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DECISION

ZBA Case#: FY18-02
Zone: Residential A Zone
Owner: Timothy Bonci
Property Address: 16 Hazel Street
Assessor's Reference Map: 18 Parcel: 2984

Worcester District Registry of Deeds References: Book: 53693 Page: 157

SPECIAL PERMIT GRANTED with Conditions

Decision Date: December 6, 2017

BACKGROUND: Timothy Bonci, the Owner and Applicant, is seeking a SPECIAL PERMIT for an agricultural use, the keeping of three alpacas, on a lot under five acres.

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT: Rob Knapik, John Gniadek, and Joseph Frisk

SUBMITTALS: Zoning Board of Appeals Application, Certified Abutters List, 4/19/17 ZBA Decision, 1/10/17 Zoning Enforcement Letter

PRESENTATION / DELIBERATIONS / FINDINGS OF FACT:

The public hearing was opened and closed on December 6, 2017. Mr. Bonci attended and presented his application to the Board. He stated his family keeps three alpacas as family pets in their back yard. A portable shed/barn is used for shelter and complies with all local building and Board of Health regulations. The animals' waste is retained in sealed containers until it is taken off site (typically donated to the local community gardens). The alpacas are not used for any related commercial activities at this time. Larry Lench, Building Inspector, attended and confirmed the shed is in compliance and that they have not received any new complaints. No abutters spoke at the hearing. The Board briefly reviewed a related appeal to the ZBA, case number FY17-17, to overturn the Building Inspector's determination that this is an agricultural use of the property.

The Board agreed that it is an allowable use of the property and during deliberations determined the application, as proposed, met the following criteria outlined in Section 400-50 (B) of the Uxbridge Zoning Bylaws:

- 1. social, economic, or community needs which are served by the proposal no impact
- 2. traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading no impact
- 3. adequacy of utilities and other public services no need for additional services
- 4. neighborhood character and social structures allowed use and can be conditioned to ensure no negative impact
- 5. impacts on the natural environment no impact as long as waste is properly handled and removed
- 6. potential fiscal impact, including impact on town services, tax base and employment no impact

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MOTION / VOTE:

Mr. Frisk made a **MOTION** to close Public Hearing FY 18-02 for 16 Hazel Street. **MOTION SECONDED** by Mr. Gniadek passed unanimously by roll call vote of 3-0-0 (John Gniadek – aye, Rob Knapik – aye, Joe Frisk – aye).

Mr. Frisk made a **MOTION** that the Zoning Board of Appeals to **APPROVE** the **SPECIAL PERMIT** request regarding FY18-02 for **16 Hazel Street** to allow agricultural use for the purposes of keeping three alpacas on the lot of five acres with the following conditions:

Condition 1. Limited to the number of three alpacas of existing noncommercial use; otherwise will need to return to the Board for special permit revision considerations

Condition 2. Maintain compliance with any department of health restrictions or guidance

MOTION SECONDED by Mr. Gniadek passed unanimously by roll call vote of 3-0-0 (John Gniadek – aye, Rob Knapik – aye, Joe Frisk – aye).

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SIGNATURE PAGE

Rob Knapik, Member

Joe Frisk, Alternate Member

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Appeals, if any, from this decision shall be made pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 40 A, Section 17 and filed

within 20 days after the date of the filing in the Office of the Town Clerk. I hereby certify that twenty (20) days has elapsed from the file date and no appeal has been filed in this office. A true copy: **ATTEST** Town Clerk, Kelly Dumas or Date Assistant Town Clerk Town Seal

> **THE APPLICANT IS REMINDED OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY TO RECORD THIS DECISION AT THE REGISTRY OF DEEDS PER THE CERTIFICATE OF GRANTING. NO PERMITS SHALL ISSUE UNTIL THE PERMIT IS RECORDED. **

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