TOWN OF KNOX ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING MINUTES January 24, 2008

In attendance: Bob Edwards; Robert Simpson; Dave Holley; Gayle Burgess; Amy Pokorny; Ken Kirik; Carol Barber, Recording Secretary.

The meeting was opened at 7:30 p.m. by Secretary Robert Simpson. The minutes of the December meeting were read. A motion was made by Ken Kirik, seconded by Bob Edwards to approve the minutes as read. Motion carried.

A discussion was held regarding the home of Jim Spencer on Bozenkill Road as to whether the stone house is occupied. It is not an approved residence and if someone is living there, they are in violation. Bob Delaney, Zoning Enforcement Officer, believes that someone has been living there but they are not currently. They may have gone south. Bob Edwards stated he has seen a backhoe in there as well. The Department of Health has been there. A stop work order had previously been given. Bob Delaney stated that someone must be living there before he can/will take any action. If someone is found to be living there, the occupants and the owners will be ticketed. Zoning Officer Delaney advised the Board he would be sending a letter and will follow-up in the spring.

A discussion was held regarding the January Town Board meeting regarding cell towers. There are two possible locations being considered. One is behind the Town Hall, the other is at the Transfer Station.

Amy Pokorny questioned whether weddings, etc. can be held at her barn. Robert Simpson suggested that Amy put a proposal together to submit to the Board for determination.

Ed Schmidt of Berne-Altamont Road, Knox, was in attendance. He stated he currently has a 24 x 24 garage that is structurally unsound. He would like to take it down and rebuild further back from the road. The new one would be 27 x 24. He was informed that he will need to come before the Board to request an area variance. A Public Hearing will be needed. Amy Pokorny provided him with the necessary paperwork to be completed.

A motion was made by Ken Kirik, seconded by Dave Holley to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Barber Recording Secretary