Zoning Board of Appeals
EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT

MINUTES
Regular Meeting/Hybrid Format
Thursday, November 19, 2026
TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM
9 Center Street, East Granby
7:00 PM

1. Call to Order: 7:01 pm; Members present when Chairman Malloy called to order: John Corcoran, Josette Lumbruno, David Tobin, Art Reardon; Alternates Jennifer Frank & Fran Nussbaum; Absent: Alternate Donavan Gregory.

2. Minutes ~ Josette Lumbruno made a motion to approve the minutes from September 24, 2026; John Corcoran seconded it; votes were unanimous; motion carried.

3. Old Business ~ final review By-Laws; Jennifer Frank made a motion to accept by-laws; John Corcoran seconded the motion; votes were unanimous; motion carried.

4. New Business ~ Public Hearing

~Chairman Malloy opened the public hearing at 7:03 pm; read the Legal Notice into record.

Vice Chairman John Corcoran recused himself from the hearing. Alternate Fran Nussbaum was seated as a voting member.

ZBA#26-01 ~ 7 Airport Park Road; application for a variance seeking relief of Section V.B.6 - East Granby Zoning Regulations - from 45' to 80' – foot height allowance for 10% of the building to allow for processing; BDL Associates, LLC-owner; Coherent Corp -applicant; CP-A Zone.

Erika Fairlie, Architect, on behalf of Coherent, presented the plan of the height on the building addition. An area, platform with ladder to access the roof, has been created to accommodate the height of the fire department's ladder truck.

Via ZOOM: Joe Wren, Civil Engineer, also representing Coherent, shared location of the project; letters from the owners BDL Associates and FAA.

Commission members asked questions concerning fire suppression & what the hardship is.

Further discussions explained the manufacturing of fiber optics requires the height for processing; need the vertical set-up, to produce, meet demand & stay competitive.

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No public comment.

Chairman Malloy closed the public hearing at 7:26pm.

Fran Nussbaum made a motion to approve **ZBA#26-01 ~** 7 Airport Park Road; application for a variance seeking relief of Section V.B.6 - East Granby Zoning Regulations - from 45' to 80' –height allowance for 10% of the building to allow for processing; BDL Associates, LLC-owner; Coherent Corp -applicant; CP-A Zone; subject to written approval from the Fire Marshal;

Josette Lumbruno seconded the motion.

Votes in favor were: Chairman Malloy, David Tobin, Josette Lumbruno & Fran Nussbaum; Against: Art Reardon, denied with concerns re: fire at that height. motion carried. (4-1)

5. Adjournment: 7:33 pm; John Corcoran made a motion to adjourn; David Tobin seconded it; votes in favor were unanimous, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted on this 20th day of November 2026

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