

Zoning Board of Appeals – Minutes
August 29, 2023
Location: Town Hall Hearing Room
Time: 6:00 to 7:00pm

Board Member Attendees: Antonio Carmo Chairman, Meghan Connolly Member, & Marc Oliveira Member

Board Member Out: Lucas Tourgee- The board had a quorum.

Attendees: Jose & Mariah Botelho, Sal Botelho, & Katherine Fernandes Silva

Topic	Discussion:
Mail & Minutes	<p>6:04pm- Antonio Carmo opened up the meeting, introduced himself and the Board members that were present.</p> <p>The meeting minutes, bills, and correspondence were moved to the end of the hearings. M. Oliveira made a motion. M. Connolly seconded.</p> <p>Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes from 4/4/23 were reviewed by the Board. M. Oliveira made a motion to accept the minutes as read M. Connolly seconded.</p> <p>Bills: Bills paid by secretary: 4/25/23- Local IQ for \$486.88- Newspaper ad McAuliffe 16 Riverside Dr. Map 8 Lot 98, 5/9/23- Atty. Mark Bobrowski for \$1,275.00 legal fees- McAuliffe 16 Riverside Dr. Map 8 Lot 98, 8/16/23- Atty Mark Bobrowski for \$1, 575.00 legal fees-McAuliffe 16 Riverside Dr. Map 8 Lot 98</p> <p>Correspondence: None</p> <p>Sal Botelho came in front of the Board, he is interested in joining the Board. He will send a letter of interest email to the Board of Selectman. Secretary will also notify the Board of Selectmen</p> <p>Secretary notified the Board- 40B project Riverbend Estates has been sold, the buyers Attorney has been in contact, a meeting will be set up at a later date.</p> <p>No other New Business came in front of the Board at this time.</p>

6:06pm-Chairman Antonio Carmo opened the 40A Public Hearing for Jose & Moriah Botelho, 97 Jerome St. Map 1 Lot 61 requesting a Variance to construct a front porch to the existing dwelling. The newspaper ad ran in the Taunton Daily Gazette on 8/14/23 & 8/21/23. All certified mailings were mailed out to the abutters. The Newspaper article was read into the record The Chairman stated the voting members would be himself, Marc Oliviera, & Meghan Connolly. One abutter was present. The applicants Jose & Moriah Botelho were present. Mr. Jose Botelho came in front of the Board and introduced himself. He explained to the Board he had gone to the Building Inspector after he started to build a front porch. He was told he would need a variance because he was short on the front set back from the deck to the road. He only has 28 feet from the deck to the road and needs 50 feet. The Building Inspector has the plans for the front porch. Mr. Botelho told the Board he had already started the framing of the porch before speaking with the Building Inspector. The Building Inspector told him to stop the work after putting the center tubes in. The porch will be 10 feet by 20 feet. The stairs will be off the front of the porch. The Board reviewed the front of the house on Google Earth online. M. Connolly asked how many stairs there would be and if there would be a railing. Mr. Botelho stated there will be 3 steps with a railing. All further discussed. The Chairman opened the Hearing to the abutters with any questions. Katherine Fernandes Silva of 95 Jerome St. told the Board she was there to support Mr. & Mrs. Botelho and has no issues with the porch. M. Oliviera made a motion to close the hearing. M. Connolly seconded. The Board further discussed. The Board all agreed since the porch has already started to be constructed and the Building Inspector is involved with the needed variance they were satisfied. They all felt it would be improving the lot and the home. M. Oliviera made a motion to accept the application as submitted allowing 28 feet from the front porch to the road. M. Connolly seconded.

Signatures

1. Antonio Carlos
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