TOWN OF DEERFIELD ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS November 1, 2007 MINUTES

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Main Meeting Room, Municipal Offices, 8 Conway Street, South Deerfield, MA

<u>Present</u>: Stephen Barrett, Ronald Bohonowicz, Richard Calisewski, William McGoldrick, Fran Olszewski, Jamie Hartwright

7:00 Hearing -- New Cingular Wireless PCS is requesting a special permit to alter a pre-existing, non-conforming structure. They propose to replace three, 8' antennas with six, 6' antennas and related equipment at the antenna centerline height. Cingular also proposes to install cabinets within the existing equipment shelter locations at the base of the tower located at 76 Old Pine Nook Road, Deerfield, MA (Assessors Map 80, Lot 1).

Richard Detch of AT&T was the representative for Cingular Wireless.

The antenna configuration will be 2 2 2 on the tower owned by Northeast Utilities. The antennas will be strictly for Cingular/AT&T use for both voice and data.

Phil Zea of Historic Deerfield is concerned that the site will become an antenna farm

Hearing closed to the public.

Mr. Bohonowicz made a motion to grant Cingular (the New AT&T) a special permit to modify the existing three 8' antennas to six 6' antennas as shown in the proposed plan with the condition that upon abandonment of the service or if the services go away, Cingular takes responsibility for removing the antennas from the tower within 90 days. Mr. Olszewski seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously (5-0).

The petitioner was reminded that a building permit is required and that there is a 20-day waiting period before the special permit is issued.

- Joint meetings of the Deerfield Zoning Board of Appeals and the Deerfield Planning Board -- following a brief discussion, Mr. Bohonowicz made a motion that the Zoning Board continue to have separate meetings from the Planning Board. Mr. Olszewski seconded the motion. Vote passed unanimously (5-0).
- WMECO is requesting a special permit to add antennas to the existing radio tower, to construct an ice
 bridge between the tower and the building to protect the cables, to replace rotted wooden radio building
 with new prefabricated concrete structure and to reinforce the tower foundation for the property located
 at 76 Old Pine Nook Road, Deerfield, MA (Assessors Map 80, Lot 1).

Scott F. Lacy of Anderson & Kreiger LLP was the representative for WMECO.

WMECO proposes to replace their existing 8' x 14' wooden radio building with a 10' x 16' prefabricated concrete structure (equipment shelter).

Conditions

- 1. Building Inspector to inspect and approve all plans for wind load and structural considerations.
- 2. Listing of all tenants / users of gate to be submitted to ZBA by Northeast Utilities / WMECO.
- 3. Plans for Special Permit as submitted on 11/1/07.

These conditions are to be submitted to the ZBA at the next scheduled hearing on Tuesday, November 13, 2007.

Mr. Olszewski made a motion to close the meeting. Mr. Calisewski seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Kroll ZBA Secretary