

**Tamworth Zoning Board of Adjustment
12 July 2011**

Board Minutes

Members present: John Mersfelder (presiding), Lianne Prentice, George Plender, Tom Daley

Member absent: Harry Miller

Guests and members of the public in attendance: Randy Howse, representing North Atlantic Towers; Peter Cooke, representing ATT; Sam Martin, David Little

Minutes

The minutes of the 12/7/10 meeting were reviewed for completeness and accuracy, and accepted.

Membership

Harry Miller has expressed to the select board—when approached—an interest in continuing to serve on the ZBA, though he was not in attendance tonight and was only able to make one meeting last year.

Dan Dineen, an appointed alternate, may be unable to continue in this position due to some medical issues. John will ask the selectmen to appoint more alternates

Names suggested by the ZBA members for consideration include: Karen Galle of Chocorua, Ken Galle of Chocorua, Jack Waldron of Wonalancet, and Dan Rowe of Tamworth. John will ask the selectmen to choose people with a record of community service.

John and George have been appointed to the ZBA for another term. Tom nominated a slate of John for Chair and Lianne as Vice Chair. Passed.

Clerk

We need to hire a clerk, as Susan Ticehurst is no longer available. John recommended Chris Conrod, who has experience as clerk for the conservation commission, and will approach him with the offer of this position.

ZBA Handbooks

As discussed at the 12/7/10 meeting, we agreed to the final drafts of our applications and materials. All members should have these final drafts in their handbook.

Application for Special Exception

An application for a special exception to the personal wireless service facility ordinance was received.

- Checks for filing fee and legal notice fee have been submitted.
- Mailing labels for abutter notices have been received.

John asked whether there were any reason for us to recommend a joint hearing with the planning board, though the applicant has not yet requested one. Discussion ensued and the Board reached consensus that, at this time, we do not believe there is a need or

desire to approve a joint hearing, based on the application in hand. *Lianne will email these minutes to the Planning Board secretary to notify them of our decision.* In discussion related to determining whether or not the application submitted was indeed complete, John questioned Mr. Howse as to whether the driveway request (section 7.7) should be a special exception (as noted) or a variance. Mr. Howse will have his attorney review this matter.

According to Mr. Little, the Planning Board has not yet received an application. Though this is not a ZBA issue, John expressed concern that the application process is out of sequence and that the Planning Board should be approached before special exceptions sought.

Mr. Howse is working to deliver the missing materials to the PB.

A balloon test is scheduled to take place on July 20, though not required. The applicant will notice the event, with a rain date of the 27th or 28th. *John volunteered to post the notice on the Tamworth Exchange.* Mr. Howse solicited input as to which locations in town should be used in photographing the test. According to Mr. Little, the PB has submitted this list to Mr. Giammarco. Drake Hill Road was added.

George moved and Lianne seconded the motion accepting the application as complete, though we will expect clarification regarding the special exception vs. variance question previously stated.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, August 9 at 7pm in the town office conference room.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Lianne Prentice