

# DORSET ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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Date: November 8, 2010 – Special Informational Meeting

Board Members Present: J. LaVecchia (Chairman), M. Connors, R. Stewart, R. Rawls,  
D. Baker, S. Jones, B. Bridges, D. Wilson  
Board Members Absent: K. O'Toole  
Also, Present: Tyler Yandow (Zoning Administrator), Rob Gaiotti (Town Manager),  
Jane M. Bridges, Kane Smart (AT & T), Michael Oltedal, Fred W.  
Diefenbach, Joan Menson

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by J. LaVecchia, Chairman, stating this was a special meeting to discuss the location of a cell tower on Awesome View Drive.

R. Gaiotti explained the following background information:

- AT & T will be applying for an Act 248a certificate of public good with the Public Service Board to construct a monopine cell tower on Awesome View Drive, but have to give the Town a 45 day notice to do so.
- The balloon test was held on October 8, 2010 and they were flown at 100 feet and 160 feet. Photo simulations were forwarded to the Town.
- Referencing the coverage maps, optimal coverage was achieved at 160 feet, but had the most visual impact. A 140 foot tower was an agreeable compromise for coverage and aesthetics.

M. Connors asked why AT & T was reluctant to erect a 160 foot tower and K. Smart responded that the 160 foot tower gave superior coverage, but they believed that the 140 foot tower was the best option for the Town aesthetically and would not create opposition from residents. R. Stewart inquired if the tower could be raised higher in the future and R. Gaiotti responded that monopines were not conducive to expansion.

F. Diefenbach noted that his property line goes right through Awesome View Drive and was not depicted on the AT & T maps as an abutter. J. LaVecchia stated that he believed the property did not abutt the Rumney property and that this issue did not have bearing on tonight's discussion and should be handled privately with AT & T. Further discussion ensued regarding tower height and co-

locators with some Board members stating that they felt the 160 foot tower would allow for more coverage and it would be better for the co-locators. R. Stewart asked what other types of co-locators would be considered and K. Smart replied emergency services, radio and cell phone companies.

B. Bridges moved and R. Stewart seconded to approve of the proposed AT & T cell tower location at Awesome View Drive with construction of a 140-foot monopine structure. Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Aversano

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting

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Please Print Name & Address	
1.	Jane M. Eschwege 119 Edwidge Court, Rd. Dorset, Vt.
2.	Kate Sawyer on behalf of AT&T (Awesome View Drive, Rd. 100)
3.	Mike O'Brien 14. Awesome View Lane Dorset, VT
4.	Timothy W. DeLachy 100 Awesome View Dr. Dorset
5.	TEPPER YANOW 126 DORSET HOLLOW RD DORSET VT
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