

ORDINANCE PROPOSALS FOR AMENDMENT
FOR HEARING FEBRUARY 23, 2017 7 PM
Town Council Chambers, Town Hall
40 Commons, Little Compton, RI

At the public hearing opportunity shall be given to all persons interested to be heard upon the matter of the proposed amendments. The proposals may be altered or amended prior to the close of the public hearing without further advertising, as a result of further study or because of the views expressed at the public hearing. Any such alteration or amendment must be presented for comment in the course of said hearing.

Chapter 2 – Administration

2-1 Town Council.

2-1.2 Officers.

- a. The officers of the Council shall be a President and a Vice-President.
- b. The President:

6. Shall serve as the Local Emergency Management Agency Director, unless another is appointed by vote of the Council.

2-1.3 Exercise of Powers.

f. The Town Council President shall have the power in a declared emergency to procure the use of any municipally owned building without the need of a Memorandum of Understanding.

Deleted: , serving as Emergency Management Agency Director,

Additionally, to add section 2-2.5 as follows:

2-2.5 Town Tax Assessor.

Editor's Note: A Charter Amendment approved at the election of November 8, 2016 allowed the Town Council to replace the Board of Tax Assessors with a single Tax Assessor. See Charter Section 605.

- a. Appointment. In conformance with Section 605 of the Town Charter, the Town Council may appoint a Town Tax Assessor in lieu of a Board of Tax Assessors. Qualifications are to be as defined in the Charter.
- b. Responsibilities. The following responsibilities are included in the duties of the Town Tax Assessor:
 1. Establishing assessed valuation for the purposes of taxation on all taxable real estate, tangible property, and motor vehicles.
 2. Preparing a tax roll for the Town.
 3. Conducting periodic revaluation of the Town.
 4. Performing all duties defined for tax assessors in State Law.
- c. Relationship to Town Government.
 1. The Tax Assessor works for the Town Council. The Tax Assessor reports on a regular basis to the Town Administrator, and takes direction from the Town Administrator as defined in the Tax Assessor's contract.
 2. The Tax Assessor shall supervise and coordinate the administrative activities of the Tax Assessor's Clerk.

d. Terms of Employment.

1. The Tax Assessor shall be given a contract of no less than three (3) years nor more than five (5) years, which shall be renewable. Such contract will allow for dismissal of the Tax Assessor for cause, after notification and public hearing, if requested.

2. The position of Tax Assessor is a [full-time/part-time] position with [health care and pension] benefits.

Chapter 14 – Zoning

TABLE 1-B - TABLE OF ACCESSORY USE REGULATIONS

Use #	Accessory Uses	Residential (R)	Business (B)
1	Structures and/or activities normally accessory to and required for the operation of a permitted use. Such an accessory use or structure shall be located on the site of the principal use and may include such items as parking facilities, agricultural buildings, sheds, garages and similar uses or structures.	Y	Y
2	Structures and/or activities normally accessory to and required for the operation of any special use permit listed above, provided that such facility or use shall be located on the site of the principal use.	S	S
3	Living quarters accessory to business use for the sole occupancy of the proprietor, owner or a representative of either of the principal business uses and having a site area of no less than one (1) acre.	N	S
4	The renting of no more than two (2) bedrooms in an existing residential structure.	S	Y

Chapter 14 – Zoning

Addition of the definition of “tent” to Chapter 14-10 – definitions:

101. A tent is any temporary enclosure of canvas, strong cloth or synthetic materials stretched and sustained by poles, designed and used for temporary human occupancy that can easily be assembled and disassembled and easily removed from the premises.

Chapter 18 – Plat Plans

Proposed wording:

18-1 Deeds Filed for Recording.

All deeds filed for recording in the Land Evidence Records of the Town shall refer to the current assessor's plat and lot number.

If a change, approved by the Planning board/Plan Commission is made in the size and/or shape of a lot of record, a new deed shall be prepared reflecting the change and accompany the plat plan to be recorded, after the plan is reviewed and signed by the Chairman of the Planning Board, the new plan and deed, will be recorded in the Town Land Evidence Records with the Office of the Town Clerk.