## Bantam, CT Zoning Board of Appeals Important Information.

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) is created by statute (CGS sec. 8-5)

## **Powers and Duties**

- To hear and decide appeals from any decision, order, or requirement issued by the zoning enforcement officer;
- To hear and decide requests for variances; and
- To hear and decide applications for the approval of the location of motor vehicle dealers and repairers' establishments.\* Please see the separate process application.\*

You must appeal your decision from the ZEO/Planning and Zoning Commission within 30 days. Failure to do so will keep you from ever appealing the order of the ZEO/Planning and Zoning Commission. The process is listed below:

- 1. Order/Decision of ZEO
- 2. Submit appeal to ZBA within 30 days
- 3. A hearing is held (if outside the regular meeting time) to hear all of the evidence of the decision/order and the appeal.
- 4. The ZBA makes its decision
- 5. The decision will be published in the newspaper
- 6. If you or someone else (approved appellant) disagrees with the ZBA decision they can appeal to the superior court.

## \* Certificates of Approval of Location \* (CAL) (process takes a minimum of two months)

- 1. Determination that a CAL is needed
- 2. Submit Application to ZBA by closing date
- 3. Post a sign 30 days prior to the hearing
- 4. ZBA Hears application/ZBA approves/denies application (or imposes conditions)
- 5. The decision will be posted in the newspaper