NOTTINGHAM ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT May 30, 2017

- 1 *Approved:* October 10, 2017
- 2 Members Present: Mike Russo, Chair; Bonnie Winona-MacKinnon, Vice- Chair; Teresa
- 3 Bascom; Peter White; Terry Bonser
- 4 Members Absent: Kathy Bowse, Alternate; Kevin Bassett, Alternate
- Others Present: JoAnna Arendarczyk, Land Use Clerk; Paul Colby, Code Administrator;
- 6 Dennis & Bertha Fowler, Applicants; Christopher Guida, Fieldstone Land Consultants,
- 7 PLLC; Christopher Abbott
- 8 **Call to order:** 7:00pm
- 9 **Public Hearing**
- 10 **Public Hearing Opened:** 7:00pm
- 11 Case 17-005-VA
- 12 Application from Bertha & Dennis Fowler requesting a Variance from Article II Section C.1.c of
- 13 the Zoning Ordinance to permit a two (2) Lot Subdivision with the lot line placement resulting in
- 14 less than 30,000 square feet of buildable area. The proposed subdivision can meet the
- requirement but would result in non-conforming building setbacks for the existing barn and/or
- 16 the barn being on the new lot and not with the existing dwelling. The property is located at 50
- 17 Priest Road in Nottingham, NH and is identified as Tax Map 20 Lot 4
- Mr. Guida represented the applicant's case. Using the big screen provided by Mr. Colby as well
- as his colored plan he pointed to the wetland areas on the property. The property has 19 acres
- and approximately 850ft of frontage, much of the acreage is wetland. Due to the amount of
- 21 wetland and the Town setback requirements they are not able to subdivide into three (3) lots as
- desired however, two (2) lots are feasible. The wetlands also prevented any other configuration.
- The buildable areas have good, well drained soils, very conducive to a septic system. The test
- 24 pits were done during drought but were sandy, so even in wet conditions the soils are still very
- well drained. The proposed subdivision can support the setback and buildable area requirements
- but the current barn would then be on the new lot, not with the current house. The applicants
- seek relief to allow for the contiguous building are to be split with the proposed lot having less
- 28 than the required 30,000 square feet in order to maintain ownership and use of the existing barn
- as part of the existing house. The proposed new lot line keeps the barn and house within the
- required setbacks. There is a small woodshed in back that encroaches slightly more on the line
- 31 that can be relocated if necessary.
- 32 The Town owns some land abutting the property, including some in conservation.
- 33 The variance criteria responses were verbally summarized by Mr. Guida (file)
- **Public Comment Opened:** 7:23pm
- 35 The one abutter present came out of curiosity
- 36 **Public Comment Closed:** 7:23pm
- 37 **Motion Made By:** Mrs. Bascom to "approve the request on **Case 17-005-VA** from Bertha &
- 38 Dennis Fowler requesting a Variance from Article II Section C.1.c of the Zoning Ordinance to
- 39 permit a two (2) Lot Subdivision with the lot line placement resulting in less than 30,000 square
- 40 feet of buildable area. The property is located at 50 Priest Road in Nottingham, NH and is
- 41 identified as Tax Map 20 Lot 4."
- 42 **Seconded By:** Mr. Bonser
- 43 **Vote:** 5-0-0 **Motion Passed**
- 44 **Public Hearing Closed:** 7:25pm

For the Nottingham Zoning Board of Adjustment JoAnna Arendarczyk; Land Use Clerk

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45 Minutes

- May 2, 2017
- 47 Motion Made By: Mrs. Bascom to "accept the Zoning Board of Adjustment minutes for May 2,
- 48 2017 as written and amended."
- 49 **Seconded By:** Mr. White
- **Vote:** 5-0-0 **Motion Passed**
- 51 Summary of Findings were filled out
- 52 **Adjournment**
- 53 **Motion Made By:** Mr. Russo
- 54 **Seconded By:** Mrs. Bascom
- 55 **Vote:** 5-0-0 motion passed
- **Adjourn at:** 7:37pm