

The Wareham Planning Board is a land use board whose primary purpose is to provide for and guide the orderly growth and development of the Town of Wareham.

The WPB will oversee and administer the land use projects that fall under the jurisdiction of the WPB with 3 primary objectives:

- Ensuring the public safety, interest and welfare of the citizens of Wareham.
- Proper application of state and local laws, regulations and procedures regarding land use
- Safeguard the land use rights of Wareham property owners

Those state and local laws, regulations and procedures, which have been established by the voters of Wareham and their elected representatives include:

- The Wareham Bylaws
- The Wareham Zoning Bylaws
- The Zoning Act Law pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A
- The Wareham Rules and Regulations Governing Subdivision of Land.
- The Subdivision Control Law pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41

Other functions of the WPB include:

- The consideration and preparation of amendments to the Town's Zoning Bylaws for submission to a Town Meeting warrant.
- The development and maintenance of the Wareham Master Plan

The WPB is anxious to work with the citizens of Wareham as our town evolves. We encourage all citizens to familiarize themselves with our state and local laws, regulations and procedures to help us provide for and guide the orderly growth and development of the Town of Wareham.

Links:

- [Wareham By-Laws](#)
- [Wareham Zoning By-Laws](#)
- [Zoning Act - MGL Chapter 40A](#)
- [Wareham Rules and Regulations regarding Subdivision of Land](#)
- [Subdivision of Land - MGL Chapter 41 \(refer to sections 81K thru 81Y\)](#)