

Draft Planning Board Volunteer Job Description

Joining the Planning Board is a great way to serve your community. The Planning Board reviews development applications to ensure the plans meet the guidance of North Yarmouth's Land Use Ordinance and also reviews and recommends updates to the ordinance as necessary. A volunteer needs to be willing to participate in open discussions, be comfortable speaking in public, and possess an aptitude for reading and learning technical and legal documents. He/she should be a respectful listener able to set aside personal preference to base decisions on the Land Use Ordinance. The volunteer must also be responsive to email communications and can expect to devote 4 – 8 hours per week toward this position. Some applications may require as much as 20 hours per week and additional on-site visits. The Planning Board typically meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. Prior development, technical or legal experience can be helpful, but is not required.