

## PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor and Boar of Commissioners of the Town of Grifton will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 7:00 P.M. to consider an Ordinance to allow chickens in the Town limits subject to acquiring a permit and under conditions and requirements of the Ordinance. Attached is a copy of the proposed Ordinance under consideration.

Citizens wishing to be heard may do so at the above-mentioned time and place.

Mark R. Warren  
Interim Town Manager

**Grifton Chicken Ordinance DRAFT**

(A) Lot Size, Total Allowable, and Other Requirements:

<b>Lot Size</b>	<b>Maximum Chickens Allowed</b>	<b>Minimum Setback for Coops and Pens from Adjacent Residential Structure</b>
1 Acre or More	6	20'
.5 to .99 Acres	4	15'
.25 to .49 Acres	2	10'

(B) No male chickens (roosters) are allowed, only female chickens.

(1) There is no restriction on the breed.

(C) Chickens are not allowed to run at large in the corporate city limits.

(D) Permits from the Town of Grifton are required to keep chickens on personal property, and must be obtained from the Town of Grifton prior to the installation.

(1) Site plan for the coop or pen will be required by the Town of Grifton.

(E) There will be no commercial purposes or selling of eggs, chicks, or full-grown chickens as they are prohibited due to not being regulated by the state.

(F) Chickens must stay in a fenced-in area, they are not allowed to be free range on the property.

(G) Coops and pens must be made out of solid material with ventilation.

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(2) Pens can be made out of wood and include ventilation.

(H) Chickens are not permitted anywhere on the property except in the backyard.

(I) Outdoor slaughtering of chickens not regulated by state law or otherwise forbidden, or regulated shall be done only in a humane and sanitary way, out of the view of the public.

(J) Coops and pens must stay clean and sanitary at all times.

(K) Chickens must be identifiable with identification and registered with the Town of Grifton

(L) Any violation of this ordinance will result in a \$100.00 civil penalty.