Town of Newington, NH E-Newsletter

November 2018



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Board of Selectmen

Timothy "Ted" Connors, Chair Michael Marconi Kenneth Latchaw

Town Clerk Hours in November:

Open:

Thurs., 11/8/18 2-6pm

Fri., 11/9/18 9-1pm

Mon. 11/19/18 9-1pm

Tues. 11/20/18 2-6pm

Closed:

Tues. 11/6/18 Election Day

Wed. 11/7/18 For Election

Wed. 11/21/18 for Thanksgiving

Thurs. 11/22/18 for Thanksgiving



In honor of Veteran's Day the Town offices will be closed on Monday, Nov. 12th They will also be closed for the Thanksgving holiday

on Thurs and Fri. Nov. 22nd & 23rd.



Upcoming Meetings:

11/5/2018	Board of Selectmen	3:30pm	Town Hall
11/5/2018	Cemetery Trustees	4:00pm	Library
11/6/2018	Police Commission	4pm	Police Station
11/7/2018	Board of Fire Engineers	12pm	Fire Station
11/8/2018	Conservtion Commission	6:30pm	Town Hall
11/19/2018	Planning Board	6:30pm	Town Hall

11/20/2018	Historic District Commission	10:00am	Town Hall
11/21/2018	Sewer Commission	9am	Waste Water Treatment Plant
11/26/2018	Planning Board	6:30pm	Town Hall
11/29/2018	Economic Development Committee	6pm	Town Hall

<u>Please note</u>: As always, these meetings are subject to change. Please see the town website and bulletin boards for up to the minute changes.



Election Day:

The State General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6th with voting from 8:00am-7:00pm at Town Hall. **Don't forget to vote!**

Economic Development Update:

In October the Economic Development Committee met with Seacoast real estate brokers to introduce them to available properties in town and explain the development approval process. The Committee and staff provided the brokers with highlights about Newington and the various economic incentives to have a business or industry in town. Newington is open for business!



Police Department

Hoping everyone had a safe and spooky Halloween!!! Great seeing the kids and teachers from Newington Public School all dressed up.

You may have seen some new faces at the police department. At the end of September, I accepted Officer Timothy Gordon's resignation. Officer Gordon accepted a full time position with the Department of Defense. With approval from the Police Commission, Officer Gordon will be helping the town out on a part-time basis.

This left us with vacant shift. Craig Szopa who was hired as the eleventh officer, was moved to fill Officer Gordon's vacant position. From the last hiring process, we were able to obtain James Myers as the eleventh officer the town approved in March.

Picking the right fit for the town and the police department is a tedious and time consuming process. Thorough background checks were completed and both officers were accepted and will be attending the next police academy in January. They are currently doing in house training and will be riding around with Field Training Officers until the academy. Good luck Craig and James.

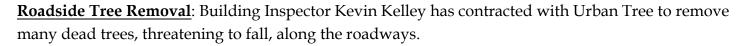
This month, I will be sending out a Community Survey covering quality of life issues and policing in Newington. Your input is very important to the department. The survey will be confidential and constructive criticism is welcome. A Business Survey will be sent out to the business and industrial complexes next year.

Beards for Bucks! Great job from all who supported us with this great fundraiser for the Child Advocacy Center of NH!! Out of 26 departments registered to participate, we are holding on tight in 5th place for the amount donated. I am not looking for a participation trophy for 5th place. However, five officers from the department accepted the challenge and we were against larger departments who had twenty plus officers taking part in the fundraiser. The final numbers should be out in a week, which will be posted on our Facebook page. THANK YOU NEWINGTON.

If there is anything we can do for you, just let us know.

Be Safe!!!!

Michael Bilodeau, Chief of Police



<u>Posting and Advertising Town positions</u>: The Selectmen have revised the Town procedure to require all town employee positions to be posted and advertised.

Noise Complaint Line:

The Pease Development Authority- Airport noise complaint line is working at 436-6333. Residents with concerns can also e-mail to noise@pease.org. Selectman Latchaw spoke at a recent PDA Board hearing about noise concerns with the Seacoast Helicopter operation. The company is proposing to relocate to the Newington (north side) of the airport and expand their operations. He has heard from residents about the Seacoast Helicopter noise and has asked that this announcement be sent to all in case there are others that are concerned.

Highway Projects Update

<u>Little Bay Road</u>: Reconstruction and paving of Little Bay Road from the Nimble Hill Road to the Pickering Farm has been completed.

<u>Little Bay Road Washout</u> (by Captain's Landing): A new swale is being constructed and a new box culvert will be installed during early November.

The **Police Dept. and Tennis court parking lots** have been reclaimed and paved.

<u>Plow Truck Replacement</u>: The 1997 International plow truck is being replaced using the Capital Reserve Fund monies.

<u>Federal Government Plow Truck donation</u>: The town has acquired an OshKosh plow truck (thanks to Fire Dept. Deputy, Darin Sabine) from the US government. The Highway Dept has used it to grade the dirt road section of Fox Point Road as well as plow snow. It has been outfitted with a new wing and sander this summer to make it even more effective in the winter season.

FRIDAY FAMILY RA HOUR

FOR CHILDREN PRE-K AND YOUNGER, CAREGIVERS AND PARENTS!

FRIDAYS AT 10:30 AM

JerriAnne Boggis

Out of the Shadows: African American History in NH Weds. Nov 7 at 6:30 pm





JerriAnne Boggis is the Director of the Portsmouth Black Heritage Trail and Black Heritage Trail of NH, a writer, educator, and community activist who works to correct the historical record on the racial complexity and richness of New Hampshire's diverse past.

Hours of Operation: Town Offices - Mon - Fri 9 - 4:30pm **Town Clerk/Tax Collector** Tues 2 - 6pm, Wed and Thurs 9 - 1pm,

Building Dept. - Mon - Thurs 8 - 4pm, **Planning Dept.** - Mon - Fri 9 - 4:30pm (Planner by appointment)

Langdon Library - Tues 3 - 8pm, Wed 12 - 7pm, Thurs 10 - 5pm, Fri 10 - 5pm, Sat 10 - 4pm,

Transfer Station Wed 5 - 7pm, Sat 9 - 3pm

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