



**ZONING BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING MINUTES  
TOWN OF FOSTER**

**Benjamin Eddy Building, 6 South Killingly Road, Foster, RI  
Wednesday: August 14, 2013 AT 7:00 p.m.**

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**A. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Joe Walsh, Chair at 7:04 p.m.

**B. Roll Call**

Present from the Zoning Board were Joe Walsh, Chair; William Gibb, Vice Chair; Paula Mottshaw, Secretary; members Heidi Colwell, John Esposito, Alternate; and Tom DiRaimo, Alternate. Member Maureen McEntee was excused. Also present were Ann-Marie Ignasher, Town Planner, Peter Scorpio, Zoning Official, Renee Bevilacqua, Town Solicitor and Stenographer Barbara.

Alternate, John Esposito sat in for member, Maureen McEntee who was absent.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

July 10, 2013

Bill moved to approve the minutes of July 10, 2013 as submitted, seconded by Tom DiRaimo, motion carried unanimously

**D. Correspondence and Communications**

**Discussion / Action**

**E. Decisions – Review /Adoption - Ratification**

**Discussion / Action**

**HEARING #13-07-10-Z**

Applicant, David Constant, 58 Howard Hill Road, Foster, RI Tax Assessor's Plat 02, Lot 55.

Heidi moved to ratify the decision for David Constant; seconded by Bill Gibb, motion carried unanimously.

**F. Public Hearings**

**Discussion / Action**

**HEARING # 13-08-01-Z**

Applicant Daniel P. Hey, 8 Biscuit Hill Road, Foster, RI Tax Assessor's Plat 03, Lot 0048A is requesting a Special Use Permit; Under the Foster Zoning Ordinance Article IV; Zone Regulations; Section 7; Business; Subsection 2; Specialty Shop/Gun Shop.

Daniel Hey withdrew his application for a Specialty Shop/Gun Shop without prejudice; and asked that when he resubmits his application that he fee be waived. The board agreed to his request.

**HEARING # 13-08-02-Z**

Applicant Robert Depalo, Plainfield Pike, Foster RI Tax Assessor's Plat 19 Lot 0019 is requesting relief from Foster Zoning Ordinance Article IV; Zoning Regulations, Section 13 Dimensional Regulations; Subsection A, Agricultural/Residential District; 1) minimum side yard depth of 50 feet; requesting new depth of 16 feet - asking for 34 feet of relief; 2) minimum rear yard depth of 100 feet, requesting new depth of 73 feet - asking for 27 feet of relief.

Also requesting relief from Foster Zoning Ordinance Article VI; Supplementary Regulations, Section 6 Sewage Disposal; 1) minimum rear yard depth of 100 feet, requesting new depth of 21 feet - asking for 79 feet of relief; 2) minimum front depth of 60 feet, requesting new depth of 19 feet - asking for 41 feet of relief.

Eric Colburn, Foster Survey Co. explained that the septic system is located in the only possible place on this parcel.

No one spoke in favor of this application.

Gordon Rogers of 61 Cucumber Hill Road spoke about a past hearing that was similar and was denied. He is opposed to the present hearing.

Mrs. Downess-Fortune of Biscuit Hill Road feels that this will set a bad precedent and asked if Briggs Road is a legally abandoned road.

Bill moved to continue this hearing until the September 11, 2013 Zoning Board Meeting, seconded by Heidi Colwell, motion carried unanimously.

"The public is welcome to any meeting of the Zoning Board. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please contact the Town Clerk's Office (392-9200) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting."

**G. Zoning Board of Appeals will convene to hear the following appeals**

**H. Old Business**

**I. New Business**

Recommendations to Planning Board to clarify Zoning Ordinance for the next meeting.

**J. Future Agenda Items**

**K. Adjournment**

Bill moved to adjourn, seconded by Tom DiRaimo at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Paula Mottshaw, Secretary