

**MINUTES
BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
FEBRUARY 3, 2011**

Chairman Cronheim called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and stated that notice of this meeting has been posted in Borough Hall, filed with the Borough Clerk and given to the Echoes-Sentinel, Journal and the Courier-News in conformance with the N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq. The salute to the flag followed.

Present on roll call: Fechtner, Lauerman, Hunsinger, Dallas, Brown, Kita, Panzarella and Chairman Cronheim
Absent on roll call: Bell
Also Present: Edward P. Bennett, Jr., Zoning Officer, John P. McDonald, Esq., Attorney,

INTERPRETATION

BA 11-01 Wolinsky, 12 Mareu Drive, Block 7402 Lot 6 – Interpretation of the ordinance to make an existing attic a bedroom.

Jeff Wolinsky, Ruth Wolinsky; home-owners, appeared before the Board as well as their architect, Al Leonard.

Mr. Leonard explained that the Wolinsky's have an existing attic, that they would like to convert into a bedroom for the college aged daughter. The existing attic meets all requirements for height and the windows are by code for ingress and egress. Mr. Bennett concurred, he stated that there is no definition of an attic in the ordinances, and feels this project meets the requirements of the ordinance although it is not clear.

Chairman Cronheim stated that since there was no definition and that the roof was not being elevated to accommodate the living area and would meet all building code requirements when finished he felt a variance was not necessary.

The Board concurred and voted unanimously in favor for the project to move ahead with a variance not being needed. The Board felt this met the requirements and intention of the ordinance.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned until the next regularly scheduled meeting of March 3, 2011 at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine M. Hammel
Clerk, Board of Adjustment