



**Town of Whitingham
Zoning Board of Adjustment**

MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2026, PUBLIC HEARING

Call to Order. Additions or Changes to Agenda:

Marshall Dix called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. There were no changes to the agenda.

Hearing of visitors (for concerns not on the agenda)

None

Attendees:

ZBA members: Marshall Dix, Chair; Troy Felisko, Lyman Tefft, Rick Gramlin, and Amanda Pike.

Zoning Administrator/ZBA Clerk: Gig Zboray

Applicant on Zoning Permit application # W-17-26: Gabrielle Samaroo

Others:

Open hearing

Mr. Dix opened the hearing, requesting permission to dispense from reading the warning.

Introductions were made around the room.

Discuss any potential conflicts of interest

None

Applicant to explain what they are asking for

Mr. Samaroo would like to build a deck (free standing, uncovered, 10'x25') on east side of house, not attached to the dwelling, but running from the basement bulkhead to the corner on the house, existing wood steps at side door to be removed, new steps from door down to deck built. The setback of the area of deck nearest the road is 50'. The required minimum setback is 65' from the center of the road. The existing house is 22'-40' from the center of the road. The existing fence is 40' from the center of the road. The proposed deck will be behind the fence.

The applicant is requesting a dimensional waiver in accordance with 3.5.3c of the zoning regulations "the waiver will not result in a greater than 50% decrease in any dimensional requirement".

Hear from all concerned

Mr. Gramlin noted he is pleased with Mr. Samaroo's attention to detail on the paperwork for this hearing.

Other business

None

Close hearing

A motion to close the hearing was made and passed at 6:04pm.

Findings on Application W-17-26:

The house was built in 1959 (per the property record card), this was before zoning regulations were enacted in Whitingham.

The house does not meet the required setbacks in the zoning district.

The fence does not meet the setback but is not required to.

The proposed deck will be behind the fence.

Decision:

A motion was made by Marshall Dix to approve the dimensional waiver request, seconded by Amanda Pike, all in favor.

An interested person may appeal this decision within thirty (30) days to the Environmental Court as per 24 V.S.A. Chapter 117 § 4471.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gig Zboray, ZBA Clerk