

*Preliminary Minutes*  
**Town of Plymouth, Vermont**  
**Board of Civil Authority Hearing Minutes**

The Board of Civil Authority of the Town of Plymouth, Vermont, notified and warned, met in the Meeting Room at the Municipal Building at 68 Town Office Road, in said Town on Monday, July 29, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

BCA Members Present:

Justice of the Peace: Karen Evans, Shawn Bemis  
Select Board: Rick Kaminski, Jay Kullman  
Town Clerk: Angela Kissell

Others Present:  
Listers: Michael Coleman, Natalya Bochkov

Appellants and/or Guests: Richard Martin

Abatement Hearing(s):

Pursuant to the provisions of 32 V.S.A. §4404(b), the following hearings took place to hear an appeal of person(s), or other parties, who are aggrieved by the action of the Board of Listers and have timely filed their written appeal with the Town Clerk.

1. Call Meeting to Order:
  - a. Karen Evans called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm.
2. BCA Hearing:

**Parcel ID: 000298 – Akita Acres, LLC – 5543 Route 100 – Commercial Store and Gas Station**

Karen Evans opened the hearing by stating the name of the Appellant(s), property address, and parcel ID number. Karen read the Oath to the Appellant, Richard Martin, President of Akita Acres LLC as well as to Town Clerk, Angela Kissell as she was not present at the previous hearing. Karen Evans read the site visit report and at the site visit Rick Kaminski, Natasha Bochkov and Karen Evans went over the list the appellant provided of percentage finished. Natasha Bochkov was given permission by Appellant, Richard Martin, to attend site visit. Richard Martin corrected some of the information that was outlined in Karen Evans report. Richard Martin then added that he felt like there was ex-parte communication from Natasha Bochkov at the time of the site visit with regard to percentages of completion based on a spreadsheet that Richard gave them. Richard also asked that the Board only consider the information that was provided by him. The Appellant also asked that Natasha recuse herself from the deliberation/decision as he feels it would be a conflict of interest. Karen Evans asked if anyone had anymore comments or questions. Nobody did. Mike Coleman made a motion to close the hearing at 6:25 pm. Angela Kissell seconded the motion, and the motion carried. **Hearing was closed at 6:25 pm.**

**The Board went into deliberation at 6:25 pm.**

Natasha Bochkov stated that she did not sign the Grand List for the current year. The only signatures on the Grand List were that of Michael Coleman and Michelle Pingree. Natasha Bochkov addressed Richard Martin’s concerns to the Board then recused herself before the Board went into deliberation. The Boards decision was made based on all evidence that was presented.

The Board came out of deliberation at 6:45 pm.

3. Adjournment:

- a. **The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Kissell  
Town Clerk  
Board of Civil Authority

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