## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF KNOX MEETING MINUTES April 23, 2009

In attendance: Chairman Bob Edwards; Gayle Burgess; Amy Pokorny; Ken Kirik; Jim McDonald; Sue Mason; Carol Barber, Recording Secretary.

The minutes of the March meeting were read. Under a motion by Ken Kirik, seconded by Gayle Burgess, the minutes were approved as read. Motion carried.

Stan & Karen Busch of Middle Road were in attendance requesting a height variance for approximately 10 wind turbines. The turbines would be located on approximately 250 acres across the road from their residence. Bob Edwards explained that building permits, SUP's, and variances expire after one year if construction has not begun. The Busch's currently have no plans in place and no specific project. The Board currently has no grounds to be able to grant an SUP and/or variance. Chairman Bob Price of the Knox Planning Board was in attendance and spoke at great length regarding wind turbines. He explained that the Planning Board has been working on a commercial wind turbine ordinance for the last 18 months. The Busch's are looking for a commercial venture. A large scale wind turbine project is very complex. Visibility and noise are big issues. The Planning Board has not begun to write an official ordinance.

Larry Perrotti of 160 Middle Road was in attendance requesting a variance to make an extension of his porch/deck. The Board determined that no variance would be required.

Per Bob Edwards, Maggie O'Neil of Bozenkill Road would like to add sheep to her property for the purpose of training dogs. She has not yet submitted an application for a Special Use permit.

Under a motion by Ken Kirik, seconded by Amy Pokorny, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Barber