



TOWN OF WINTHROP

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MINUTES OF MEETING 7:30 P. M. – February 13, 2013 Joseph Harvey Hearing Room Winthrop Town Hall

Members in Attendance: Mary Kelley, Chairperson, Stephen Machcinski, Norman Hyett, Brian Corbett, Karen Winn, Wayne George.

PUBLIC HEARING – Dept. of Conservation & Recreation (DCR) – Notice of Intent for the Upland improvements along Winthrop Shore Drive including wider sidewalks; improved drainage system including infiltration chambers and particle separators; new lighting; beach amenities and paving. Representative – Lisa Chandler, Brinckerhoff, Inc., Boston, MA and Joe Orfant, DCR, Boston.

Joe Orfant and Lisa Chandler explained all phases and why this project was split into several phases. Current project is Phase 4. Both the Commission and members of the audience asked many questions regarding drainage and stormwater management. Lisa & Joe answer all questions with full explanations pointing to project plans brought to meeting. Members of the Commission had asked if speed bumps could be added as Winthrop Shore Dr. is being used for speed racing. DCR said yes but the removable type only for the summer.

Resident Richard Bangs asked about the use of the sand from Yirrell Beach. Mr. Orfant explained why this sand could not be used on Winthrop Beach. Also Mr. Bangs had comments regarding the bath houses (now called Comfort Stations) and asked where they will be placed. Ms Chandler & Mr. Orfant explained where the “Comfort Stations” will be placed and how they will be secured.

Commission asked that updates be made more often to WCAT and Winthrop Transcript. Mr. Orfant stated that for some reason the Transcript would not publish. More questions were asked about Handicap Parking by Lee Dzedulionis, Chair, Winthrop Commission on Disabilities and the telephone and electric poles that lean. Will National Grid and Verizon be contacted? Response from Mr. Orfant was yes.

MOTION to close hearing with the condition that more information from contractor be submitted, Norman Hyett; 2nd the Motion, Wayne George. **UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

MINUTES OF MEETING – **VOTE** to approve January 9, 2013 Minutes of Meeting; Norman Hyett, Motion to approve; Stephen Machcinski, 2nd the Motion, **UNANIMOUS VOTE.**

General Business:

1. Discuss Site visit/vote to approve/if approved, sign Certificate of Compliance – Corolla, 120 Banks Street – **POSTPONED** until next scheduled meeting – No site visit has been conducted.
2. Discuss Current/Old correspondence – None

MEETING ADJOURNED 9:30 P.M.