

## MINUTES OF THE ZONING BOARD 7-10-14

Members Present: Dan O'Shea, Nancy Dalley, Al Socha, and Bob Lieber. Jay Currie is absent. Also present, town attorney Donald Armstrong and Melissa Bordwell of Legends of Fall Outfitters.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chairman O'Shea who stated the board had one application on the agenda. Jeff and Melissa Bordwell are asking for a use variance to add a gunsmith shop to their existing family business, to sell and repair guns. The prior application back in 1995 did not ask for a gunsmith shop. Mrs. Bordwell explained the background for their request. Their son attended college at PA State Tech to learn how to be a gunsmith. He has done an internship and is trained in repairing guns, making custom guns, putting sites on, etc. Nancy Dalley asked if he needs the variance for his federal firearms license ( FFL) . Mrs. Bordwell said that in order to be a gunsmith, he needs the FFL license and the shop must obtain the variance for the FFL. Don Armstrong stated if one looks at the variance language for granting the use, the Board can impose reasonable conditions. Mrs. Bordwell said they have no interest in operating a gun range, other than practice for themselves, not the public. They currently run archery leagues. Don Armstrong suggests the Board do its due diligence by scheduling a public hearing, referring to County Planning and doing its SEQR review. He further stated that the Bordwell's currently have a variance allowing for archery in an Ag district and having guns is not an allowed use. He urged Mrs. Bordwell to review Section 833 and 834 of the zoning ordinance to be familiar with the process the Board must undertake. While the Board does have discretion, it must follow the Town's criteria for granting the variance.

**Motion** to schedule a Public Hearing on August 7, 2014, and refer to County Planning, made by Al Socha, seconded by Bob Lieber, all in favor the motion carried.

**Motion** to approve the minutes of June 5, 2014, made by Bob Lieber, seconded by Nancy Dalley, all if favor, the motion carried.

**Motion** to adjourn made by Nancy Dalley, seconded by Bob Lieber, all in favor, the motion carried and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Anne McCloskey, Secretary