

1 BENNINGTON DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD MEETING  
2 BENNINGTON FIRE FACILITY  
3 130 RIVER STREET  
4 BENNINGTON, VERMONT 05201

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6 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 01, 2015

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8 MINUTES  
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10 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Copp-Chair; Barry Horst-Vice-Chair ; Bill Barney;  
11 Dan Malmborg; Milt Surdam; Ron Alderman;

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13 ABSENT: *Charles Kokoras*

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16 ALSO PRESENT: Dan Monks-Zoning Administrator; Keith Whitcomb, Bennington Banner; (1)  
17 citizens; Linda E. Bermudez – Recording Secretary

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20 At 6:30 P.M., Charles Copp called the meeting to order.

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23 **1. MINUTES OF JULY 07, 2015**

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25 No corrections or comments regarding the July 07, 2015 minutes.

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27 **Motion:** *Ron Alderman moved to approve the minutes of July 7, 2015 as*  
28 *submitted. Bill Barney seconds motion. The motion passed unanimously. (Charles*  
29 *Kokoras absent)*

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32 **2. INTERESTED PERSONS – APPEAL RIGHTS – READING OF WITNESS' OATH**

33 Dan Monks read this oath to all those present.  
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36 **3. DISCLOSURE OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS AND CONFLICTS OF**  
37 **INTEREST**

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39 None this evening  
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42 **4. OLD CASTLE THEATER COMPANY AND NORMSEL DEVELOPMENT 331 MAIN**  
43 **STREET**

44 Dan Monks summarized this project. The applicant is requesting a design approval for a  
45 sign on the property at 331 Main Street.

46 Eric Peterson stated that this is the existing sign previously hung by the Knights of  
47 Columbus. Although their label is no longer on the sign it is still lighted every night. Old Castle  
48 Theater would simply like to have their name on the sign (lighted up) so patrons may see where  
49 they are located. Historic Preservation has approved this version.

50 The Board discussed the sign ordinance and debated luminosity percentages allowed. It  
51 was agreed that this is a “non-conforming” sign. However, Dan Monks noted that it is also a  
52 pre-existing sign. Charlie Copp asked if the applicant would then take down the green sign  
53 currently hung. The applicant agreed.

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55 The Board had no questions at this time.

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57 ***Motion:*** ***Barry Horst motioned to approve the Old Castle Theater Sign. Bill***  
58 ***Barney seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. (Charles Kokoras***  
59 ***absent)***

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63 **5. B & K REALTY, LLC & STEPHENS OF BENNINGTON, 200 NORTHSIDE DRIVE**

64 Dan Monks stated the applicant could not be here this evening due to a family issue.  
65 They are requesting a continuance to the next meeting.

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67 ***Motion:*** ***Ron Alderman motioned to grant a continuance till the next meeting for***  
68 ***B&K Realty & Stephens of Bennington. Barry Horst seconded the motion. The***  
69 ***motion passed unanimously. (Charles Kokoras absent)***

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74 **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

75 There was no other business this evening.

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79 ***Motion:*** ***Barry Horst motioned to close the meeting. Ron Alderman seconded the***  
80 ***motion. The motion passed unanimously. (Charles Kokoras absent)***

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85 Respectfully submitted,

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88 Linda E. Bermudez  
89 Secretary