

## ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TOWN OF MONTAGUE

ONE AVENUE A TURNERS FALLS, MA 01376

## **NOTICE OF DECISION & VOTE**

Date

April 28 2015

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Applicant/Lessee:	Case No. 15-02			
Newt Guilbault Community				
Baseball League	Owner:			
By: Eric Meals, League President	Inhabitants of Montague			
200 Millers Falls Rd., Apt. A	One Avenue A			
Turners Falls, MA 01376	Turners Falls, MA 01376			
Premises Affected: (51) Crocker Ave. & Montague Street	Special Permit	<b>(Y</b> )		
Turners Falls, MA 01376	Variance Application (40A)	(X) (X)		
Part of Assessors' Map 10 Lot 22	Section 6 Ch. 40A - Finding	$(2\mathbf{k})$		
F Co. Registry of Deeds: Bk 882 Pg 308	Site Plan Review	( )		
After a public hearing held on:	Wednesday, March 4, 2015			

The Board of Appeals finds: The Newt Guilbault Community Baseball League is an allowed educational use or a pre-existing non-conforming use. Fund raising and financing are a significant burden. Many youth baseball leagues use sponsor acknowledgments to entice donations. The Board agrees that the sign area and number presents a hardship to the League's ability to provide their unique service.

THE BOARD OF APPEALS VOTED: To grant a Special Permit pursuant to Section 6.1.2 (c) (On-Premises Signs) to increased the total signage area allowed to the "interior of the two outfield fences" and also limit the period of display to "April 1 to October 31". The allowed sign area may include up to thirty, 3' x 5' sponsor panels per field.

## **Stipulations:**

Sign panels are for sponsor acknowledgments or league notices only.

The League shall retain control of all sign content and message.

The League shall maintain all signage in a presentable and orderly condition.

Donors shall derive no property inertest in the sign display.

The League shall provide notice of this decision to the Gill Montague Regional School District.

1	Ernest L. Brown, Chairman	<b>YES</b>	2	John Burek, Vice-Chairman	YES
3	John Reynolds	YES	4	Robert Sojka	YES
5	Ericka Almeida	YES			

Modification and Approval: Any changes proposed shall be reviewed by the Board of Appeals or its designee. The Chairman or designee may approve changes if in conformance with the intent of the Special Permit or may refer it to the Board. Changes consistent with the purpose of this approval may be allowed by the Board without further hearings. Further hearings shall be at the discretion of the Board. Approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Any appeal from the decision of the Town of Montague Zoning Board of Appeals can be made only to the Court and must be made pursuant to Section 17, Chapter 40A

**IMPORTANT:** 

	(MGL) as amended, and must be filed in the office of the Town Clerk within twen (20) days after the date of filing of the decision with the Town Clerk.				
	Board of Appeals				
By Clerk	Ernest L. Brown, Chairman		Karen Casey-C	Chretien,	
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Mont	ague Town Clerk		Date		

Notice to be recorded by Landowner