

**TOWN OF BENNINGTON
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Minutes of the Meeting- May 21, 2012**

Present Peter Martel, Chairperson
 Christopher Clough, Vice Chairperson
 Barbara Moorehead
 John Paradise
 Steven Osienski

Chairperson Martel called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. John Paradise was made a voting member for the meeting.

The minutes of the April 23, 2012 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

The Public Hearing for Dollar General was called to order at 7:17 p.m. An update was given noting that the Chairperson received e-mail asking to meet with Peter Martel. Peter replied to the e-mail stating that he felt that this would be a conflict of interest. An extension was asked for as the Dollar General is not ready and is attempting to reduce the scope of their project. Steven Osienski made a motion to grant an extension and continue the hearing on June 18, 2012 at 7:15 p.m. at the Town Hall. Barbara Moorehead seconded the motion and all were in favor. It was also noted that the Selectmen have received a letter from concerned citizens about the Dollar General project.

In other business, Steven Osienski stated that he will look into the reason that the Board's minutes are not currently on the Town's website.

Steven Osienski made a motion to elect Peter Martel as Chairperson of the Board. Barbara Moorehead seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Steven Osienski made a motion to elect Christopher Clough as Vice- Chairperson of the Board. Barbara Moorehead seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Steven Osienski made a motion to elect Sam Cohen as Clerk of the Board. Christopher Clough seconded the motion and all were in favor.

There being no other business at hand, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher
Zoning Board of Adjustment Recording Secretary