

Montville CEO/LPI

Code Enforcement Officer & Local Plumbing Inspector

Dear Montville Taxpayers,

There were 19 Intent to Build Applications files & 14 plumbing permits given out in 2023.

All new structures are required to be permitted that are larger than 100 sq ft. Applications are available at the Town Office. When in doubt about any aspect of your project do not hesitate to call me for the particulars of the Intent to Build Ordinance.

The important things to remember are: minimum lot 100 sq ft per principal structure, setback from the middle of the road (50 feet) and setback from property lines (20 feet) & road frontage (200 feet). There is a After the fact penalty if you start your project without your permits.

I have a lot of calls on outhouses – Subsurface Wastewater Disposal Plan is required from a soil evaluator. Under Maine law, outhouses are considered alternative toilets and must follow the same health and construction regulations as a modern indoor bathrooms. These regulations cover depth of the hole, setback from waterways and residential buildings, elevation and maintenance. All these factors must be evaluated by licensed professionals before you can start building your outhouse.

I also have a lot of questions on compost toilets - In homes or cabins in Maine without running water, it is fairly easy to get approval for an off-grid sewage system. You are allowed to have a “primitive system,” which, under the law, is defined as an alternative toilet (such as a pit privy or compost toilet) and a small area for dumping greywater. Again, a licensed professional can answer your questions.

As I said before, please call me questions or concerns my cell is 207-505-0743.

Respectfully submitted,
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