

**Town of Otisfield  
Planning Board Site Visit  
“Field of Faith” (Lodge Hill)  
06/13/2023  
5:30 PM  
Minutes**

1. The site visit was held at Field of Faith on Lodge Hill (437 Bean Road, Map R04, Lot 39) at 5:30 PM.
2. Attendance: Chair - Scott Arn, Vice Chair - Stan Brett, John Ywoskus, Herb Olson, Sarah Burnham, Brendan Bedell  
Code Enforcement Officer: Fred Collins  
Absent: Pauline Flagg - Temporary Alternate
3. Site Visit:

Kenneth and Jennifer Hawley (Field of Faith on Lodge Hill), welcomed the Board to their property (437 Bean Road, Map R04, Lot 39) for the purposes of a site visit, as part of the Board's site plan review. This site will be a year round business hosting no more than 100 people per event. Events will include primarily weddings, but also retreats, reunions, etc, primarily on weekends. Venue will include campsites.

Comments of Note:

- Kenneth and Jennifer Hawley (from here on, referred to as “Applicants”) indicated the current planned spot for a driveway entrance and parking. Fred Collins noted that this current planned spot may not be approved by the Roads Commissioner as it may not allow enough distance from a turn. The applicants mentioned they have an alternative option that may be utilized instead if their original plan is not approved by the Roads Commissioner. As Fred mentioned, this is not within the purview of the Planning Board.
- Applicants showed the board a path to the event area and indicated the locations currently under construction for a patio and small stage. The

applicants also indicated the location for portable toilets and showed that they will be buffered by large foliage.

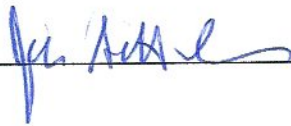
- Applicants informed the Board that they will not be open for general camping and only plan to allow event guests to stay overnight with tents and/or campers. Applicants pointed out the field they plan to use for camping, and the area planned for a fire pit.
- Applicants and the Board moved into the barn that will be used for events. While it is not currently a part of their application, Kenneth and Jennifer discussed eventual plans for the renovation of the barn's upstairs, but said it is in the distant future as the renovation would require a considerable amount of work to bring the project up to required code.
- Applicants indicated that their main drive may be used as a drop off, and for anyone with mobility issues, but will not be used for primary parking.

The Board adjourned at approximately 6:10 PM.

Submitted By Sarah Burnham, Otisfield Planning Board Member

Approved by Scott Arn, Chair  
Otisfield Planning Board

Signature



Date

