

Meeting Minutes of the Ashford Zoning Board of Appeals
Regular Meeting, October 10, 2018
Ashford Town Offices Building
Lower Level Meeting Room

Keith Lipker, Chairman

Barbara Dion, Secretary

1. Call to Order

Keith Lipker called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present were Bud Bagley, Jean McCarthy, Michael Peppin, Robert Brisard and Keith Lipker.

3. Reading of the Minutes of the August 8, 2018 meeting

Jean McCarthy moved to accept the minutes without a reading. Bud Bagley seconded. All present approved.

3. Old Business

There was no old business.

4. New Business

- a. Following a presentation by Mr. Donahue and questions from the board, Michael Peppin moved to receive the application from Daniel Donahue of 180 Mansfield Road, Ashford, Map #4, block A, Lot 14, Volume 108, page 724, for a front yard setback variance regarding section 4B Section 4 (2) of the zoning regulations in order to construct a 2 car garage. The garage would be 24' x 24'. There would be a setback variance of 15'. Jean McCarthy seconded and the board unanimously approved. A public hearing will be held on November 14, 2108.

- b. Discuss fee increase for variance applications. The fee presently is \$300 and does not cover the expense of publication of legal notices.

The present cost of publication in the Chronicle newspaper is \$512.98 for two pre-public hearing notices and a following notice if a variance is given.

The Statute calls for publication in a newspaper that has the substantial circulation in the town. The board agreed that additional research is need to determine if less expensive alternatives exist that meet the requirements of the statute before considering a fee increase. Members of the board will be looking into this.

- c. Set meeting dates for 2019.

Meeting dates were set for 2019 by agreement of the Board. These will be published separately.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be November 14, 2018.

6. Adjournment

Michael Peppin moved to adjourn. Jean McCarthy seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted by:

Keith Lipker, Chairman
October 12, 2018