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MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2016 MEETING FOR THE
EASTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:30pm by Chairman John Harris.

Regular members present - John Harris, Charles Lynch, Patricia Berlin and Victor George

Regular members absent - Raymond Ganim

Alternate members present - Gregory Alves and Thomas Dollard

Alternate members absent - None

1. **Appointments:** None

2. **Public Hearing:** None

3. **Review and Approve Minutes for October 5, 2015 Meeting:**

Motion was made by Victor George, seconded by Thomas Dollard, to approve the minutes for October 5, 2015 as filed. The vote was unanimous, 5-0, motion carried.

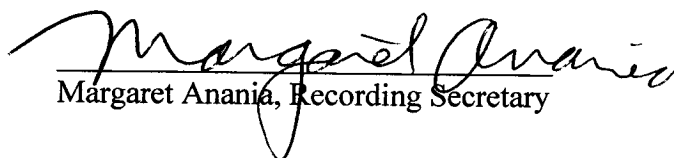
4. **Old Business:** The Chairman questioned whether Dr. Mitchell Greenberg had been appointed as an alternate or if a new alternate member had been appointed to fill the vacancy. It was also noted that Thomas Dollard was waiting to be reappointed. The Secretary will let the Chairman know.

5. **New Business:** The Zoning Board of Appeals discussed the following items:

1. Letter and Case Summary of E & F Associates, LLC v. Zoning Board of Appeals of Fairfield for potential ramifications for the Easton Zoning Board of Appeals. The Board discussed this item at length and determined that the Board, consistent with its past practices, will continue to specify the reasons and hardship for each variance granted. The Chairman suggested that, where applicable, the Board also include with any granting of variance supporting "Statements of Purpose" from the Zoning Regulations as part of their decision. It was noted that the Zoning Regulations are in the process of being updated by an outside consultant and that when the Regulations were ready for public comment, the Zoning Board of Appeals will be given a draft copy.

2. Request by Planning and Zoning Commission for the Zoning Board of Appeals to provide perspectives on important Town issues as part of the process of updating the 2006 Town Plan of Conservation and Development. There was a brief discussion of this item. It was noted that the Board was generally concerned with the Easton Zoning Regulations and therefore, there was no suggested correspondence to be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission for the Town Plan.

6. **Meeting Adjourned:** Motion was made by Victor George, seconded by Gregory Alves, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 7:00PM. The vote was unanimous, 5-0, motion carried.


Margaret Anania, Recording Secretary