



**ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW
MINUTES OF THE APRIL 9, 2008 MEETING
TOWN OF FOSTER**

A. Call to Order

The April 9, 2008 meeting of the Foster Zoning Board of Review came to order at 7:00 pm in the Benjamin Eddy Building.

B. Roll Call

Present were Carl Saccoccio, Chairman; William (Bill) Gibb, Vice-Chairman; Paula Mottshaw, Secretary, Members Heidi Colwell, Scott Pollard; Joseph Walsh, Alternate; John J. Bevilacqua, Esq., Town Solicitor; Robert Fallon, Building/Zoning Official; and Lori Merolla, Stenographer.

C. Approval of Minutes

Heidi Colwell made a motion to approve the March 12, 2008 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Scott Pollard. The motion carried and the minutes were accepted.

D. Correspondence and Review

None.

E. Hearings

08-03

Michael & Kathy Hassell as applicants and owners of property located at 72 Gene Allen Road, listed as Lot 0023-B3 on Assessor's Plat 18 are seeking a dimensional variance under Article IV Section 13 Set Back to Property Line. They are requesting a 13 ft dimensional variance from the northern property line.

Michael Hassell, the applicant, testified. He stated that the garage needs to be in a location that allows the tractor and car to get from the front to back of the house to care for his wife's horse, which is currently being boarded. Exhibit 1 was marked 'full' is a diagram showing elevation of the land and demonstrating the location of the garage with the variance vs. without the variance. The variance would allow the foundation to be built on sold ground instead of fill.

Andrew Rainville, a neighbor of the applicant, spoke in favor of the application.

Scott Pollard asked if there are any structural issues to building on fill.

Fill isn't as good as building on ledge.

If the variance isn't granted, the garage would be pushed too close to the house.

Given no further questions or concerns from the Board or the public, the Chairman closed the hearing for this application, and the Board started deliberations.

William Gibb made a motion to approve application 08-03 of Michael & Kathy Hassell for a dimensional variance of 13 feet from the northern property line for the construction of a garage.

The motion was seconded by Heidi Colwell.

There was no further discussion of this application.

There were no conditions placed upon this application.

Therefore a vote was taken with five (5) members voting in the affirmative and zero (0) members voting against.

Carl Saccoccio – approve
William Gibb – approve
Heidi Colwell – approve
Scott Pollard – approve
Paula Mottshaw – approve

F. Adjournment

William Gibb moved to adjourn, seconded by Heidi Colwell, the April 9, 2008 Foster Zoning Board of Review meeting at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: /s/Paula Mottshaw

Paula Mottshaw, Secretary