

## Great Barrington Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes of June 21, 2017, Meeting

The meeting opened at 7:35 p.m. at the Great Barrington Town Hall. Attending were Chairman Ron Majdalany, Steve McAlester, John Katz and Don Hagberg.

The board organized for the coming year. On a motion by Mr. Katz, seconded by Mr. Hagberg, the board re-elected as officers Dr. Majdalany, chairman; Carolyn Ivory, vice-chairman; and Kathy Kotleski, clerk.

The board approved the minutes of the March 8, 2017, meeting on a motion by Mr. Hagberg, seconded by Mr. Katz.

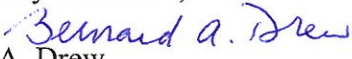
Peter Puciloski and Construct Executive Director Jane Ralph appeared with two requests regarding the **Forest Springs** affordable housing development at the former Hi-Fidelity property on State road. The first request was that the board waive the requirement that driveways and parking areas be paved; instead, they will be gravel. Mr. Katz moved, and Mr. Hagberg seconded, that the request was an insignificant change and would in fact improve surface permeability. The request was voted unanimously.

Mr. Puciloski asked that the board sign an Affordable Housing Restriction as required by Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development under Comprehensive Permit regulations. After discussion, Mr. McAllester moved the board authorize its chairman to sign the Acknowledgement of Zoning Board of Appeals document and it will be held until Town Counsel David Doneski approves its language. Mr. Katz seconded and all voted in favor.

In other business, the secretary advised that the board will need to hold a meeting, probably in August, on a request from KSNS Stockbridge Road Realty Trust for a one-year extension on its July 2015 special permit to add a third story to the **Holiday Inn Express** on Stockbridge Road. Town Planner Chris Rembold is researching the means by which the board should deal with the matter — likely a public hearing, but one in which the original special permit is not open to discussion or revision.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Bernard A. Drew  
Recording Secretary