

APPEALS BOARD

The Board of Appeals held a total of ten hearings during 2007, regarding many different zoning ordinance issues. Eight applicants were granted variances, while the two other applicants have been granted either a re-hearing or a continuance going forward into 2008.

The Board of Appeals meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall starting at 7:30pm. The public is welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas McElroy, Chairman
Board of Appeals

NEWTON WELFARE OFFICE AND FOOD PANTRY

My name is Tina O'Rourke and I took over for Connie Smith as Welfare Agent for the Town of Newton in April 2007.

The Welfare Department is available to provide information, as a referral resource and to assist those in financial crisis, on an emergency basis. Please feel free to contact the Welfare Department at 382-0398 with any questions or concerns you may have.

The Newton Food Pantry is available for any resident who is in need. The Pantry continues to be well stocked with donated non-perishable food items. To access the Food Pantry please call the Welfare Department to arrange an appointment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many residents, area businesses and clubs, the Gale Library and the Newton Post Office for their generosity this past Holiday season. Through the amazing selflessness of so many people, the Welfare Department was able to provide ten Thanksgiving dinners, fourteen Christmas dinners and fulfilled the Christmas wishes of twenty needy children in town. It has been wonderful to see the giving nature of so many people in our community.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tina O'Rourke
Welfare Agent