

# Town of Lancaster Board of Appeals

Lancaster, Massachusetts 01523

#### Memorandum

To: Jeanne Rich, Chair – Board of Appeals

From: Michael Antonellis, Director of Community Development & Planning

CC: Board of Appeals Members

Date: March 26, 2020

Re: Special Permit: 240 Fort Pond Inn Road

Application – Special Permit

Petitioner: Marc LaFrance.

Address: 81 Narrow Lane (Assessors Map 037- 0121.0)

Scheduled Meeting Date: August 22, 2019

**Project Summary** 

A petition by Marc LaFrance (applicant) for a Special Permit to expand, alter, or change and pre-existing nonconforming structure pursuant to 220-51 the Town of Lancaster Zoning Bylaws. The applicant proposes to expand on the existing single family dwelling.

The site is located in the Residential Zoning District at 240 Fort Pond Inn Road, Lancaster, MA, and is identified on Assessor's Map 5 as Parcel 7.

# **Project Location**





#### Staff Recommendation

If approved, the board may impose conditions that are limited to the property and the work proposed.

### **Waivers Requested**

No waivers have been requested

## **Prior Approvals**

None.

#### **Review**

- The applicant proposes replace existing 24x24 block foundation with 26x27 foundation for additional floor space with a second floor.
- Currently the existing building is 17 feet from the side lot line. The applicant proposes to expand the existing footprint to be 15 feet from the side lot line.
- Per section 220-51 the applicant proposed to expand and existing nonconforming structure.
- Regarding neighborhood characteristics and detriment to the intent of zoning, a review
  of nearby properties along Fort Pond Inn Road and adjoining the lake appear to be
  similarly out of conformance.

# **Additional Questions / Comments to the Applicant**

The board may use these comments at their discretion. If the board feels these have been answered to their satisfaction at a previous hearing then please move to a different question.

- 1. Applicant should confirm the addition of a second story will not impact site views of neighboring properties.
- 2. The applicant should confirm that the proposed height of the structure will conform to zoning standards.
- 3. Will there be any additional work to the property besides construction related grading and clearing, such as improvements to a driveway?

#### **List of Exhibits:**

Exhibit A: Special Permit Application; submitted by submitted b applicant Feb 24, 2020

Exhibit B: Site Plan; prepared by GRP

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