

HAMPSTEAD BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MINUTES DECEMBER 29, 2022

Members present – Proc Wentworth, Karen Hanides, Jaye Dimando, alternate and Chairman Hank Riehl, from home via telephone.

This date was set to take the place of the January 4 meeting because the chairman would not be available during the months of January and February.

Quarantined by Covid, Chairman Hank Riehl phoned in from home and was on speaker phone. He began the meeting at 7 p.m. by explaining the circumstances of proceeding. Since he would not be able to participate in the voting because he had no way to review any plans or files or hear any testimony, there would be only three voting members. He explained that any hearing would require three affirmative votes to pass. For that reason he determined that the two hearings before the board should be continued. He said it was the board's decision to make and that to go forward would not serve either the applicants' or the town's interest.

Hank pointed out that the reason frequent continuances have occurred is because often there is not a full board to take action on the requests. "We're not getting any volunteers", he commented.

Proc made a motion to continue the rehearing for Mary Margaret Burke until February 1, 2023. Karen seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous to continue.

Proc made a motion to further continue the request of John and Andrea Peters to February 1, 2023. Karen seconded and the vote was unanimous to continue.

The secretary reminded the applicants that with Hank still away, there would be only four voting members in February.

Jaye made a motion to adjourn. Karen seconded and the vote was unanimous to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,