

TOWN OF WINTHROP

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Meeting Minutes

Public Meeting Conducted VIA Zoom

Wednesday, August 12, 2026, at 7pm

Members present: Chuck Kubik, Stephen Machcinski, Jarid Siegel, Landon LaPorte, Al Reynolds, Tracy Machcinski

Absent:

Public Present: Blaine O'Donnell, David Smith, Lidianne (Nativetec)

7:00 PM With a quorum present Chuck Kubik called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Cont'd Public Hearing DEP File # 082-0571** 44 Faun Bar Avenue
- **Cont'd Public Hearing DEP File # 082-0570** 50 Faun Bar Avenue
- **Cont'd Public Hearing DEP File # 082-0569** 58-60 Faun Bar Avenue

No new updates on these Files. Carried forward to September meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Request for Determination of Applicability 251 Court Rd.**
- **Applicant:** Eliane Gomes
- **Construction of Deck and planting of vegetation**

After completing site walk on 7/29 regarding the building of a deck on the rear of the house and reviewing the area where the plantings will take place. the commission determined the project requires a full NOI submission due to its location within 100 feet of a coastal seawall and buffer zone. All commissioners agreed with a positive determination and voted to request a full NOI submission.

- **Request for Determination of Applicability 1 Tafts Ave.**
- **Applicant: Blaine O'Donnell**
- **Adding Crushed stone to field on Tafts Ave. to create a parking area**

After completing site walk on 7/29 regarding a proposed project to add crushed stone to a field to create a parking area which was used for this purpose previously the Commission determined that the area is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act and municipal wetlands ordinances due to its location in a coastal dune and barrier beach zone. The commission voted to make a positive determination to submit a full NOI.

- **Request for Certificate of Compliance 3 Seal Harbor Revetment project DEP# 082-0458**
- **Applicant: David Smith/GZA GeoEnvironmental**
- **Mortar repair of Seawall Revetment behind Seal Harbor 3**

The Commission performed a site walk on 7/29 and viewed the completed mortar repair work done on the revetment. After discussing the project, the Commission voted unanimously to approve the COC.

General Discussion:

- **The Commission continues to look for a replacement for outgoing member Tim Wilson**
- **Discussed creating educational resources to combat invasive species like Tree of Heaven and knotweed, with plans to involve high school students and leverage existing town website content to develop an invasive species information campaign.**

7:40 pm *Meeting Adjourned* Motion made by Stephen Machcinski, 2nd by Tracy Machcinski. Commission voted unanimously to adjourn.