

Town of Baldwin, Maine Planning Board

Minutes from April 9, 2026, Planning Board Meeting

Prior to the regular meeting of the Planning Board, Greg LeClair PhD, a biologist from Maine Department of Inland Fisheries made a presentation to the Board about the importance of freshwater wetlands that include inland marshes, wet meadows, peatlands, swamps, forested wetlands and vernal pools. He said wetlands are the places where water and lands meet that provide habitats for wildlife. Greg said that his department will gladly assist the Town with the preparation of ordinances that will protect these natural resources. He also said that Maine Department of Inland Fisheries has 3 GIS maps that show freshwater wetlands, protected habitats and wildlife connectivity. These maps are available in a digital database.

Meeting was called to order by Jo Pierce at 8:00 pm.

Board Members Present

Jo Pierce, David Strock, Don Sharp, Merhiella Crawford, Mike Ustin and alternate Mike Allen. A quorum was established.

Also Present

Selectboard Members Bob Flint and Jim Dolloff, Kent Whitten CEO, and James McDonald.

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Minutes

A motion was made by David Strock and seconded by Merhiella Crawford to approve the minutes of the March 26, 2026, Planning Board meeting, that were prepared by Don Sharp. Minutes were unanimously approved.

1. OLD BUSINESS

Jamie McDonald presented an amended subdivision plan for Map 5 Lot 14 that was prepared by Sebago Technics that shows Lots 2A and 2B. A Public Hearing has been scheduled for April 23, 2026 to receive public comments regarding the amended subdivision plan. A site walk was scheduled for April 18, 2026 at 9:00 am, followed by a public hearing on April 23, 2026.

2. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following Planning Board Officers were elected for one year.

- Chairman: Matt Fricker
- Vice Chairman: Jo Pierce
- Secretary: Don Sharp - with Mike Allen as alternate.

4. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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