

Bethel Development Review Board  
Tuesday, February 20, 2018  
Draft Minutes of Meeting

Board Members Present: Eric Benson, Keith Bollman, Newt Whitcomb, Penny Griffin, Ruth Clough.

Public Present: Jim Robinson, Rebecca Carelton, Greg Martin, Matt Martin

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM for a discussion with the owners of Tessie's Tavern located at 88 North Road revisiting the decision of the DRB on June 7, 2016 of an application by the Martin Brothers for a variance of use for a restaurant and tavern. The meeting tonight was being held at the request of the Zoning Administrator to clarify the decision by the Board, specifically in the areas of exterior lighting and outside live music, both of which appear to be in excess of what was allowed in the decision. Chair Benson read through the conditions of the decision, one of which states; "any exterior lighting outside of the porches are to be down lighting on posts in parking areas, driveways and walkways only".

The second area of concern regarding out side music was addressed in the minutes by a response from the Martins' that "there would be no live music other than for an occasional wedding during the summer months".

These two areas were discussed with input from the public present and the Martin's stated that they would apply for an additional variance for more exterior lighting and more numerous occasions of live music on the patio area of the grounds during the summer months. The discussion ended at 7:35 and the members of the public departed.

The minutes of the meeting of January 30, 2018 were then read, revised and accepted on a motion by N. Whitcomb, seconded by P. Griffin and passed by a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Benson