

# Stratham Planning Board Meeting AGENDA January 8, 2014 Time: 7:00 PM

The Town of Stratham, Planning Board will conduct a Meeting at the Stratham Town Hall, 10 Bunker Hill Avenue, Stratham NH to consider the following:

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call.
- 2. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes.
  - a. December 18, 2013
- 3. Public Hearing(s).

The purpose of the following public hearings are to review and solicit public comment on the proposed amendments to the Stratham Zoning Ordinance which would amend the follow Sections:

a. **Town Warrant Article – Town Center District.** To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance to add a new section, Section III. Establishment of Districts and Uses, Subsection 3.9 Town Center District and amend Subsections 3.4.5 District Purposes, 3.6 Table of Uses, 3.8.6.a Review and Permitting Process, 3.8.7.a. and c. Building and Site Design Standards, Section IV. Dimensional Requirements, Subsections 4.1.3 General Requirements, 4.2 Table of Dimensional Requirements, 4.3 Explanatory Notes, and Section VII. Signs, Subsection 7.3 Administration.

The purpose of these ordinance amendments is to foster a vibrant mixed-use zoning district with a traditional pattern of development that supports a diverse range of uses, pedestrian accommodations and walkable streets, public spaces, and multi-modal access culminating in an integrated rural New England town center and civic focal point.

The intent of the proposed amendments is to offer zoning to enhance the economic vitality, business diversity, accessibility, and visual appeal of Stratham's Town Center District, in a manner that is consistent with the landscape and architecture of Town's agrarian tradition and historical significance within the community.

- b. Town Warrant Article Dimensional Requirements for the Gateway Commercial Business District and Town Center Zoning Districts. To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section IV: Dimensional Requirements, Subsection 4.3 Explanatory Notes to further clarify and reference the dimension requirements for structures and developments within the Gateway Commercial Business Zoning District and Town Center Zoning District.
- c. **Town Warrant Article Signage.** To see if the Town will amend the Stratham Zoning Ordinance, Section VII. Signs, Subsection 7.9 General Regulation, b.viii.4. Wall/Building Signs to further clarify the square foot area calculation for permitted wall/building signage
- d. Town Warrant Article Sanitary Protection and Septic Ordinance, Criteria for Conditional Use Permit. To see if the Town will amend the Zoning Ordinance, Section XX: Sanitary Protection &

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Septic Ordinance, Subsection 20.1.5.e to further clarify the criterion for issuing a Conditional Use Permit.

## 4. Miscellaneous.

- a. Report of Officers/Committees.
  - i. Economic Development Committee
  - ii. Exeter-Swampscott River Local Advisory Committee
  - iii. Heritage Commission
  - iv. Public Works Commission
  - v. Stormwater Management Committee
  - vi. Town Center Revitalization Committee
- b. Member Comments.
- c. Other.

# 5. Adjournment.

# 6. Next Scheduled Planning Board Meetings.

January 15, 2014

January 22, 2014

February 5, 2014

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