



Building and Zoning

Zoning Board of Review

Charter, Article XVI Town Boards and Other Agencies, § 1602 Zoning Board of Review

There shall be a Zoning Board of Review as authorized by State law.

A. The Board of Review shall consist of five (5) members, each to hold office for the term of five (5) years; provided, however, that the original selection shall be made for terms of one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4) and five (5) years respectively. The Town Council shall provide for the selection and organization of said Board of Review and shall have the right to name two (2) alternate/auxiliary members of said Board of Review of said Town who shall sit as active members when and if a member or members of said Board are unable to serve at any hearing, upon request of the Chairman of said Board.

B. The Board of Review shall make its own rules of procedure having to do with appeals to the Board, stay of proceedings on appeal and hearing of appeals to the Board, provided that such rules conform with law and amendments thereto. The Board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question or, if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be filed immediately in the office of the Board and shall be a public record.

C. The Board shall hear and decide appeals where it is alleged this is error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative officer in the enforcement of zoning ordinances of the Town. It shall hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance, upon which such Board is authorized to pass under such ordinance. The Board shall authorize upon appeal in specific cases such variance in the application of the terms of the ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest, where owing to special conditions a literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done.

The Board may reserve or affirm wholly or partly, or may modify the order, requirement, decision or determination appealed from and may make such order, requirement, decision or determination as ought to be made, and to that end shall have all the powers of the officer from whom the appeal was taken.

D. The Zoning Board of Review will act as the Planning Board of Review in accordance with the duties prescribed by State law and the ordinances of this Town.



TOWN OF CUMBERLAND

| Members | Position | Term |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| John McCoy | Chair | 12/31/2023 |
| Robert Chaput | Co-Chair | 12/31/2022 |
| Joseph L. Craveiro III | Secretary | 12/31/2023 |
| Edward G. Leblanc | Member | 12/31/2023 |
| Edmond M. McGrath | Member | 12/31/2021 |
| P. Ryan Antrop | Alternate | 12/31/2020 |
| Evan Elgin | Alternate | 12/31/2020 |

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