

# Land-Use Amendment No. 1

## Driveways

2014

### Article V – Area Regulations

5.00 **DRIVEWAYS:** Under the authority conferred upon it by RSA 236:13 (V) the Randolph Planning Board adopts the following requirements:

(a) Driveways shall not exceed 750 feet in length.

(b) There shall not be more than two driveways on any one lot.

(c) The location of the connection between a driveway and a public street or road shall be selected in order to provide the greatest degree of safety to the traveling public and in order to provide an all season safe sight distance of 200 feet in either direction to a driver entering a public street or road from a point ten feet outside the shoulder of such public street or road, and if that sight distance cannot be obtained the location selected shall be that which the Planning Board, or the Board of Selectmen in the exercise of its delegated authority under Article XI, determine to be the safest.

(d) All driveways should connect to a public street or road at, or as close as possible to, a 90 degree angle with the center line of the street or road.

(e) All driveways that connect to a public street or road in locations that have or require a side drainage ditch, shall have a culvert of a size, length and gauge specified by the Town Road Agent. Inlet and Outlet ditches shall be required as needed for good drainage.

(f) No portion of a driveway shall exceed 12% in slope.

(g) At a distance of six feet from the shoulder of the public street or road to which it abuts, a driveway shall be a minimum of six inches lower than the shoulder grade and, at a distance of 20 feet from the shoulder, no more than 18 inches higher than the shoulder grade.

(h) Driveways that abut a paved public street or road shall be constructed with paved aprons which are as wide as the driveway and at least 5 feet in depth (and deeper, if considered necessary by the Selectmen) as measured perpendicularly from the edge of the street or road pavement. The paved apron shall be constructed in such a way as to protect the edge of the street or road pavement from deterioration.

(i) The owners of property to which a driveway is appurtenant shall have continuing responsibility for preserving the all season safe sight distance from the junction of a

driveway with a public street or road and for keeping hedges, fences, stone walls or other installations within, or at the boundary of, the public right of way from obstructing the view of a driver entering the public street or road. The Planning Board, or the Selectmen in exercise of its delegated authority under Article XI, may issue orders to property owners to enforce this requirement.

Delete: Subsection 5.07 SLOPE

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#### Article XI - Administration

Section 11.03 **DRIVEWAY PERMITS.** Pursuant to the authority conferred upon it by RSA 236:13 (V) the Planning Board hereby delegates the responsibility for enforcing the driveway regulations contained in this Ordinance to the Randolph Board of Selectmen.

A driveway permit shall be obtained from the Selectmen before construction or substantial alteration of any driveway or private street is begun, unless the street or road to which the driveway connects is a state highway, in which case submission of a written permit issued by the state commissioner of transportation under RSA Chapter 236 shall constitute full compliance with the requirement of this section.

B. Driveway permits shall be subject to the relevant provisions of Article V (Area Regulations) and to other applicable state and local requirements.

C. An application for a driveway permit shall:

(1) describe the location of the driveway or private road, its proposed connection to a street and measures to be taken to protect the safety of the traveling public.

(2) describe any drainage structures needed to protect streets or abutting properties.

(3) establish grades that adequately protect and promote the drainage and winter snow plowing of the street and that permit a safe and controlled approach to the street in all seasons of the year; and

(4) include any other terms and specifications which the Selectmen may consider necessary for the safety of the traveling public.

D. The Selectmen may require the town road agent to review the application for a driveway permit and to inspect the site and make recommendations. They may also require the town road agent to inspect the site during construction.

E. The Selectmen may issue such orders as may be needed to enforce the driveway regulations provided for in this Ordinance.