Tax Map/Block/Parcel No. 53-16-949

Building Permit/Zoning Certificate No. 03-3581

Case 4884

OFFICIAL DECISION BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

APPELLANT: Patricia Ogburn

1437 Hallowell Lane

New Windsor, MD 21776

ATTORNEY: David K. Bowersox

REQUEST: An appeal of a Notice of Violation issued by the Zoning

Administrator, dated August 29, 2003, regarding the use of bark

collars on all dogs within the kennel.

LOCATION: The site is located at 1437 Hallowell Lane, New Windsor, on

property zoned "A" Agricultural District in Election District 11.

BASIS: Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances, Chapter 223-186 A

(1), 223-188 B

HEARINGS HELD: January 8, 2004

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION

On January 8, 2004, the Board of Zoning Appeals (the Board) convened to hear an appeal of a Notice of Violation issued by the Zoning Administrator, dated August 29, 2003, regarding the use of bark collars on all dogs within the kennel. Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Board made the following findings and conclusion:

In June 2001 (Case 4592) the Board granted a conditional use and a variance from the required 400 ft. setback to the Appellant to operate a private kennel to house Jack Russell terriers. Neighbors of the proposed kennel expressed concern about noise from the dogs. The Appellant, Heath Ogburn, volunteered to equip the dogs with bark collars, which deliver an electronic stimulus to the dog, to prevent nuisance barking. The conditional use approval included a condition.

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After receiving complaints from neighbors, the Zoning Inspector conducted an investigation. The building location for the kennel had changed to 370 ft. from the property line, rather than the original 200 ft. However, based on the testimony of neighbors and Jill Goodman, who resides at the subject address, it is clear that the Appellant without the approval of the Board discontinued the use of bark collars. Accordingly, the Notice of Violation is upheld.

Date

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