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Attorney Donovan gave an overview of the proposal which is for approval of the rear wall as constructed in 2003/2004, which was beyond what was originally approved by the Zoning Board. Guillemette states that the barn on his property is a residence and he feels he was portrayed as "unneighborly" earlier than was true and that he was satisfied with the 2003 proposal and allowed the Wards to make use of his property to access the rear of their building.

He also feels assumptions were made regarding the knowledge of the foundation location; however, he has not had a change of heart regarding the original decision but feels the additional two feet should not be allowed. He also feels this will diminish the value of his property, as the Ward home was too close prior to 2003, but okay due to it being built prior to zoning. He also will determine if the Ward's new septic is too close to the property line.

He also feels the variance should not be granted as he feels the work was done underhandedly and was rushed, and that is why the cease and desist was issued and that zoning should be enforced.

Ward states that the original permit allowed 6' 6" from the old corner, and he went 6' 1". It was clear to the Building Inspector what was being proposed. Part of the fence was removed for the foundation to be poured and was put back in place approximately two weeks ago, and there was no effort to hide anything, all construction was visible. There was no opposition on Ken's part when all the framing was visible as well as the trucks going across Ken's property.

Ward states the 4' overhang was inappropriate so it was cut back to 2'. Ken opposed this; however, Bob felt it was debatable. Both the 4' and 2' overhang proposals are off the table and would like approval for what has been in place since 2004, and feels opposition at this time is a bogus argument and does not have merit.

Guillemette states he did not give permission for the foundation, only to use the driveway, and it is the Town's job to oversee the work being done. Also feels if this is allowed, the value of his property would be diminished if he ever decided to sell his property.

Attorney Donovan states that these two neighbors used to get along; however, now is not the case and that Bob has admitted his error in the second floor proposal and feels that a fair outcome to this is for the variance to be granted.

There being no further comment from the public, the hearing was closed at 8:54 PM McCrave states a lot has transpired over the last few years – the Ward's feel there have been a lot of missteps by the Board and vice-versa and feels that there are two other alternatives, the first being court, which he

feels nobody really wants, but will if necessary, and the second being having what was built torn down.

Smith feels the Board needs to be pragmatic and an agreeable and acceptable resolution is necessary. Schnare questioned what conditions would make this work, and Newcomb asked if the conditions could be determined prior to voting on the proposal, and the response was yes.

McCrave states that the Board needs to decide if what ended up being constructed had been the original application – would the Board have voted in favor of that, and he feels the Board would have voted in favor.

The following conditions were determined by the Board:

Specific distance from the rear of the building would be stated.

No other building on the property can encroach on the setback.

Reimburse the Town \$5,000, \$1,000 of which would cover Ken's expenses for his survey.

No building permit would be issued and the variance would not be effective until payment is received.

The Board voted unanimously in favor of the application subject to conditions.

Recycling Committee

December 12

Condensed from draft minutes

Present: Anne Hewitt, Dana Hadley, Ken Tripp, Susan Schnare, Nan Kaplan, Vicky Mishcon

The committee reviewed Transfer Station inventory and discussed what would be involved in taking tires out of the hopper. Dana is looking into pricing for a roadworthy trailer to collect and store the tires, and Ken will check with tire recyclers for details on their programs. The waste oil shed and shed for fluorescent bulbs should be added to the inventory.

To change to single stream recycling (SSR) we will need another hopper, ram, and trailer. Dana priced the pur-

chase cost of another hydraulic ram to be used for trash or recycling. The average price for a used, but good quality, ram was about \$30,000 with guarantee. This could be obtained from a firm in Hampstead.

Bill is going to get a quote from Bestway for the cost of a closed trailer to use for SSR. Dana estimates a trailer at \$10,000. Committee members agree that we should aim for 50% recycling once we begin SSR.

The plan for Transfer Station layout was discussed. There is a need to focus on creating a smooth traffic flow and safety considerations, like keeping people from having to cross traffic.

Our first year goals will be to move hoppers to improve traffic circulation and build a new office with bathroom for employees. We still need a full plan with cost, but Dana can get an estimate for construction of an office and overhang at this point.

The Christmas swap event, Christmas Without Cash, went very well, and \$80 in donations was collected that has gone to help Andover people having a hard time this winter.

To be discussed next meeting:

- Changes to commercial and business trash pickup requirements
- Developing a pay-as-you-throw

(PAYT) program

- Educational programs for SSR and PAYT
 - Organizing our volunteers into a formal support group
- Next meeting: February 12 at 7 PM at the Town Office.

Conservation Commission

November 12

Condensed from approved minutes

Present: Tina Cotton, Sandra Graves, Jerry Hersey, Nan Kaplan.

Excused: Mary Anne Broshek, Ed Spencer, Bob Ward

Guests: Beth McGuinn, Susan Schnare

Beth McGuinn, Land Specialist for the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust, met with the Commission.

Beth came to talk in general terms about a possible conservation easement in Andover. Expenses involved with the easement came under discussion, and possible involvement of the Conservation Commission. The matter is to be taken up when the full Commission is in attendance.

Permit By Notification: Caroline Robinson appeared before the Commission to discuss the project on her prop-

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Valentine's Packages



Couples Massage Package - includes an hour Swedish massage in a romantic candlelit room, with a choice of Chocolate or Champagne and Rose body cream, refreshments and gratuity. \$ 200

Champagne and Rose Package - Indulge her senses with a delightful Champagne and Rose body scrub, followed by a moisturizing mini-facial, refreshments and gratuity included. \$150

Chocolate Package - Enjoy our Head, Neck and Shoulder massage, followed by a decadent Chocolate pedicure, including a chocolate silk scrub and whipped chocolate butter crème lotion, gratuity included. \$100



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