The Monson Building Department is responsible for administering 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code and to insure the public safety, health and welfare of the residents of Monson as they are affected by building construction, use and occupancy. The Department is also charged with enforcing the Monson Zoning Bylaws which in addition to promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town, seeks to protect the community and its natural resources, to conserve the value of land and buildings and encourage the most appropriate use of land.

Building Permits are required to construct, alter, repair, remove or demolish a structure; or to install or alter equipment for which installation is regulated by the Building Code. Contrary to the advertising employed by manufacturers of so called “temporary” structures a building permit or zoning permit is needed to check structural requirements and to insure compliance with zoning regulations including front, rear and side setbacks.

Temporary Tents and Membrane Structures may require permits, and if so needed, must comply with the specifications, and regulations as promulgated in 780CMR, 3103.1, IFC 2403.2

In-Ground and Above-ground Pools and Portable Pools, capable of holding twenty four (24) inches of water, require a permit and must meet the requirements of 3109, Appendix G of 780 CMR Massachusetts Building Code.

During the calendar year 2016 the Building Department issued 375 building permits, 228 electric permits, 54 gas permits and 76 plumbing permits.

We extend a sincere thank you to all the Town Departments, Boards, Commissions and Committees we have worked with during 2016 for their cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

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