TOWN OF ANDOVER P.O. Box 219 Andover, ME 04216 Application for a Building Permit

Attached are forms and instructions necessary to procure a building permit in the Town of Andover. The application must be submitted by the applicant to the Planning Board at a meeting or to the CEO. If you cannot attend a meeting, you may submit the application to the Town Office along with your check or money order for the permit fee. The permit can be picked up at the Town Office once it is approved. The Planning Board meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, excluding federal holidays at 6pm at the Town Hall. Please call the board chair to be added to the agenda if you will be attending the meeting. Incomplete applications or persons not added to the agenda may not be considered if time is an issue.

Building Permits are required for any building residential and/or seasonal, any addition to existing buildings, garages, decks or porches greater than 32 square feet, any outbuilding/ shed greater than 48 square feet, storage trailers/containers, or any manufactured home. The requirements of the Land Use Ordinance (see attached) shall be followed. Any customer of the Andover Water District (AWD) needs to contact the AWD to confirm they abide by the AWD guidelines (see attached).

Demolition Permits are only required if a dwelling/structure is to be removed from taxation, with NO FEE.

Driveway Permits are required for any access to one's property from a Town or State Road. Culverts shall be installed as required by the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO).

Building Permits are not required if you are doing general maintenance to an existing structure provided you are not adding any square footage. EG you may replace an existing deck of the same size as the one removed. If you are expanding the deck, you will need a building permit.

Should any permit request be denied, you will receive a written notice from the Planning Board with an explanation for the denial. At that point, you may make a written notice of Appeal to the Appeals Board within 45 (forty-five) days from the date of denial.

Any questions can be directed to the CEO/Licensed Plumbing Inspector (LPI) or any of the Planning Board members.

Tim Johnson, CEO/LPI <u>code@andovermaine.org</u> 207-392-3302 Sidney Pew, Chair 207-890-6007 Margaret Maddigan Lynda Airhart

Alternates: Toby Wells & Roger Sabin

Instructions for Completing Building Permit Application

<u>FEE:</u> For structures, additions and mobile homes, calculate the number of square feet (length X width) of living space, plus any porches or decks, storage space, etc. Multiply square footage by \$0.25. Minimum fee is \$10. Permits will not be issued prior to payment of established permit fees.

Type of Permit: Check all that apply. Timber harvesting only if in the shoreland zone (You may need a State Permit).

General Description of Project: Please give information such as size, use, type, materials, number of bedrooms (pole barn, house with full basement, mobile home on slab, etc.).

General Location of Property: If you do not have a street number and/or address, please contact the Town Office and an address will be assigned to you. (207) 392-3302

New Entrance onto a Public Way: If this construction or land use involves a new entrance onto a State road, you must get a State permit. If a Town road is involved, you must get approval and a permit from the Code Enforcement Officer. Please provide a copy of either permit to the Planning Board.

Shoreland Zone: As shown on the town's Shoreland Zone Map located at the Town Office. In general, within 75 feet of streams, 250 feet of the Ellis River and its adjacent wetlands, 250 feet of Horseshoe Pond and certain other wetlands.

Flood Plans av Flood Zones: As shown on the US Government Flood Plain / Flood Zone Maps.

Tree Growth rerty is in Tree Growth, a permit will not be granted until the areas of construction are removed from tree Growth. Please contact the Tax Assessor's Office if you are not sure whether or not the area of construction is in Tree Growth. If it is in Tree Growth, contact the assessor to remove it.

Town Map and Lot Numbers: These numbers are located on your tax bill, or can be found on the town maps at the Town Office. If this has been divided from another lot, please note so and also give the original lot number for reference. Map and Lot numbers are required on Building Permit Applications.

<u>Deed Information:</u> Date and recording information (this may be omitted if you were taxed on this land last year). Applicants must show proof of ownership.

Interior Plumbing Permit: An interior plumbing permit (see attached) is required for all new internal plumbing. The interior plumbing permit must be submitted with this application before a building permit can be issued.

<u>Subsurface Waste Water Disposal System Applications:</u> A septic design plan from a licensed Site Evaluator and the Interior Plumbing Permit must be submitted with this application before a building permit can be issued. Once you have received the septic design plan from a licensed Site Evaluator it will then need approval from the LPI. State Law Title 12 Chapter 423-A 4807 states a lot size of 20,000 square feet is required for a single-family residential unit for disposal of waste.

Applications are required for new plumbing installation, and/or any new or used manufactured home plumbing and sewer hook-ups.

Occupancy Permit: No newly constructed, placed, relocated or expansion of any existing building intended for human habitation shall be occupied until an Occupancy Permit has been issued by the CEO in accordance with the Town of Andover Occupancy Ordinance.

Building Permit Requirements: Building Permits issued shall follow the requirements of the Land Use Ordinance (see attached) permits under this ordinance shall be valid for a period of 1 (one) year commencing on the date of issuance. Projects which have commenced and where construction is over 10% complete under the terms of the issued permit at the end of this one-year period shall be allowed to continue to completion without application for a new permit. Where work is under 10% complete or has not commenced prior to the expiration of the one-year period, the applicant(s) must reapply for a permit before work can continue or begin.

<u>Demolition Permit:</u> Demolition must be completed with-in a 6 (six) month period from date of issue and include the removal of debris. (See Land Use Ordinance)

Town of Andover, Maine Application for a Building Permit

Applicant's Name:
Date of Application:
Applicant's Legal Address:
Applicant's Mailing Address (if different than legal address):
Phone Number:
Home: Cell:
Work:
Type of Permit Requested (check all that apply):
A. Residential Building Number of Bedrooms:
B. Timber Harvest
C. Commercial
D. Seasonal (Camp) Number of Bedrooms:
E. Mobile/Manufactured Home Number of Bedrooms:
F. Addition to Existing Structure Number of Bedrooms:
G. Garage/Barn/Shed/Storage Container (Please specify)
H. Driveway Permit
I. Interior Plumbing Permit
J. Subsurface Water Disposal System Application
K. Occupancy Permit
L. Demolition Permit (NO FEE)
M. Other (Please specify)
General Description of Project:
Estimated Cost of Project:

Describe general location of property/ house # and street address of proposed structure:
Will this construction involve a new entrance onto a public way. YES NO
Is this property located in the Shoreland Zone YES NO
Is the property located in a Flood Zone or Flood Plain YES NO
Is this property currently in Tree Growth YES NO
If yes, have you removed it from Tree Growth YES NO
Town Map/Lot Number:
Name on Deed:
Date on Deed:
Recorded Book/ Page Number:
Signing this application authorizes any and all inspections necessary to insure compliance with State regulations and Town ordinances. Any false information may invalidate a building permit and stop all work.
Signature of Applicant:
Signature of Landowner if Different than Applicant:

SITE PLAN---(Must be Completed)

Please sketch a site plan and include the following: property lines, names of abutting owners, distance of proposed structure from: Wells, Septic Systems, Property Lines, Roads, Other Structures, Any Waterways (Brooks/Streams, etc.), Any other Pertinent information. Include the distance from your well to your septic and the distance from your septic to the abutting landowners well.

ALL STRUCTURES MUST BE A MINIMUM OF 15 FEET FROM YOUR PROPERTY LINE.

Proposed Town of Andover LAND USE ORDINANCE

Article I. Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote safety, health, and public welfare through establishing, minimum standards of the construction, relocation, placement, replacement, and demolition of structures.

Article II. Authority

The Code Enforcement Officer (CEO), as conditioned in Article VI of this Ordinance, shall enforce this Ordinance. State law allows towns to have home rule authority as per Article VI and of the Maine Constitution and Home Rule Statute, Title 30-A M.R.S.A, Section 3001.

Article III. Administration

- (a) Application for Permits: The application for a building or demolition permit shall be in writing and shall be submitted to the Planning Board on forms provided by the Town of Andoverand shall contain a description of the proposed new dwelling, structure, or other construction, or the relocation, replacement, placement, conversion, or demolition of existing dwellings, and structures The owner or owners authorized agent shall obtain from the Town of Andover an application for a Building Permit covering such proposed work. Demolition permits are only required if a dwelling or structure is to be removed from taxation.
- (b) Term of the Permit: Work approved by permit is to commence within 1- year from the date the permit is issued and where work is under 10% complete or has not commenced prior to the expiration of the 1- year period a new permit must be obtained. Demolitions must be completed within a six-month period from date of issue and include the removal of all debris. Any material or debris from a dwelling, building, or structure to be demolished will not be disposed of at the Andover Transfer Station. Property owner or owners authorized agent shall bear the cost and be responsible for lawful disposal of any material and debris.

Article IV. Applicability

The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to new construction, additions, replacement, placement, conversions and demolition of dwellings or structures.

Article V. Permit Requirements

- (a) Any person, firm, corporation, or other entity, before erecting, placing or demolition of a dwelling, structure or other construction shall obtain a Building Permit from the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) or Planning Board.
- (b) Any request shall include the following:
 - 1. An accurate measurement of the lot
 - All required plumbing permits and subsurface wastewater permits shall be provided with the Building Permit Application.

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- 3. Documentation of any requirements of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Andover shall be provided with the Building Permit Application
- 4. Any dwelling or structure that is used for human habitation shall require a waste disposal plan approved by the Towns Licensed Plumbing Inspector (LPI). The waste disposal plan shall state how the disposal of human excreta, and greywater is to be removed or disposed of in a legal and sanitary manner.
- 5. A plan or sketch showing Tax Map and Lot number, dimensions showing lot boundaries, all existing and proposed entrances from abutting roads, all existing and proposed buildings, the location of all existing and proposed wells, and septic systems on lot and abutting lots, and setback requirements from roads and abutting lots.
- 6. Location of any rivers, streams, brooks and wetlands with distance measurements from new proposed construction.
- 7. All required permits from the Road Commissioner or Department of Transportation.

Article VI. Enforcement

If the CEO finds a violation of this ordinance, they shall notify the person responsible for such violation, as well as the owner of the lot where the violations are occurring by certified mail, or by other practical means. The notice shall indicate the nature of the violation; order the responsible party and/or owner to take the appropriate action to correct it, including discontinueing the illegal use of land and structures or any work being done, and removing any illegal structures; and shall notify the parties of their appellate rights. A copy of such notice shall be maintained as permanent record. If position of the CEO is vacant for any reason the Select Board shall act in lieu of the CEO

(a) Penalties: Violations of this Ordinance are subject to a minimum penalty of \$100 and a maximum penalty of \$2,500, and each day that the violation continues may be considered as a separate violation. The Select Board may seek to enjoin anyone from making use of or occupying any dwelling or other structure constructed contrary to this Ordinance.

The Select Board is authorized to institute actions, either legal or equitable, including seeking injunctions of violations and the imposition of fines, to enforce this Ordinance. The Select Board, or their authorized agent, are authorized to enter into administrative consent agreements for the purpose of eliminating violations of the Ordinance and recovering fines without court action.

Article VII. Appeals and Variances

Any aggrieved person or party may appeal any permit decision or enforcement action made under this Ordinance to the Board of Appeals. An appeal must be filed within 30 days after the decision by Planning Board or CEO, setting forth specifically the grounds for the appeal.

The Board of Appeals shall also have the power to grant variances from the requirements of this ordinances operating under Maine state Statute, Title 30-A Section 2691.

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Following the filing of an appeal, the Board of Appeals shall hold a hearing within 60 days, unless the parties agree in writing to a different time-frame. The Board shall notify the CEO, the Select Board, and the Planning Board, at least 20 days in advance, of the time and place of the hearing and shall publish public notice of the hearing at least 10 days in advance. The Board of Appeals shall decide within 60 days after the hearing and notify the appellant(s) in writing. Board of Appeal decisions are final other than a Superior Court ruling.

Article VIII. Definitions

- (a) Dwelling: is defined as a structure, all or part of which is designed or used for human habitation and has sanitary facilities in compliance with the Maine Uniform Plumbing Code and Wastewater Disposal Rules. Dwellings may include, but are not limited to, conventional 'stickbullt' homes, modular homes, manufactured homes, log homes, berm homes, travel trailers and membrane homes (i.e., yurts, tents, or teepees).
- (b) Aggrieved Party: is defined as an owner of land whose property is directly or indirectly affected by the granting or denial of a permit or variance under this Ordinance; a person whose land abuts land for which a permit or variance has been granted.
- (c) Other Construction: includes any expansion of a Dwelling that creates habitable surface area, or construction or expansion of any other structure (such as but not limited to barns, storage sheds, garages, decks) not attached to an existing Dwelling.
- (d) Structure: anything built for the support, shelter, or enclosure of persons, animals, goods, or property of any kind.
- (e) River, Stream, or Brook: "River, stream or brook" means a channel between defined banks. A channel is created by the action of surface water and has 2 or more of the following characteristics.
 - I. It is depicted as a solid or broken blue line on the most recent edition of the U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute series topographic map or, if that is not available, a 15-minute series topographic map.
 - 2. It contains or is known to contain flowing water continuously for a period of at least 6 months of the year in most years.
 - 3. The channel bed is primarily composed of mineral material such as sand and gravel, parent material or bedrock that has been deposited or scoured by water.
 - 4. The channel contains aquatic animals such as fish, aquatic insects, or mollusks in the water or, if no surface water is present, within the stream bed.

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- 5. The channel contains aquatic vegetation and is essentially devoid of upland vegetation. "River, stream or brook" does not mean a ditch or other drainage way constructed, or construed and maintained, solely for the purpose of draining storm water.
- (g) **Wetland:** is defined as swamps, marshes, bogs, or similar areas that have soils that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and for a duration sufficient to support, and which under normal circumstances, do support, a prevalence of plants that grow in or on water.

Article IX. Validity and Severability

Should any section or provision of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, such decision shall not invalidate any other section or provision of this ordinance.

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New Customer and Service Guidelines

Please contact the office to request the New Customer Application Our office is open mid-week and by appointment, call or email

Customers of the Andover Water District (AWD) requesting Utility services will need to contact the district office for a Customer Application and to learn about the quarterly billing cycles and various convenient payment options available.

Those that are requesting a supply line or upgrades for AWD services should contact the office for an application and to arrange to meet with a AWD operator. The operator will review the type of supply (residential, business, new or existing) and required materials. A Utility representative must be notified and present during any construction or tie-ins/adaptions that involve the district supply line.

The customer will schedule the work with a Utility-approved contractor, and must inform the Utility in advance as to when the installation will take place. Only Utility approved materials may be used, and the work must be completed to the mast be as the

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