

Town of Windham, Maine

Code Enforcement Department

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Quarterly Report 04-01-25 to 06-30-25

Highlights and Accomplishments

- > Online Accessibility: Permitting and inspection data is now fully accessible and digitized online, improving transparency and ease of access for the public.
- ➤ Permit and Inspection Volume: A total of 462 permits were issued, and 2,191 field inspections were conducted.
- > Fee Generation: Permit fees of \$219,207.44 were assessed, based on an estimated construction cost of \$163,273,810.60.
- ➤ Efficient Permitting: The current timeframe for permit application review and issuance is maintained within 1 week.
- ➤ Code Implementation: The new edition of the Maine State Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC) and its amendments were successfully implemented. Public education on these updated regulations was also conducted.
- > Staff Development: Staff attended the Maine and Eastern States Building Officials Educational Conferences. They gained expertise in critical areas, including Fire Safety during construction, Accessibility, ICC building code transition from 2015 to 2021, FEMA Certified Disaster Safety Building Evaluation, permit tech career advancements, MDOT Relations with Municipalities, ROW and openings, Subdivision and legal updates, fire alarm, Mechanical, EV, PV, Battery Storage systems, Land Use Planning, and Erosion and Sedimentation Control NFPA/DEP trainings.

Ongoing Projects

- ➤ Interdepartmental Support: Continuous support is provided to Town staff and committees in areas of safety and wellness, future public facilities, growth management, development review, sewer and ordinance adoption/implementation.
- > Software Optimization: MyGov software permit types are being restructured to enhance interdepartmental streamlining of reviews for larger projects.

Enforcement Actions

- ➤ Cannabis Grow Operations: Notices of violations were issued for multiple unlicensed cannabis grow operations at 999 Roosevelt Trail and 24 Gambo Rd. Violations at the 999 Roosevelt Trail property remain outstanding.
- > Code Compliance: Voluntary compliance was achieved on various building code, business licensing, shoreland, land use complaints and subsurface wastewater matters.

Goals

- ➤ Compliance through Cooperation: Compliance will continue to be achieved through collaborative efforts and cooperation.
- > Staff Training: Staff training on modern building trends and newly enacted State and local Ordinances will be enhanced.
- ➤ Customer Service Excellence: Customer service will continuously improve, building credibility within the community.
- Efficient Operations: Timelines for permit issuance will be met, and a fair and consistent approach to timely inspections will be maintained.