



2015

# Municipal Law Lecture Series



A series of three land use lectures held in five locations throughout the state for members of the New Hampshire Municipal Association.

**September 16, 23, 30**

Antioch University, Keene  
Derry Municipal Center

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**October 14, 21, 28**

Newmarket Town Hall  
NH Municipal Association, Concord &

\*North Country Education Services, Gorham

\**Videoconference location*

**7-9 p.m.**

**Cost: \$35 per lecture or**

**\$90 for all three\***

*\*Payment must be received in advance of the  
Law Lecture Series.*

## **Lecture One—Grandfathering: The law of Non-Conforming Uses & Vested Rights**

This program will be a summary of the protections the courts have given to pre-existing uses and other “vested” rights, including such issues as the time of vesting, the right to change or expand nonconforming uses, what constitutes a “grandfathered” subdivision, the “merger” of lots, and the lack of protection for nuisance uses. The lecture is intended for anyone involved in any aspect of land use regulation.

*Bernie Waugh, Esquire, Gardner Fulton & Waugh PLLC  
Adele Fulton, Esquire, Gardner Fulton & Waugh PLLC*

## **Lecture Two—Local Regulation of Agriculture**

Just how far does the “right to farm” go? Join Attorney Amy Manzelli of BCM Environmental & Land Law and Attorney Margaret Byrnes of NHMA for a detailed look at local regulation of agriculture through real life scenarios and case studies, including an in-depth look at the recent NH Supreme Court case about weddings on farms, *Forster v. Town of Henniker*. Perfect for land use board members, selectpersons, and code enforcement officers.

*Amy Manzelli, Esquire, BCM Environmental & Land Law PLLC  
Margaret M. L. Byrnes, Esquire, Staff Attorney, NH Municipal Association*

## **Lecture Three—Implementing & Enforcing the State Building Code & the State Fire Code**

Attorney Stephen Buckley of NHMA will cover who enforces each code; the role of the fire chief vs. building inspector; how appeals are handled; the roles of the State Fire Marshal’s Office and the State Building Code Review Board; responsibility for code compliance; and municipal liability in the permit/inspection/enforcement process. Building Officials Audrey Cline and Carrie Rouleau-Cote will cover the history of building codes and the origin of the ICC codes that have been adopted by New Hampshire. This presentation will also address building department basics: how to organize a building department and hire a building inspector; credentials and training; applications, forms, and permits; and scheduling and conducting inspections and enforcement.

*Audrey Cline, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Stratham*

*Carrie Rouleau-Cote, Building Inspector, Town of Auburn  
Stephen C. Buckley, Esquire, Legal Services Counsel, NH Municipal Association*

For details and registration information, visit  
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