



# Haverhill

Board of Appeals  
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The regular meeting of the Haverhill Board of Appeals was held on Wednesday evening, January 20, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

Those Present: Chairman George Moriarty  
Member Theodore Vathally  
Member Ron LaPlume  
Member Joseph Sullivan  
Member Louise Bevilacqua

Also, Present: Jill Dewey, Board Secretary  
Tom Bridgewater, Building Commissioner

Chairman: Moriarty called the meeting in to order January 20, 2021

Chairman: If there is anyone here for the Jaffarian Road application, we apologize but there was a technical issue and we have moved, continued it without prejudice to the February 17, 2021 meeting

**Russell & Jennifer Douglas for 73 Snow Road (Map 593A, Block 1, Lot 11)** Applicant seeks a special permit for an Accessory Apartment per Sec 255-92. (BOA 20-61)

Attorney Michael Migliori (18 Essex Street, Haverhill): My clients have owned the property at 73 Snow Road, they are hoping to get a permit for an accessory apartment, so that Jen's Mother can live in the home with them. She has some health issues and really can't manage the property that she is in now. The accessory apartment will comply with all of the requirements in section 255-8.1 with respect to the new zoning ordinance. Again, because this comes in under the special permit, we feel we meet all of the requirements in the RR zone for a special permit. He use is a desirable and public convenience, it certainly won't impair the integrity of the neighborhood. This is going to be a modest addition on the back of the home. It conforms otherwise in all respects. It won't be an impact on parking, it won't add movement to traffic. The water Sewer at the property is all set. We look for your approval this evening. If you have any questions or comments?

Chairman: Just for the record, I am going to go over the new zoning codes which just went into effect.

The six conditions are:

1. The building must retain its characteristically single-family appearance
2. A separate main entrance may not be constructed, facing the lot frontage.
3. The apartment shall not exceed 1,200 square feet or 30% of the living space (square feet) of the size of the existing structure, whichever is less.
4. ...
5. The single-family home must be owner-occupied with no separate electric or heating services provided to the accessory apartment.
6. The Board of Health must certify that any existing potable water and sanitary waste disposal system is adequate to support a second living unit.



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Attorney Migliori: We do comply with all of those requirements.

Chairman: Thank you very much. Any questions from the board? ...Ok, Mr. Russell and Jennifer Douglas please say a few words.

Russell Douglas: We just hope that you approve it. It really won't be visible as it is behind the property underneath the deck.

Chairman: Do any of the Board Members have questions or comments?... Id's there anyone else on the line in opposition or in support who would like to speak?... Again, is there anyone on the line who would like to speak? Ok Member Vathally, please make a motion.

Member Vathally: I make a motion that we approve the Special Permit for 73 Snow Road, second by Member Sullivan.

Member: Joe Sullivan: Yes

Member Theodore Vathally: Yes

Member Ron LaPlume: Yes, it meets all of the qualifications

Member Louise Bevilacqua: Yes

Chairman George Moriarty: Yes

Motion granted 5-0

## **Minutes:**

Chairman Moriarty: I will entertain a motion to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2020 meeting.

Member Vathally motioned to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Member Sullivan.

Member Ron LaPlume: Yes

Member: Joe Sullivan: Yes

Member Theodore Vathally: Yes

Member Louise Bevilacqua: Yes

Chairman George Moriarty: Yes

Chairman: So, the minutes have been accepted... Any other questions from anyone