

REPORT FROM THE BUILDING INSPECTOR'S OFFICE

2015 produced 16 new homes in Barnstead (not including replacement or mobile homes), which doubled from 8 in 2014. This is the second consecutive year we have seen a 100% year over increase in new home permits. 16 of the 34 allotted new home permits in 2015 were issued. The remaining 18 permits will go unused and will not roll over into the 2016 new home permit allotment.

The total target dwelling units (TDU) as of 12/1/15 was 2372. As per section 12-7 2015 Town of Barnstead Zoning Ordinance:

$$\text{TDU } 2372 \times 1.5 = 3558$$

This will allow for 36 new Home permits for the calendar year 2016.

This year a total of 428 permits were issued including Certificates of Occupancy and Certificates of Completion.

The total revenue collected by this office was \$37,047.26.

The following is a re-cap of most of the issued permits:

New Homes	16
Replacement Homes (Replacing an existing home)	4
Mobile home:	1
Accessory Structures, Barns/Garages/Sheds Additions	9 9
Commercial Buildings:	
Additions/structures/barn	1
Decks	9
Demolition	11
Driveways	12
Electrical	88
Mechanical	131
Plumbing	36
Porches, decks, renovations	44
Renewals	20
Certificate of completion:	17
Certificate of occupancy:	20

If you are planning to make any structural improvements, additions or electrical and plumbing changes to your home, a permit is required before any work commences. The Barnstead Building Inspector position is a part-time position so please call 603-269-2299 x 3 or the Building Inspector's cell at 603-235-6469 to schedule appointments. The Building Inspector is also available every Tuesday evening (unless otherwise noted) between 5:00 and 7:00 P.M. for walk-ins – no appointment necessary and by e-mail at buildinginsp@barnstead.org. Please keep in mind that Tuesday evenings can be very busy, and a reply might take a few days.

Please remember if you have a current active building permit you must call for periodic inspections as laid out in your inspection checklist which includes a final inspection. Upon every satisfactory final inspection, a certificate of completion or occupancy is issued, and this certificate will then prompt us to close your existing permit and its associated file(s). Those who do not call for a final inspection may receive a letter generated from the Building Department requesting a permit renewal at the end of the 12 month period the permit is active.

If you are installing a wood or pellet stove, water heaters, heating systems or propane tanks (either new or swap outs) and lines, a mechanical permit is also required. These inspections are done by the Barnstead Fire Department after the permit is issued through the Building Department.

Barnstead uses the International Building and Residential Codes 2009, International existing Building Code (IBC & IRC), Plumbing code, Life Safety 101, and the Fuel Gas code.

The 2014 NEC was adopted on January 1, 2015. This adoption date coincides with a new Ruling of the State Electrical Board (RSA 319-C:6-c) to require all licensed Electricians to acquire Continuing Education hours relating to the 2014 NEC before January 1, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,
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