

**NEWTON PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING
January 6, 2020**

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Notice is hereby given of a PUBLIC HEARING to be held by the Newton Planning Board on Monday, January 6, 2020 beginning at 7:00 pm at the Newton Town Hall to review proposed amendments to the Town Zoning Ordinance pertaining to:

Proposal 1 - Expiration of variances and special exceptions granted prior to 2013.

In Section X add the following:

13. As authorized by State of NH RSA 674:33.I-a, Variances granted on or after August 19, 2013 shall be valid only if exercised within two (2) years from the date of final approval. Variances granted before August 19, 2013 shall be valid only if exercised within two (2) years from March 11, 2021.

14. As authorized by State of NH RSA 674:33.IV, Special Exceptions granted on or after August 19, 2013 shall be valid only if exercised within two (2) years from the date of final approval. Special Exceptions granted before August 19, 2013 shall be valid only if exercised within two (2) years from March 11, 2021.

Proposal 2 - Rezoning old fire station from residential to commercial.

In Appendix D – Commercial Zone - Parcel List, add the following

South Main Street: Map 12 **Block 1: Lot 11**

Proposal 3 – Amend general zoning provisions to automatically use most current building codes and fire codes.

In Section X add the following:

12. Building Safety

- a. The State Building Codes are RSA 155A (International Building Code) and **current** Saf-C 6000 (State Fire Code). These codes are the statewide minimum requirements, which shall serve as the building code for the Town of Newton.
- b. All new construction for residential or commercial use, shall be equipped by the owner with approved smoke detectors/carbon monoxide detectors as per **current** National Fire Protection Assoc. (NFPA) 72 101; RSA 153:10:6; Saf-C 6000 and shall be inspected and approved by the Newton Fire Chief or his/her designee.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Barbara A. White, Chairman
Newton Planning Board

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