

Case 2951

OFFICIAL DECISION  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
CARROLL COUNTY MARYLAND

APPELLANT: Mark William Baldrige  
1779 Gillis Falls Road  
Woodbine, Maryland 21797

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APPEAL: Appeal of the Notice of Violation dated January 22, 1988 regarding processing, for sale, or distribution, firewood not grown on the premises.

LOCATION: 1779 Gillis Falls Road in Election District 14.

BASES: Article 17, Section 17.4; Article 6; Zoning Ordinance 1E.

HEARING HELD: May 27, 1988

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

The appeal, testimony and evidence comprising the record of this case are hereby included by reference in this decision. The pertinent findings include the facts that the appellant, Mr. Baldrige, agreed to cease sales or distribution of firewood from the property, thereby complying with the corrective measures specified within the Notice of Violation dated January 22, 1988. The remaining issue, first expressed on the Notice of Violation and later by correspondence dated March 1, 1988, involves delivery of logs to Mr. Baldrige's property to be used for firewood. The Zoning Administrator's determination expressed in the letter of March 1, 1988 is that four to six cords of firewood would be more than sufficient to heat a dwelling for a season. With a yield of approximately seven cords of wood from one tractor-trailer load, the Zoning Administrator determined that one such load would be sufficient per year. Cutting, splitting, and storage of such firewood for personal use would not constitute a violation of the provisions of the zoning ordinance.

Mr. Baldrige disagrees with the determination of the Zoning Administrator regarding the yield from a tractor-trailer load of logs, and with the estimated number of

cords of wood for storage on the premises to be used as an alternate source of energy to heat his home. However, Mr. Baldrige presented no documentation of support of his opinion.

Accordingly, the Board hereby denies the appeal, and affirms the Zoning Administrator's determinations as expressed in her correspondence dated March 1, 1988.

June 13, 1988

Date

John Totura

John Totura, Chairman