

Lamoine Board of Appeals
Approved Minutes – Meeting 30 May 2017

Recognizing that a quorum is present, Chair Fenton **called the meeting to order** at 19:00 PM.

Present were Appeals Board members Hancock “Griff” Fenton, Michael Jordan, and Jon VanAmringe; and Code Enforcement Officer Edward “Rick” Gallegos. Board member Connie Bender attended and formally joined the Board of Appeals discussions following final resolution of the Mason v. Code Enforcement Officer Appeal.

Minutes from Prior Meeting [9 May 2017]. Mr. Jordan moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Mr. VanAmringe 2nd. Vote in favor was 3-0.

1. **Appeal – Mason v. Lamoine Code Enforcement Officer (denial of permit)**

Chair Fenton briefly reviewed with CEO Gallegos the discussion and decision of the Board from the meeting of 9 May. CEO had been absent from that meeting due to training. The consensus of the Board is that CEO Gallegos be able to fully understand the Board’s reasoning underlying the Notice of Decision (Findings of Facts, Conclusion of Law).

The summary of this discussion, Case Summary, Findings of Fact, and Conclusions of Law are included in the Notice of Decision, which was attached to Minutes of 9 May.

Notice of Decision (Findings of Facts, Conclusion of Law) was read into the record. Following a brief discussion, and one modification, three original copies were signed, to be forwarded to Mr. Marckoon for distribution to the appropriate parties and entry into files.

2. Appeals Board Ordinance – Ms. Bender re-joined the Appeals Board meeting. Mr. Fenton offered, as example, the *Reorganization of the Town of Mount Desert Zoning Board of Appeals amended 3 May 2016*. It is the Chair’s hope that at the next plenary meeting of the Board we can discuss this as well as the 02 December 2015 working draft of the *Town of Lamoine Board of Appeals Ordinance*. Further discussion was deferred to the next regular meeting with hopes of having full participation of all Board of Appeals members.

3. Other matters to come before the Board of Appeals – Chair Fenton introduced a memo dated 18 May 2017, from Stu Marckoon to Selectmen, Board Chairs and Department Heads with respect to the need to comprehensively review and possibly update all Lamoine Town Ordinances. Principal to his thoughts would be the formation of a Select Committee of up to five members who would initiate, coordinate and manage this process. This committee would:

- Receive all suggestions for new or revised ordinances
- Following review and discussion, recommend action

- Refer to appropriate Committee/Board and/or Board of Selectmen for comment
- If deemed necessary prepare drafts, again working with appropriate Committee/Board and/or Board of Selectmen [including staff].
- Present final drafts to public meeting as needed or desired.
- Finalize and forward any new ordinance or amendments to Board of Selectmen for presentation at Town Meeting.

This Committee would also be charged with the responsibility to periodically review all town ordinances on a regular schedule.

Members Bender and VanAmringe as well as Chair Fenton indicated a willingness to work on such Select Committee.

4. Next meeting date(s) – *Wednesday, 21 June 2017 at 18:30 pm at the Town Office.*

There being no further business, on the motion of Mr. Jordan, second by Ms. Bender, all members voting in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 20:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon VanAmringe, Secretary