

PUBLIC HEARING AND BUSINESS MEETING

Call to Order - 7:00 PM: Chairman McDermott called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: R. McDermott, Chairman; J. Henebry, P. Robart, Members;
A. Dittami, Alternate Member; L. Ruest, Secretary;
R. Vigneau, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer
NOT PRESENT: C. Leto, Vice Chairman; P. Young, Member

A. Dittami was designated a voting member for this meeting.

Review Of The Minutes Of The Previous Meeting:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the April 28 meeting as written.

MOTION: J. Henebry
SECOND: A. Dittami
3 in Favor, 1 Abstention, Passes

Public Hearings:

1. Case 05-04: Application from **Martha Niver** requesting relief from the Building Code, Section 7.1312 (in part), to permit construction of a septic system, in Zone A. (Map 5 Lot 43-3)

Attorney John Colliander and Don Graves of Gove Environmental Services were present. This hearing was continued last month to allow the applicant an opportunity to consider additional area on the lot for test pitting to meet a contiguous 20,000 square foot reserve area. Attorney Colliander restated the essence of the application as presented last meeting.

The parcel has approximately 14,000 square feet of contiguous reserve area that needs relief from the Building Code. The 5,000 square foot receiving area meets regulations. The review of the additional section of the parcel found the area to be high and dry but only 20" to seasonal high water on average. This exceeds state requirements but does not meet local requirements of 24" to seasonal high water. Therefore, the request for relief stands as applied for.

Review and discussion of the prior septic approval (1986) for this lot took place in conjunction with the inception of the wetland conservation district in 1988. Although the public hearing was closed at the last meeting, Chairman McDermott reopened it for additional questions or comments. Hearing none, he closed the public hearing again.

MOTION: To grant the applicant's request for relief from the Building Code, Section 7.1312 (in part), to permit construction of a septic system, in Zone A (Map 5 Lot 43-3).

MOTION: J. HENEBRY
SECOND: A. DITTAMI
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Other Business:

Town Administrator E. N. Small and Selectman S. C. Volpone, Jr. were present to clarify misquoted comments as part of a recent Hampton Union newspaper article. E. N. Small explained that an agenda item of the Board of Selectmen included a reminder that the Selectmen appoint members to the ZBA. The brief discussion that took place included ways in which members are chosen and their function on the Board. It was noted that in the past, the Board of Selectmen have relied on recommendation for appointments from Zoning Board members. The fact that the Selectmen are the appointing authority was brought forward at a public meeting which resulted in the news article. E. N. Small noted that the comments reflected in the article are no reflection on the current Board. E. N. Small has spoken with the reporter and editor regarding this matter. This news article led to the unfortunate resignation of Alternate Member T. Parker. The Board thanked E. N. Small and S. C. Volpone, Jr. for their explanations and requested that a letter of explanation be sent to T. Parker from the Board of Selectmen.

Comments or Questions from the Floor: Question was raised by Wayne Skoglund with respect to matters relating to other Boards or Town Departments. He was directed to contact them.

Updated zoning books were provided to Board members. R. McDermott stated he would have six copies made of the updated manual "Board of Adjustment of NH."

As indicated at the Board's last meeting, A. Dittami provided information on his suggestion for procedural improvements for consideration of the Board. He provided copies to the Board members for review and consideration at the Board's June meeting. Copies will be provided to P. Young and C. Leto in advance of the next meeting.

P. Robart stated he would bring the suggestion to have Selectmen have two to three-year tenures on Boards to the next Selectmen's meeting. It was also suggested to request a Conservation Commission member sit at ZBA meetings in an advisory position as the Building Inspector does.

Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

MOTION: P. ROBART
SECOND: A. DITTAMI
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