

TOWN OF BENNINGTON  
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
Minutes of the Meeting- March 11, 2010

Present        Barbara Moorehead  
                  Peter Martel  
                  Christopher Clough

Guests        James Bolduc

Acting Chairperson Peter Martel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Bolduc, representing Joshi Hospitality Group approached the Board concerning a variance for the conversion of the old Highland Inn to condo units. As there has been no application made at this time and the case is not at the Public Hearing stage, Mr. Bolduc was advised to research if the project is in need of a variance or an equitable waiver. It was noted that it would be in the applicant's best interest to find out if there are other outstanding issues at the Planning Board or Building Inspector level. The Board also discussed the difference between pervious and impervious grade.

Peter Martel gave an update on the Griswold trailer. A letter was given to the Administrator to put on Town letterhead. There were questions about the property being in the Water Resource Protection Zone. There is also a question of if the trailer is removed, will it lose its grandfathering status. The Selectmen will be contacting Town Council for answers. The case is now with the Selectmen. Peter Martel expressed a concern for the timeline of the case and the way that the ZBA should respond. He will contact the LGC to be advised whether the application needs to be formally withdrawn or formally deny the application.

A reminder was given about the upcoming Spring Conference.

It was noted that new officers need to be voted in. The Board will meet briefly on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. to vote on officers.

There being no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher  
Zoning Board of Adjustment Recording Secretary