

Town of Goshen
Zoning Board of Adjustments
Meeting Minutes
September 9, 2008

Present: Kenneth Everitt, Hannah Lockwood and Thomas Lawton

Additional Attendance: Jessica Dennis, Secretary, Howard Caron, Patricia Caron, Mark Caron, and Tracia Colby.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.
2. Mark Caron has come to the Zoning Board to follow up on his July request to open an automotive garage at his residence located at 16 Mummery Road West. Mr. Caron would like to open an automotive garage where he would perform NH State Inspections, which would include the usual light repair work involved in the maintenance and repair of motor vehicles. The State has not been out to inspect the premises, as Mr. Caron must have approval from the Town first. Chairperson Everitt mailed letters to all abutters of the property. The letter included the time, date, and location of this meeting; no response was received from any of the abutters. This request falls under the Zoning Regulations that make reference to "Home Occupation," under Section V. Commercial Use. Mr. Caron will be the soul employee of the business. A brief discussion was held about changing the exterior of the building, or the buildings being visible to the street or abutters. Chairperson Everitt took a drive to the proposed location, and the building cannot be seen from the road. Mr. Caron would also like to erect a sign, and place it at the end of Mummery Road West. The Board explained the limitations on the size of signage that is allowed for home-based businesses. Which included that the sign may not be larger than six square feet, it must be at least twenty-five feet from the centerline of a roadway, and cannot be within one hundred-fifty feet of an intersection. In addition, "illumination shall only be by continuous non-flashing and non-colored light." The Town Building Inspector must issue a permit before the sign may be erected; the permit is subject to fees.
A motion was made by Hannah and seconded by Thomas to allow Mr. Caron to open his home-based business. Motion passed.
The Zoning Board will draw up a letter, granting Mr. Caron permission to open his home-based business; additionally a copy of the letter sent to the abutters will be forwarded to Mr. Caron for his records. Copies of Zoning Board minutes will be available at the Town Hall for the State of abutters to review if they should have questions or concerns.
3. Thomas made a motion, seconded by Ken, the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:30p.m.