

**Designation of Goffstown Road as a Scenic Road
Ordinance 2012-1**

**SECTION 1
PURPOSE AND INTENT**

The purpose and intent of this ordinance is to designate the entire length of Goffstown Road as a Scenic Road. The effects of this designation can be found in NH RSA 231: 158. The Town Council is enacting this ordinance under the authority given to it by the Town Charter in section 3.11.

**SECTION 2
DESIGNATED LOCAL IMPLEMENTING BODY**

The Town Council hereby designated the Conservation Commission as the board responsible for the implementation of the provisions of this ordinance.

**SECTION 3
PUBLIC SAFETY AND OTHER EMERGENCIES**

Provisions of RSA 231:158 II outline procedures for emergencies:

1. The Director of the Department of Public Works or his designee may, without hearing, but only with the prior written permission of the council, remove trees declared a public nuisance when they pose an imminent threat to safety or property; and
2. A public utility may cut or remove a tree without a hearing or advance municipal permission when restoring service in an emergency situation but should inform the council of its actions and rationale afterward. Said notification shall be in writing within seven (7) days of the emergency; it should describe the nature of the emergency and the work performed to resolve it. If the scope of the emergency makes notification within seven (7) days impossible, the public utility may request a reasonable extension from the town administrator.

In each of these instances, a copy of correspondence with council shall be sent to the chair of the Conservation Commission.

**SECTION 4
PUBLIC INFORMATION**

The Town Clerk shall maintain and update annually the list of Scenic Roads in Town as required by RSA 231:157. A copy of said update shall be forwarded to the chair of the Conservation Commission.

Signs recognizing the Scenic Road status shall be posted at the beginning and end of the designated portion of the road.

**SECTION 5
ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES**

Enforcement and penalties shall be those allowed by NH RSA 158 related to Scenic Roads.

**SECTION 6
EFFECTIVE DATE**

This ordinance shall become effective upon passage.

ADOPTED: February 8, 2012