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Board of Selectmen

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In honor of Veteran's Day the Town offices will be closed on Monday, Nov. 11th

Offices will also be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on:
Thurs. and Fri., Nov. 28th & 29th



Upcoming Meetings:

11/5/2019	Police Commission	4pm	Police Station
11/6/2019	Board of Fire Engineers	6pm	Fire Station
11/12/2019	Planning Board Site Walk	2pm	Lydia Lane & Fabyan Point
11/12/2019	Board of Selectmen	5pm	Town Hall
11/12/2019	Planning Board	6pm	Town Hall
11/14/2019	Conservation Commission	6:30pm	Town Hall
11/18/2019	Board of Selectmen	6:00pm	Town Hall
11/20/2019	Sewer Commission	9am	Waste Water Treatment Plant
11/21/2019	Library Trustees	1:30pm	Library
11/21/2019	Economic Development Committee	6pm	Town Hall
11/25/2019	Planning Board	6pm	Town Hall





Newington Veterans

Be on the lookout: The updated recognition plaque will be unveiled prior to Veteran's Day. Thank you all for your cooperation in responding to the forms requesting your permission to add your name to this recognition. The Town of Newington appreciates your service.

FIRE DEPT. NEWS:

Change Your Clock, Change Your Battery!

Sponsored by the **International Association of Fire Chiefs** and **Energizer** brand batteries, the program urges you to adopt a simple lifesaving habit: **Change ALL of your Smoke Alarm batteries when you change your clocks.**

Protecting your home is simple: **Change, Check, Count**, and **Clean!**TM



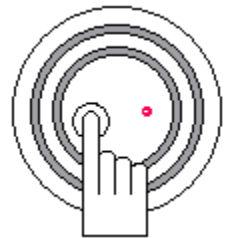
Change Your Smoke Alarm Batteries

Newington Fire & Rescue encourages you to change **Smoke Alarm** batteries **at least** once each year. An easy way to remember is to change these batteries when you change your clock. Replace old batteries with fresh, high quality batteries to keep your Smoke Alarms ready to protect you all year-long



Check Your Smoke Alarms

After inserting fresh batteries in your Smoke Alarm, make sure the Alarm is working by activating the safety test button. NF&R recommends that you test all of your Smoke Alarms at least once each month. If you have any doubt regarding the working condition of a Smoke Alarm, we recommend you replace it.



Count Your Smoke Alarms

NF&R highly recommends that you have a properly functioning Smoke Alarm in every sleeping room -and- in the hallway directly adjacent to those rooms. If sleeping rooms are on an upper level, a Smoke Alarm should also be installed in the center of the ceiling directly above the interior stairway.



It's best to have at least one working Smoke Alarm on every level of your home, including the basement and family room. To assure optimal protection and avoid false alarms, your Smoke Alarm must be mounted properly. You'll find simple instructions included with every Smoke Alarm you purchase. Should questions remain, we encourage you to visit or contact us for help.



Clean Your Smoke Alarms

Help your Smoke Alarm remain sensitive and ready to protect you by gently using a vacuum cleaner once a month to remove dust and cobwebs. If your Smoke Alarms have been accidentally painted or contaminated, replacement may be necessary.



To best protect your home and family, we also suggest...



Retire your old Smoke Alarms!

Smoke Alarms work every minute of every day. After millions of sensing cycles, they should be retired. **Replace your Smoke Alarms with new devices every 10 years.**

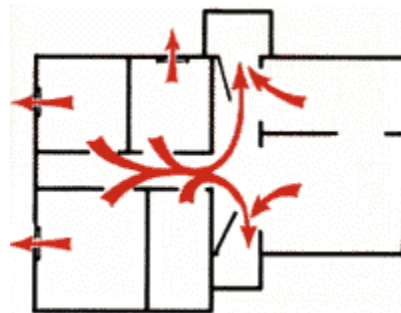


Plan and Practice Your Escape!

Children are at increased risk of dying in a home fire because they often become scared and confused when a fire erupts. Make sure your children recognize the sound of your home's Smoke Alarm and teach them to respond instinctively to its signal.

Create at least two different escape routes from every room and practice them with the entire family. Be sure all family members know the lifesaving practice of crawling below the dangerously thick smoke and intense heat of a fire.

All capable members of the family must learn how to open windows and remove screens or security bars. Purchase, plan and practice using a collapsible emergency escape ladder that can be stored inside near upper floor windows. Realism is essential in your family's practice, as is your clear designation of a meeting place for everyone to gather outside the home in case of a fire or other emergency. Remember, this may be the only practice and discussion you will have before tragedy strikes!



When a fire occurs, don't delay! **Get out quick and stay out!!** Escape first, closing doors behind you if possible. Quickly gather at your meeting place and then notify the Fire Department by calling 9-1-1 from a safe location.

Your Firefighters are specially trained and equipped to rescue your family and pets, as well as to protect your possessions. Help your Firefighters by remaining together OUTSIDE the home and directing them to endangered family or valuables.



Install Fire Extinguishers!



Install at least one fire extinguisher in or near your kitchen and **know how to use it**. We recommend multi- or all-purpose fire extinguishers that are listed by and carry the **mark** of an accredited testing agency such as **Underwriters Laboratory**. Read all instructions carefully and mount the fire extinguishers for easy access. Make sure adult members of your family know the proper use as well as the limitations of these important fire safety tools!



Change Your Flashlight Batteries!



Make sure your emergency flashlights work when you need them by using fresh high-quality batteries. It is a good idea to keep a working flashlight and a whistle near your bed, in the kitchen, basement and family room. You can use them to signal for help or direct rescuers in the event of a fire or other emergency.

We hope this simple list of tips from Newington Fire & Rescue will help keep your family safe. Please remember that fire **prevention** is your best course of action.

FIRE, GAS and ELECTRICAL SAFETY CHECKLIST

- ___1. Install smoke detectors & carbon monoxide detectors where recommended; test as recommended.
- ___2. Place fire extinguishers in proper places of home; inspect as recommended & know how to use.
- ___3. Place fire starter items in safe place & away from open flame such as lighters, matches, candles, etc.
- ___4. Place flashlights & backup batteries at nightstand, near each bed & in several area of home.
- ___5. Purchase weather alert radios or sign up for phone calls from local weather stations to be alerted in the event of a weather emergency.
- ___6. Have a fire escape plan prepared & practiced. Go to www.nfpa.org/education.
- ___7. Escape ladder for any window or balcony above ground level.
- ___8. Disaster kit made & in safe place that is refilled or checked every 6months. Go to www.nsc.org or www.nfpa.org/education and www.sparky.org
- ___9. Check all electrical sources for needed repairs. Go to all outlets & replace needed covers & install ground circuit interrupters in home especially near water areas such as kitchen, bath, laundry & garage. Keep small appliances when using away from water source such as radio near bathtub or hair dryer near sink. Don't overload outlets or use adapters.
- ___10. Have all cords/wiring checked for damage & repair immediately. Use child safety products to protect children from all outlets or other electrical sources.
- ___11. Use a fireproof & waterproof safe for your valuables.

- ___12. Store chemicals safely & do not mix. Read all labels before using & be familiar with warnings & disposal. Store flammables safely, far away from open flame and out of reach of children.
- ___13. Follow gas leak warning steps. Leave home immediately if you smell a gas leak. If it smells like rotten eggs do NOT turn anything on or off that has a power source. Get members out of home immediately & call 9-1-1 outside the home not from your home telephone. If you detect small leak, then immediately open windows & doors & telephone emergency services from away from the home by dialing 9-1-1.
- ___14. Have gas & electrical appliances inspected as manufacturer recommends. Clean & inspect gas appliances routinely.

Highway News:



The new plow truck has arrived and is being prepared for the winter season. The old 1997 plow truck will be sold.



Recreation Department:

HOLIDAY PARTY:

Mark your calendar for this year's Town Holiday party at the Old Town Hall. December 8th 3-7pm

We will have a candle light tour of the Old Parsonage, food, games and a women's quartet singing carols for adults and kids!

Santa will be making an appearance too!

To all those who helped make Septemberfest a success: THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

The Pease Study

Please call 603-846-6192 to see if you qualify to get your blood tested.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) are studying the health effects from drinking PFAS contaminated water in the Portsmouth, New Hampshire area. Approximately 8,000 people work at or frequent the Pease Tradeport. There are also two daycare centers located on the site. In May 2014, drinking water wells that supply water to the Tradeport were sampled and the Haven Well showed elevated levels of the PFOS. It is unknown how long that contaminant had been in the water. The well was shut down on May 12, 2014 and remains disconnected. The Pease study is now recruiting children aged 4 through 17 that may have attended one of those day cares and adults 18 and over who were exposed to the PFAS contaminated water between 2004 and May 2014 to provide blood and urine samples, as well as their medical histories.

There will be three rounds of testing, with the first round having started last week. The first round is focused on those that had their blood tested a few years ago with the initial testing. The second round will include Newington residents with private wells that have had documented contamination. All of the private wells were tested a few years ago and letters were sent to the property owners. If you do not know if the well serving your property had tested positive for contamination, please feel free to contact kanderson@townofnewingtonnh.com for information.



Police Department:

November is here! How fast has the last couple of months passed us by? Too fast. With that being said, the police department will be conducting a traffic study throughout town within the next couple of weeks. We did this a couple of years ago, to study motor vehicle speed and traffic volume thru town. With the widening of the Spaulding, we have noticed a decline in vehicles, using the Village of Newington as a cut through.

The police department continues to be proactive with enforcing motor vehicle violations throughout town through different innovative means. We encourage residents to call us when they see a violation, with the vehicle registration and a description of the driver.

November is also the start of Deer (firearm) and Waterfowl hunting season. For detailed information on hunting dates and times, go to www.wildlife.state.nh.us or NH Fish and Game, which will bring you to their web site.

Deer hunting (firearms) begins on November 2nd, ending on December 8th.

The National Wildlife Refuge permit deer hunting is November 16th to the 17th.

Waterfowl hunting for the inland areas begins November 20th to December 16th.

Waterfowl hunting for coastal areas begins November 20th, to January 6th.

New Hampshire State Law prohibits hunting within 300 feet of a dwelling.

Hunting is prohibited on town owned property and we monitor this each hunting season.

Deer will be more active this time of year, moving across the roadways, so use extra caution as you travel down our scenic roads.

Beards for Bucks is coming to an end. With your help, we were able to raise \$2,661.00. Thank you everyone for your support and donations to the Child Advocacy Center of Rockingham County.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 431-5461 or send me an email; mbilodeau@newingtonnhpd.com

Be safe and have a great November!!!

Michael Bilodeau, Police Chief

Revaluation Update:

All residential, commercial, office and industrial property has been revalued this year. This is required by State law every 5 years. Our largest tax payers, the two power plants- EP Newington and Newington Station (that account for half of the town's valuation) are disputing their assessed values. The Selectmen will set aside funds to safeguard our finances in the event a court judgement finds in the power plants' favor.

Planning: Active development projects

1. Wilcox Industries, 25 Piscataqua Drive, Tax Map 27, Lot 22: Wilcox Industries submitted an amended site plan for an expansion, They plan to expand upwards, but no expansion of the footprint. Adequate parking is a concern.
2. 15 Piscataqua Drive: The owner is considering an office building on this site and will meet with the Board on November 25th.
3. 141 Shattuck Way, Tax Map 20, Lot 4: On June 3, 2019, the Planning Board DENIED, without prejudice, the application of Doloma Investment of Portsmouth, Inc. to construct a 4-story, 83-room hotel with a footprint of 13,600 sf, with related paving, utilities, landscaping, drainage, and associated site improvements. The property lies within the Office, Shattuck Way Overlay, and Wetlands Overlay Districts. The applicant received five variances and re submitted its site plan application on November 4th with a public hearing on November 25th.
4. 90 Arboretum Drive, Pease Tradeport: On September 10, 2018, the Newington Planning Board approved the site plan application for the proposed 73,000 square foot office space at 90 Arboretum Drive at the Pease International Trade Port, Tax Map 33, Lot 1. Construction will start soon.
5. Seacoast Helicopters: In September 2018, Seacoast Helicopters received approval from the PDA board for construction of a building at the North Apron. The PDA site approval expired.
6. The Crossings: The Board approved the site plan at 45 Gosling Road (aka The Crossings) to demolish the existing vacant Bugaboo Steakhouse and construct a new 22,000 SF + or – Aldi market.
7. 271 Nimble Hill Road, Tax Map 18, Lot 3 A: On March 25th and May 13th, the property owner met with the Planning Board for a preliminary consultation on a proposed 13 lot subdivision. The proposed road length is 2,700 linear feet, which exceeds the Town requirement of 1,500 feet. to move forward with this proposal, the Board would need to grant a waiver regarding the road length. The Board expects to receive a subdivision application at some point.
8. Watson property, Nimble Hill Road, Tax Map 6, Lot 1: A real estate developer discussed a 16-lot residential subdivision on this 35-acre parcel, but decided not to move forward.

9. Old Toys R Us, Gosling Road, Tax Map 34, Lot 3-1: The Planning Board accepted the McGovern Auto Group site plan October 15th as complete and continued the hearing to November 25th.
10. Dennett Farm-Lydia Lane and Fabyan Point Road: The Planning Board will conduct a site walk on November 12th and give its recommendation regarding road acceptance to the Board of Selectmen.
11. Proposed Northeast Credit Union site, 2061 Woodbury Ave: The owner / applicant demolished the old Great Bay training facility and will present a design concept to the Board in the next few months.
12. Proposed cell tower, Sprague Energy, Tax Map 7, Lot 14: Verizon Wireless and Sprague reached agreement on the co-location of a new cell on an existing tower. Next, Verizon Wireless will submit a site plan review application for review and approval.

Planning Projects

1. Master Plan: The Board adopted the Land Use, Vision, Housing and Transportation Chapters and now is working on the Utilities Chapter and Natural Resources Chapter. The Board hopes to begin work on the Capital Improvements Plan in a few months. The RPC is assisting the Planning Board with the Master Plan update.
2. Mixed Use Study: The Board contracted with a planning consultant to conduct a mixed use study of the mall area.

New Fox Point Sign:

The Highway crew recently installed a new “Fox Point-Newington Residents Only” sign as you enter the town park. Thanks to all!



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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