

19 May 2022

Stow Zoning Board of Appeals

Regarding the Special Permit Request for 12 Davis Road, Stow, MA; the extent of work will include redesign of the roof to permit better roof drainage and handling of snow. Our house, built in 1908 was originally a small bungalow in Lake Boon. Since that time, various additions we constructed with little consideration for overall roof design. This is most evident in the front of our house where a flat roof connects with the hip roof.

This poor design leads to bad ice dams that will back up 20 feet or more from the edge of our roof. Most winters require us to get on the roof and remove snow. The proposed redesign is intended to improve drainage and eliminate this ice damn issue, thus future proofing our house.

At the same time, we will beautify the front of our house. The existing garage will have a room above so the roofline will match with the new house roofline. This space will be used as a home office while working remotely.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. O'Riorden", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephen O'Riorden