

**SOMERSWORTH ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**JANUARY 3, 2018**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Paul Maskwa, Chair, Matt Keiser, Vice Chair, Donald Routhier, Richard Brooks  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Roland Dumont  
**STAFF PRESENT:** Shanna Saunders, Director of Planning and Community Development and Christien DuBois, Assessing/Code Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

**1) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2017.**

**Motion:** Keiser moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 6, 2017.

Seconded by Brooks

Motion passed 4-0.

**2) OLD BUSINESS**

- A) The Patricia Anne Sherwood Trust is seeking a variance from Table 4.A.3 of the Zoning Ordinance for the keeping on livestock on property located at 370 Old Rochester Road, in the Residential Single Family (R1) District, Assessor's Map 68, Lot 01, ZBA #16-2017.

Maskwa reopened the public hearing for the item.

Saunders stated that she had been asked to provide copies of the backyard chicken ordinance to help with wording of a potential variance motion and provided an outline of what the ordinance stated.

Maskwa asked if anyone in the board would like the applicant to re-explain what was being proposed.

Routhier asked if the applicant would like to move forward with the vote tonight or to table the item until the next meeting.

Maskwa explained that the Board is short one member tonight and explained that approval for a variance requires 3 affirmative votes.

Patricia Sherwood stated that she would like the vote postponed until the next meeting. Brooks moved to table the item, seconded by Routhier. The motion passed 4-0.

- B) Upland, LLC is seeking a variance from Section 10.G of the Zoning Ordinance for the development of single family homes within the Groundwater Protection District without hooking up to the municipal sewage disposal system on property located at 138 Rocky Hill Road, in the Residential Single Family (R1) District, Assessor's Map 54, Lot 01, ZBA #17-2017.

Maskwa stated that this item had been tabled last month and as the 3<sup>rd</sup> party review has not been given to the board as of yet, he would look to have a continuance until the next meeting.

Saunders suggested having a vote so as to not have to notify abutters again.

Brooks moved to table the item until the next meeting, Keiser seconded the motion carried 4-0.

C) Any other old business that may come before the Board.

There was none

**3) NEW BUSINESS**

A) Any new business that may come before the Board.

There was none

**Motion:** Keiser moved to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded by Brooks.

Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.

Respectfully submitted:



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Christien DuBois Assessing/Code Clerk  
Somersworth Zoning Board of Adjustment