

TOWN OF SCOTLAND POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Leasing of Town Owned Properties

I. Agricultural Land

The policy goals of the Town's current Plan of Conservation and Development is to encourage sustainable agricultural land use. In instances where an individual requests to lease Town owned property for agricultural use, this request shall be referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statue Section 8-24, and all other necessary and relevant commissions and departments for review. The requesting party must submit and demonstrate the following criteria:

1. Benefit(s) to the town.
2. A business plan that states goals and objectives and a strategy for obtaining such goals and objectives.
3. Proof of available resources and finances necessary to achieve the business plan requirements.
4. Proof of required insurance as suggested by the Town's insurance carrier.
5. Demonstrate compliance with the USDA Soil and Water Conservation agriculture policy and procedures.

The Planning and Zoning Commission and all other relevant and necessary Commissions and Departments will review such plan and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen for approval or show reasons for non-approval. The Board of Selectmen will review the aforementioned criteria, the findings of relevant Commissions and Departments, and if the Board of Selectmen votes to approve then a Town Meeting shall be scheduled for voter approval.

II. Non-Agricultural Property

Where an individual or entity submits a request to the Board of Selectman for lease of non-agricultural land or buildings, the request will be referred to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review pursuant to Connecticut General Statue Section 8-24, and determination if the request meets the Town of Scotland's current Plan of Conservation

and Development, and all other necessary and relevant commissions and departments for review. The requester must submit and demonstrate the following:

1. Benefit(s) to the town.
2. A business plan that states goals and objectives and a strategy for obtaining such goals and objectives.
3. Proof of available resources and finances necessary to achieve the business plan requirements.
4. Proof of required insurance as suggested by the Town's insurance carrier.

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