hern explained that appeals stating a valid reason for appeal should be submitted to the Zoning Board. The Zoning Board will review and determine whether the reason is valid or reject the appeal.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40PM.

Submitted by:

Amy Venezia

Secretary to the Zoning Board