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Patrick and Jill McKelvey  
17 Loring Dr.  
Ashland, MA 01721

Re: proposed pool location

Dear Mr. and Mrs. McKelvey,

You have proposed to build and inground pool within your back yard. Based on the plot plan you submitted with your permit application, you are proposing to locate the pool within the rear yard setback of your property.

Your property is located in an RA zone, which has the following setback requirements: 40 ft in the front 10 feet on the sides and 30 feet in the rear.

Under Definitions in the Town of Ashland Zoning Ordinances, a pool is considered a structure if it has 4000 gallons or more in it. Most all inground pools have more than 4000 gallons of water in them.

Therefore, your proposed pool is considered a structure and is required to meet the setback requirements.

Since you show that your proposed pool will not meet the sets backs as set forth in the Zoning Ordinances I am denying your permit.

Should you feel aggrieved by this decision, you may file an appeal on my determination with the Town of Ashland Zoning Board of Appeals.

Sincerely,

Douglas Scott  
Building Commissioner

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