



Town of Wilton , NH Zoning Board of Adjustment MINUTES

**Saturday, June 13, 2026 9:00 a.m.
291 Captain Clark Highway
Tax Map H, Lot 132-01**

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present:	Neil Faiman (Chairperson); Joanna Eckstrom Vicechairperson); Linda Jennings; Judith Klinghoffer; Peg Duggan (Alternate)
Board Members Absent:	Jeff Stone
Board Secretary:	Linda Jennings
Attendees:	Neil Faiman (Chairperson); Joanna Eckstrom Vice Chairperson); Linda Jennings; Judith Klinghoffer; Peg Duggan (Alternate), Michaelann Murphy (owner); Wendell Parnham-Brown (contractor); Steve McDonough (abutter);Lorin Baeta (abutter).

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SITE VISIT MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Faiman called the site visit to order at 9: a.m. by reading the public notice.

Chairperson Faiman stated that the site visit is not a substitute for the public hearing but rather a complement to the public hearing for the purpose of being shown the details and relevant features of the proposed request. He asked that questions are directed at the Chairperson, and individual conversations kept to a minimum lest that information is not included in the public record. He asked that questions requiring discussion beyond the identification of application elements be saved for the meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2026.

Chairperson Faiman invited abutters to point out their concerns when appropriate and then invited the applicants to guide the group to the area of the proposed fence and other points of interest relevant to their application.

2. Site Visit, continued from a previous meeting

**Michaelann Murphy
(Case #06/9/2026-01)**

The board members along with other attendees walked to the area to observe and take notice of the location, the stone wall and visual grade of the property and approximate length for the proposed fence. During the visit, measurements were taken with the assistance of Mr. Parnham-Brown to demonstrate the various heights of what a 6, 8 and 10 foot fence would look like. The approximate length measured is 69 feet, which is less than the length presented at the zoning board meeting. It was noted that a curb cut was present in this area. Ms. Murphy stated that it was an old agricultural access spot already which was already in existence. It was noted that a trailer along with a string of flags is in this location. The trailer is currently located in this space so that no one stands on the other side of the road and looks through the opening. A question was raised by Chairman Faiman as to whether a gate would be installed. Ms. Murphy indicated that a gate would be expensive and if they need access they can come in the driveway. The board was made aware that if the fence is only 6 feet in height that the neighbors would see them while planting, gathering berries and children being dropped off. The current condition of the area has been filled in with spring leaf growth on the trees creating a natural barrier, but this is not the case more than 2/3 of the year. Visual measurements were taken to indicate that if the fence were to begin from the property entrance setback the fence would be in the inner edge of the current circle driveway. A visual grade of the area was observed from the road to indicate a slope to the property.

In summary, Chairperson Faiman noted that attendees saw the proposed area for the fence and called for any additional questions or points of interest. Hearing none, he stated the public hearing would continue Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 7 p.m. in the Wilton Town Hall.

3. Adjournment

Chairman Faiman closed the public site visit at 9:35 a.m.

Private conversations with the applicant about their chickens, their dogs, whatever, are perfectly appropriate. Any further discussion with anyone about the case at this point would be Ex Parte communication, and would be a no no.

Chairman Faiman was asked by Ms. Murphy if the same would apply if members are engaged in conversations about me? Chairman Faiman stated he believed so.

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