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Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes 05/08/2012

May 8, 2012 Approved Minutes

Members in Attendance:

Joseph F. Tulimieri, Chairman Eugene Lucarelli, Esquire Suzanne Rivitz, RA Pamela Heidell

Docket No. 3446, John V. Hurd of 573 Summer Street, Arlington Massachusetts applied for a special permit. Mr. Hurd's property at 573 Summer Street has no parking of any kind. Do to the topography of Mr. Hurd's lot, the possibility of creating a parking space would be next to impossible or so expensive that it would not be economically feasible. Recently, Mr. Hurd learned of the possibility of purchasing a vacant lot located approximately 200 feet from his primary residence. Mr. Hurd purchased the lot.

Section 8.06 of The Town of Arlington Zoning Bylaw provides a condition that if practical difficulties are present on the same lot as the principle use, parking can be allowed within 600 feet from the premiss and out of doors. Presenting the case was the petitioners attorney, Mr. Robert J. Annese. Concern was raised by several abutters regarding the blasting of the ledge in order to create a surface level enough for parking. Attorney Annese explained how the ledge would be "chipped" using a hoe ram attachment on an excavator and no blasting would be necessary. After several abutters spoke both for and against the project, the Board granted the petitioner's request with conditions.

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