# **CHAPTER 55**

# PLANNING BOARD

[**HISTORY:** Adopted by the Annual Town Meeting of the Town of Hillsborough as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

### **GENERAL REFERENCES**

Regional Planning Commission — See Ch. <u>63</u>. Historic District — See Chs. <u>38</u> and <u>147</u>. Site plan review — See Ch. <u>185</u>. Subdivision of land — See Ch. <u>201</u>. Zoning — See Ch. <u>229</u>.

## **ARTICLE I**

Establishment [Adopted by ATM 3-11-1958 as Art. 23]

Note: For more current provisions see Article II and IIA below.

#### § 55-1 Duties.

The town voted to establish a Planning Board of five members, with duties as provided in RSA 36:1 through 36:15, to make a study of the town's development and report to the town appropriate recommendations for the promotion and maintenance of the town's best development.

#### § 55-2 Membership.

The Board shall consist of one Selectman and four other citizens appointed by the Selectmen as provided in RSA 36.

## **ARTICLE II**

Membership [Adopted at ATM 3-10-1959 as Art. 18]

#### § 55-3 Increase in membership.

The town voted to increase the membership of the Hillsborough Planning Board from five to seven members in accordance with RSA 36:4. Article III Elected Membership

## **ARTICLE IIA**

Elected Membership [Adopted at ATM 3-8-1994 as Art. 3]

### § 55-3.1 Filling of positions.

The town voted to elect the Planning Board, with all six elected positions to be filled on a staggered basis at subsequent regular town elections pursuant to RSA 669:17 as the term of an appointed member expires, until each member is an elected member, as provided in RSA 673:2II(b)(2).

## **ARTICLE III**

Powers and Duties [Adopted by the ATM 3-8-1966 as Art. 22]

*Note: The New Hampshire planning and zoning statutes were recodified in 1983. See RSA 674:35 through 674:42.* 

## § 55-4 Approval of plats; town vote required.

The town voted to authorize and empower the Planning Board of the Town of Hillsborough to prove or disapprove, in its discretion, plats showing streets, or the widening thereof, or parks, and, upon adoption of this article, it shall be the duty of the Town Clerk to file with the Registry of Deeds for the County of Hillsborough a certificate or note showing that said Planning Board has been so authorized, giving the date of authorization, as provided in RSA 36:19 through 36:29, inclusive, and RSA 36:32, but provided that no regulations shall be adopted by the Planning Board without vote of the town.

## **ARTICLE IV**

Site Plan Review [Amended by the ATM 3-11-1997 by Art. 17]

Note: See Ch. <u>185</u>, Site Plan Review The inclusion of reviewing of change or expansion of use was authorized by the Town Meeting 3-11-1997 by Art. 17.

## § 55-5 Authority granted

Under authority granted by RSA 674:43 and the Site Plan Review Regulations of the Town of Hillsborough, the Planning Board shall review site plans for the development of multifamily and

nonresidential usage under the requirements contained in the Site Plan Review Regulations and shall review change or expansion of use as authorized by the amendment to RSA 674:43, which took effect on July 17, 1987.

Editor's Note: The inclusion of reviewing of change or expansion of use was authorized by the Town Meeting 3-11-1997 by Art. 17.