Lempster Planning Board Approved Meeting Minutes Monday, December 12, 2022 At Lempster Town Office

Members present: Mark Adams, Bill Rodeschin, Kirt Wirkkala, David Richards, Everett Thurber (ex-officio)

Others Present: Scott Goodspeed, Jennifer Gildner-Blinn, Tom Peplinski, Dave Hershey, Town Counsel Mike Shklar

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Adams

Review of draft minutes

Minutes of the 11/14/22 meeting were changed to state that Adam Howard will present a plan to the board when completed and formatting was changed in the CIP section for better clarity when reading. Minutes were accepted as amended.

Drift New England

Chairman Adams requested that the operators of Drift New England attend the meeting to present their plan for the proposed drift track. Tom Peplinski and Dave Hershey of Drift New England were in attendance with a conceptual plan of the drift track proposed on Route 10 at the South end of town.

The track will be approximately 2,000 feet in length with multiple curves. There is planned parking for 112 cars as well as 23 spots to accommodate trailers for the participants. Bathroom facilities are planned in the area near the parking lot. There is a building proposed in the future for vending of parts and accessories as well as possible building cars on site.

The intended use of the track is to provide a driving school during the weekdays and to either rent to sanctioning bodies or to host drift events on the weekends. During the weekday schools, 8 to 10 people are expected as a maximum and will not all be operating vehicles at the same time. Weekend events anticipate up to 200 people on the property.

Permitting for wetlands is the first process followed by surveying of the property. After the property is surveyed and design is compliant with wetlands permitting, operation permits from the state will be applied for. The entire process is anticipated to take at least 8 months. Drift New England is not the owner of the property at this time.

Motion made by Kirt Wirkkala and seconded by Bill Rodeschin to continue the meeting on Monday, December 19, 2022 at 7:00 pm. All were in favor. Meeting was suspended at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, David Richards, Secretary