WESTHAMPTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

MINUTES FOR MEETING OF APRIL 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Members present: Leo Aloisi, John Kelsey, Shirl Morrigan, Wayne Parks, Steve St. Marie, and Bill Tracy. Several guests were present.

Minutes of the meeting of February 22, 2017 were distributed. Members reviewed the minutes. Several changes were recommended. In the paragraph which starts "Further," the Board recommended inserting the words "at 13 Main Road" after the word "Westhampton." and then a period. Further, the members recommended the removal of the words "and that" and the insertion of the words "for the ADA housing" after the word "questionnaire." Mr. Tracy moved, and Mr. Parks seconded the motion, to approve the minutes, as amended. The vote was unanimous to approve the amended minutes.

The Board then heard a report from Mr. Kelsey about the progress of the Zoning Bylaws Review Committee. He described how the Committee was going through the definitions in the Zoning Bylaws item by item. He also passed out some recommendations that the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC) had suggested for the town of Southampton. Discussion ensued about some specific bylaws which needed clarification, such as the term "frontage." And also the Board discussed basic principles that it desired in the Bylaws - that they be simple and practical and easy to understand. There was consensus that many of the PVPC definitions did not fit a smaller town like Westhampton as well as they might Southampton.

No specific actions or votes were taken.

Mr. Kelsey moved, and Mr. St. Marie seconded the motion, to adjourn the meeting. The vote was unanimous in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley P. Morrigan Clerk