

DORSET ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

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Date: May 9, 2016

Board Members Present: John LaVecchia (Chairman), Tuck Rawls, Bill Bridges, Steve Jones, Kevin O'Toole
Board Members Absent: Ruth Stewart, Dave Wilson (Vice-Chairman)
Also, Present: Tyler Yandow (ZA), Jane M. Bridges, Chris Ponessi (Mauro), Charlie Mauro, Peter VanVlaaderen, Cynthia VanVlaaderen, Edward Tanenhaus, Kit Wallace, Pam Gilbert, Art Gilbert

J. LaVecchia opened the meeting at 7:34 p.m. noting that this was the May 9th meeting of the ZBA and the Board was present to conduct an interview for one of the vacant positions on the ZBA Board.

E. Tanenhaus introduced himself saying that he moved to Dorset four and one-half years ago and felt that it was time that he worked for Dorset as he has volunteered his time at other Vermont entities. E. Tanenhaus outlined his extensive career as an attorney in New York and noted that in his last years in private practice, he did pro-bono work in mediation helping people avoid the difficulties of the system. He learned how to listen carefully and balance the interests of the clients.

K. O'Toole explained that the ZBA Board does appeals, variances and conditional uses having monthly meetings, if necessary. E. Tanenhaus responded that he has watched all the Town Boards in action and was impressed with the deliberative sessions of the ZBA in their use of the zoning bylaws and Town Plan to come to decisions in a mature way.

K. O'Toole moved and T. Rawls seconded to recommend to the Select Board the appointment of Edward Tanenhaus to the Zoning Board of Adjustment based on his qualifications as an attorney and his ability to grasp issues. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Aversano, Secretary

cc: Zoning Administrator, Town Manager, Planning Commission, Town Clerk, Applicant, File