#### HILLSBOROUGH ZONING BOARD

Meeting Minutes May 11, 2015

Date Approved: July 13, 2015

Present:

Members: Chairman Roger Racette, Michael McEwen and Richard Booth

Alternates: John Segedy and Russell Galpin

Absent: Larry Baker

Members from the Public: Nancy Torres

Chairman Racette called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

#### **MINUTES:**

## **April 13, 2015**:

Chairman Racette said the Board will review the minutes for corrections.

Chairman Racette appointed Mr. Segedy to sit on the Board to fill the vacant seat.

Mr. Segedy made the following changes: page 2, paragraph 5, line 1 change "a" to "as" and page 2, paragraph 8, line 1 change "an email" to "emails".

Chairman Racette said he was wrong in stating the Town had adopted a procedure for filling board vacancies.

Chairman Racette appointed Mr. Segedy to sit in place of Mr. Baker for the purpose of voting on the minutes.

Mr. Segedy made a motion to accept the minutes of April 13, 215 as amended. Chairman Racette seconded the motion. The Board voted all in favor.

## **Public Meeting:**

#### **ZBA Vacancy:**

Chairman Racette said the Board of Selectmen would like a definitive recommendation from this Board on who they would like appointed to fill the present vacancy.

Chairman Racette reviewed again all the candidates qualifications for serving on the Board.

Chairman Racette asked Mrs. Torres if she would be willing to serve as an alternate.

Mrs. Torres answered no because her interest is to be a full member of the Board and feels she is well qualified for the position.

Chairman Racette asked Mr. Segedy to comment on his reason for wanting to be a full member of the Board.

Mr. Segedy expressed his reasons and qualifications for being considered for full membership.

Chairman Racette asked Mr. Galpin for his reason for wanting to be a full member.

Mr. Galpin explained his qualifications and reasons for being considered for full membership.

After a short discussion the Board decided to nominate the three candidates and suggested they meet with the Board of Selectmen, since they ultimately make the final decision.

Chairman Racette said he will go and meet with the Selectmen tomorrow night to discuss this with them.

# **Begin Zoning Ordinance Review:**

Chairman Racette said the Board will begin review the existing zoning ordinances to see if any need to be improved. He feels the section referring to special conditions which need to be met for the granting of a special exception appears to be very lax.

The Board discussed several zoning ordinances and began the process of identifying which ones will need to be updated.

Chairman Racette said the town is not prepared to deal with pawn shop or consignment stores because of their vulnerability of unknowingly accepting stolen property.

Mr. Segedy said this would be better served by placing that type of ordinance in another section as zoning ordinances typically have to do with land regulations.

After further discussion Chairman Racette suggested reviewing the ordinances in order and doing three at each meeting.

The Board discussed and reviewed the first three ordinances tonight.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Racette announced the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Iris Campbell
Land Use Administrator