

Agenda
TOWN OF NEWPORT, NH
Newport Planning Board
March 20, 2018- 6:00PM
Board of Selectmen's Room
15 Sunapee Street
Regular Meeting and Public Hearings

- 1) **Call to Order**
- 2) **Roll Call**
- 3) **Agenda Review**
- 4) **New business: Open the Public Hearing on the following proposed zoning amendment:**

Proposed Zoning Amendment Language 2018--The Keeping of Hens

Proposed Language

Possible Article _____, Section _____

The intent and purpose of this section is to allow the keeping of a limited number of hens, primarily for the purpose of providing fresh eggs to the occupants of the dwelling in all zoning districts.

The keeping of hens shall be permitted for all one- and/or two-family dwellings provided the following standards are met (these standards do not apply to hens kept in the rural lands zoning districts where farming is a permitted use):

A. It shall be unlawful to keep more than the following number of hens on any tract of land:

- Less than one acre permitted 2 hens
- 1 to 2 acres: up to a total of 4 hens
- 2 to 5 acres: up to a total of 10 hens
- More than 5 acres: up to 2 hens per acre
- More than 5 acres no requirements

B. No hens shall be allowed in multi-family dwellings.

C. No roosters shall be allowed.

D. All hens shall be kept outdoors within a secure enclosure at all times.

E. The secure enclosure and the coop shall comply with minimum yard setbacks for the respective zoning district, and shall not be located within the dwelling's front yard.

- 5) **Minutes: January 9, 2018 and February 13, 2018**
- 6) **Administration:**
- 7) **Communications:**
 - a) **Board**
 - b) **Public** (Public Participation shall pertain to topics within the purview of the Planning Board)
- 8) **Adjourn**