

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Public Hearing on Changes to Zoning Ordinance & General Ordinances

The Northwood Planning Board will hold a public hearing on changes to the Northwood Development Ordinance (Zoning Ordinance) on Thursday, December 9 at 6:30 pm at the town hall as follows:

#### **Amendment #1: Section V.B. Uses Permitted Under Specific Performance Criteria and V.1 Table of Uses**

**Ballot Language:** *Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town's development ordinance as follows?*

**Are you in favor of adopting Zoning Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Northwood Development Ordinance as follows: to establish a new definition of Private Campsite as the use of property not within a campground or camping park for camping on a seasonal basis, to permit Private Campsites subject to certain performance criteria, and to establish the performance criteria that apply to this use, including requiring a camping permit from the building inspector, limiting occupancy of Private Campsites to April 15 to October 15, limiting the number of private campsites on the property, providing requirements for solid waste and sewerage disposal, and prohibiting the collection of fees for use of the private campsite?**

#### **Full Amendment:**

##### **V.B. Uses Permitted Under Specific Performance Criteria**

The Code Enforcement Officer shall use the following performance criteria to determine if a use is allowed as listed in Table V-1, the Table of Uses, in these regulations. In addition to the criteria listed in Section V(A)(2), the following criteria shall apply to all uses marked with an X in the Column 2 in Table V-1, Table of Uses. (Rev. 3/00)

V.B.(5) Private Campsites Purpose. To permit the use of private property for camping while ensuring the adequacy of waste treatment and other facilities necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and general welfare including the protection of water quality. (Rev. 3/22)

(a) Private Campsite Permitted. A private campsite is permitted on an otherwise vacant parcel in accordance with the following performance criteria:

[1] One private campsite per lot is allowed for the period of April 15 to October 15. A private campsite shall consist of 1 recreational vehicle or temporary structure, or of tents or similar equipment in a reasonable number for private use.

[2] A camping permit, issued by the Building Inspector, is required and is valid only during the permitted period. A

new application, made on forms available from the Town, shall be filed for each period as follows:

- i. Weekly permit: Valid for up to 7 days with the date of expiration noted on the permit. Permits may be renewed for subsequent periods during the camping season provided the applicant remains in compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations and can continue to demonstrate adequate sewerage.
- ii. Seasonal permit: Valid for the period April 15 to October 15 in one calendar year. A new application shall be made for each calendar year.

[3] Solid waste and sewerage shall be disposed of in a lawful manner. Specific provisions shall be made for sewerage for each permit type at the time of application as follows:

- i. Weekly permit: The applicant shall demonstrate adequate capacity for the storage of sewerage and/or shall demonstrate that arrangements have been made for the lawful removal of sewerage from the site. No onsite discharge of sewerage will be permitted except into a Sewage Disposal System approved by the NH Department of Environmental Services.
- ii. Seasonal permit: A seasonal permit shall only be issued for properties that can demonstrate that a Sewage Disposal System approved by the NH Department of Environmental Services has been installed on site. No onsite discharge of sewerage will be permitted except into a Sewage Disposal System approved by the NH Department of Environmental Services.

[4] The occupancy of a private campsite for year-round habitation as a residence or dwelling shall be prohibited within the Town of Northwood.

[5] Placement of any recreational vehicle, temporary structure, or camping equipment on any lot shall conform to the setback requirements for structures contained in Article IV.

[6] A parcel owner shall not receive any form of compensation from the use of a private campsite.

[7] No permanent buildings, including accessory buildings, shall be allowed on private campsites. One temporary accessory building or smaller accessory structure per lot may be permitted for storage purposes only. Any such

building or structure must be removed or fully collapsed and stored at the end of the camping season.

(b) Storage of private camping structures or materials. Nothing herein shall preclude the storage of an unoccupied recreational vehicle on private property provided all other federal, state, and local requirements are met. Tents and similar equipment shall be collapsed and stored when unoccupied. Likewise, recreational vehicles, including campers and pop-ups, shall be stored in their fully collapsed, road ready configuration and disconnected from all utilities while unoccupied. Private camping structures, recreational vehicles, or equipment that are so stored may not be occupied outside the period from April 15 to October 15 of each year or beyond the expiration of any permit.

## V. USE REGULATIONS

**Table V-1**  
**Table of Uses**

<b>USE</b>	<b>#1</b>	<b>#2</b>	<b>#3</b>
Single Family Residential	X		
Two Family Residential	X		
Accessory Dwelling Unit see Sec. IV B(6)(d) (Rev. 3/20)	X		
Seasonal Dwelling (Rev. 3/20)	X		
Forestry and Agriculture	X		
Church	X		
Telecommunication antenna mounted on existing building or mount	X		
School	X		
Accessory Use	X		
Residential, Multi-Family		X	
Retail		X	
Light Manufacturing		X	
Restaurant		X	
Bed and Breakfast		X	
Day Care		X	
Home Business		X	
Telecommunications Mount		X	
Excavations		X	
Service Business (Rev. 3/01)		X	
Elderly Housing (Rev. 3/01)		X	
Business Office (Rev. 3/05)		X	

Professional Office (Rev. 3/05)		X	
Private Campsite (Rev. 3/22)		X	
Kennels (Rev. 3/01)			X
Manufacturing			X
Sexually Oriented Businesses (3/03)			X

Column 1: Permitted Use; See Section V.A.

Column 2: Performance Criteria Apply; See Section V.B.

Column 3: Additional Criteria Apply; See Section V.C.

## Amendment #2: Repeal Article II General Ordinances-Self Contained Camper Trailers

**Ballot Language:** *Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town's development ordinance as follows?*

Are you in favor of repealing Article II Self-Contained Camper Trailers from the *Town of Northwood General Ordinances*? Should Article 1 proposing an amendment to the Northwood Development Ordinance to regulate such uses fail, this article shall become null and void.

### ~~II. SELF-CONTAINED CAMPER TRAILERS (effective 3/8/83)~~

~~A. Purpose. It is the declared intent and purpose of this ordinance to promote the health, welfare and safety of the inhabitants of the Town of Northwood.~~

~~1) Prohibition — The occupancy of self-contained camper trailers for year round habitation as a residence or dwelling shall be prohibited within the Town of Northwood.~~

~~2) Temporary Permits — The temporary occupancy of a self-contained camper trailer on a seasonal basis commencing no earlier than April 15<sup>th</sup> of any year and terminating on or before October 15<sup>th</sup> of any year shall be permitted upon application to the Board of Selectmen. Application forms may be obtained from the Board of Selectmen and approval thereof shall require the joint written consent of the Board of Selectmen and the Building Inspector.~~

~~3) Penalty — Any person violating this ordinance shall be liable to pay a penalty of not more than fifty (\$50.00) Dollars for each day the offense continues.~~