

Report of the Building Inspector

Once again, I would like to thank the residents, contractors and those I work with for having me as your Building Official. It continues being an honor and a pleasure to work here.

Having been through several recessions in my lifetime, there are certain indicators that I look for as signs we are coming out of the gloom. Typically, I see us investing in our own homes first (additions and renovations) and then the new vehicles and new homes. Here in town, the number of trade permits was way above last year. We also had more new homes and duplexes built. As good as this makes me feel, my other job in Concord experienced one of (if not the) slowest years of the past six years which tends to cancel out the upbeat feeling that I had about the overall economy. Having said that, even if we only get half of the new homes and developments discussed (or in the works) we will be even busier here in the Town of Fremont for 2013. Although I believe this to be true – I will still hope and pray for better times everywhere.

We have all sorts of activity at Coopers Village and I hope a few businesses that we need will find their way there. There has been talk about repairing and painting the water tower, a topic that has come up many times since I started here and showed up several times in the town survey. With 2014 drawing nearer and the 250th Anniversary for the Town, something that I am looking forward to, it would be nice to have that project completed.

Last year I mentioned having worked for the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation for almost a decade, I get a lot of pleasure while driving around town for inspections when I have to stop for deer or turkey to cross the road. It does not take much to make my day.

Now for what you really want to know. The figures for 2012 are shown in the table below.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert N. Meade
Building Official/Code Enforcement

Key Permits for 2012

Type	Number	Type	Number
Garage	1	Pools	3
Decks/Porches	13	Additions	7
Sheds	7	Renovations	27
Single Family Home	10	Barn	1
Duplex	5		
Quadplex	2	Trade Permits	281
		Total Revenue	\$52,560.80