



**Town of Walpole
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Zoning Board of Appeals**

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**MINUTES
WALPOLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
FEBRUARY 1, 2023**

Present: John Lee (Chair), Drew Delaney (Vice Chair), David Anderson (Member), Judith Conroy (Member), Mark Major (Associate Member), Tim Hoegler (Associate Member)

Absent: Robert Fitzgerald

Also Present: Patrick Deschenes and Lauren Michalski

Mr. Lee called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

Case No. 22-30, Marco De Melo, 15 Winthrop Street, Special Permit under the Zoning Bylaws, Section 9.4.A and Section 12.3.C. for the modification to a preexisting nonconforming one-family dwelling that exceeds the impervious surface requirement for a residential use within the Water Resource Protection Overlay District (continued from 1/4/23).

Case No.22-30 opened at 7:03 P.M.

The applicant submitted a request to continue the hearing until March 1, 2023.

Ms. Conroy asked a procedural question with regard to Mr. Lee’s notice of resignation. Mr. Lee responded that his notice was not accepted by the Select Board and he rescinded his resignation. As the resignation was rescinded, Mr. Lee was able to continue his responsibilities as Chairman.

Motion by Mr. Delaney, seconded by Ms. Conroy to accept the request to continue the public hearing to March 1, 2023.

Motion carried 5-0-0 (Lee-aye; Anderson-aye; Delaney -aye; Conroy-aye; Major-aye)

Board Business – Discussion of future meeting schedule and changing meeting dates

Mr. Lee explained that he was appointed to the School Committee for Tri-County. After speaking with the Select Board, Mr. Lee stated that they would like him to stay on the Board if possible. The only way to retain Mr. Lee on the Board would be to change the meeting dates so they did not interfere with other Board or outside commitments. Mr. Lee acknowledged that this was a big ask but reminded the Board that this suggestion did not come directly from him.

Mr. Delaney said Mr. Lee brought value to the Board and he would be happy to change meeting dates.

Mr. Deschenes said other regulatory Boards meet most days during the week and the only day that would not propose conflict would be Mondays. He noted this Board had met on Mondays previously. Other

alternatives were the 2nd and 4th Thursday. The Conservation Commission met on the opposite Wednesdays of the month to the ZoningBoard.

Mr. Deschenes reminded the Board that this was only a discussion item and any changes would not be implemented until after March 1, 2023 meeting date as future public hearings had already been scheduled.

Mr. Lee stated that he wanted to address this topic with the Board ahead of time.

Staff was tasked with creating alternate schedules for the Board members to consider.

Members shared specific days of the week that could result in conflicts. Mr. Lee noted that he would be willing to step down from the Board if the schedule could not be changed. He thanked everyone for their consideration.

Adjournment:

Motion: by Mr. Delaney seconded by Mr. Anderson to adjourn.

Motion carried 5-0-0 (Lee-aye; Delaney-aye; Anderson-aye; Hoegler-aye; Conroy-aye; Major-aye)

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.