
Barn Plumbing Inspection

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Jared and I just wanted to share/document some updates on our barn/ 3rd party inspection process:

Our new building permit was issued and signed by the Town of Barnstead on September 6th, 2024. A current copy of the septic plan was attached and assumably reviewed at the time the permit was issued.

Monday October 21st, Peter Rowell (inspector), visited our farm. He stated in his meeting that he had visited town hall and spoke with Fab Cusson. Peter Rowell was unaware that we had a new permit issued. He stated he could not inspect the plumbing since "the plumbing permit was partially denied due to a lack of a plan for the plumbing in the building" He claimed that the town needed additional information for the plan or layout. He also stated that the town should have had this information prior to his visit.

We were unaware that the town required additional information.

He was not able to do the inspection without a kitchen layout for the "commercial kitchen". We are not currently building or requesting a "commercial kitchen" but got guidance from the designer on a system that could support this for future potential use.

He also brought up issues with one of our cabins, greenhouse and rabbit barn. Apparently Jared did not pull permits for those. He is submitting applications for those now but surely our plumbing inspection for the barn is not going to be refused or held back due to those?

His recommendation to us was to resubmit a floor plan showing what the intended use was for the space. A new floor plan layout was emailed to you on October 21, 2024.

Our concerns:

1) We and our plumber are unaware of any "plumbing permit denials" at town hall

2) If there are questions about our plan or plumbing permit, why have we not been approached by town hall?

3) Town Hall has issues with building permits for other structures, so why are these issues being brought up by our 3rd party plumbing inspector and now?

4) Who is responsible for paying for the inspection? We would not have requested the inspection if we knew the plumbing would not be inspected at the time of the visit and his inability to inspect was due to the town, not us.

5) BIG CONCERN: Our plumbing is completely exposed and, in the event of rain, it can begin to float and will have to be reinstalled. This would be extremely problematic and costly. We can not pour our concrete until the plumbing is backfilled and time is of the essence since the frost is coming. How soon can we get this plumbing inspection/town hall issues completed and resolved?

The inspector did take photos so if that is sufficient enough so we can backfill the plumbing, please advise as soon as possible.

Please communicate directly with us versus our attorney to help prevent unnecessary attorney cost.

Thank you for your time,

Erin and Jared



Erin Stone, Owner

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