



**Town of Becket
Zoning Board of Appeals
557 Main Street
Becket, Massachusetts 01223
Phone (413) 623-8934 Ext. 122**

Meeting Minutes for September 5, 2023

Board Members Present Alvin Blake, Robin Mathiesen, Christopher Milenkevich, Sarah Hoecker, Jeff Wilkinson

Board Members Present via Zoom: Victoria Bleier

Board Members Absent: Mary Canty,

Administrative Assistant: Tess Lundberg

Public Present: Art Feltman

Public Present via Zoom: Tara White

1. Call to Order- Sarah Hoecker calls the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and introduces the board members present.

2. Board to review and approve the minutes of August 1, 2023. Robin Mathiesen makes a motion to approve the minutes for August 1, 2023. Al Blake seconds the motion. Alvin Blake votes in favor, Victoria Bleier votes in favor, Robin Mathiesen votes in favor, Christopher Milenkevich votes in favor, Sarah Hoecker votes in favor, Jeff Wilkinson abstains. **Motion passes.**

3. New Business

a. Informal discussion- 281 South Cove Drive. Ms. Hoecker asks Art Feltman to address the board. Mr. Feltman states he would like to convert a seasonal home to a year round home, including adding a room. Mr. Feltman states he would be asking to reduce the setback on the property line from the existing 10 feet to 5 feet. Mr. Feltman states his neighbor does not object and will attend the hearing to support the application. Mr. Feltman states the existing house is built on ledge so it limits the options. Mr. Feltman shows a plan to the board, noting there is an inconsistency between the plan and the architect's comments that will be corrected. Mr. Feltman states the plan shows the footprint of the existing structure and the proposed addition. Ms. Hoecker asks to confirm the addition is catty-corner to the property line and the 5 foot setback is the closest it comes before widening out. Mr. Feltman states that is correct. Mr. Feltman states he was not sure what he was doing and he filled out 2 applications. The board confirms that the correct application would be a Dimensional Special Permit.

b. Informal Discussion- 127 King Richard Drive. Property owner not present, no discussion.

c. Informal discussion- 86 Peterson Road. Ms. Hoecker asks Tara White to address the board. Ms. White states they have purchased the lot adjacent to their house and seek to put in a 3 season room as an addition. Ms. White states they will remove the existing deck, add a 15x16 foot room and a new deck. Ms. White states the new construction will go right up to the boundary line between the two lots. Ms. Hoecker asks to confirm lot 96 is the lot owned already, and lot 97 was purchased. Ms. White states that is correct. Ms. Hoecker states and the new construction will not actually go into lot 97. Ms. White states this is correct. Mr. Blake asks if they have combined the lots with the Planning Board. Ms. Hoecker states if the lots are combined then it would not need to come before the ZBA, combining the lots would remedy any



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issues ZBA would have. Mr. Blake suggests calling the Assessors Office to inquire if the lots have been combined, or go to the Planning Board to submit a Form A to combine them.

4. Old Business- none

5. Public Input- none

6. Any other business to come before the Board-none

7. Budget- no discussion

8. Adjournment- Mr. Blake makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wilkinson seconds the motion.

Alvin Blake votes in favor, Victoria Bleier votes in favor, Robin Mathiesen votes in favor, Christopher Milenkevich votes in favor, Sarah Hoecker votes in favor, Jeff Wilkinson votes in favor. **Motion passes.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved November 1, 2023 by:

Victoria Bleier

Sarah Hoecker

Robin Mathiesen

Christopher Milenkevich

Jeffrey Wilkinson

Alvin Blake

Mary Canty