

Town of Otsego Zoning Board of Appeals
Minutes – November 15, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

The monthly Town of Otsego Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) meeting was held on this date at the Town Office Building in Fly Creek, NY. Chairman Greg Crowell called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and roll call was taken by Secretary Bill Deane. Board members present were Crowell, Sam Hoskins, and Ed Hobbie. With Vice-Chairman Tony Scalici and Bill Kitchen absent, alternate member Christopher Voulo joined the meeting table. Zoning Enforcement Officer Hank Schecher was also present.

Chairman Crowell asked if anyone had a potential conflict with tonight's applicant. No one reported any conflict.

The Board reviewed the minutes of October 18, 2011, mailed to the members. Hoskins moved to approve them as written. Hobbie seconded the motion and it was approved, 4-0.

There was no correspondence received since the last meeting. The Board moved on to the application.

APPLICATION

11.07 – Jeffrey Foutch – Area variance, addition to existing trailer – 153 Bailey Road, Fly Creek (#98.00-1-41.00)

Applicant Jeffrey Foutch wants to extend his existing trailer to the side and rear. Because the trailer is already closer to the road than allowed by the *Land Use Law* (pre-existing, non-conforming), he will need a variance on the north side of his property in order to add the extension. The Board determined that the variance needed is 18 feet.

The Board examined the application package, including photos, a survey, a tax map, a drawing of the proposed addition, and a list of neighbors. Ed Hobbie moved to deem the application complete and schedule a public hearing for December 20. Christopher Voulo seconded the motion and it was approved, 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board discussed personnel for 2012. Sam Hoskins moved to recommend that the Town Board reappoint Greg Crowell as

chairman and Bill Deane as secretary. Ed Hobbie seconded the motion and it was approved, 4-0. Deane noted that Tony Scalici's term as member expires at the end of the year. Crowell moved to recommend that the Town Board reappoint Scalici for 2012-16, assuming he is willing to serve. Hobbie seconded the motion and it was approved, 4-0.

Zoning Enforcement Officer Schecher asked the Board's informal interpretation of requirements for "mother-in-law" dwellings, addressed in *Land Use Law* Sections 2.02, 3.04, and Definitions. After hearing varying input, Schecher said he would check further with the Planning Board.

With no further business, at 7:33 Chairman Crowell adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Deane, Secretary