

**SHARON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**  
**MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, November 10, 2021**

**LOCATION OF MEETING:** In compliance with the Governor's emergency declaration relative to the conduct of public meetings, the Town arranged to conduct board and committee meetings using Zoom video/audio conferencing in an effort to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Interested citizens received directions on how to attend the meeting remotely in the Agenda as posted on the ZBA website and the Town. This meeting was presented with the video and/or audio available for later broadcast. The Zoning Board of Appeals is focused on observing the spirit of the Open Meeting Law during this temporary emergency situation to assure accountability for the deliberations and actions of elected and appointed officials conducting the public's business.

A virtual meeting of the Sharon Zoning Board of Appeals was held on Wednesday, November 10, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. The following members were present as established by roll call: Abe Brahmachari, Joe Garber, Chair and David Young. Sam Reef was not present. Also present from the town: Kris White, Building Inspector.

**7:11 PM - CASE 1858 – Sharon Public Library, One School Street, Vote on Decision continued from October 27, 2021**

Present for the applicant: Wendy McArthur, Sharon Standing Building Committee,

Chair started the meeting at 7:11 stating that this was just a procedural meeting

Mr. Gellerman, Town Counsel sent email to Mr. Garber, Chair. Mr. Garber read the email to be added to the record.

Mr. Gellerman stated that he had attended a meeting on November 9, 2021 with the Sharon Standing Building Commission (SSBC) and The Library Board of Trustees. Mr. Gellerman stated that they have a number of changes that they would like to us to consider. Mr. Gellerman stated that he is relatively confident that these would be changes that are acceptable. The issue is that their attorney, Brian Winner of Mead, Talerman & Costa, LLC is on vacation and that some of the exhibits need to be rearranged. None of this is substantive but for the possible one or two issues, each of which can likely be worked out with their attorney when he gets back from vacation. Tonight's session is only to announce that decision not yet final and that the meeting to vote on decision is being held and continued to November 17, 2021. The meeting should be quick and there will be time for each board member to review the changes.

Ms. McArthur confirmed that the attorney is on vacation. Chair asked Ms. McArthur to confirm that they discussed continuing the meeting until November 17, 2021. Her only concern is that the 17<sup>th</sup> is the final date to make a decision. Chair confirmed that she was correct.

**Motion:**

Chair made a motion to continue Case 1858, Sharon Public Library, One School Street to the meeting on November 17, 2021. Mr. Brahmachari seconded the motion. Approved by unanimous roll call vote 3-0-0 (Garber, Brahmachari, Young).

Mr. Garber discussed that we moved Case 1890 - 1505 Bay Road – Birch Hill Subdivision to the December 1, 2021 since it wasn't on the agenda for tonight's meeting. It will be heard along with Case 189-115 Pleasant Park Road and Case 1892 – 30 Sunset Drive.

Mr. White stated that we need to confirm that Case 1890 does not need to be republished because it wasn't on the Agenda for tonight. Mr. Garber read a note from Town Counsel stating that he spoke with Attorney Devin about Case 1890 and we are both of the opinion that the best way to handle this issue is to have announced this evening that there was a notice problem and because of that the Board will postpone consideration of the matter until December 1, 2021.

Mr. Garber will reach out to Town Counsel to confirm that we don't need to republish.

**Minutes:**

October 6, 2021 can't be approved because three votes and Mr. Young wasn't present for this meeting.

Chair motioned to approve the October 13, 2021 minutes. Mr. Brahmachari seconded. Approved by unanimous roll call 3-0-0 (Garber, Brahmachari, Young).

Chair motioned to approve the October 20, 2021 minutes. Mr. Brahmachari seconded. Approved by unanimous roll call 3-0-0 (Garber, Brahmachari, Young).

Chair motioned to approve the October 27, 2021 minutes. Mr. Brahmachari seconded. Approved by unanimous roll call 3-0-0 (Garber, Brahmachari, Young).

Chair motioned to end the meeting. Mr. Brahmachari seconded. Approved by unanimous roll call 3-0-0 (Garber, Brahmachari, Young).

The meeting adjourned 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted