

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Minutes of the Meeting – October 18, 2007

Present: Christopher Clough, Alternate
Judy Heddy, Vice-Chair
Peter Martel
Barbara Moorehead
Jane Pelletier, Chair
John Tyler

Chairperson Jane Pelletier called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

The Board reviewed the Minutes of their September 13, 2007 meeting. Motion was made, seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to approve the Minutes with the following amendment: third paragraph/first sentence remove the words “could not assist him” and insert “have to be careful how they assist him”.

After discussing statutory time frames for Public Hearing notice requirements and the required deadlines for submission to the Monadnock Ledger-Transcript motion was made, seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to amend its Rules of Procedure as follows:

Application/Decision

1a. Applications. Each application for a hearing before the board shall be made on forms provided by the board. *Applications should be submitted no later than 14 days prior to the ZBA's scheduled monthly meeting.* The town official receiving the application shall record the date of receipt over his or her signature. The town will notify the clerk and chairperson of the board of adjustment of the received application.

Vice-Chairperson Judy Heddy updated the Board on the Thurber legal case; the trial date was moved from October 25, 2007 to December due to a court scheduled conflict. Chairperson Pelletier noted that the legal case against her and Mr. Martel had been withdrawn.

The Board recessed their meeting from 7:03 p.m. until 8:05 p.m. to conduct a Public Hearing for an Area Variance for Patrick & Georgeann Greene (ZBA Case #2007-03).

The Board reconvened the meeting at 8:05 p.m. and discussed the 2008 budget. Motion was made, seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to approve the following proposed 2008 budget:

Recording Secretary	\$1500
Legal	\$1750
Training	\$300
Miscellaneous	\$1000
Total Budget	\$4550

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristie French, Recording Secretary