Town of Newington, NH E-Newsletter

February 2018



The Town of Newington E-Newsletter includes information about Town-sponsored events, projects and special announcements. Visit <u>www.newington.nh.us</u> to join the distribution list, or to be removed.

Board of Selectmen Jan Stuart, Chair Mike Marconi Timothy "Ted" Connors

> The Town Offices will be closed on Monday, February 19th in celebration of Presidents' Day.

Upcoming meetings:

2/5/2018	Board of Selectmen	<u>4pm</u>
2/6/2018	Economic Development Committee	<u>6pm</u>
2/6/2018	Police Commission	<u>4pm</u>
2/7/2018	Fire Engineers	<u>12pm</u>
2/7/2018	Library Trustees	<u>1:30pm</u>
2/8/2018	Conservation Commission	<u>6:30pm</u>
2/12/2018	Planning Board	<u>6:30pm</u>
2/21/2018	Sewer Commission	<u>9am</u>
2/26/2018	Planning Board	<u>6:30pm</u>

Dates to remember:

Town Voting Day

Tuesday, March 13th 11am-7pm

School District Meeting

Saturday, March 17th 10am

Town Meeting

Saturday, March 17th 10:30am

<u>All At Town Hall</u>

Police Chief's Report:

The Newington Police Department would like to thank all of the residents, businesses, and the Air National Guard, for all your support and dedication through 2017.

February 1, 2018, will mark my one year anniversary with The Town of Newington. I can honestly say, everyone in town has made me feel welcome, as if I was one of your own. Though not a born resident to Newington, I do own .77 acres of property in town. And yes, my wife and I do pay town taxes.

Going forward in 2018, I want to make sure your police department is working for you. Our Officers are always looking for innovative ideas to be more involved with in the community. If you have any concerns or issues you want to address, Please do not hesitate to contact me or come by the police department. Be Safe!!

Michael Bilodeau, Chief of Police

NEW COAST BUS Program:

Community Rides 📥



Phone: 603-834-6010 Email: triplink@communityrides.org Website: www.communityrides.org Service Days: Monday - Friday Service Type: Minibus Service, Chair Car Eligible Riders: **Disabled Help & Elderly** Eligible Trip Purpose(s):**Medical Help** *COAST BUS continued*:

Schedule in Advance:1 Week Before Wheel Chair Accessible: Yes Fare Structure: Free

ACT works with a coordinated network of transportation providers to serve as the "provider of last resort" for curb-to-curb non-emergency medical transportation within the ACT region. You are encouraged to contact other services that you might be eligible for, before requesting a ride through our Community Rides program. Rides are provided at no charge, but riders are limited to 10 one-way trips per month. There is no guarantee that your request will be fulfilled.

Because funding is limited and trips are not guaranteed, we encourage you to research multiple transportation options to meet your needs.

Ride requests are made by contacting TripLink at (603) 834-6010 or triplink@communityrides.org. Your ride request is posted to a confidential "Trip Board". ACT's network of providers will then have the opportunity to view the trip requests and determine if they are able to fulfill that request. Riders will be notified within 2 days of their trip if their request has been selected.

The purpose of the application is to allow you to provide ACT with the information necessary to determine if you are eligible for this service, as well as the contact information we will need to reach you. Submit your completed application to <u>triplink@communityrides.org</u>

Town Planner Report

On-going projects

- Preliminary Site Plan Review 2061 Woodbury Ave, LLC, Tax Map 27, and Lot 2: The Planning Board reviewed the Site Plan Review application for the proposed hotel and subdivision and accepted it as complete on January 22, 2018 and continued the public hearing to Monday February 26th. The Board has requested a 3rd party review of the Traffic Report.
- 2. <u>Pickering Marine LLC (formerly Frizzell site plan), 34 Patterson Lane:</u> The ZBA granted the applicant's request for four variance requests on January 17, 2018. With the ZBA approval, the applicant will prepare a complete site plan review application for Planning Board review.
- 3. <u>Pet Smart:</u> After a review of the square footage of the total signage, Pet Smart realized they could accomplish most of what they requested by slightly reducing the size of the side signage. They withdrew their application.
- 4. <u>Convertible Castle (aka Bernie & Phyl's), 30 Fox Run Road:</u> The Company issued a press release that they are coming to Newington and hope to be open by the summer season.
- 5. <u>The Storage Barn of Newington, LLC, 2299 Woodbury Ave:</u> Altus Engineering provided the Planning Board with a comprehensive review of the site plan and MSC / TFM Engineers provided response comments. The Planning Board conducted a second public hearing on January 8th and continued the hearing to February 12th.
- <u>65 Nimble Hill Road:</u> The Planning Board heard the applicant / owner's application for a Conditional Use Permit to construct a road, pond and driveway to the garage. The Board continued the application to February 12th.

New Projects

1. <u>Fox Point shoreline erosion program:</u> The Town, with assistance from Tristan Donovan, P.E. of Tighe Bond is exploring ways to incorporate "living shoreline" techniques into the design of the stabilization plan for Fox Point. The living shoreline approach refers to the planting of vegetation along the shoreline as opposed to rip rap to provide for stabilization.

Langdon Library News:

Tech Talks with Randall Bush Thurs. February 8, 3 - 5 PM Tues. February 20, 5 - 7 PM

Do you have questions about your phone, tablet or laptop? Newington tech guru Randall Bush answers your questions. No appointment necessary, but come early if you have a complicated question!

Special Friday Family Hour

Friday, Feb. 9 10:30 AM

Join Amy the Hygienist from Harvey Dental for a special story time. She will share stories and tips about ways to keep our teeth healthy. All ages welcome.

Morning & Evening Book Group in February: Wild: Lost and Found on the Pacific Coast Trail by Cheryl Strayed Fri., Feb. 16 10:30 AM Weds., Feb. 21 6:30 PM Check out a copy at the desk and come to either time! Light refreshments will be served.

Newington Public School Half Day Program

Fri., Feb. 23 12:30-3:00 PM

Children from NPS can participate in a fun day of Olympic themed events at the library. There will be a biathlon event, cupcake decorating, Stop Motion Video making with IPADS, and much more! A permission slip is required to attend. This program is limited to 25 participants. Please call us at the library if you are able to volunteer.

Local Quilt Display at the Library

This month we are displaying the Newington Town Quilt at the library. If you didn't get the chance to see in January, we have received permission to keep an 1880 antique "Crazy Quilt" made by Nellie J. Scribner in Salisbury, NH, for one more month, courtesy of Lyn Bullock. Please contact the library if you have any of the quilts made by the Newington Church Reapers and are willing to display them as well!

To view the library's February newsletter, please click here: <u>http://conta.cc/2FB7AdE</u>

See you at the library! Lara L. Croft, Director

Lara Croft Library Director

Master Plan Committee Message:

Thank you to all residents who attended our fall Master Plan forum workshops and completed the survey with your views on Newington's Future. You will find the survey results and resident comments posted on the Town website in early February. Good reading for discussing with neighbors at the March Town Meeting. Additional comments can be submitted to our town planner and to any planning board member during this year

NEWINGTON HISTORY MOMENT:

How McIntyre Road Came To Be:

In 1954 when the Airforce base was finished, it left Newington in two pieces. The Southern portion on Newington Road and the Northern portion, with the rest of the residences, were not easily accessible to each other. South Newington children had to travel 21 miles around the airbase to attend school (at the Stone School) in North Newington. In the 1970's the Selectmen (Paul Kent, Paul deRochemont and Sidney Frink) worked with Senator Thomas McIntyre to finally acquire a right of way connecting our two parts of town. The road was named after Senator McIntyre due to his hard negotiation with the Pentagon to attain the right of way. To celebrate the new road (constructed at a cost of \$300,000 to the people of Newington) the town held a "Unity Day" celebration with cake, ribbon cutting, speeches and a feast under a big tent.

> <u>Hours of Operation: Town Offices</u> - Mon - Fri 9 - 4:30pm <u>Town Clerk/Tax Collector</u> Tues 2 - 6pm, Wed and Thurs 9 - 1pm, <u>Building Dept.</u> - Mon - Thurs 8 - 4pm, <u>Planning Dept.</u> - Mon - Fri 9 - 4:30pm (Planner by appointment) <u>Langdon Library</u> - Tues 3 - 8pm, Wed 12 - 7pm, Thurs 10 - 5pm, Fri 10 - 5pm, Sat 10 - 4pm, <u>Transfer Station</u> Wed 5 - 7pm, Sat 9 - 3pm <u>Subscribe or Unsubscribe at this link: http://www.newington.nh.us/subscribe</u> <u>Newington Town Hall 603-436-7640</u>