

**ADOPTION OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE
Town of Groton**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to RSA 674:16, 675:3 and 675:7 the Planning Board will hold a public hearing on November 28, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the Groton Town Offices, 754 N. Groton Rd, Groton NH 03241, on a proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance. The effect of the proposed amendment of the Groton Zoning Ordinance will be to:

Establish Zoning Districts and uses within each District (Rural Residential, Forestry and Conservation, Renewable Energy and Forestry with a Floodplain & Aquifer Overlay) set Dimensional Requirements and create Performance Standards to protect natural resources and the environment.

A full copy of the text of the proposed zoning amendment is available for review in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and on the Town's web site under the Planning Board tab.

Per order of the Groton Planning Board

Dear Property Owners,

The Community Planning Committee (CPC) has been hard at work with bi-weekly meetings since February of 2018 when they first reached out to you at two Open Houses. The purpose of those gatherings was to determine what you would like to see enacted to maintain and protect the town's environment and character for the future.

They have submitted their recommendations to the Planning Board and now we are asking you to join your neighbors in a collaborative review of the draft Ordinance. This first full review by you will help refine the Ordinance. The use of our land will determine to a large extent the character and quality of life in Groton. The rate, location and type of growth and development will affect not only the community's physical appearance but also drive expansion of public services and infrastructure, affecting our taxes.

This is our opportunity to be proactive! By completing and enacting an Ordinance, we are empowered to choose our own path forward, protecting what is best for our community. If we compromise, contract with each other, we can avoid the negative impacts associated with unwanted and unmanaged growth.

Thank you,

Planning Board Members
