St. George Planning Board On-site Inspection 26 Sawmill Road November 28, 2020 - 9 a.m.

The on-site visitation inspection began at 9 a.m. Planning Board members present were: Anne Cox, Chair; Jane Brown, Ray Emerson, Michael Jordan, Mary K. Hewlett, Alan Letourneau, and Anne Cogger. Also present were: CEO Brackett, Richard Bates, Amber Libbey, Sam Ryan, and Rita Simmons.

The applicant, Amber Libbey, was present. The application is to open a repair business for commercial vehicles and trailers located at 26 Sawmill Road. The property owner is Justin Long.

Libbey explained how she will operate her garage business. She will work on box trucks, dump trucks, and tractor-trailer trucks. She noted she has limited space so she will be limited to the number of vehicles she can work on at a time. Ryan noted there is quite a bit of junk in the area which belongs to Justin Long. Ryan stated that Long operated his business out of the garage years ago, but it is now used for storage.

The Planning Board viewed the inside garage space. Libbey stated she can only fit one truck at a time in the garage. Chair Cox asked how she will dispose of hazardous materials. Libbey stated she can dispose of the waste oil or other burnable fluids at Beckett's Garage. Ryan stated Environmental Projects, Inc. (EPI) will handle the large amounts of hazardous waste disposal. She will use oil rag pads for mopping up spills off the garage floor. She does not have a dumpster on the premises. Libbey noted that nothing will go down the floor drain because she and Ryan do not believe it is hooked up.

Chair Cox asked about the piles of debris. Ryan and Libbey stated all the junk belongs to Long and he has also hauled the dirt in. Ryan stated they have gone as far as they can without having town approval. If approved, he stated they can touch base with Long and talk with him about removing some of the junk.

Chair Cox asked if Libbey will store any vehicles outside in the back of the garage. Ryan stated no, they will use the parking area at the front of the garage. Libbey stated she does not think she will be that busy and will not need a lot of space to park vehicles.

Letourneau asked what kind of commercial vehicles she will work on. Libbey stated dump trucks, box trucks such as lobster trucks, tractor-trailer trucks, flatbed trailers, enclosed box trailers, and other large vehicles.

Chair Cox asked about toilet facilities. Libbey stated there is a porta-potty around the back of the garage.

The Planning Board viewed a wooded area that appeared quite wet. Ryan pointed out what appears to be the wettest area and the surrounding area that is strewn with tires, trucks, and

debris. Libbey and Ryan stated if approved, they will ask Long to do an environmental cleanup. Libbey and Ryan stated they have a tire recycling company that picks up all their commercial and heavy truck tires. Some tires can be recapped, others recycled and burned at the Cement Plant.

Hewlett asked about signage. Libbey plans to put a sign on the building. Hewlett suggested that she may also want to put a sign at the beginning of Sawmill Road and include that as part of her application. Brackett noted that Libbey has a 2-foot by 3-foot sign that they plan to place over the garage door, and he suggested they might hang another sign at the beginning of Sawmill Road.

Simmons stated that as a resident of Sawmill Road, she hopes the sign does not go up in the subdivision area. She does not want a sign in that area.

Hewlett asked about exterior lighting. Libbey plans to use the existing exterior lights. She stated there is a light located on the front and the back of the garage, but they do not have light bulbs in them, so they are not functioning. Hewlett thinks the type of light installed is photosensitive.

The Planning Board viewed the rear of the garage and the location of the porta-potty.

Chair Cox asked for other comments or questions. There being no other comments, the onsite visitation ended at 9:14 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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