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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF FREETOWN
PLANNING BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A Section 5, The Zoning Act, you are hereby being notified of a public hearing to see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Freetown Protective By-Laws, Article 11, Zoning By-Law as per the attached notice:

The Town of Freetown Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on **Monday, October 26, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Freetown Senior Center, First Floor, 227 Chace Rd, Freetown, MA to consider proposed amendments to Article 11, Section 11.19 Accessory Apartment By-law of its Protective By-laws by striking in subsection B the following text: "Five years from date of issue a public hearing will be held to ensure use is the same." and inserting in place thereof the following text: "Permits issued hereunder shall renew automatically in five years with the written approval of the Building Inspector. It shall be the obligation of the property owner to request such approval of the Building Inspector. No later than ninety days before the date of renewal, the Building Inspector shall deny the renewal if he should deem the use is no longer compliant with this Bylaw and/or the terms of the original special permit. If renewed, a public hearing will be held ten years from the original date of issue to ensure use is still the same, at which time a new permit may be issued. New permits issued after a ten-year hearing are subject to the five-year and ten-year renewal requirements that the original permit was subjected to in perpetuity.". Also proposed, striking in subsection C the following text: "Five years from date of issue a public hearing will be held to ensure use is the same." and inserting in place thereof the following text: "Permits issued hereunder shall renew automatically in five years with the written approval of the Building Inspector. It shall be the obligation of the property owner to request such approval of the Building Inspector. No later than ninety days before the date of renewal, the Building Inspector shall deny the renewal if he should deem the use is no longer compliant with this Bylaw and/or the terms of the original special permit. If renewed, a public hearing will be held ten years from the original date of issue to ensure use is still the same, at which time a new permit may be issued. New permits issued after a ten-year hearing are subject to the five-year and ten-year renewal requirements that the original permit was subjected to in perpetuity.".

and/or take any action relative thereto.

A copy of the proposed amendments may be reviewed at the office of the Town Clerk, Freetown Town Hall, 3 N Main St, Assonet, MA, during normal business hours. All persons, parties or corporations interested therein may appear and be heard in relation thereto.

Town of Freetown Planning Board

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