

**TOWN OF SOMERS
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
P.O. BOX 308
SOMERS, CT 06071
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2011 TOWN
HALL - 7:30 pm**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, John Torres called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

II. MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert Minch, Acting Secretary took roll call. Members present included: John Torres, Chairman; Barbara Flebotte, Vice-Chair; Robert Minch, Acting Secretary; Daniel Marceau, Alternate; Jerry Young; Rick Krein; which constituted a quorum. Absent were Daniel Scully and B.J. Ferro. Also present were a number of interested citizens.

III. PUBLIC HEARING:

1. Legal notice for Brian Donahue

Chairman Torres opened the Public Hearing at 7:31 pm. Acting Secretary Minch read the legal notice for Brian Donahue into the record: Brian Donahue of 171 Stebbins Road, Somers, Ct, is seeking a variance from Somers code section 214-98 paragraph A, concerning minimum setback frontage for residential properties, in order to allow for a proposed front porch addition to his residential home.

Brian Donahue spoke on his own behalf. He explained to the Board that he has 41' frontage presently, because of when his house was built in the 1940s, and would like a variance to be able to put a 16' wide by 8' deep porch on the front of the house. He needs a variance of 17'. Discussion followed.

Robert Minch motioned to close the public hearing at 7:40pm. Rick Krein seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

IV. REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Torres opened the regular meeting at 7:42 pm.

V. MINUTES APPROVAL

Vice-Chair Barbara Flebotte motioned to approve the regular meeting minutes of May 10, 2011 with the following amendments. Daniel Marceau seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Page 1, under Members Present — Chris' last name is Barnett.

Page 2, motion to close public hearing should be that Rick seconded.

Page 3, under public hearing, seconded to last line, should read - and Robert Minch

VI. PUBLIC HEARING DISCUSSION/DECISION

1. Discussion and further review of Brian Donahue's application.

Vice Chair Flebotte stated that there are no safety issues. John Torres added that Mr. Donahue is not doing anything to compromise his property. Discussion followed.

Rick Krein motioned to close the discussion and vote on the application. Jerry Young seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Vote was taken to approve the application. All voted yes, application was approved

Notice will be in the paper on Friday and the applicant can go to get his permit on the 8th of August if no one challenges it.

VII. Old Business

Chairman Torres is still looking for someone to take over as Chairman of the ZBA. He will stay on as chairman until the end of this year.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS - none

IX. CORRESPONDENCE - none

X. BILLS

Chairman Torres asked for a motion to pay any outstanding bills including a Journal Inquirer advertising bill for \$322.67.

Rick Krein motioned to pay any outstanding bills including the Journal Inquirer bill of \$322.67. Robert Minch seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Robert Minch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 pm. Barbara Flebotte seconded. All were in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Hlobik, Recording Secretary

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