

**CITY OF BELFAST PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE # 2 OF PUBLIC HEARINGS &
NOTICE # 2 OF PROCEDURAL ORDERS
NORDIC AQUAFARMS, INC. PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

The City of Belfast Planning Board, at its meeting of Monday, August 5, 2019, beginning at 6:00 pm, at the City Boathouse at Steamboat Landing that is located at 34 Commercial Street, shall conduct a public review and several public hearings on permit applications submitted by Nordic Aquafarms, Inc. to develop a land based salmon aquaculture facility on a 56 acre site located on the northwesterly side of Route One near the lower reservoir of the Little River.

The Planning Board meeting and the scheduled public hearings will be limited to the following concerns associated with the Board's review of the permit applications.

- 1) The Planning Board will determine which Board members will serve on the review of the Nordic Aquafarms permit applications and if any Board member has a conflict of interest that may prevent them from serving on the review.
- 2) The Planning Board will determine who qualifies as a 'Party in Interest' for this application. All persons who seek status as a 'Party in Interest' must submit a written statement to the Planning Board no later than 2:00 pm on July 30, 2019 in accordance with procedures established by the Board; reference City website, cityofbelfast.org, planning and codes link, Nordic Permit Applications, for instructions on how to apply as a 'Party in Interest'.
- 3) The Planning Board will determine if Nordic Aquafarms has established sufficient Right, Title and Interest in all properties to allow the Board to consider their permit applications. All persons who choose to submit comment on this issue must do so in writing to the Board no later than 2:00 pm on July 30, 2019. The Board will not be accepting any oral comment at the August 5 meeting on this issue. Reference the City website, cityofbelfast.org, planning and codes link, Nordic Permit Applications, to review information on Right, Title and Interest and how you can submit written comment that will be considered by the Board.
- 4) Financial capacity of Nordic Aquafarms to develop the proposed project. The Board will be accepting oral comment at a scheduled August 5 public hearing and written comment.
- 5) Technical ability of Nordic Aquafarms to develop the proposed project. The Board will be accepting oral comment at a scheduled August 5 public hearing and written comment.

The Board will not be considering or accepting any public comment on any other issues associated with the Nordic Aquafarms Permit applications at the August 5 meeting, and only will be accepting oral comment at the public hearings scheduled for issues 4 and 5 identified above. The Board notes that it will be conducting future public hearings on other Permit requirements.

The Belfast Planning Board is responsible for reviewing and making a decision on the following permit applications identified in the City Code of Ordinances:

- Chapter 82, Shoreland Permit;
- Chapter 90, Site Plan Permit; and
- Chapter 102, Zoning Use Permit, Significant Groundwater Well Permit & Significant Water Intake/Significant Water Discharge Pipes Permit (location of pipes).

The properties associated with this permit application include:

- Map 29, Lot 39 (part of), located at 285 Northport Avenue that is owned by the Belfast Water District:
- Map 4, Lot 104, located off of Northport Avenue that is owned by Sam Cassida:
- Map 4, Lot 12A, (part of) located at 22 Perkins Road that is owned by Goldenrod Properties, LLC (Mathews Brothers); and
- Map 29, Lot 36 (part of), located at 282 Northport Ave, that is owned by Richard Eckrote.

Persons who want to offer written comment to the Planning Board on the Permit applications can do so by writing to: City of Belfast, Code & Planning Department, 131 Church St, Belfast, ME, 04915, or via email to: public@cityofbelfast.org. Questions regarding the permit applications and the Planning Board meetings should be directed to Wayne Marshall, Director, Code and Planning at 338-1417 x 125, or via email at public@cityofbelfast.org.

The Department has posted an electronic version of the Nordic Aquafarm permit applications on the City website, cityofbelfast.org, reference Planning and Codes, Related Links, Nordic Permit Applications. The Department also has two complete copies of the application in its offices that are available for public inspection in City Hall during normal business hours. The Department, however, does not have any printed application materials that persons can borrow or remove from City Hall.