

Town of Edgecomb Appeals Board

Minutes

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 @ 5:00 pm

In Attendance: Stuart Smith, Micheal Maxim, Heather Burt, Susan Amundsen, Mike Smith, Jessica Mague, Lynn Norgang, John Allen (Observing)

Call to order @ 5:00 pm

Election: Susan Amundsen nominated Stuart Smith as Chair of the Appeals Board. Heather Burt seconded. The nomination was approved 3/0.

Review of Appeals Process: Mike Smith introduced and reviewed the basic appeals process and gave a brief overview of the current matter - 121 Shore Rd., owned by Mike and Alison Saylor of Carlisle, MA.

121 Shore Rd.: The property is a historically nonconforming lot with two current land use violations for which the Saylor's have been cited by the Code Enforcement Officer, George Chase. When the property was listed for sale by the realtor Julie Cromwell the Edgecomb Selectboard contacted her in an attempt to correct the marketing language she was using that stated the property was developable. Before purchasing the property the Saylor's were also notified that the property did not meet the dimensional requirements for a lot within the shoreland zone. Currently the Saylor's would like to be permitted to use the lot beyond the scope of the current land use ordinances.

Micheal Maxim distributed all current documents and data associated with the 121 Shore Rd. appeal to the board. The documents are attached here.

Stuart Smith questioned what items exactly the board is reviewing and what is within its jurisdiction to review. Mike Smith stated that the Saylor's, though their submissions have been lengthy and thorough, still must clarify with the board what exactly they are appealing and why. Stuart suggested that George Chase make a presentation. It was clarified by Michael Maxim that George Chase may do so but may not advise or express an opinion to the board.

Stuart Smith recognized the fact that the Saylor's will need notice of Appeals Board meetings beyond today's. Today's meeting was intended to elect a chair and to familiarize the board with the property and issues. The next meeting is set for Tuesday, February 6th at 5:00 pm. Stuart suggested the board adjourn and familiarize

themselves with the materials between now and the next meeting. Stuart will notify the Saylor of the next meeting. Stuart has also already shared with the board members an electronic version of the Appeals Board Manual.

Heather Burt made a motion to adjourn. Susan Amundsen seconded. Approved 3/0.
Adjourn at 5:38 pm.