

Town of Corinth Board of Abatement
Meeting Minutes: March 26, 2024, 6:00 p.m.

Attendees: Martha Brough (MB): Town Clerk, Stephen Devoto (SD) and Holly Groschner (HG): Select Board members, Dick Kelley (DK): Treasurer, Russ Pazdro (RP), Jane Connor(JC), Tim O'Dell (TO), Kathy Chapman (KC), Amy Peberdy (AP): Justices of the Peace, Kelly Ann Donahue (KAD): Lister, and Susan Fortunati (SF): Collector of Delinquent Taxes

Guests: Creed Albrecht and Anna Shedd, property owners of parcel #097-03973, comprised of ~31.23 acres, a house, commercial bakery building, and outbuildings located at: 3973 Maplewood Rd, Corinth.

1. Meeting Chair: HG/JC moved to nominate Martha Brough. All in favor.
2. Meeting Minutes from 2022: AP/TO moved to accept minutes as written.
3. VLCT's Rules of Abatement: HG/JC moved to adopt and amend to make particular to the town of Corinth, with no audio recordings and with majority rule. All in favor. AP gave a description of the Board's responsibilities in abatement hearings to Mr. Albrecht and Ms. Shedd.
4. Board of Abatement member conflicts: AP wondered about MB being both the clerk and a lister. MB responded that she is no longer a lister. No other conflict questions or declarations.
5. List of those giving testimony: Susan Fortunati, Creed Albrecht, and Anna Shedd. Oath administered to those three.
6. Request for abatement made by Creed Albrecht: The Board heard testimony on which to base a decision and a motion to close the hearing was made by KAD/KC. All in favor
7. Deliberation: After a discussion and given the statutory parameters governing the actions of this board, the petition was unanimously denied on the basis of the evidence and testimony presented. HG will draft a determination letter to be circulated among the meeting members before it is sent within the required 30 day time period.
8. Motion to Adjourn at 7:30: KAC/SD

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Peberdy, JP
3/26/24