
ARTICLE 12 - Miscellaneous Change to Fence Height Regulations

Submitted by: *Planning Board*

To see if the Town will vote to:

(1) Amend “VI. DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REGULATIONS, B. Footnotes to Table of Dimensional and Density Regulation, Footnote 17” as follows: (~~strike through~~ = language to be deleted; ***bold italics*** = new language)

"17. The following shall be exempt from the provisions of this Section: mailboxes, yard light-posts, flagpoles and landscaping features. Fences or walls are also exempt from the setbacks established in this Section, subject to the following requirements:

... c. ~~A building permit shall be obtained for all f~~Fences over ~~six (6)~~ ***seven (7)*** feet in height ***shall only be allowed upon the issuance of a building permit and a special permit from the Board of Appeals, the latter only upon a finding that the proposed fence height is appropriate and necessary for the nature of the property’s use, and is not creating a public nuisance as described in Section 21 of Chapter 49 of the Massachusetts General Laws.***"; or to take any other action relative thereto.

Quantum of Vote: 2/3rd Majority
Select Board Recommend: 5-0
Finance Committee Recommend: 8-1
School Committee Recommend: NR
Planning Board: 5-0

MOTION: I move that the Protective Zoning Bylaw of the Town of Ipswich be amended as set forth in Article 12 of the Warrant for this Special Town Meeting.

ACTION: Yes: 186 No: 16. Article 12 carries by the necessary 2/3rd vote.