

TOWN OF WINTHROP

CONSERVATION COMMISSION



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February 24, 2021
Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom

Commissioners in attendance: Karen Winn, Stephen Machcinski, Melissa Kaiser, Brian Corbett
Town Staff members in attendance: Denise Quist

Meeting called to order at 7:08.

Certificates of Compliance:

Five site walks were completed for Requested Certificates of Compliance (COCs).

Certificates of Compliance were not issued to 835 Shirley Street and 191 Strand. Both project locations had debris underneath the homes in the resource areas. Also, existing silt fences still in the yard. Vegetation needs to grow in.

Certificates of Compliance were issued to 241 Court Road, 590 Shirley Street, 436 Pleasant Street.

241 Court Road installed a patio. Site was clean and project completed. It was noted that patio has pavers spacing was slightly less than indicated in NOI.

590 Shirley Street project site was cleaned, and project fully completed.

436 Pleasant Street New seawall was installed. Site walk completed by Karen Winn and Julia Howington. No issues identified. Project site was cleaned, and project was fully completed.

Floating Docks:

Floating docks on beaches are a concern and potentially violating Chapter 91, encroaching on eel grass, wildlife.

Harbormaster issues permits for floating docks. Deteriorating docks need to be addressed. Currently, to install a floating dock, three visits are required for installation of floating docks, with State, Harbormaster, and Conservation Commission. There is no town ordinance for floating docks, State regulations exist.

Commission had a pamphlet to distribute for permitting and installing floating docks. Commission would like to have a map generated to show locations of all floating docks in Winthrop. Clerk will follow up on having a map created.

Other Business:

The Clerk's office is waiting on approval from Town CFO to submit the yearly payment to MACC. The Commission Chair will follow up with the CFO on getting the payment mailed.

The Commission requested more information on the North Suffolk Resiliency Office and new hires for this office.

Commission discussed at length the consistent absence and lack of participation in their sworn duties of 2 appointed commissioners. The clerk will inform the Town Council president.

A Certificate of Inclusion was submitted to the Conservation Commission from DCR on work done on Winthrop Shore Drive. The Commission will request a representative from the project attend a meeting to discuss the project.

The Clerk's office confirmed that the Order of Conditions was submitted to the Golf Course project.

**A motion to adjourn was made by Stephen Machcinski, it was seconded by Melissa Kaiser.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52.**