

## **Jackson Board of Adjustment**

**November 17, 2010**

### **UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED**

#### **Draft November 20, 2010**

**Members in Attendance:** Frank Benesh, Lisa McAlister. Alternates attending the meeting were Joan Davies, Gino Funicella and Brian Walker. Martha D. Tobin is the Recording Secretary.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

**Approve the Minutes of October 20, 2010** Chairman Benesh asked for corrections; Joan Davies noted on the motion to adjourn the motion needs to be made by Joan Aubrey not Joan Davies, since Joan Davies was not in attendance. There were no further amendments or corrections. **Joan Davies, seconded by Brian Walker, made a motion to approve the Minutes of October 20, 2010 as amended. The motion passed unanimously (Benesh, McAlister, Walker, Davies and Funicella).**

#### **General Announcements**

- **Board vacancies** Chairman Benesh noted Deb Crowther has resigned from the Board after more than twenty years. The Selectmen have sent her a letter of thanks and Chairman Benesh thanked her via e-news; Joan Aubrey was appointed by the Selectmen to be a permanent member. Ted Brown has also officially resigned so the Selectmen have two appointments to make; one for Joan Aubrey's seat as an Alternate; another to fill Ted's position. Chairman Benesh asked Board members to let him know of folks who might be interested and he will get word to the Selectmen as they meet tomorrow. David Urey mentioned a name that Chairman Benesh will pass on to Chairman Mason. Gino noted he would take a seat but would ask the other ZBA members if they are interested in becoming regular members first. Chairman Benesh has spoken with the Alternates and will pass the information on to the Selectmen.
- **Class VI Road Training** Chairman Benesh went to the meeting in Madison on Class VI roads; he'll send the information around. He noted the discussion had all the things this Board referred to with the Benoit decision. The training was put on by the LGC.
- **New Board of Adjustment Handbook 2010** Chairman Benesh handed out the new BOA Handbook 2010 along with a summary of the changes that have been made since last year's handbook. This is a State Handbook and not specific to Jackson; Chairman Benesh noted this is how to do our jobs according to the LGC.

- New RSA booklet Chairman Benesh has this year's copy of the RSAs and will try to get more copies. This information is available online; Google nhrsa to get to the site.
- Annual Planning Meeting Chairman Benesh attended the Annual Planning meeting in Whitefield last weekend. He would encourage everyone to go to this at least once. There are a number of breakout sessions and there is usually one session on the ZBA. Usually there is a summary of the changes in laws over the last year; this information is also available online; Chairman Benesh will send that link to Board members. Discussion was mostly about laws that have passed and Supreme Court decisions such as the Motor Sports/Tamworth decision. This Board needs to clean up the bylaws; we have thirty days from the date of the hearing to respond and if that's a Saturday we don't get to go to the next Monday we have to do it before the thirty days, not after. There is a new RSA that allows Board members to participate by telephone as long as there is a quorum in the meeting room.
- Upcoming meetings There is one potential case for December; they will be on Selectmen's agenda tomorrow. Even without a case Chairman Benesh still plans to have a ZBA meeting in December. The published time for this Board to meet is the third Wednesday of each month. Chairman Benesh had gotten away from a set date in an effort to accommodate the applicants but has found that made it more difficult for the Board members to plan for and make meetings. December 15<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting at 7 p.m. but Chairman Benesh is willing to look at changing the day for meetings in the future but December 15<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.

**Gino Funicella, seconded by Lisa McAlister, made a motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. The motion passed unanimously (Benesh, McAlister, Walker, Davies and Funicella).**

Respectfully submitted by:

*Martha D. Tobin*

Recording Secretary