ZONING RESULTS

WARNER NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 10, 2009

VOTE BY PLACING AN (X) IN THE "YES/NO" SQUARE BELOW THE QUESTION NUMBER

The Planning Board proposed & recommends the following Amendments. Additions are underlined & deleted items are crossed out.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

QUESTION 2-PASSED

YES [427] NO [222] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment, to the *Floodplain Development Ordinance*, in order to continue to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program:

Amend Item VII, Flood Elevation Determination, Floodproofing Standards, paragraph 2. by inserting Zone A and paragraph 2.(a) by removing Zone A as follows:

- 2. The Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector's 100 year flood elevation determination will be used as criteria for requiring in zones A and AE that:
 - (a.) All new construction or substantial improvement of residential structures in Zone A have the lowest floor (including basement) elevated to or above the 100 year flood elevation;

ZONING ORDINANCE

QUESTION 3 - PASSED

YES [329] NO [321] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Article III, Definitions, to change the definition of Building as follows:

"Building" means any combination of materials having a roof and enclosed exterior walls, fixed to the land, and constructed for the shelter of persons, animals or property and is not temporary in nature. [Amended March 1999]

QUESTION 4 - FAILED

YES [314] NO [329] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to change the following references to "building" to read "building or structure"?

See Article III Definitions

- "Accessory building <u>or structure</u>" means a detached building <u>or structure</u>, the use of which is customarily incidental and subordinate to that of the principal building <u>or structure</u>, and which is located on the same lot as that occupied by the principal building or structure.
- **"Front yard"** means a space extending for the full width of a lot between the extreme front line of a building <u>or structure</u> and the nearest side of the public right of way.
- "Open space" means the portion of a lot upon which no buildings, structures, parking lots, or roads are located.

See Article V Village Residential District R-1

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 2. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than fifteen (15) feet to an abutter's property line and thirty (30) feet from the edge of a public right of way.

See Article VI Medium Density Residential District R-2

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 1. Lots created by Minor Subdivision shall be subject to the following requirements: . . .
 - b. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than twenty five (25) feet to an abutter's property line and forty (40) feet from the edge of any public right of way, except, if a building <u>or structure</u> currently exists on the property and is closer to the abutter's property line or public right-of-way (as described above in yard requirements) an addition may be added to any present building <u>or structure</u> as long as the new construction is no closer to the abutter's property line or public right-of-way than the present construction.

See Article VII Low Density Residential District R-3

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 1. Lots created by Minor Subdivision shall be subject to the following requirements: . . .
 - b. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than forty (40) feet from an abutter's property line and fifty (50) feet from the edge of any public right of way.

See Article VIII Open Conservation District OC-1

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 1. Lots created by Minor Subdivision shall be subject to the following requirements: . . .
 - b. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than fifty (50) feet from an abutter's property line and fifty (50) feet from the edge of any public right of way.

See Article IX Open Recreation District OR-1

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 1. Lots created by Minor Subdivision shall be subject to the following requirements: . . .
 - b. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than one hundred (100) feet from an abutter's property line and fifty (50) feet from the edge of any public right of way.

See Article X Business District B-1

- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements: . . .
 - 2. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than fifteen (15) feet from an abutter's property line and thirty (30) feet from the edge of any public right of way.
- D. Architectural requirements:
 - 1. Exteriors of buildings <u>or structures</u> in this district are to be styled architecturally as to not detract from the general existing style of the district nor to be greatly at variance thereto.

See Article XI Commercial District C-1

- . . . Restrictions on building <u>or structure</u> height and lot coverage, coupled with careful review of both site and architectural elements during site plan review, is intended to promote a scale and quality of development compatible with the rural character of the community.
- C. Frontage, lot, and yard requirements:
 - 1. Lots developed for commercial purposes: . . .
 - b. Yard requirements: No building <u>or structure</u> shall be located nearer than twenty-five (25) feet from an abutter's property line and forty (40) feet from the edge of any public right of way.

See Article XIV Open Space Development

Purpose: . . . Specific objectives as follows:

5. To encourage development that is consistent with Warner's historic land use patterns of village-like areas where buildings <u>or structures</u> and residences are grouped, surrounded by areas of open space used for agriculture, forestry, recreation, and similar purposes.

QUESTION 5 - FAILED

YES [303] NO [334] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Article XIV, Open Space Development, paragraph B.1.c to change 12 to 15 acres, as follows:

- B. Applicability. This Article shall apply to all building lots created by Major Subdivision in the R-2, R-3, OC-1 and OR-1 zones after the date of adoption of this Article.
 - 1. Exceptions: . . .
 - c In the OC-1 Zone, this article shall not apply to subdivisions in which all lots in the completed subdivision have a minimum lot size of twelve (12) fifteen (15) acres. Such subdivisions shall be subject to the frontage, minimum Buildable Area, and yard requirements specified in Article VII-C-1 of this Ordinance. Any lots created under this exception shall be prohibited from further subdivision.

QUESTION 6 - FAILED

YES [301] NO [331] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Article XIV, Open Space Development, paragraph B.1.d to change 15 to 20 acres, to agree with the table following:

d. In the OR-1 Zone, this article shall not apply to subdivisions in which all lots in the completed subdivision have a minimum lot size of fifteen (15) twenty (20) acres. Such subdivisions shall be subject to the frontage, minimum Buildable Area, and yard requirements specified in Article IX-C-1 of this Ordinance. Any lots created under this exception shall be prohibited from further subdivision.

QUESTION 7 - FAILED

YES [284] NO [333] Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

Amend Article XIV, Open Space Development, paragraph C. to amend the Open Space Table so that the minimum parcel area before subdivision acreage for the OC-1 Zone is 15 acres in order to comply with the wording in paragraph B.1.c. as follows:

C. Density and Dimensional Standards. The following density and dimensional standards shall apply to residential development that is subject to this Article.

OPEN SPACE ZONING DENSITY AND DIMENSIONAL STANDARDS

Zone	R-2	R-3	OC-1	
				OR-1
Minimum Parcel Area before Subdivision (acres)	12	12	20 <u>15</u>	20

BUILDING CODE ORDINANCE

QUESTION 8 - FAILED YES [287] NO [319]

Ordinance:

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendment to the Building Code

As revised following first public hearing January 6, 1969, and as amended March 13, 1979, March 8, 1983, March 11, 1986 March 12, 2002, March 9, 2004 and March 13, 2007.

For the protection and direction of the location and construction of buildings and structures in the Town of Warner, New Hampshire.

ARTICLE I

This ordinance is established and governed by the laws of the State of New Hampshire, specifically, the applicable sections of Chapter 673 through 677, <u>Chapter 155-A</u>, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated and as amended by future laws of New Hampshire.

ARTICLE II

A. No building or structure to be used as a dwelling or for commercial purposes shall hereafter be constructed, moved or altered except in conformity with the regulations specified for the zone in which such property is situated. Any exterior construction shall be done with a permit to be issued by the Board of Selectpersons or the Building Inspector. Normal repairs, restoration or improvement, interior or exterior, which do not alter the principal use of a building, shall not be deemed to require a building permit unless that building is located within a "Special Flood Hazard Area" as defined in the Floodplain Ordinance. After issuance of the building permit, construction must be commenced within six months and the exterior completed within two years, except that said Board may extend the time upon application.

A. The Town of Warner adopts and enforces the State Building Code RSA 155-A as it may be amended in accordance with RSA 674:51 which: authorizes and gives authority to the Local Enforcement Agency to issue building permits and certificates of occupancy; authorizes the Board of Selectmen to establish fees for building permits, certificates of occupancy and building inspection; and authorizes the Zoning Board of Adjustment to act as the Building Code Board of Appeals.

- 1. Use permit: No A Certificate of Zoning Compliance must be issued prior to the application for a permit for the erection, exterior alteration, moving or repair of any building or structure. shall be issued until an application has been made for the Certificate of Zoning Compliance, and the certificate shall conform to the provisions of this ordinance upon completion.
- 2. After issuance of the building permit, construction must be commenced within six months and the exterior completed within two years, except that the Board of Selectmen may extend the time upon application.
- 3. Certificate of occupancy shall be issued by the Building Inspector prior to occupancy.
- 4. The following items are listed in the New Hampshire State Building Code as work exempt from requiring a permit, but are not exempt in Warner:
 - a <u>Buildings and structures over 36 square feet are not exempt</u>
 - b Oil derricks are not exempt
 - c Water tanks supported directly above grade are not exempt
 - d Sidewalks and driveways are exempt as stated; however, a driveway permit is required from the Town or State.
- B. No permit shall be granted unless the builder will meets the following requirements:
 - 1. Every dwelling shall have a minimum of two (2) easily accessible exits, windows excluded; exits shall provide alternate means of escape. Any building to be erected or altered for use as rented apartments shall have a minimum of two (2) readily accessible points of egress, remote from each other, exits, windows excluded, from each apartment. exits shall provide alternate means of escape.
 - a. 2. Manufactured housing must meet the federal minimum property standards for single-family dwellings and the most recent revision of the mobile home construction safety standards as published by the Department of Housing and Urban Development. (Amended March 2007).
 - 2. Chimneys shall be constructed of stone, brick, cement or cinderblocks from the ground upward and shall be internally lined with tile. Any other (non-standard) chimney construction shall be permitted if approved by the National Fire Protection Association and the Warner Fire Department.
 - 3. Thimbles: No wallpaper or other combustible material shall be laid over any thimble or thimble hole in any chimney.
 - 4. No building of wood or other combustible material shall be erected without providing fire stops at every combustible wall partition, at every floor and between floor joists at partitions.
 - 5. Dwellings shall be framed according to good building practices and outside walls shall be covered with permanent materials customarily used, such as wood or fire resistant shingles, siding, clapboards, brick, stucco, concrete or cinder blocks. Material customarily painted shall be painted or otherwise finished.

- 6. 3. Septic tanks, cesspools, privies or sewage disposal area shall conform to state regulations and regulations adopted by ordinance by the Town of Warner and in the instance the two may conflict, the more restrictive shall apply.
 - a. Change of use of a structure from seasonal to year-round residency shall require and must be able to sustain state approved that the waste disposal system meets state and local regulations. in accordance with the standards then applicable.
- 7. <u>4</u>. Every freestanding dwelling unit to be used by a single family shall have <u>at least five hundred (500) square feet of living area on one floor</u>. <u>a minimum ground floor living area of at least five hundred (500) square feet.</u>
- 8. All electrical wiring shall conform to approved methods and practices for safety to life and property. Compliance with the current National Electrical Code as published by the National Fire Protection Association shall be prima facie evidence of such approved methods and practices.
- 9. <u>5</u>. Foundations: All <u>buildings or</u> structures shall be set on solid foundations of concrete, <u>concrete blocks</u> or other acceptable materials.
- 10. 6. Building permits shall be issued by the town only to the owner of record of the land to which the permit applies, and shall not be transferable. Where construction is to be carried out by someone other than the permit applicant the name, address and signature of such person shall be required on the permit application. Permits shall be posted conspicuously at the premises where the construction is being carried on. A building permit applicant shall make the premises which are the subject matter of the permit accessible at reasonable times to the Board of Selectmen, or its designated representative, for the purposes of assuring compliance with this code.
- 41. <u>7</u>. Application for a building permit must be accompanied by a <u>sketch or plan(s)</u> of the proposed construction, movement, or alteration together with a statement from the applicant describing the intended use of any new, moved or altered building. <u>Both All</u> documents shall be retained by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE III

The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Building Inspector who shall have the authority, in consultation with the Board of Selectmen, to issue building permits and certificates of occupancy.

ARTICLE IV

The Board of Selectmen shall establish an appropriate fee schedule for building permits, building inspection and certificates of occupancy.

ARTICLE III V

The Board of Selectmen shall appoint a Board of Adjustment of five members, of whom one may be a member of the Planning Board. Said Board of Adjustment is to serve without compensation. The Zoning Board of Adjustment shall have authority to allow slight variance from the specific terms of this ordinance where it can be shown that unnecessary hardship would otherwise result. The Board of Selectmen shall establish an appropriate fee schedule for building permits.

ARTICLE V

This ordinance does not affect in any way any dwellings, buildings, trailers or recorded lots that are existing or under construction at the time of its passage.

ARTICLE VII VI

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Board of Selectmen or building inspector made under this ordinance may appeal to the Board of Adjustment, in accordance with applicable sections of Chapter 677 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes as amended.

ARTICLE VI <u>VII</u>

Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to penalties in accordance with RSA 676:17.

ARTICLE VIII

The invalidity of any provision of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision.

ARTICLE IV IX

This ordinance may be amended in accordance with applicable sections of Chapter 675 of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated as amended.

ARTICLE IX X

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.