

SECRET BALLOT
STATE OF MAINE
MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE REFERENDUM
FOR THE TOWN OF NEWFIELD

Municipal Ordinance Referendum to be held June 14, 2022

_____, Town Clerk
Justine M. Perkins

Official Ballot of the Town of Newfield

Instructions: Mark a cross (X) or a check (✓) in the square at the left of the question. Vote yes or no.

- Yes 1. Amend the following sections of the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance adopted August 17, 1974, as follows:
- No

ARTICLE IX
Section 3. Buffers Areas.

A. No industrial or commercial buildings or uses shall be established in, or abut, a residential district or use, unless a landscaped buffer strip is provided to visually screen the uses. Any buildings or uses that are required to establish a buffer strip pursuant to this section shall not use razor wire to landscape the required buffer strip. Where no natural vegetation can be maintained or due to varying site conditions, the landscaping may consist of fences, walls, tree plantings, hedges, or any kind of potential use such as: loading and unloading operations, outdoor storage areas, vehicle parking, mineral extraction, waste collection and disposal areas. Where a potential safety hazard to small children would exist, physical screening / barriers shall be used to deter entry to such premises. The buffer areas shall be maintained, and vegetation be replaced to insure continuous year-round screening.

ARTICLE IX
Section 12. Setbacks and Screening

A. Exposed storage areas, exposed machinery, sand and gravel extraction operations and areas used for the storage or collection of discarded automobiles, auto parts, metals or any other articles of salvage or refuse, shall have sufficient setbacks and screening (such as a stockade fence or a dense evergreen hedge (6) six feet or more in height) to provide a visual buffer sufficient to minimize their impact on other land uses and properties in the area. Visual screens required by this section shall not use razor wire.

2. Add the following definition to the Land Use and Zoning Ordinance:

ARTICLE XII
Section 2. Definitions

RAZOR WIRE: Coiled wire fitted with pieces of sharp metal razor edges often positioned on top of walls and used as an obstacle or barrier to stop people from climbing over the walls.

(Note: Additions are underlined)