



**TOWN OF SALEM, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
By the Salem Town Council**

**Resolution #2024-08  
Utility Ordinance Chapter 458**

**WHEREAS:** RSA 674:24 (VII), defines "Right-of-way" to include all present and proposed town, state and federal highways and the land on either side of same as covered by statutes to determine the widths of rights-of-way.

**WHEREAS:** The Board of Selectmen at their February 28, 2022, meeting, charged the Municipal Services Department with drafting new regulations governing the installation, relocation, and/or removal of utility poles within the Town's right-of-way.

**WHEREAS:** Utilities are extended a privilege to exist in the right of way in the best interest of the public which is subject to change particularly if the relocation becomes necessary for public health, safety, or convenience.

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Salem Planning Board adopted the Depot Intersection Redevelopment Plan on February 8, 2011, to establish a community vision and economic revitalization plan for the Depot Intersection and surrounding area, which provides the framework for coordinated land use changes and traffic improvements.

**WHEREAS:** These regulations have been developed in recognition and authority under NH State Law, RSA 231:159 through RSA 231:182, and Federal Law, 23 CFR 645, and inclusive to the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Utility Accommodation Manual.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SALEM TOWN COUNCIL THAT:**

The Salem Town Council hereby establishes Chapter 458 of the Municipal Code for local legislative authority over governance of utility poles, wires, and equipment, located within the Town.

SPONSORED BY CHAIR SWEENEY BY REQUEST

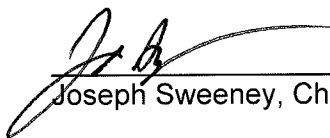
*First Reading:* May 20, 2024

*Second Reading:* January 27, 2025

*Approval:* January 27, 2025

VOTING RECORD			
Date of Vote:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Councilor Hatch			
Councilor Wright			
Councilor Pelletier			
Councilor Bryant			
Councilor Stramaglia			
Councilor Stacey			
Secretary Withrow			
Vice-Chair Bettencourt			
Chair Sweeney			
Total Votes:			
Resolution <u>Does</u> Does Not pass.			

Approved:



Joseph Sweeney, Chair Town Council

A True Copy Attest:



Susan Wall, Town Clerk