

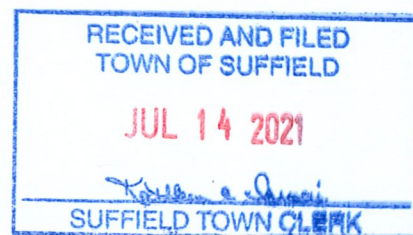
SUFFIELD BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS

MEETING MINUTES FOR MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 - 7:00 PM - TOWN HALL

ZOOM TELECONFERENCE PROVIDED Dial-in Number:1-646-876-9923 Meeting ID:823 5366 1783

Building Code Board of Appeals Members Present

Glenn Neilson, Chairman
Joe Sangiovanni, Member
Cathie Ellithorpe, Member
Billy Gozzo, Member
Marty Page, Alternate



Also Present - Derek Donnelly, Suffield Town Attorney

Members Absent - Kevin Goff, Member

Call to Order - Chairman Neilson called the Meeting of the Building Code Board of Appeals to order for Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm. He asked the Board Members to respond to the roll call. The following members were present, Joe Sangiovanni, Cathie Ellithorpe, Billy Gozzo and Marty Page. Chairman Neilson advised there had been a closed hearing last Thursday to address an appeal of a decision by the Suffield Building Official to deny a building permit application to construct a single family residence at 14 Kings Meadow Lane (Lot 17) in Suffield. At that hearing, Attorney Leslie King, representing Hamlet Homes, presented the Appellant's case and called witnesses to testify. Attorney Robert O'Brien, representing the Town of Suffield's Building Official, presented the Appellee's case. Tonight's meeting would render a decision whether to affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the Suffield Building Official in accordance with IBC Code, Chapter 13.6, Rendering of a Decision. A copy of tonight's decision shall be mailed to the party requesting the appeal prior to filing.

All Board Members present tonight were also present at last Thursday's Hearing. These Board Members had requested additional time to review all the documents and drawings before rendering a decision which moved the Deliberation from last Thursday to this evening.

Deliberation - There was much discussion regarding the documents that had been presented at the Hearing by the Appellant's Case in Chief in support of the use of EPS Panels. There were questions regarding a number of code requirements the EPS Panels failed to meet. The Members also discussed the detailed analysis presented by Mr. DiBlasi, the Structural Engineer contacted by the Suffield Building Official to review the Appellant's submitted documents. Mr. DiBlasi had noted a number of deficiencies with the building plans and had detailed his concerns regarding the use of the metal panels. He also took issue with some of the incomplete presentation documents. The Commission Members agreed that there were inconsistencies in the documents, pertinent details were missing from some of the drawings and the information presented at the Hearing did not appear complete. With the close of discussion, Chairman Neilson asked for a motion to affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the Suffield Building Official. Mr. Sangiovanni motioned to affirm the Suffield Building Official's decision to deny a building permit application to construct a single family residence at 14 Kings Meadow Lane (Lot 17) in Suffield with specific concerns regarding the use of proprietary wall panels. Ms. Ellithorpe seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

This concluded the deliberation. Chairman Neilson motioned to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Mr. Gozzo. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted - Karen OHurley

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