

Town of Bowdojn
Planning Board Minutes
August 22, 2023

Members Present:

Michaeline Mulvey, Chair
Thomas Giggey

M. 26 September 23
Helen Watts, Vice Chair
Gwen Thomas *GT*

Absent:

Lauren Leclerc, Board Member and Secretary
Dennis Douglas, Code Enforcement Officer

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm with a quorum of Mulvey, Watts, and Thomas. Giggey arrived at 7:25 pm.

In the absence of Secretary Leclerc, Mulvey was appointed secretary pro tem.

No minutes were reviewed.

Members of the Public Present:

Andrew Slater, Reuben Wheeler, and Gideon Wheeler.

New Business:

Andrew Slater represents Head Start of Midcoast Maine Community Action. He explained that Bowdojn Head Start students have been attending a Pre-Kindergarten class in Brunswick. Both the Assistant Superintendent of SAD 75 and the Principal of Bowdojn Central School have said that there is a classroom available at Bowdojn Central School. Enrollment will be limited to 16 students. Parents, or caretakers, will be dropping off and picking up within the scheduled school day, and within the school calendar. Consensus of the Board was that the proposal is part of school function and no action was needed.

Old Business:

Map 4, Lot 13:

Reuben Wheeler, PLS, represents Russell and Timothy Wing of 745 Main Street, Bowdojn. The Board received an application for Site Plan Review of a proposal for two self-storage units, 20 feet by 100 feet each, and a check for \$300.

The Board reviewed the application. In addition to the application, Mr. Wheeler noted that no lighting is anticipated, though exterior solar lights may be used, the area will not be fenced, and that construction will begin upon approval as conditions allow. Additional items included in the application were a Maine Department of Environmental Protection Tier One approval, a US Army Corps of Engineers approval, letters from the Maine Historic Preservation Commission, and the Maine Natural Areas Program. Mr. Wheeler said that he had notified the Wabanaki Nations. A response from the Mi'kmaq Nation was included in the application.

After review, Watts made a motion to accept the application as complete, the motion was seconded by Thomas. The motion passed unanimously.

By mutual agreement of Mr. Wheeler and the Board, a public hearing will be held September 26th.

Watts and Giggey stated that they will be absent from the September 12th meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michaeline Mulvey, Secretary Pro Tem

Cc: Selectmen, Code Enforcement Officer, Fire Chief, Webmaster, Planning Board files