Ashland Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes April 12, 2018 Ashland Elementary School Library

Members Present: Eli Badger, Tim Sweetsir, Susan MacLeod (Planning Board Liaison), Alan

Cilley (Alternate)

Member Absent: Michelle Fistek **Others Present:** Christine Cilley

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chairman Eli Badger. Chair Badger appointed alternate Alan Cilley as a full member for tonight's meeting.

The Board members discussed the <u>current</u> membership status of the Ashland Zoning Board of Adjustment:

- Eli Badger's term (regular member) expires this month.
- Tim Sweetsir's term (regular member) expires this month.
- Sue MacLeod's term (*liaison regular* member) on the Planning Board expires this month.
- Michelle Fistek's term (*regular* member) expires in 2020. Due to health issues, she has not been able to attend regularly.
- Alan Cilley's term (*alternate* member) expires in 2020.
- One regular position and two alternate positions have remained open prior to April.

The Board members discussed the future membership of the Ashland Zoning Board of Adjustment.

- Eli Badger is not renewing his membership on the ZBA.
- Tim Sweetsir is not renewing his membership on the ZBA.
- Sue MacLeod has not decided whether she will renew her Planning Board membership, which will affect her position as Liaison to the ZBA.

Chair Badger will recommend that Alan Cilley's position be changed from *alternate* to *regular* member. The ZBA should have five regular members, plus up to three alternate members.

It was noted that both land use boards (Planning Board and Zoning Board) are struggling with maintaining full membership (regular and alternate members). The Board also discussed the continuing need for a land use assistant to review applications for accuracy and research relevant case law.

Information was distributed with member emails, attorney name and contact, and ZBA email account access.

Registration information for the upcoming planning conference (April 28) was shared.

The next regular meeting is May 10, 6:30pm, at the Ashland Elementary School Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Minutes submitted by Mardean Badger