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**Town of Pittsford VT Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) Hearing Minutes for
Continued Public Hearing on Application #23-33 from Peter Paulding; requesting Conditional Use approval,
with variance, if necessary, to hold Indoor-Outdoor Wedding Events at 2636 US Route 7 (Parcel G.L. # 0312)
January 8, 2024**

ZBA Members Present: Richard Conway (Vice Chair), Ed Keith jr., Charles Simpson, Clarence Greeno

ZBA Members Absent: Stan Markowski, Dan Adams, Nicolas Michael

Also Present: Jeffrey Biasuzzi (ZA & Recorder), Ty Paulding, Miriana Perez

Call to Order: R. Conway called the Meeting and Continued Hearing to Order at 7:00 pm. The Hearing was recorded on Zoom. C. Greeno was not in attendance on 11/27/2023; but affirmed he had reviewed the minutes and documents of the initial Hearing, and was prepared to participate in the continued Hearing.

Approval of Draft Meeting Agenda: At Chair's request, C. Greeno made a Motion to approve the draft Agenda, C. Simpson seconded, all approved and Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes: R. Conway noted a typo in his first name in the draft minutes. E. Keith Jr. made a Motion to approve the Minutes of 11/27/2023's Hearing w/ typo corrected. C. Simpson seconded the Motion, all approved; Motion passed.

Continue Public Hearing: R. Conway reminded those in attendance (who had been sworn in at initial Meeting on November 27, 2023) that all were still under oath. There were no new public attendees.

The Board then reviewed the amended Site Plans (2 sheets), prepared by applicant and sent to Members prior to the Hearing. The Site Plan was found acceptable and added to the Application.

Neighbor M. Perez appreciated that the proposed locations for the (mobile) arbor, to be used in wedding services, was not located close to her property boundaries. She expressed concern that visitors might enter her driveway by mistake. J. Biasuzzi suggested using temporary event signage at the entry of the Paulding's drive to direct guests to their parking areas.

The Hours of Operation were discussed. All agreed that 10:00 pm would be the end of festivities.

The total number of events a year was discussed. T. Paulding agrees that 15 events annually would be sufficient. As the business grows, the Applicants can apply to the Town for amended permits.

Use of Fireworks was discussed. In the 11/27/23 session, the Owner did not prefer to have fireworks. In this continued hearing session, it was agreed that occasional fireworks, used during event hours, managed by an approved pyrotechnics business in accordance with VT and Town fireworks rules and Permit, would be allowed.

Hearing no further discussion, R. Conway requested a Motion to close the Hearing to testimony. He asked the Members to decide on the Application in Open Meeting or go into Deliberative Session. C. Simpson made a Motion to close the Hearing and Approve Application 23-33 with the Conditions and testimony discussed. He requested the Zoning Administrator prepare a draft written decision for the Member's review. C. Greeno seconded the Motion. All Approved and Motion Passed.

R. Conway asked for any other comments. J. Biasuzzi gave a brief update on the Planning Commission's plans to update the Town Plan and zoning regulations; with Regional Planning Commission assistance, to be funded by grants awarded.

R. Conway adjourned the Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by *J. M. Biasuzzi*

APPROVED: _____