

Town of Salisbury, NH  
Zoning Board of Adjustment



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Meeting Minutes  
April 13, 2023

**Board Members Present:**

John Bentley (2025)	ZBA Member	Present
Gary Williams (2025)	ZBA Member	Present
Eric Maxwell (2026)	ZBA Member	Present
Jocelyn Henry (2026)	ZBA Member	Present
Vacant	ZBA Member	Vacant
Marcus Zuech (2025)	ZBA – Alternate	Absent
Vacant	ZBA – Alternate	
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April Rollins	ZBA Assistant	Absent
Jennifer King	ZBA Recording Secretary	Present

**Members of the Public:**

Several members of the public were in attendance.

**Zoom Attendees:** none

John Bentley called the meeting of the Salisbury Zoning Board of Adjustment to order at 7:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

One correction was noted to the minutes: year should be changed to 2023.

John Bentley **motioned** to accept the draft minutes of February 9, 2023 as amended.

Eric Maxwell **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

Loretta Razin Resignation

Loretta Razin submitted a letter of resignation to the ZBA, effective immediately.

John Bentley **motioned** that the Board accept Loretta's resignation

Jocelyn Henry **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

Letter of Interest to Fill Vacancy

Dave Hostetler submitted a letter of interest to fill the position vacated by Loretta Razin.

John Bentley **motioned** that they recommend the appointment of David Hostetler to the Zoning Board of Adjustment by the Board of Selectmen, term to end March 2024.

Gary Williams **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

Resident Dan Supry expressed interest in a position as an alternate on the ZBA.

Eric Maxwell **nominated** Dan Supry to serve as an alternate on the SBA with a term ending March, 2026

John Bentley **seconded** the nomination which passed successfully.

Resident Scott Cooper expressed interest in a position as an alternate on the ZBA.

Eric Maxwell **nominated** Scott Cooper to serve as an alternate on the SBA with a term ending March, 2026

John Bentley **seconded** the nomination which passed successfully.

Public Hearing: Special Exception from Zoning Ordinance (Article VII, Section D-2)

John Bentley opened the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

Peter March of NH Signs presented a proposal to allow Crossroads Store to change their plastic placard signage displaying fuel prices. They are seeking a special exception to change the numerals on the sign from the plastic placards to a lighted sign with LED lighting. The lighting for the numbers adjusts to ambient light, and the numbers themselves would only change every two to three days (whenever gas prices change). This technology provides a more timely and safe way to update the pricing information. They proposed solutions to minimize the impact of the lighting on abutting property owners.

Resident Scott Cooper asked if the sign would be shut off automatically when the store is closed. Mr. Marsh stated that if that is a requirement for the exception, they can certainly make that happen.

Resident Eric Swendsen asked about a statement made by Mr. March that the amount of lumens produced by the proposed lighting would actually be less than the lumens produced today. Mr. March explained that the only part of the sign that will be lit are the numerals and the fuel labels. They would make the rest of the sign (the blue part) opaque so the light will not come through.

Public Hearing closed at 7:25 p.m.

### Board Deliberation

After thoroughly reviewing the application, the ZBA decided to grant the special exception with three requirements:

- The blue part of the sign will be opaque.
- The lights to the sign will be turned off within 15 minutes after closing and turned on 15 minutes prior to opening.
- Should there be complaints about the brightness of the sign from neighboring residents, adjustments will be made to lower the level of brightness.

John Bentley **motioned** that they accept the application and approve the special exception.

Eric Maxwell **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

John Bentley advised that the applicant attend the next Board of Selectmen meeting.

### Adjournment

John Bentley **motioned** to adjourn the meeting.

Jocelyn Henry **seconded** the motion which passed successfully.

The Board adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer L. King  
Recording Secretary