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**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Monday, February 23, 2026**

Council Chambers – Durham Town Hall  
8 Newmarket Road, Durham, NH

7:00 PM

**AGENDA**

Commission Members

Dwight Trueblood, *Chair*  
Neil Slepian, *Vice Chair*  
Jacob Cragg  
Darrell Ford, Town Council  
Representative  
Anne Lightbody  
Ben Phelps  
Rob Sullivan, Planning  
Board Representative  
John Nachilly, alternate  
Steve Moyer, alternate  
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Michael Behrendt, Town  
Planner  
Véronique Ludington, Land  
Stewardship Coordinator  
Lucie Bryar, Minutes Taker

- I. Call to Order
- II. Land Acknowledgment Statement
- III. Roll Call and Seating of Alternates
- IV. Approval of Agenda
- V. Public Comments
- VI. **Land Stewardship Update.** *7:10 to 7:20 pm\**
- VII. **561 Bay Road Permitted Use B.** Permitted Use B application for retaining walls, stone walls, steps, regrading and landscaping within the Wetland Conservation Overlay District for a single-family house. A Permitted Use B approval was granted in 2023 for a different design. David and Karen Della Penta, property owner. Eric Weinrieb and Erik Saari, engineers, Altus Engineering. Map 239, Lot 9. Residence Coastal District. *7:20 to 8:00 pm*
- VIII. **WSOD Discussion.** Update on subcommittee meetings about proposed Wetland and Shoreland Overlay District. *8:00 to 9:10 pm*
  - Appointment of subcommittee to revise draft WSOD
- IX. Review of Minutes: December 22, 2025 *9:10 to 9:15 pm*
- X. Other Business *9:15 to 9:20 pm*
- XI. Roundtable. Updates from Conservation Commission members. *9:20 to 9:30 pm*
- XII. Adjournment (*by 9:30 unless extended by the commission*)

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### **PUBLIC INPUT**

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- 1) Email. Send an email to Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, at [mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us](mailto:mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us) by 12:00 noon on the day of the meeting (You can also mail, drop off, or fax a letter); or
- 2) Speak at the meeting. The public is welcome to speak about any specific agenda item when that item comes up on the agenda and about any other appropriate subject during Public Comments time.

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Additional information. Information on the items above are available for review on the Town website at [www.ci.durham.nh.us](http://www.ci.durham.nh.us).

Contacting us. Please contact Michael Behrendt, Durham Town Planner, with questions or comments at (603) 868-8064 or [mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us](mailto:mbehrendt@ci.durham.nh.us).

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Next meeting. The next Conservation Commission meeting will be **March 23, 2026**.