



# TOWN OF HOLDEN

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## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING, April 20, 2023

**Virginia Novar**

**Case No. SP-2303**

The Zoning Board of Appeals held a public hearing on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Holden Senior Center on the Petition of Virginia Novar for a SPECIAL PERMIT for property located at 35 Chaffins Lane for a non-commercial kennel license to house four (4) dogs (personal pets).

Members in attendance: R. Spakauskas, R. Fraser, J. Deignan, B. Parry and D. George

Others in attendance: D. Lindberg – Building Commissioner, C. Perkins – Secretary, V. Novar – 35 Chaffins Lane

R. Spakauskas opened the meeting, reviewed the procedures for the hearing and the secretary read the application and findings of fact. R. Spakauskas then asked the applicant to address the board.

The petitioner, V. Novar stated that she has four (4) dogs living at her home and is aware that the Town of Holden bylaw allows a maximum of three (3) dogs. The petitioner's yard is fenced, secured and dogs are supervised when outside. She is requesting the Board consider granting her a Special Permit to allow four (4) dogs at this time and when the dogs pass on, she will not replace them to exceed the number allowed.

The Board discussed the types of breeds and asked if the dogs are responsive to commands and the petitioner stated they respond to commands and treats.

The Board members had no further comments or questions.

R. Fraser made a motion to vote and J. Deignan seconded. The Board voted in favor 5-0, UNANIMOUS with no conditions.

The public hearing was closed at 7:13 p.m.

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Ronald E. Spakauskas, Chairman