

TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER

April 2021

WELCOME MESSAGE

Greetings!

Municipal officials and staff in the Town of Enfield are dedicated to promoting a high-functioning and close-knit community that appeals to all our residents and visitors. To this end, we are committed to providing accurate information and quality services to members of our community at all times. In the interest of helping to keep residents informed of important “goings on” in town, we produce a town-wide newsletter that is disseminated by email on a monthly basis to all individuals who subscribe to the mailing list. Our hope is that the number of recipients on this list will continue to grow over time to ensure that most households receive these important updates.



If you have friends or family who may be interested in receiving the electronic newsletter, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them.

Subscribing to the electronic newsletter is easy and straightforward. You simply have to:

- Go to the below page on the town's website:
www.enfield.nh.us/subscribe
- Enter your email address in the “Your Email” field
- Check the box for “Town News & Announcements” Check the “I am not a robot” box and follow the prompts
- Click the “Subscribe me” navigation button at the bottom of the page

Thank you for being a part of our community. We hope you find this and future newsletters both informative and enjoyable. Please don't hesitate to contact Jack Wozmak, Interim Town Manager, at 603-442-5405 or townmanager@enfield.nh.us, if you have constructive feedback on how the depth and breadth of information provided in the newsletter can be optimized to meet the needs of our residents.

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LATEST NEWS

TOWN MEETING ELECTION RESULTS

On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, the voters of Enfield cast ballots for three articles:

Article 1: Candidates for Local Elected Office

One Moderator for 2 years:

Lindsay A. Smith

One Budget Committee for 2 years:

Dimitri Deserranno

One Selectman for 3 years:

Katherine “Kate” Plumley-Stewart

One Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years:

Marjorie A. Chase

One Cemetery Trustee for 3 years:

Neal P. Meagher

One Library Trustee for 3 years:

Shirley A. Green

Three Budget Committee Members for 3 years:

Jean Patten

Erik Russell

Mike Diehn

Two Zoning Board of Adjustment Members for 3 years:

Brian Degnan

Celie Aufiero

Article 2: (By Petition) Do you favor the continuation of the town manager plan as now in force in this town?

458 Yes, 139 No

Passed – The existing Town Manager form of government will continue.

Article 3: (By Petition) Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment of the Town of Enfield Zoning Ordinance as follows?

Reword the responsibilities of the Conservation Commission by amending ARTICLE VI – CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT, Section 600 CONSERVATION COMMISSION to read: “The Conservation Commission for the Town of Enfield shall have the responsibility for identifying the natural resources within its boundaries, protecting those already established, working to enhance existing areas and to conserve new areas as they become available. Natural resources include, but are not limited to, the following categories: wildlife and wildlife corridors and habitats, water quality, unique geological features such as waterfalls, wetlands and bogs, vernal pools, rivers and streams, escarpments, sensitive areas, views and trails.”

The Planning Board does not recommend this article by a vote of 6-0

284 Yes, 300 No

Failed – the wording of Section 600 CONSERVATION COMMISSION in the Enfield Zoning Ordinance will remain unchanged.



**Second Session/Business Meeting
Vote in Person – Articles 4 through 16**

Saturday, May 1, 2021

9:00 am

Huse Park

308 US Route 4, Enfield

The second session (business meeting) will be held outdoors. There is no voting by absentee ballot on questions 4-16. You must be present to vote. Stay tuned for updates!

Warrant

The 2021 Town Meeting Warrant found here: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/2021-annual-town-meeting>

The 2020 Annual Report includes the 2021 Town Meeting Warrant, followed by the Warrant Narrative which provides a short explanation of each article. You can find the 2020 Annual Report on the Town’s website at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/pages/annual-reports>.

2021 Proposed Budget of the Town

The Enfield Budget Committee worked diligently to prepare a budget for presentation at Town Meeting. A public hearing was held in early February and the budget approved for presentation to the voters. The Budget will be voted at the second session (business session) of Town Meeting on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at Huse Park, 308 US Route 4, Enfield. The second session begins at 9:00 AM.

You can find a copy of the proposed budget online at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/2021-annual-town-meeting>. As more information is prepared for presentation at this session of Town Meeting additional information will be posted on this page.

COVID-19 VACCINE SIGN UP FOR NH RESIDENTS



On Friday, April 2nd all NH residents age 16+ will be eligible to sign up for Covid vaccines at <https://vini.nh.gov/providers/s/>

When you sign up, you will need to answer a short series of questions. (The insurance question is optional.) It's fast and easy to schedule.

The Enfield NH Police Department, Mascoma Community Health Center, and Friends of Mascoma Foundation recently hosted two information sessions led by Dr. Cheryl Guyre, our resident PhD Immunologist, and local medical experts about Covid vaccines to answer questions. The Enfield Town Library has posted both sessions on YouTube:

Vaccine Presentation 1 (general explanation of the Covid-19 and available vaccines including Pfizer and Moderna): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2x5WtleWj8&t=1s>

Vaccine Presentation 2 (update including information on the Jansen vaccine): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=luFDm7cklu8&t=8s>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Town Manager Search Continues

The Town interviewed several candidates, but due to circumstances beyond the Town's control we are re-advertising for the Town Manager position.

Enfield NH - Town Manager
Deadline: April 26, 2021

Enfield, NH (5000 approx. pop.), is seeking an innovative, proactive, community leader to serve as our next Town Manager. Located halfway between Boston and Montreal in NH's Upper Connecticut River Valley, our community has more than 20 miles of shoreline along Mascoma & Crystal Lakes. Enfield is a thriving community rich in history that has preserved its New

England charm. Sharing a border with the City of Lebanon, the regional business, tech and engineering center, Enfield is a short drive from the cultural, medical, and educational assets of Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center and Dartmouth College. Located along interstate 89 near the intersection of interstate 91, and with connecting service through Lebanon Municipal Airport, and a nearby AMTRAK station, Enfield is easily accessible. Governed by a 3-member Board of Selectmen and an Annual Town Meeting, this full-service community has 32 FT employees and a 2020 operating budget of \$6.7 million. Bachelor's degree in public administration or related field, and five or more years of progressively responsible experience in municipal management preferred, or an equivalent combination of education and relevant management experience. Salary range to \$110,000. Starting salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Enfield is an equal opportunity employer. For additional information related to the search contact Alan Gould, President, Municipal Resources, Inc. at 603-279-0352, x 320.

NEW DEADLINE: April 26th, 2021 @ 8AM EST

Resume and cover letter, in confidence, as a PDF attachment to: recruitment@mrigov.com

Additional Information:

Town of Enfield: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/>

Chapter 37 Town Manager: <http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/iii/37/37-mrg.htm>

Enfield Ideal Candidate Profile Challenge Statement: <https://www.mrigov.com/.../Enfield Ideal Candidate>

Buildings & Grounds Maintainer

The Town of Enfield, NH, is seeking a full-time Buildings and Grounds Maintainer (B&G Maintainer). Enfield is a community of approximately 4,600 permanent residents (the population increases substantially with seasonal residents during the summer months), situated in the Upper Valley Region approximately 10-20 minutes from the population centers of Lebanon and Hanover (home of Dartmouth College and the renowned Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center) and only two hours from Boston. Enfield is an attractive community with a wide range of local businesses, a proud Shaker cultural heritage, two large scenic lakes, and an abundance of open space.

The B&G Maintainer position is 40 hours per week, year-round and is available immediately. The position reports to the Buildings and Grounds Leader as well as the Highway Supervisor (winter months only). Duties primarily include the maintenance and upkeep of town buildings, grounds, parks, and cemeteries. On occasion, duties will involve assisting other public works divisions including highways, water/sewer and solid waste and recycling. The position is shared with the Highway Division during the winter maintenance season. The successful candidate will possess at least a high school diploma and two years of full-time work experience, with a minimum of one year of full-time work experience in buildings and/or grounds maintenance, or related field. Knowledge of and experience with relevant trades (carpentry, plumbing, electrical, and/or small engine repair) is highly desirable. A basic level of computer proficiency is preferred. The successful candidate will also be able to perform physical work outside in all weather and lift at least 50 pounds.

Starting pay rate will be \$14.50-\$17.00/hour depending on experience. The Town of Enfield offers an excellent benefits package to full-time employees including health insurance, dental insurance, New Hampshire Retirement System, deferred compensation plan, and generous paid leave.

Qualified candidates interested in part-time work (<35 hours per week) will also be considered. Applications and complete job description are available on the Town's website at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/employment-information> and at the Enfield Town Manager's Office, 23 Main Street, PO Box 373, Enfield, NH 03748, (603) 632-5026. In addition to a completed application, candidates are expected to provide a cover letter and resume. This position will be open until filled, but candidates are strongly encouraged to apply by April 9, 2021. Application materials can be submitted directly to the DPW Director by email (jtaylor@enfield.nh.us).

The selected individual will be offered conditional employment subject to successful completion of criminal background check and review of professional references.

The Town of Enfield is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Provider.

Fire Chief

As many of you know, Fred Cummings is retiring as Enfield's Fire Chief, effective April 10th. We wish Fred Cummings good luck wherever life takes him.

The process of filling the position is in progress under the guidance of Jack Wozmak, Interim Town Manager. Hiring for the position will be an open process. Members of the Enfield Fire Department have already met with Jack Wozmak to discuss how the Town will move forward. Stay tuned for updates!

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Spring is here and with the warmer weather comes the return of active wildlife. Every spring we get many calls about bear sightings. To help prevent the bears from developing bad habits, please bring in bird feeders, ensure your trash cans are secured, and pickup any trash that may be in the yard. As a kind reminder, Town Ordinance states that trash should not be placed curbside until the evening prior to pickup, and the receptacles removed from the curb the same day the pickup is completed. This ordinance is especially helpful in the springtime as it limits the time your trash cans are vulnerable to become a bear picnic.

In the month of April, the police department will participate in directed patrol for "U Drive, U Text, U Pay" campaign. The department will conduct extra patrols focusing on drivers who are using cell phones as they drive. Please be safe and put away your phone when you drive. As the weather gets better more people will be out walking and biking in our community. Please pay attention to your surrounding as you drive and watch out for those who are using the community resources and enjoying the weather.

The police department has recently received several complaints regarding littering on several secondary roads. The department will be conducting investigations and issuing fines if needed. If you see a vehicle throwing trash out, please contact the department at 603-632-7501 or through Hanover dispatch at 603-643-2222. We encourage all members of the community to be proud of our Town and help keep it clean. The department will also be using the radar trailer again this year around town. If you would like to request the radar be set up in your neighborhood, please contact Detective Crate at mcrate@enfield.nh.us.

Last but not least, the department would like to thank everyone for all the support. No problem is too small, and we are here to help.

Roy Holland
Chief of Police
Enfield Police Department

LAND USE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) held no hearings in March. The ZBA is set to welcome two new members at their next meeting on April 13th. Congratulations go out to Celie Aufiero and Brian Degnan who were elected on the March 9th ballot. They will be replacing Tim Lenihan and Mike Diehn. The Town wishes to thank Tim and Mike for their service on the board and for their many hours of volunteer time in multiple roles on the ZBA including the chair's seat for both.

The ZBA meeting on April 13th will have a hearing for a proposed new cell tower project. This is Enfield Land Use Case #Z21-04-01. Vertex Towers, LLC will request a special exception to Enfield's Zoning Ordinance to allow for the construction of a wireless tower on property owned by the John E. Mann Trust (John E. Mann, Trustee) in the northwest corner of Enfield. The property is located off US Route 4 and Morhouse Lane on Town Tax Map 14, Lot 11A. The applicant is also requesting a variance to Enfield's Zoning Ordinance to allow the tower to be higher than the prescribed 10 ft above average tree canopy limitation. The applicant also requests a variance to Enfield's Zoning Ordinance that limits a telecommunications tower or antenna over 70 feet in height from being located within two miles of an existing tower or antenna over 70 feet in height, whether or not such existing tower is located within the Town of Enfield. Many of Enfield's residents will know firsthand the cell signal problems that begin on Route 4 near "Dry Bridge Hill" headed towards Lebanon and don't resolve until one nears Exit 17 in Lebanon. This new tower is proposed to solve that problem as well as the Route 4A limited signal strength near Lake Mascoma. The ZBA meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. Please remember that all meeting information, including Zoom login info, meeting agendas and previous meeting minutes are available on the ZBA section of the Town's website at: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/zoning-board-adjustment>

The Planning Board (PB) held a hearing on Wednesday, March 24th at 7:00 pm via the Zoom web meeting platform. This hearing was to approve a minor subdivision for Robert (Bob) LaCroix on US Route 4 and Lovejoy Brook Road. On April 14th the Planning Board will hear Enfield Land Use Case #P21-04-02. Thomas Jellison is applying for minor subdivision re-approval to edit the language of his original subdivision approval dated 9/9/1987. Specifically, he is asking to remove wording that has precluded his ability to access his property from Old County Road (a class VI road). The subject property is 2 acres in total and is located between Morhouse Lane and the Old County Road at Tax Map 14, Lot 35-1. The lot is owned by the Thomas M. Jellison. As always, Zoom web meeting login information, meeting agendas and previous meeting minutes are all available on the Planning Board section of the Town's website at: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/planning-board>

The Town's Master Planning Task Force continues to meet twice a month on the second and fourth Mondays. This committee is tasked with assisting the Planning Board to facilitate a completely new and overdue Master Plan for the Town. Recently the Task Force has divided into small sub-committees to tackle the following six subjects: 1) Population and Demographics,

2) Land Use, 3) Housing, 4) Economic Development, 5) Visioning and 6) Transportation. All Task Force meetings are open to the public and minutes and agendas are being made available on the Town's dedicated Master Planning website: <http://www.enfield-leaps.org>

If you have an idea for your property, be it a subdivision, merger, lot line adjustment or a concept for a new business and/or use, feel free to reach out to the Land Use Department of the Town for a consultation. You can reach the Town's Land Use and Community Development Administrator, Rob Taylor, Monday to Friday at 603-442-5427 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm or by email at: planning@enfield.nh.us You may also schedule an in-person discussion at the DPW facility at 74 Lockehaven Road. Due to COVID19, we are observing pandemic protocols such as face coverings and social distancing. Stay safe everyone and happy spring!

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Water/Sewer Rate Changes

Effective January 1, 2021 the water and sewer user charges were increased. The water usage rate for both consumption charges and fixed charges has been increase by 5%. On the sewer side only the consumption charges have been increased by 8%. The rate chart is available on the Town Website at the following link.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/water-sewer/files/watersewer-rate-table-2021-adopted>

Water and Sewer Bills

Enfield water and sewer bills will be mailed in early April and will be due mid-May. Bills can be monitored and paid using the online payment tool on the Town's Website.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

Brush and Yard Waste

The Enfield Brush and Yard Waste Recycling Facility is scheduled to reopen on May 1, 2021. The facility can take clean brush and limbs up to 8" and leaves and yard waste. The Town cannot take any invasive plant species, stumps or dimensional lumber. Residents wishing to use the facility must stop at the DPW office or the Transfer Station to have all loads checked by Town staff. The facility cannot take commercial volumes.

Arbor Day

The Town of Enfield has declared April 30, 2021 Arbor Day. The Town will be planting a tree in one of the parks or cemeteries to mark the day. Arbor Day is an important part of the Tree City Program that Enfield has participated in since 2009.

Road Postings

The Town of Enfield posted all roads effective March 8, 2021. The State of New Hampshire posted Shaker Hill Road and Main Street. Limited permission for access will be available on a case-by-case basis with factors such as weather, truck size, time of day, etc., being taken into consideration. Please contact the DPW Director at 603-632-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us with any questions. Those wishing to access Main Street or Shaker Hill Road should call the NH DOT District 2 office at 448-2654. It is expected that the posting will begin to be lifted in mid to late April.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

The first 2021 Household Hazardous Waste collection day is Saturday, May 1 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at Lebanon High School.

Household Hazardous Waste 2021 COLLECTION DAYS



All collections are 9:00 am—Noon

Sat, May 1—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street
Sat, June 5 —Newport Highway Garage, 449 S Main Street (Rt 10S)
Fri, July 16 —Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Rt 120)
Sat, August 7—Sunapee Highway Garage, 621 Route 11
Sat, October 2—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street

FREE to residents from Claremont, Cornish, Enfield, Goshen, Hanover, Lebanon, Lempster, Lyme, New London, Newbury, Newport, Orford, Piermont, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, Washington, and Wilmot. Other residents and businesses welcome for a fee. **ANYONE** with 25 gallons or more must pre-register by calling number below. Any Business 2-week pre-registration.

WHAT TO BRING:

Pesticides, Herbicides, Flea/Tick
 Antifreeze, Dirty Gas & Kerosene
 Adhesives & Driveway Sealer
 Mercury Thermostats & Thermometers
 Household Cleaners & Polishes
 Hobby & Pool Chemicals,
 Lead Fishing Tackle, Smoke Detectors
 Oil-Based Paint (not Latex!)
 Solvents, Varnishes, Stains
 Button, Ni-Cad, Lithium, and
 Rechargeable Batteries

...And much more...give a call or
 visit <http://hww.uvlsrc.org>



For
 information
 contact the
 Upper Valley Lake Sunapee
 Regional Planning Commission
 at (603) 448-1680 or
vdavis@uvlsrc.org



Aerosol cans, empty: Recycle with scrap metal. Talk to your town. (Bring cans with product in them to collection.)

Ammunition and explosives: State Police at 271-3636.

Asbestos: Get a licensed asbestos specialist. Asbestos is hazardous to your health—don't remove it yourself!

Batteries, alkaline: Most non-rechargeable batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, and 9-volt) are trash in NH. If in doubt, just bring to collection. Tape 9-volt terminals before disposal to avoid fire in your trash!

Batteries, automotive: Take to parts store for cash or your transfer station

Fire extinguishers: Recycle empty extinguishers (NRRRA takes from towns).

Fluorescent lights: May be taken at your town facility. Check with your town. Food Co-ops and Home Depot may take CFLs (spiral bulbs), not tubes.

Latex paint: Use kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper to dry out latex paint; throw in your trash. Empty, dry metal cans may be recycled as scrap metal at your recycling facility. If it says "clean up with soap and water," it's latex.

Medical sharps: Place in a rigid container (e.g. detergent bottle), seal cap with duct tape, and label container with marker, "Sharps, not for recycling."

Dispose of with regular trash by handing to a waste collector—can become a projectile if compacted in trash. *Lebanon Police Station accepts some sharps.*

Medicine: See www.twinstatesafemeds.com for police stations taking meds.

Propane or helium tanks: Propane/helium tanks can be exchanged/refilled at a distributor; or contact town transfer station about empty tanks.

Used motor oil: Take to town transfer station or a service station for recycling.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: <http://hww.uvlsrc.org>

For more information about household hazardous waste and educational information visit the [Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission's Household Hazardous Waste website](http://www.uvlsrc.org).

2021 Consumer Confidence Report

This report describes The Town of Enfield's drinking water sources and quality, and programs that protect your water supply. This publication conforms to federal regulations that require water utilities to provide you this information annually. It will help us keep you informed about upcoming federal, state and local policies, regulations and guidelines. The report is available on the Town Website at the link below. Hard copies are also available at the Public Works Office or by email request to the above contact information.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/water-sewer/files/2021-drinking-water-quality-report>

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing will begin at the end of April and again in September. If you experience a loss of pressure it should only be temporary. Please wait 30 minutes before contacting the Town. This only impacts residents on the Town water system. This does not pertain to properties on NH Rte 4A, Lakeview Condominiums, or Shaker Village, that are only served by Town sewer.

Need a Curbside Collection Schedule Refrigerator Magnet?

The Town has magnetic calendars of the curbside collection schedule available. We've placed several on the side of the drop box outside the Town Office door – take one! If you are planning an inside visit to the Town Offices (for a transaction requiring in person service) we have a stack of magnets inside. There are also some available at the Transfer Station.

OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Greetings all!

I recently sent out delinquency notices for any tax, utility, or betterment bill that was outstanding thru February 25, 2021. Thank you to each that acted upon the notice and submitted payment! For those still needing to make a payment, usually we accept payments for taxes or utilities over the counter HOWEVER, during this unprecedented time of the Covid-19 virus and social distancing, the lobby remains closed for those transactions that may be done by mail or in the night drop. The certified mailings for impending lien and impending deed notices will be mailed to those with outstanding balances due in early April.

Just as a reminder, with Federal Income tax filing time approaching, should you need the amount of property taxes you paid in 2020, it is available on the Town's website! (www.enfield.nh.us) From the home page, click on the online payments button and this will transfer to a new screen of options. Click on Tax Collector online payments and just follow the instructions from there. (Hint: when searching, use as few words as possible, such as house number and road name. Refrain from using St, Rd, Ave, Lane, etc.) Or just enter your last name and a list of possible answers will show on the right of the screen. If you need to be walked thru this process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

If you have any questions relative to tax billing/payment, my email address is whuntley@enfield.nh.us or to reach me by phone call 603-632-4201 x 5404.

Stay healthy and safe and "think spring"!

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

Dog License Renewals Due by April 30th

Dog license renewals can be conveniently paid on-line!

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

Renewals and new dog registrations can be done by mail. Simply complete the license form found online [HERE](#), provide proof of the spay or neuter (for the reduced price) and proof of rabies. Mail to Enfield Town Clerk, PO Box 373, Enfield NH 03748 or leave it in the drop box outside the Town Office door.

BUILDING, HEALTH & FIRE INSPECTION DEPARTMENTS

Building codes require all hot water heaters to have a temperature and pressure (T&P) relief valve as a critical safety feature. Enfield residents should know that the home heating industry and relief valve manufacturers recommend these devices be checked on a yearly basis to ensure proper function. At a minimum, one should take the opportunity to ask their plumbing and heating professionals to exercise the relief valve whenever they have a plumbing or heating contractor servicing their systems. Some manufacturers urge caution and recommend relief valves be replaced every 5 years, although others in the industry say they can remain in service for up to 30 years if properly checked and maintained.

T&P relief valves are designed to open automatically if the pressure in a hot water heater rises above 150 psi, or if the water temperature rises above 210 degrees Fahrenheit. This temperature is a crucial determination. Hot water turns to steam at 212 degrees, and water will increase tremendously in heat, volume, and force when converted to its gaseous state. Steam power was vital to the Industrial Revolution, and it drove large oceangoing ships, freight trains, and other powerful engines for a hundred years. It is a proven force of nature, and safety should always be a major factor in its use or avoidance.

If you have a leaking T&P relief valve, that may be a sign that it is doing what it is designed to do. The temperature and pressure in the tank may be too high, and the valve is opening to release it. The absolute worst thing a property owner or handyperson can do in this situation is remove the relief valve to stop the leak. Do not disable this critical safety feature. And never cap the discharge pipe from the relief valve to contain a leak. According to one manufacturer, an improperly disabled relief valve can potentially create enough steam pressure in the tank to cause a hot water heater to explode with the same force as a full pound of dynamite. A leaking T&P relief valve requires immediate attention, and a licensed plumber or heating contractor should be contacted to assess the cause and remedy the problem if it ever occurs.

ENERGY COMMITTEE

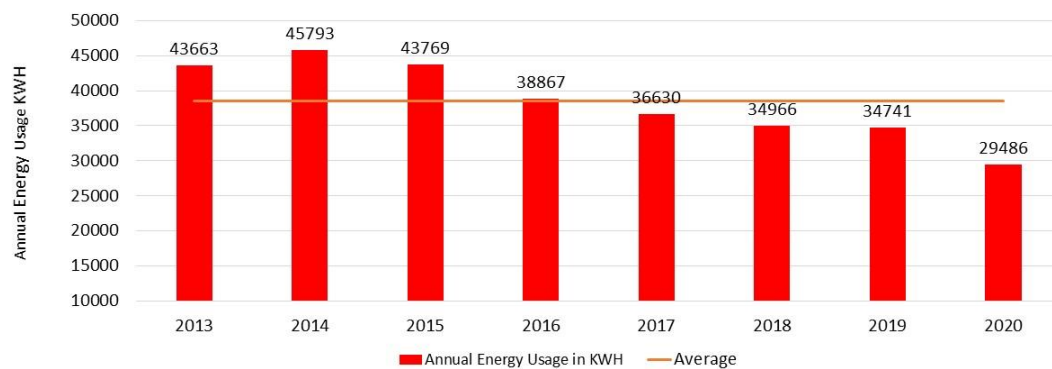
Here are the results of crunching eight years of electric data for four towns buildings provided by Liberty Utilities. Since the Energy Committee have been changing lights to LED reductions have been seen across the board.

1. Police Station, 21.7% reduction in usage
2. DPW 28% reduction in usage. This is still a work in progress. The Public Works building alone is saving \$3,456.35 per year.
3. Town Hall 35.6% reduction in usage. Most of this was the results of changing to LED in the library.
4. Community Center 55.6% reduction in usage. This also coincided with the ending of Bingo.

Enfield, Town Hall Electrical Usage 2013-2020

Data from Liberty Utilities

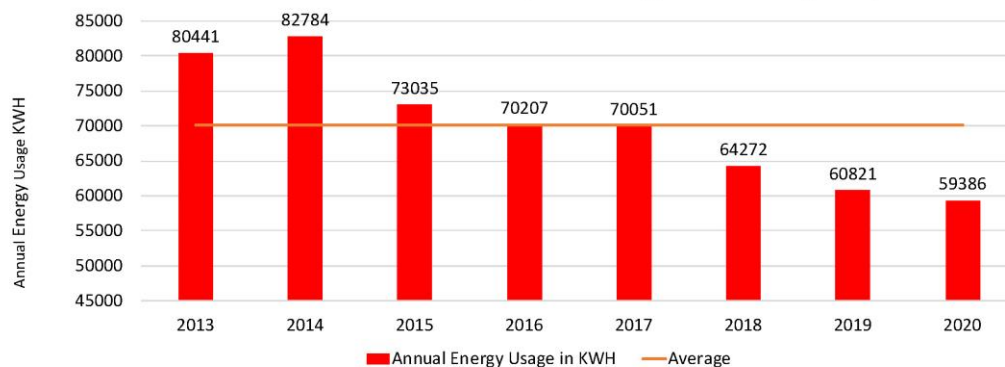
8 year average annual usage=38,489.4 KWH



Enfield, DPW Energy Usage 2013-2020

Data from Liberty Utilities

8 year average annual usage=70,125 KWH



Power Purchase Agreement – Solar Array at Public Works Facility

Norwich Technologies will be increasing the solar array at the Public Works Facility to 80 kw. This is a larger array than was requested but the extra generation can be applied to the electric bill at another municipal site, for instance, the pump station on Love Joy Brook Road.

Saving Energy and Money

You may qualify for up to \$8000 in rebates for home weatherization from NHSaves. All New Hampshire electric utilities are part of NHSaves. Each utility has its own weatherization rebate program which changes each calendar year. Currently Liberty Utilities is offering rebates up to \$8000, no interest loans, and billing applied to your monthly electricity bill.

Energy audits provide information on ways to reduce your heating bills. You can request an energy audit for \$100. If you qualify for the rebate program and you proceed with getting work done, the \$100 audit fee goes toward the work.

To qualify, visit <https://nhsaves.com/rebates/energy-audits-weatherization/>. You will be asked information about the amount of conditioned living space (area usually heated) and your fuel consumption for the past year.

Households who qualify for Home Energy Assistance are urged to contact Tri County Community Action for 443-6150 for weatherization program information.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Cemetery Trustee meetings will be starting again to continue with project planning work and working on the rules and regulations updates. Please feel free to reach out to Bridget Labrie with any questions. Meeting dates and minutes can be found on the [Cemetery Trustees page](#) on the Enfield Town website.

The Enfield Cemetery Ordinance requires that all cemetery decorations and flowers shall be removed each year. Please note decorations and flowers may be replaced on May 15th. Burials are suspended and will resume on April 15th or when the ground is accessible.

Please contact the Cemetery Sexton, Bridget Labrie at 802-332-5363 (cell) or email cemetery@enfield.nh.us to schedule a burial or to purchase a lot. Please keep all decorations in line with the headstones to allow maintenance operations to take place. For additional information about cemetery rules and regulations please visit- <https://www.enfield.nh.us/boardcemetery-trustees>

RECREATION

Information and Registration for Enfield and Regional Recreation opportunities can be found at <https://mvpr.recdesk.com>

Enfield Recreation

Any questions about Enfield Recreation, please contact Ed Winters, Enfield Recreation Director, at recreation@enfield.nh.us



Come see the Easter Bunny!

Enfield Summer Camp

Six weeks fun-filled weeks!
June 28 – August 6
Grades entering K-6th (fall 21)
Max of 48 campers
\$135/week for Enfield residents; \$145/week for non-residents
Registration is now open online at <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

Line Dancing

Have you tried out our Thursday afternoon line dancing class yet? Grab a friend and join professional dance instructor Jamie Orr on Thursdays from 1:15-2:15pm at the Enfield Community Building. This is a fun and friendly class and they dance to ALL types of music. Facemasks are required.

Chair Yoga & Exercise

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair 12 Yoga/Exercise classes at the Enfield Community Building. These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength and meditation. The classes are only \$5.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required. 9:30 am - 10:30 am. Facemasks are required.

- Friday, April 2
 - Monday, April 5
 - Wednesday, April 7
 - Friday, April 9
 - Monday, April 12
 - Wednesday, April 14
 - Friday, April 16
 - Monday, April 19
 - Friday, April 23
 - Monday, April 26
 - Wednesday, April 28
 - Friday, April 30
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- Monday, May 3
 - Wednesday, May 5
 - Friday May 7
 - Monday, May 10
 - Wednesday, May 12
 - Friday, May 14
 - Monday, May 17
 - Friday, May 21
 - Monday, May 24
 - Wednesday, May 26
 - Friday, May 28

Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation

"At MVPR we are looking at what programs and activities can be offered safely for our upcoming seasonal activities. Please take a look at our Facebook or Instagram pages as well as the town website page. Keep up to date with our current program registrations here (please note, outside organization's programs may have their own registration page):

<https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

The Enfield Market starts outside in May!

We are looking for vendors, food trucks, and live music. Please email mvalleyrec@gmail.com for more information. The market schedule plans to be the 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month from May 8th – Oct 9th from 10AM- 1PM at Huse Park.

Youth Programs Coming back this summer:

Challenger Sports Soccer Camp! Click on the link below to register for Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation's Challenger Sports Soccer Camp returning this summer! Registration is open and

for those who register now will receive a FREE personalized poster while stocks last, the option of a FREE replica jersey as well as the camp t-shirt and soccer ball received on the first day of camp. <https://challenger.configio.com/pd/223346/mascoma-valley-parks-recreation>

Paul Hogan Basketball Camp

www.hogancamps.com July 12-15th from 8AM-12PM. More information to come.

Volleyball Skills Clinic

July 19th-23rd from 3PM-6PM

Enjoy the Great Outdoors

Looking for more wonderful trails to get out on nearby? Have you heard of Trail Finder? You can sign up for an account or not, but it connects you to some great resources. If you're a business, you can sign up to be listed as a Trailside Service so users can find you. Search for trails, find trailside services or earn badges! You are able to print the trail maps or download them to your phone if there will be no service on your hike. Take a look:

<https://www.trailfinder.info/>

UNH Extension is offering many workshops coming up around Outdoor Skills, Join the Great New England Cleanup and more. Visit: www.naturegroupie.org for more information.

Upper Valley Trails Alliance (UVTA) is taking applications for the Upper Valley High School Trail Corps program. This is an opportunity for high school students to spend time outdoors and learn about trail building in a sustainable way. For more information and to apply, visit:

<https://www.uvtrails.org/programs-events/high-school-trail-corps/>

Don't forget to check out other opportunities and programs UVTA offers for all ages at <https://www.uvtrails.org> As we start to explore our local trails with all of the recent snow melt check out this article from the Nature Groupie site, Stewardship Tip: [Stop Mud Season from Making your Community Trails a Mess](#)

For any questions about Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation please contact Bridget at mvalleyrec@gmail.com.

Follow MVPR on [Facebook](#) & [Instagram](#)!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

We've made progress! We now have the Recreation Commission filled! The Town depends on community-minded volunteers and we thank those who are serving on our boards and committees. Do you want to become more involved in your community? Then you're in luck – other opportunities exist! You can access our Application for Committee Membership here: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/files/appointment-application>. Send your completed application to abonnette@enfield.nh.us, leave it in the drop box outside the Town Office door, or mail it to Town Manager's Office, PO Box 373, Enfield NH 03748.

Do you enjoy financial planning and fiscal responsibility? The **Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Committee** has a vacancy on its seven-member committee. This committee meets for a short period in the early fall to review the CIP Plan, proposed expenditures from the CIP Capital Reserve Fund in the coming year, and plans for the future capital needs of the Town.

This is an advisory committee, providing its recommendations to the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee.

Do your interests lie in economic development? Then the **Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Committee** may be for you. There are a number of openings on this five-member committee. The majority of members must live within the Enfield TIF District or immediately adjacent to it or own a business in the TIF District, the minority of members can live anywhere in town. This committee, advisory to the Board of Selectmen, is charged with maintenance and implementation of the TIF District Plan. The TIF Committee meets on an as needed basis.

Release your inner party planner! Join our **Old Home Days Committee**! Many hands make light work! This group organizes our annual Old Home Days Celebration which takes place the last full weekend of July. The Old Home Days Committee meets the first Wednesday of each month from February – July at 5:30 PM, with a couple of additional meetings in June and July as needed to prepare for the festivities.

Regrettably, we have canceled 2020 activities due to COVID-19, but the Committee looks forward to planning events for a 2021 celebration.

2019 was a successful weekend of Old Home Days! Check out the events held in 2019:
<https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/ohdflyer2019.pdf>

And check out the Enfield Old Home Days Facebook page!
<https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldOldHomeDays/>

“KNOW YOUR TOWN”

“Know your Town” is presented by the Enfield Heritage Commission. Each month we’ll bring you a bit of insight into the origins of street names or places you see every day.

Shaker Hill Road, from Main Street to the split with Livingstone Lodge Road

Like many things in the history of Enfield, the name of Shaker Hill Road is neither as simple nor obvious as it seems at first sight. It does climb the hill whose name reflects the fact that it was where Enfield’s first Shakers congregated in the 1780s.

However, the Shakers moved from that area in the 1790s and for most of its history the artery that runs between Main Street and Shaker Hill was known as “South Street”.

While the Shakers gave the hill its name, the area owes its current character to its years as the heart of Enfield’s industry. It is hard to imagine now, but this stretch of the Mascoma River teemed with dams that produced power for mills that ground flour, sawed lumber, pressed cider, made bedsteads and eventually worked wool.

The first mill was built in the 1770s near the site of the Copeland Block. Several others would follow, clustered around the current intersection of Main Street and Shaker Hill Road. Bridges were built across the Mascoma, including the Shaker Hill Road one built in 1789, linking the mills to the growing road network. Although the Shakers had moved to Mascoma Lake’s western shore, they owned many of the mill buildings that they leased to operators.

By the 1880s, most of the mills were involved in wool processing, including dying, spinning and weaving. The American Woolen Co. mill on Baltic Street alone employed up to 375 people in the 1950s.

The housing needed for the influx of people coming to work in these flourishing businesses, many from Finland, Ireland and Canada, gave Shaker Hill Road its current character.

Between 1892 and 1907, sixty homes and tenements were built for mill workers, most in Shaker Hill Road's side streets. Two buildings now on Wells Street were dragged across Mascoma's ice in 1890 for tenements. Most of the distinctive Mill Houses—eight duplexes—near the intersection of Shaker Hill Road and Pillsbury Street were built in 1918 by the American Wool Company for its employees, with Mill Street behind them.

Shaker Hill Road also provided homes for the mills' managers and owners. Number 27 Shaker Hill Road was the home of George Whitney, whose father purchased the Baltic Street mill complex in 1894. Soon after, Whitney set up poles and strung electric lights from Baltic Street to Shaker Hill Road and several other Enfield streets. A novelty at the time, Enfield's street lights made the town an attraction for travelers. Whitney also donated generously to the Library and Memorial building that now houses Whitney Hall, the Enfield Public Library and town offices.

In 1902, Enfield finally got a Catholic church after almost a century of celebrating Mass in homes and a meeting room above Enfield's first permanent fire station. St. Helena's Catholic Church was built on the site of a home and a lot on 36 Shaker Hill Road. The distinctive stone of its entrance was quarried from an outcropping of unusual rock near Lebanon, rolled downhill and carried across the river to be loaded onto horse carts. It is as striking today as it must have been the day it welcomed its first parishioners over a century ago.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING

The Town continues to hold board and committee meetings using the Zoom video conferencing app. To join a Zoom meeting simply go to the Town's website at www.enfield.nh.us, find the meeting you want to attend on the calendar on the home page, click on the meeting heading and it will open up with all of the details. Simply click on the Zoom meeting link and it will open a video window. (You may need to download the Zoom app, but it won't take long.) ***You can also join with audio only by calling one of the numbers provided.*** Join us at one of our upcoming Zoom meetings listed below. The meeting listings below are linked to our website where you will find the Zoom information for that meeting. If Zoom information isn't yet posted, don't despair, it will be posted on our website before the meeting date. When a meeting begins, if you have problems connecting simply call the local number provided for assistance.

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Due to COVID-19, for as long as it is permissible in the State of New Hampshire, Board and Committee meetings will continue to be held via Zoom video conference, with a few exceptions. Meeting notices are included on the calendar on the Town's website at www.enfield.nh.us and specifics on location, including joining the meeting via Zoom, if applicable, will be posted there. Once the need for social distancing has been lifted, meetings will once again be held at a physical location.

- [April 1 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [April 5 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)
- [April 6 @ 3:30 PM \(via Zoom\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
- [April 7 @ 5:30 PM \(via Zoom\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
- [April 8 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Cemetery Trustees](#)
- [April 13 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
- [April 14 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Planning Board](#)
- [April 19 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)
- [April 22 @ 4:30 PM \(via Zoom\) – Heritage Commission](#)
- [April 27 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Energy Committee](#)
- [April 28 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Planning Board](#)
- [May 1 @ 9:00 Am \(Huse Park, 308 US Route 4\) – Town Meeting](#)
- [May 3 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)
- [May 4 @ 3:30 PM \(via Zoom\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
- [May 5 @ 5:30 PM \(via Zoom\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
- [May 6 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [May 11 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
- [May 12 @ 7:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Planning Board](#)
- [May 13 @ 6:00 PM \(via Zoom\) – Cemetery Trustees](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Include a notice of your Community Event on our Community & Business Calendar of Events which you'll find on our website on the Community & Business main page: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/community-businesses>. Previous posts on the Community Bulletin Board that were informational in nature, but not events, can be found under the appropriate department page. For instance, Friends of Mascoma Food Pantry information can be found on the Human Services page under Food Assistance.

Do you have a Community Event to share? Send all of the particulars, and a digital photo or poster to abonnette@enfield.nh.us and we'll post it for you.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Eastman Charitable Foundation Offers \$1,500 Scholarships

The Eastman Charitable Foundation (ECF) is offering three \$1,500 scholarships to college-bound high school seniors living in Enfield, Springfield or Grantham who will be majoring in Environmental Science or a related field. More information and the application is available at www.ecfnh.org Please be sure to read the selection criteria and submission directions carefully. All applications and associated material must be received no later than May 1, 2021. Questions? Talk with your guidance counselor or email scholarship@ecfnh.org

Recycle Beyond the Bag

This is a local Girl Scouts initiative of collecting plastics to be recycled. Below you'll find both instructions and what types of plastics are being collected. Their goal is to collect 500 lbs of plastic in 6 months so they can donate a bench to Huse Park. There's a convenient drop off bin right in front of the Ostin's Kiddos house, conveniently located across from the Enfield Elementary School.

A short video on what you can recycle under this program:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZDNFXtMu6Mo>

RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG

Recycle your household bags & wrap into Trex's Earth-friendly composite decking and railing!



FROM THE STORE



✓ Produce bags

✓ Store bags

✓ Ice bags



FROM YOUR PANTRY



✓ Ziploc® & other reclosable bags

✓ Cereal box liners

✓ Case overwrap

✓ Bread bags



FROM YOUR FRONT DOOR



✓ Newspaper sleeves

✓ Dry cleaning bags

✓ Bubble wrap

✓ Plastic e-commerce mailers

Plastics must be clean, dry and free of food and organic residue



NexTrex

trex.com/recycling 1-800-Buy-Trex

RECENT NEWS FROM PAST ISSUES

You can find prior issues of the Town E-Newsletter online at
<https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/town-newsletter>

TOWN OFFICES TEMPORARILY CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

With rising public health concerns surrounding increased incidences of COVID-19, due in part to gatherings during this holiday season, Enfield's Town Offices closed to the public effective November 30. Services will continue to be provided without interruption just as they did following closure of the Town offices this past spring. The opening of the Town Offices will be reviewed following the holiday season.



Enfield Town Manager's Office:

Jack Wozmak, Interim Town Manager
603-632-5026, ext. 5405
townmanager@enfield.nh.us

Alisa Bonnette, Assistant Town Manager
603-632-5026, ext. 5401
abonnette@enfield.nh.us

• Notary Services

The Enfield Town Offices has suspended Notary Services.

• Municipal Facilities – Events Canceled

We will be reaching out to all groups who will be affected by the following changes:

• Community Building

Due to the need to protect our citizens from undue exposure to the coronavirus all private functions scheduled at the Enfield Community Building are canceled, effective November 16, 2020, until further notice. Limited use by local community groups will continue, however the use of the Community Building will be under constant review and use is subject to change at any time. No new reservations or applications are being accepted at this time.

• Public Works Facility & Town Hall Conference Room

Use of these spaces will be available for essential Town meetings only. Private groups will not have access to the building until further notice.

• Enfield Punch Cards & Lebanon Punch Cards for trash disposal

Payment for Enfield Punch Cards (\$25) and Lebanon Punch Cards (\$15) can be left in the drop box outside the Town Offices. Please include your name and mailing address and punch cards will be put in the mail at the end of the same business day.

Other Town Office Services are by appointment only. Enfield and Lebanon punch cards will be available to you if you have an appointment for other business with the Town.

• All Other Services

Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Town Manager's Office at 603-632-5026 or email the individual you wish to contact for assistance with any other Town Office Services.

Assessing Department:

Julie Huntley, Assessing Administrator

603-632-5026, ext. 5406

603-442-5406 (direct line)

jahuntley@enfield.nh.us

Exemptions, Tax Credits, Current Use Applications

The following have an April 15th filing deadline.

- o Elderly Exemptions
- o Veteran's Tax Credits
- o Tax Deferrals
- o Current Use Applications
- o Exempt Property Applications (Charitable, Religious, Educational)

These items have no filing deadlines.

- o Timber Intents
- o Gravel Intents

Applications can be mailed, e-mailed or left in the drop box outside the Town Offices. Our Assessing Administrator can respond via phone, e-mail or by USPS mail.

Property Information

Access is available online at <https://www.axisgis.com/enfieldnh/>

- o Property Record Cards
- o Tax Maps
- o Deeds

Information not available online includes:

- o Septic Designs
- o Building Permit Information
- o Sales Data

The Assessing Administrator can scan and email information to customers. Contact her for records requests or help navigating the online property records. Any in-person meetings will be limited to those that are essential and will be by appointment only.

Finance Department:

Mary Ann Crandall, Bookkeeper

603-632-5026, ext. 5407

macrandall@enfield.nh.us

All vendors are asked to submit invoices by email to our bookkeeper, or the specific department they are doing business with, if at all possible to limit handling of mail.

Tax Collector's Office:

Wendy Huntley, Tax Collector
603-632-5026, Ext. 5404
whuntley@enfield.nh.us

You can access Property Tax bills, Water & Sewer bills, and more, online. Simply go to

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

Office visits for payments are temporarily suspended. Payments can be made online using ACH (e-check) with a fee of only 95 cents. Payments online made by credit card have an additional fee of 2.95%. (Unfortunately, we are unable to waive that fee.) Payments made by check or money order can be left in the drop box outside the Town Offices. If payment is left in the drop box you must include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you'd like a receipt mailed to you. Receipts can be emailed upon request at no cost.

Town Clerk's Office:

Sandy Romano, Town Clerk
603-632-5001, Ext. 5403
townclerk@enfield.nh.us

The Town Clerk's Office is closed to in office visits except by appointment and only for those transaction which must be done in person, i.e. new vehicle registrations, marriage licenses. Vehicle registration renewals, dog license renewals and vital records requests can be done online at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>, sent by mail, or left in the Town's drop box 24/7. If you have any questions about documentation or payment that is required, please contact the Town Clerk.

ENFIELD COMMUNITY BUILDING

Due to increased incidences of COVID-19 during this fall season, we are again restricting use of the Enfield Community Building. The building will not be available for private rentals until further notice. Use is limited to local groups and Town sponsored activities only. **We are not taking reservations for private events at this time.** We will continue to monitor the situation and make changes as deemed appropriate.

A revised scheduling policy and revised Building Rental Rules were approved by the Board of Selectmen on November 2, 2020. You can see the updated policy and rules on our website at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/administration-town-manager/pages/community-building-rental>.

Please note, however, that under the current circumstances we are not doing the normal year end scheduling. When the Community Building is open for more regular use we will be sure to post a notice to that effect.

OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE – SUBSCRIBE TO NEWS & ALERTS

Many receiving this e-newsletter have already done so, but for those who get the link from other sources, we encourage you to subscribe to News & Alerts on our Town website.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/subscribe>

Enter your email address. For general News & Announcements, which includes notice of this newsletter) check the box for **Town News & Announcements**. Check boxes for any other information you want to receive directly to your email address, such as meeting agendas or minutes. Check the box **I'm not a robot**, then click "Subscribe Me." It's as easy as that.

We plan during the coming year to more fully utilize the News & Announcements for various departments. This year we began with updates on the Assessing Department page of the progress of the full town-wide revaluation of property. Community news items appear on the Community & Businesses page – check it out!

Find us at www.enfield.nh.us and [Facebook](#)!

