

TOWN OF BENNINGTON
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
Minutes of the Meeting- May 16, 2016
Minutes accepted on June 20, 2016

Present Christopher Clough, Chairperson
Melissa Clark, Vice Chairperson
Sam Cohen
Anthony Parisi

Guests Mark Tazelaar
Joan Tazelaar

Chairperson Clough called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Melissa Clark was sworn in as a new Zoning Board of Adjustment member by the Town Clerk.

The Public Hearing for a variance request for Mark and Joan Tazelaar at Map 17, Lot 15 at 7:15 p.m. It was noted that there was no public present. Chairperson Clough reviewed the rules and procedures for a variance request with the applicants. It was noted that the variance was for a side set back for a farmer's porch to be added to the north side of the existing structure. The Board reviewed the application and the five points of the variance application. It was noted that though two acres of land are required, the property is grandfathered and the requested porch would replace the original porch that had historically been there. The applicant will still have adequate set back on the side of the lot. Mr. Tazelaar stated that they had wanted to add the porch for a long time, but it is impossible to put the porch on the south side or the back.

The Hearing was closed to public input and the Board entered into deliberation. The Board reviewed and voted on the five points of the variance (interest, spirit, justice, values and hardship). The variance was granted.

As there was no other business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher
Zoning Board of Adjustment Recording Secretary

