

## Marilyn Goodwin Soper

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May 2, 2022

Douglas W. Lyon, Chair  
New London Zoning Board of Adjustment  
375 Main Street  
New London, NH 03257

Dear Mr. Lyon:

As one of the neighbors who received notice of Eric Schultz's request before the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a variance in order to construct a pole barn on his property, I am writing to indicate that I do not object to his request.

We moved to Old Main Street in August 2021, having long aspired to live on this historic street. We greatly appreciate the mix of historic homes and more recent construction. We have enjoyed getting to know the personal stories of those folks fortunate enough to live in homes that have passed down through their families to the present generation; and respect their efforts to preserve the past while attempting to pursue today's way of life.

According to the historic brochure printed for the dedication of the Town Historical Marker on Old Main Street in 1965, Eric Schultz's home is one constructed between 1810 and 1825 by William Clark - for whom Clark's Pond is named. Eric's maternal great grandfather bought the house and 250 acres in 1936 and the property passed to Eric's mother in 1985. If reasonable accommodations must be made to enable modern residents to continue to enjoy the family homestead, I urge the ZBA to do so insofar as is legal.

Thank you,



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