

TOWN OF BARRINGTON

BUILDING BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING

Thursday, May 29, 2008

7:00 P.M. COUNCIL CHAMBERS - TOWN HALL

Present: Tom Billups, Chairman, Chet Orciuch and Noah Szosz

Also Present: Robert Speaker, Building Official and Valerie Carroll, Secretary

The Chairman, Mr. Billups, called the meeting to order at 7:00.

The Board was unable to adopt the minutes of the February 28, 2008 meeting, as there was not a quorum of members who had attended that meeting.

Upon a motion by Mr. Orciuch, with a second by Mr. Szosz the Minutes of the April 9, 2008 minutes were approved with changes.

Continuation of an appeal of a Requirement of the Building Official from Lynne Carter & Beth Davis Appellants and Owners, for property at 52 County Road, Barrington, RI; Assessor's Plat 27, Lot 65.

Present: Beth Davis, Owner

Ms. Davis explained that since the April 9th meeting an engineer has inspected the property and reviewed his assessment with Mr. Speaker. The only remaining issues that require relief are the stairs and the toilets.

The stairs do not conform to code for the following reasons:

„« The risers are not uniform; they range from 8½” to 8.5½”

„« Some risers exceed the 8.25½” maximum height

„« The stairs are 32½” in width; 36½” required

„« The minimum headroom required is 6½8½”, however on one landing the headroom is only 6½6.75½”

The Board felt that the concerns with the stairs were minimal, noting that there would be no way to bring the stairs into compliance without drastic reconstruction. The headroom issue exists only at the landing where the stairs turned. The Board also noted that handrails would be required which should help with concerns relating to the risers.

The toilets do not conform to code for the following reasons:

„« The first floor toilet does not meet the 30½” width required

„« The second floor toilet does not meet the 30½” width required

Upon discussion, the Board felt that there would be no way to correct this problem without completely reorienting the floor plan. The only

reason this issue is before the Board is because the house has been moved, not because of new construction.

VOTE: Mr. Orciuch moved to grant the required relief for the stairs and the toilets. Mr. Szosz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously (3-0).

At 7:15 Mr. Szosz moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Orciuch seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Valerie Carroll
Secretary**