

TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER

JULY 2019

TOWN MANAGER 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
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- 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 Ryan Aylesworth, Town Manager, at 603-442-5405 or raylesworth@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.

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



=====LATEST NEWS=====

OLD HOME DAYS 2019

We are within a month of our 2019 celebrations! Our program is final. Look for them at a business near you soon! Our events listing is below. This is the abbreviated version. For more details on each event, pick up a program or check out our Facebook page or the town website!

Friday, July 26

- *Pulled-Pork Supper*, 5-6:30 PM; Methodist Church \$8
- *Band Concert*, 7 PM; Huse Park, Sponsored by Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club
- *Line Dancing with the Orrs*, 7-8:30 PM; Enfield Community Building

Saturday, July 27

- *Enfield Outing Club Yard Sale*, 8 AM-3 PM; Huse Park
- *Quilting Class*, 9AM-3:30PM; Enfield Community Building
- *Community Picnic*, 11 AM; Huse Park
- *Ice Cream Social*, 1-3 PM; Whitney Hall Parking Lot
- *Cornhole Tournament*, 1:30 PM; Huse Park
- *Wildlife Encounter*, 2-3 PM; Huse Park
- *Community Sailing*, 2 PM; Lakeside Park
- *Enfield Center Schoolhouse Self-Guided Tours*, 2-4 PM; Route 4A
- *Cruise Night*, 4-7 PM; Huse Park, music by Rust & Ruin, Food truck vendors
- *Home Brew Festival and Chili Cook-Off*, 6-9 PM; Enfield Community Building

Sunday, July 28

- *Pancake Breakfast and Hike*, 9 AM; Whaleback Mountain
- *Country Fair & Craft Show*, 11 AM-3 PM; Enfield Shaker Museum
- *Scenic Hike*, Colette/Bicknell Brook Trail, 1 PM
- *Lockehaven Schoolhouse Self-Guided Tours*, 2-4 PM; Corner of Lockehaven and Ibey Roads,
- *Summertime Sing-Along*, 3 PM; Enfield Shaker Museum
- *Doggie Play Date*, 4-5:30 PM; Shaker Field Dog Park

The full schedule can be found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldOldHomeDays/events>

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/ohdflyer2019.pdf>

We are still taking entrants for the following events:

- Home Brew Contest (July 27)
- Chili Cook-Off (July 27)
- Chocolate Chip Cookie Bake-Off (July 28)
- Quilt Show (July 28)

Contact oldhomedays@enfield.nh.us to enter!

The committee is very excited about this year's program and we look forward to seeing everyone out there!

FIRE/EMS TRANSITION PLANNING PROCESS KICKS OFF

As has been previously reported, following a Town Meeting vote in support of Fire Department governance changes, the Town of Enfield has contracted with Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI) – a NH-based firm with decades of experience assisting municipalities in the areas of emergency services leadership and operations – to complete an in-depth transition planning process for the Town's fire and ambulance departments. MRI's consulting team will be in Enfield on July 1 for an official kickoff session that will include meetings with municipal management, all three public safety chiefs (Fire, EMS, Police), the Board of Selectmen, and a larger group listening session with all members of the Fire and Ambulance departments. MRI will return to Enfield in mid-July for their next visit, which will entail a nominal group process with members of the Fire and Ambulance departments, as well as municipal management. The process is expected to be completed over a roughly 6-month timeframe, and the primary deliverables of the project are as follows:

- Conduct an analysis of the merits of merging fire/EMS into a joint fully integrated department
- Provide an overview of pros and cons of integration and make a recommendation reflective of industry best practice.
- Provide planning and implementation support relative to this organizational and service re-alignment.
- Work with Enfield Fire/EMS staff and transition team members to reshape organizational culture and generate buy-in pertaining to new organizational governance, structures and procedures.
- Provide perspective based on industry best practice and team experience.
- Track and reporting progress on action items.
- Provide electronic communication to identified stakeholders.

DOG LICENSE RENEWAL

On July 1, the Board of Selectmen is expected to approve a warrant directing

the Police Department to “either collect the fees due and pay them to the Enfield Town Clerk or seize any unlicensed dog and hold it in a Town holding facility for a period of 7 days, in accordance with RSA 466:13, 14 and 16 and amendments thereof.” We know this sounds ominous. In truth, we won’t seize anyone’s dog, however, if you own a dog you are responsible for licensing your dog by April 30 each year. A police officer will be visiting each individual who is on the list as having an unlicensed dog and you may be issued a summons to appear in court to answer for not registering your dog. If you own a dog and have not licensed it, please do so as soon as possible. For dogs new to you please visit the Town Clerk’s office and bring proof of spay or neuter, if applicable, and proof of rabies vaccination. If you simply need to renew your dog’s license you can do this online at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>. If you no longer have the dog please contact the Town Clerk at 632-5001 or townclerk@enfield.nh.us and let her know so she can update her records.

NEW RECREATION DIRECTOR

We are excited to announce that Ed Winters of Sunapee has accepted the part-time Enfield Recreation Director position. Ed has served as the Assistant Director of Recreational Sports & Hogan Sports Center at Colby Sawyer College for the past 11 years. Prior to that he was the Executive Director of the Tilton-Northfield Recreation Department, and, before that, he was the Assistant Director of the City of Franklin’s Recreation Department. He also holds bachelors and masters degrees in sport management. So, suffice it to say that Ed has considerable professional experience and training in the recreation field. He also has a passion for recreational programs across the full age spectrum as Colby Sawyer offers programs and facilities to young children and seniors in addition to college-age students. We look forward to the work Ed will help lead to provide more recreation opportunities for Enfield and other Mascoma communities. Please join us in welcoming Ed to his new position. Ed can be reached by email at: recreation@enfield.nh.us.

MUNICIPAL BUILDING CLEANING SERVICES SOUGHT

Do you or someone you know have professional cleaning experience, good references, and some availability to take on another customer? If so...

The Town of Enfield is requesting proposals from qualified and interested firms or individuals to undertake a three-year contract, subject to yearly Town Meeting funding, for janitorial services in three Town buildings including Whitney Hall, (Library & Town Offices) the Police Facility, Community Building and Public Works Facility.

Sealed proposals will be accepted until **12:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 3, 2019** at the office of the Public Works Director, Public Works Facility, 74 Lockehaven Road, or P.O. Box 373, Enfield, New Hampshire, 03748.

For complete details, please visit the Town's website at:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/rfp_janitorial_2019.pdf

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Paving

The Town of Enfield has completed paving on Lapan Circle, Melinda Road, Sargent Street, High Street and the Livingstone Lodge end of Shaker Boulevard. These streets received a 1.25" overlay. A section of George Hill Road beginning at the Springfield town line is currently being reclaimed and will be paved in early July along with a 1.25" overlay on another section of George Hill Road adjacent to the reclaim area. First a machine will grind the existing pavement and base material in place. Aggregate will be added and the new road bed will then be graded and injected with liquid asphalt to make a firm base for the new pavement. The reclaiming process will take roughly three days. The new road base will then need to cure for at least a week prior to paving. A two-inch base of pavement will then be placed on the reclaimed section followed by a one inch wearing course.

NH Route 4A Sewer Connections and Fees

The Town of Enfield will be hosting an informational meeting for property owners that are interested in connecting to the recently completed sewer pressure main that extends from Shaker Village to the Lakeview Condominium complex. The meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on Thursday July 25, 2019 at the Enfield Public Work Facility and will cover subjects including the financial, ownership, location, technical, maintenance and permitting aspects of connecting to the Enfield Sewer System.

Over the past several months, the Town of Enfield has been working in close collaboration with engineers at Pathways Consulting to develop a conceptual design for new connections. At a duly noticed public hearing during its May 20 meeting, the Enfield Board of Selectmen officially adopted a new set of municipal sewer connection fees that would apply to property owners along the NH Route 4A corridor between Landing Road and Lakeview Condominiums. More specifically, the fees assessed by the Town will total \$8,500 and this is

the sum of the standard connection fee (\$1,500) and a special assessment fee (\$7,000) intended to offset the costs currently being exclusively born by the residents of Lakeview Condos for the recently completed sewer extension project. Because this section of the municipal sewer system is a force main, dwellings within a prescribed distance will NOT be required to connect to the Town's system in the same way that the Municipal Sewer Ordinance requires that dwellings within 300' of the main be connected in parts of Town (i.e., US Route 4) served by a gravity system. It should be noted that connecting to the municipal sewer will be entirely voluntary.

Road Grading

The Town Highway crew will be grading gravel roads throughout the summer. Motorists are urged to use caution when driving through these moving work zones often with three or four working pieces of equipment.

Enfield Water and Sewer Bills

Enfield Water and Sewer bills will be mailed out the second week of July and will be due August 15, 2019.

Pool Credits

Pool credit toward sewer billing is available for water used to fill or top off swimming pools. The sewer credit is based on the fact that the water used for pools does not end up in the sewer collection system and therefore is not billable.

Mascoma Lake Public Boat Launch

Once the water temperatures increased to a safer level to be in the water, the dock at the public boat launch (located at the intersection of Main Street and NH Route 4A) was installed in late-May and available for the duration of the season. Happy boating!

Cemeteries

Cemeteries are open. Please contact the Cemetery Trustees and the Enfield Grounds Department to schedule a burial. Please keep all decorations in line with the headstones to allow mowing operations to take place.

Brush and Yard Waste

The Enfield Brush and Yard Waste Facility will be open during the business hours of the DPW or Transfer Station Monday through Saturday. The facility is closed on Sundays. 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 have a valid Town sticker and stop at the DPW office or the Transfer Station to have all loads checked by Town staff.*** The facility cannot take commercial volumes.

Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste

The Lebanon Landfill is not current accepting construction and demolition (C&D) waste, although this may change in the future pending approval of a recently proposed change in the city code. Until such time as the Lebanon Landfill begins accepting C&D waste again, there are three options available for these materials:

- Casella at their transfer facility located at 40 N Labombard Rd, Lebanon, NH.
- The Hartford Transfer/Recycling Center located at 2590 North Hartland Road White River Junction, VT.
- Hammond's Grinding and Recycling located at 11 Hammond's Way Canaan, NH.

All three take commercial and residential volumes and charge fees. Residents with C&D to dispose of should call the facilities to be sure the items they wish to dispose of are accepted by the facility and what the fees are. Contractor's should call ahead and get accounts set up before using the Hartford facility.

Punch Cards for Transfer Station

The Town has established a punch card system for Transfer Station fees. Cards will soon be available at a cost of \$25/card and allow for five \$5 "punches." The new system should reduce wait times for residents. There will be no limit on the number of cards someone can buy, and cards will not expire. Once the new policy officially goes into place (likely during the second half of July), the transfer station will no longer accept cash for disposal of bulky items. Personal checks, however, will continue to be accepted. Cards will initially be available for purchase at Town Hall, Public Works building, and the transfer station. We are also looking into the possibility of cards being sold at select local businesses. Punch cards will be payable by check or cash (although only Town Hall will accept cash). Additional announcements will be made on the Town's website (www.enfield.nh.us) when the cards become available for purchase.

2019 Transfer Station Stickers Available

The 2019 Transfer Station window stickers are available at the Town Office and the Transfer Station. An Enfield vehicle permit sticker must be affixed to the window of your car or truck on the side window behind the front passenger's seat, or with regular cab pick-ups in the lower corner of the rear window

behind the passenger. Permit stickers are available, free of charge, at the Enfield Transfer Station & Recycling Center or Enfield Town Offices. Proof of residency or property ownership is required.

Enfield permit stickers also permit you to use the town beach parking lot on Mascoma Lake.

Please Use Curbside Trash and Recycling Services

Trash and Zero-Sort recycling collected at the Transfer Station costs the Town of Enfield significantly more per ton than trash and recycling collected curbside due to extra hauling charges. Trash collected at the Transfer Station costs approximately \$30 per ton more than material collected curbside (when Transfer Station transportation fees are included). Zero-Sort recycling collected at the Transfer Station costs the Town over \$80 per ton more than recycling collected at curbside due to the extra hauling fees (when Transfer Station transportation fees are included).

Please do your part to help keep our solid waste expenses down (and keep property tax rates as low as possible in the process)!

Please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Public Works at 603-632-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us with any questions or concerns.

Household Hazardous Waste 2019 Collection Schedule

Household Hazardous Waste 2019 COLLECTION DAYS

NEW Friday
Collection

WHEN

All collections are 9:00 am—Noon

Sat, May 4—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Route 120)

Sat, June 8—Newport Highway Garage, 449 South Main Street (Rt 10 S)

Fri, July 12—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Route 120)

Sat, August 10—New London Highway Garage, 184 South Pleasant St

Sat, October 5—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover St (off Route 120)

FREE to residents from Claremont, Cornish, Enfield, Goshen, Hanover, Lebanon, Lempster, Lyme, New London, Newbury, Newport, Orford, Piermont, Plainfield, Sunapee, Unity, and Wilmot. Others residents and businesses welcome for a fee.

ANYONE with 25 gallons or more or any business must pre-register.

WHAT TO BRING:

Pesticides, Herbicides, Flea Powder
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://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>



For
information
contact the

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee
Regional Planning Commission
at (603) 448-1680 or
vdavis@uvlsrpc.org



Alkaline batteries: 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.

Ammunition and explosives: State Police at 271-3636.

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

Automotive batteries: Take to parts store for cash back or your transfer station

Empty aerosol cans: Can be recycled with scrap metal. Talk to your town.

Fluorescent lights: May be taken at your town facility. Check with your town.

Food Co-ops and Home Depot take may take CFLs (spiral bulbs), not tubes.

Latex paint: Use kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper to dry out latex paint, then 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.

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

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. See

www.nh.gov/medsafety. Can drop off at Lebanon Police Station.

Propane or helium tanks and fire extinguishers: Propane/helium tanks can be exchanged/refilled at a distributor; or contact town transfer station about empty tanks. Empty fire extinguishers can be recycled (NRRRA takes from towns).

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

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFO: <http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>

POLICE DEPARTMENT

As the days of summer have arrived, the Enfield Police Department would like to wish everybody a happy Independence Day. We would also like to take this time to remind everybody that Enfield does have a fireworks ordinance. The rules prohibit the lighting of fireworks in town other than on Friday and Saturday until 10:30 PM. Fireworks are also allowed on Independence Day. For more details, see the link to the town ordinance

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/fireworksdisplayc.pdf>. Please be safe when handling fireworks as they can cause serious injury and New Hampshire law requires that you must be 21 years of age to purchase or possess fireworks.

Now that school is out and the temps are hovering around 80 degrees, we are seeing lots of use of the Town beach. We would like to remind everybody that the upper parking lot is for the beach and that the lower lot is for boat launching and trailer parking. Please be considerate of others and park so as to not block other vehicles. Smaller sail boats and kayakers should utilize the beautiful Mascoma Lakeside Park (located just off of Main Street by the underpass) and take advantage of the non-motorized boat launch and large parking lot.

The department receives several complaints every day regarding suspicious phone calls or emails. The summer is a busy time of year for these scams. Please do not give out your personal information to suspicious callers or over the internet. If you believe something to be suspicious or have questions about a call or email you received do not hesitate to call us.

During July you will see officers out on “pizza patrol.” Enfield officers will be enforcing the under 16 bike helmet law, and issuing pizza “summons” to responsible young riders doing the right thing and wearing safety helmets. If you are in need of a helmet and do not have the means to purchase one, please stop by the station and we will provide one free of charge thanks to a grant we received from the New Hampshire Brain Injury Center.

Last but not least, speed and distracted driving remain the major cause of motor vehicle crashes in Enfield. Please put the phone away, slow down and enjoy the summer. Officers are patrolling many of Enfield’s roads, but if you would like to see the radar trailer in your area please contact Sgt. Luke Frye or Paula Rowe and we will put you on our list.

As always, if you see something, say something. Please do not hesitate to contact the Enfield Police Department at any time at 603-632-7501 or through Hanover dispatch at 603-643-2222.

RECREATION

Enfield Recreation



Chair Yoga & Exercise
Weekly on M, W, F

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair Yoga/Exercise classes on Mondays 9:30 – 10:30, Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:00, and Fridays 9:30 – 10:30 at the Enfield Community Building.

These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength and meditation. The classes are only \$3.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required.



Enfield Recreation Camp

It's time to register for camp! For a complete description of the programs being offered and to register online, please visit:

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/news/summer-day-camps-its-time-register>

The Enfield Recreation Camp is a day camp program that serves the Enfield community for youth in K-4th grade. ERC has a morning or full day option, and all campers are eligible for full day camp. With each program, we strive to provide an environment of learning and play as well as a place where campers can meet new friends. Our amazing counselors, local high school and college students, support and engage with our campers during free play, sports activities, and crafts. All of our councilors are CPR and First Aid certified.



Enfield Recreation is looking to hire lifeguards for the 2019 summer season at Shakoma Beach. Lifeguard applicants must possess current Red Cross Lifeguard certification (or equivalent). Competitive rates of pay and flexible hours.

To stay up to date on all Enfield Recreation happenings, follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldNHRecreation/>

If you have questions, or are interested in these events, have other ideas, or would like to be involved please email recreation@enfield.nh.us.

Kindly,
Joel King (Recreation Director)

P.S. Would you like to help with future Enfield Recreation events? Do you have a passion, skill, talent, or craft you would like to share? Would you like to become a member of the Recreation Commission? Do you have a Recreation related idea? I'd love to hear from you (recreation@enfield.nh.us)!

Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation

Summer is here! Some camps have started and others are starting soon – registration is still open for many of them. We also have some fun opportunities for adults, including the continuation of painting classes and a new “Grown-Up Field Trip” program.

We are also excited to announce our partnership with the Friends of Canaan Village, Canaan Recreation and Social-Summit Lodge #50 to bring you a bigger and better “4 for the 4th” event. Save the date for July 6, 2019 for our “4 for the 4th” Rail Trail Race, Ramble and Roam and choose from a 5k run, 3k walk or bike ride on our local section of the Northern Rail Trail. There is something for children as well! Children 5 and under can participate in the 1k Kid’s Fun Run. We hope to see you at the event!

Registration is open for all camps offered this summer! Contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com with questions about how to register for any camp listed below. Please note, the Challenger Camps and Shooter’s Gold Camp have their own registration sites (see our list of ongoing and upcoming programs on the last page of the recreation section for details).

Specialty Camps:

- MVPR Summer Theater Camp
- Challenger Soccer Camp
- Volleyball Clinic
- ***NEW THIS YEAR*** “Field Trip Friday” (for students entering 8th-10th grade – we’ll be going to the Mount Sunapee Adventure Park on July 26th to “PLAY ALL DAY”)

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

More Recreation...

The next Bob Ross Painting Class is scheduled for July 13th! The class will be painting a beautiful lighthouse scene. The class is from 1pm-4pm at the Enfield Community Building and you leave with a completed painting at the end of class. All materials provided!

Look for information our website or follow us on Facebook for the details.

Summer Day Camps! You Can Still Register!

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

Camp X, Canaan Rec Camp & Enfield Recreation Camp

Register for any of the remaining weeks of camp! Flexible scheduling available and there is still room in each camp. Summer camp is a great way for your children to spend the summer.



If paying for camp proves to be a financial hardship, please contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com

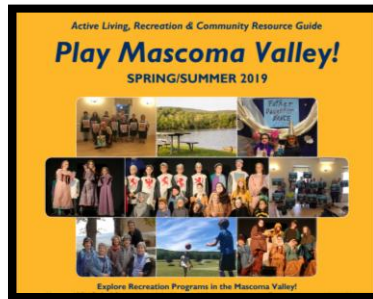
We are also offering a new program geared toward adults who like to get out and explore! “Grown-Up Field Trips” are taking place on Saturdays in July and we will be taking groups to some fun places. For a small fee, you and your friends can hop in our van and leave the driving to us!



- July 13 – 1766 Brewing Company, Museum of the White Mountains and the Waterville Valley Artisan Fair
- July 20 – Haunting Whisper Winery & Distillery
- July 27 – Farmer’s Table Café & Polyculture Brewing Company

The 2019 Spring/Summer Recreation Brochure is still available online and now printed copies are out around Canaan and Enfield! Check local businesses, your local library and at the schools to pick up your own copy to read about

out all the great events and activities happening this summer in the Mascoma region. Be sure to check the brochure more than once over the coming months, because we will be updating and adding information.



To view the brochure use either link below, or click on the above image.

Enfield Website:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/pages/spring_summer2019final_1.pdf

Canaan Website: <http://www.canaannh.org/boards/recreation/newsletter.pdf>

Email: recreation@enfield.nh.us (email is the preferred method of contact for now!)

Phone: 603-442-5415



Upcoming & Ongoing Recreation Events, Programs and Activities:

For details about programs listed below and/or to register, please go to:

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

- *Il Circolo Italiano – Italian Conversation Club*
 - Saturdays at 10am at Mickey’s Roadside Café (food available for purchase)
- *Mascoma Valley Guitar Orchestra*, weekly rehearsals on Sundays at the Department of Public Works starting at 6:30pm. \$3/session (Registration not required)
- *Line Dancing*, on Thursdays at the Enfield Community Building from 5:00-6:00pm. Drop-ins allowed, no advance registration required. Line Dancing takes a break in August!

- *Painting Class* – Class is on July 13th at the Enfield Community Building.
 - Register online: <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>
 - Classes are \$45 and all materials are included; you will leave with a completed painting at the end of the class
- *Challenger Sports Soccer Camps*
 - July 15-19, 2019 at Shaker Recreation Field on Route 4A in Enfield
 - <https://challenger.configio.com/pd/188516/mascoma-valley-parks-and-recreation-internati?m=0&zip=03748&zipdis=30&cid=750&returncom=productlist&source=search>
- *Youth Volleyball Clinic*
 - July 22-26 at Mascoma High School
 - Students entering grades 6-9
- *“4 for the 4th” Rail Trail Race, Ramble and Roam*
 - Saturday, July 6 in Canaan – participants can choose from four different events on our local section of the Northern Rail Trail: 5k race, 3k walk, a Bike Ride or a 1k Kid’s Fun Run (for children 5 & under)
 - Register Online: <https://runsignup.com/Race/NH/Canaan/4onthe4th>
- *Field Trip Friday*
 - For students entering grades 8-10 to go to Mount Sunapee Adventure Park to “Play All Day”
 - Friday, July 26th
 - \$70/child (discount available for children from the same household); fee includes transportation, park pass and Rec Staff supervision
- *Grown-Up Field Trips*
 - Three Saturdays in July – hop in the recreation van and let us do the driving!
 - *July 13* – 1766 Brewing Company, Museum of the White Mountains and the Waterville Valley Artisan Fair
 - *July 20* – Haunting Whisper Winery & Distillery
 - *July 27* – Farmer’s Table Café & Polyculture Brewing Company

FIRE DEPARTMENT

It was a busy end of June for the Fire Department. The Firefighters Association just finished another successful fair in conjunction with the Enfield Mascoma Lions Club. Long hours go into this event by our members to make it a success. We would like to thank everyone for coming out and enjoying the rides and the food.

We have taken delivery of our new air packs. These were made possible largely through our fundraising efforts. The Town contributed approximately \$11,000 and we received a private donation of \$20,000. The Firefighters Association then put in almost \$35,000. This allowed us to replace 10 of our air packs with the newest technology to help keep us safe. The equipment representative came and trained us on the new packs and they are in service. This helped us to replace a little over half of the air packs that were over 15 years old.

On the night the air packs were delivered, the Firefighters Association also voted to provide individual air masks to people able to use the air packs at a cost of approximately \$300 each. We ordered 13 of the masks the same night. This will allow each person to have their own mask that they will keep with their other gear and will be responsible to maintain. Each mask will come with its own protective bag for storage. These bags were given to us at no cost by the company.

There has been a personnel change on the fire department. Historically, there has been an Assistant Chief assigned to the Enfield Center station, and two assigned to the Union Street station. There has been only one assigned at the Union Street station for the last couple of years. Effective a few weeks ago, there was an Assistant Chief added to Union Street.

Jeremy Ford, who began his firefighting service many years ago in Enfield, has returned to the Enfield Fire Department as an Assistant Chief. He will primarily be in charge of training. He is a certified Career/Level II firefighter. He served many years in Enfield before joining the Air Force, where he served as a firefighter. He has an Associate's Degree in Fire Protection. He brings considerable knowledge and experience to his new position. The Town is lucky to have him and we look forward to having him on board moving forward.

This past week, we began the process of designing the new fire truck that is due to be replaced. This truck, Engine 4, is 30 years old. It was due to be replaced a couple of years ago, but we pushed it out a bit. Due to its age and deteriorating condition, it is well overdue to be replaced. It is in the Capital Improvement Plan. We are looking to replace it with a rescue pumper. This will allow us to combine the engine and the rescue truck in to one vehicle. By doing this, we can take a vehicle out of the replacement plan. Though this truck may cost a bit more than the last engine, it will take the rescue truck out of the cycle, which will save the Town a considerable amount of money. We are looking at both aluminum and stainless steel bodies. When we replaced the last engine, stainless steel was too expensive of an option to look at, but we have been told there is very little price difference between the two now. Once we are able to order the truck, it won't be in Enfield for 14-16 months due to the amount of trucks they are currently building.

We will also look to see if we can use the cab and chassis on the current rescue truck to replace the cab and chassis on the Forestry unit (which was recently surplused), which will save the Town additional money by not having to replace that truck for a much longer time period than if we can't use the cab and chassis. Our current Forestry unit is an old highway truck that needs to be replaced as well, and it is in the CIP plan. If we are able to remount the tank and pump on the rescue truck cab and chassis, we will add many years to the life of the truck.

We hope you are enjoying the nice weather, and enjoy your summer.

PLANNING & ZONING OFFICES

Greetings, my name is Rob Taylor and I am the new Land Use and Community Development Administrator for the Town of Enfield. My department encompasses the planning, zoning and economic/community development functions for the town. I am settling into my new office at the Department of Public Works (DPW) facility at 74 Lockhaven Road and have had the opportunity to meet with a number of local business owners and community members during my first few weeks on the job. Feel free to drop by my office to discuss plans and ideas for your property. For commercial property owners, I'd also welcome the opportunity to visit your business, learn more about your operation, and discuss ways the Town can help promote what you do. Recently I have fielded calls about a wide range of issues, from signage to subdivision, from horses to horticulture and from businesses to bicycles we are here to help. My office is now decorated with the beginnings of an antique Enfield postcard collection. I have some neat images of the old Shaker Bridges as well as scenes of the earlier days around town. I look forward to meeting you and to serving you and the various needs of progress here in this great community. I can be reached at 603-632-4067 extension 5427 or by email (planning@enfield.nh.us). Keep an eye out for future projects that I will be deeply involved with. These will include a Comprehensive Master Plan update, business and citizen outreach events and much more. Have a wonderful summer!

ENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Our Summer Learning program is off and running! We've had 38 kids and 17 adults sign up and over 20 kids have attended each of the programs we've held so far. There is still plenty of time to sign up for programs and to read for prizes. Our finale this year is a joint program with the Canaan and Grafton Libraries and will take place in the Mascoma High School Auditorium. **Join us**

July 15th for ScienceTellers at 6:30pm. ScienceTellers uses science to bring a story to life. Our story will be Aliens: “During a midnight meteor shower, something mysterious falls from the sky toward Earth — but it’s not a shooting star. Two curious kids venture into the forest to investigate and find themselves mixed up with a family of visitors from another planet!” More info here: <http://www.sciencetellers.com/aliens>

Don’t forget: we also offer passes for free or reduced admission to VINS, Billings Farm, and the NH State Parks!

Happening in July:

-Crafting ‘Round the Universe: Tuesdays 10:00am-noon. Recommended for crafters age 7 or older, teens and adults welcome! RSVP requested, space is limited. We’ll be making:

- July 2nd: Japanese wind socks
- July 9th: Rangoli sand art from India
- July 16th: Guatemalan worry dolls
- July 23rd: Make a model of Saturn

-All Ages Story Time: Wednesdays through July 31st at 10:00 am. This story time introduces longer books, songs, flannel board stories, and lots of action.

All story times will take a break in August and resume in September.

-Our **book group** will be reading *Aunt Sarah, Woman of the Dawnland* by Trudy Ann Parker. The discussion will be held Thursday July 25th at 6:30pm. Copies of the book will be available at the library.

-Knitting Group: Every Wednesday 10:30a-noon. For older teens and adults, an informal gathering for all levels of fiber crafters.

What happened in June:

- We Circulated 2,150 items and had 18 programs with 316 participants.

Have questions about the public library? If so, please visit the library’s website (<https://www.enfield.nh.us/enfield-public-library>) or contact the Library Director at 603-632-7145 or mhutson@enfield.nh.us for assistance.

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

I would like to remind everyone to please come prepared when doing your registrations. Please have your old registration with you, or the renewal notice we send you in the mail. This helps in keeping our lines to a minimum.

On July 1, the Board of Selectman is expected to approve a warrant directing the Police Department to either collect the fees due and pay them to the Enfield Town Clerk or seize any unlicensed dog and hold it in a Town holding facility

for a period of 7 days. If you no longer have a dog or your dog is deceased let us know. All dogs needed to be licensed by April 30. Although we forgave the month of May, late fees will now apply. Please make sure your dogs are up to date on their rabies shots. Dog registration fees are as follows:

Spayed/Neutered - \$7.50

Unaltered - \$10.00

Residents over 65 - \$3.00 - \$3.00-First dog only, any additional dogs are full price

Group license- \$25.00 - 5 or more dogs

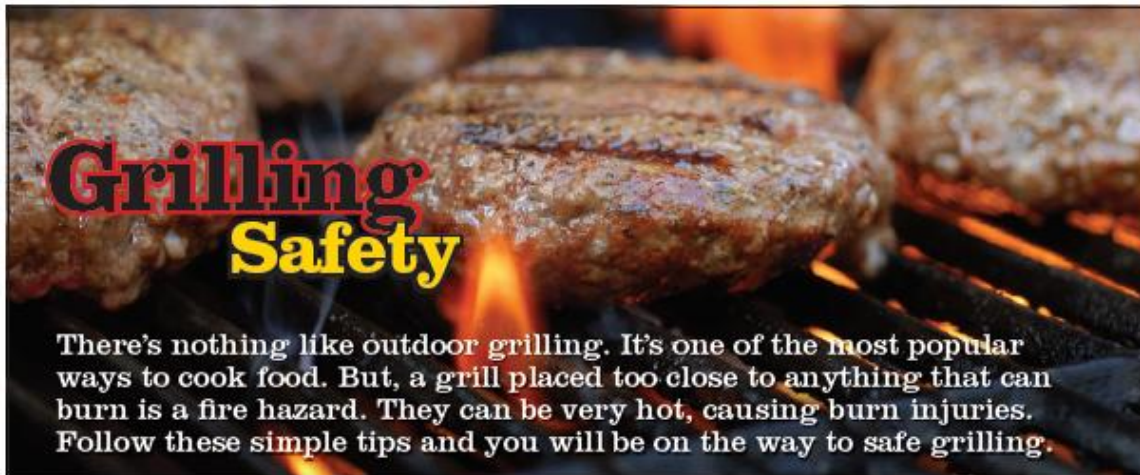
Please don't hesitate to contact the Town Clerk at 603-632-5001 Ext. 5403 with any questions about motor vehicle registrations, boat registrations, voter registrations, dog licenses, marriage licenses, or other matters handled by the Town Clerk's office.

OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Greetings all! Summertime is upon us, finally! First issue tax bills were due on July 1st and the 1st issue sewer betterment bills were due on June 28th and now that those are behind us, it's time to kick-back and enjoy all that Enfield has to offer. Between fun on the lakes and the hiking trails available, there is sure to be something for everyone. If you missed either of the billing due dates, no worries – you don't have to miss a moment of sunshine by having to come into the office as you can now make your payment 24/7 online at www.enfield.nh.us. The betterment assessment billings, water and sewer billings, gravel, timber and land use change taxes may also be made online. AND paperless billing is now available as new bills are issued! Payments made by electronic check on line have an additional flat fee of 95 cents. Payments by credit card have an additional fee of 2.95%. To make a payment online, 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.

As a reminder, payments for taxes or utilities over the counter may be made by cash or check only.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Tax Collector at 603-632-4201 Ext. 5404 or by email (whuntley@enfield.nh.us) with any questions about your property tax bills, water/sewer bills, betterment assessments or other taxes and fees collected by the Tax Collector. I hope everyone has a great start to summer and stay safe!



SAFETY TIPS

- » Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- » The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- » Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- » Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- » Never leave your grill unattended.
- » Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

- » There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- » If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- » Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- » There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- » When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

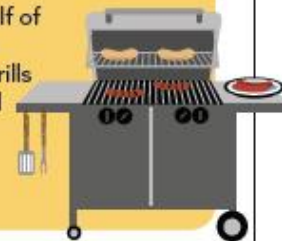
PROPANE Grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off both the gas tank and the grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. **If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department.** Do not move the grill.

If the flame goes out, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least **5 minutes** before re-lighting it.

FACTS

- ❗ July is the peak month for grill fires.
- ❗ Roughly half of the injuries involving grills are thermal burns.



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The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

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===== **MEETINGS & EVENTS**=====

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- July 1 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- July 2 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- July 4 – Town Offices & Library Closed
- July 8 @ 4:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- July 8 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees
- July 9 @ 5:15 PM (Town Hall) – Energy Committee
- July 9 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Zoning Board of Adjustment
- July 11 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Cemetery Trustees
- July 15 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- July 16 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- July 17 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Old Home Days Committee
- July 22 @ 6:30 PM (TBD) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- July 23 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- July 24 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board
- July 25 @ 4:30 PM (Town Hall) – Heritage Commission
- July 25 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Public Informational Meeting (NH Route 4A Sewer Connections)
- August 1 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Conservation Commission
- August 5 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- August 6 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- August 8 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Cemetery Trustees
- August 12 @ 4:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- August 12 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees
- August 13 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Zoning Board of Adjustment

===== **COMMUNITY EVENTS**=====

Old Home Days

July 26-28

Events Around Town

<https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldOldHomeDays/events>

Enfield Town-wide Yard Sale - Rain or Shine

Sponsored by the Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club

Saturday, July 20, 2019
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Huse Park & Around Town

For more information visit the Town's website at
<https://www.enfield.nh.us/community-businesses/events/28523>
A map of yard sale locations will be posted when it becomes available as soon as it's available.

In lieu of the Community Bulletin Board on the Town's website we are now using a Community & Business Calendar of Events which you'll find 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 and information on how to recycle those hard to recycle items can be found on the Public Works Department, Solid Waste & Recycling page.

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.

=====RECENT NEWS FROM PAST ISSUES=====

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE 2019 TOWN-WIDE REVALUATION

We'd like to introduce you to the Town's assessor, Norm Bernaiche and his assistant, Kristen McAllister. You may see them around town doing their work on the Town-wide Revaluation throughout the spring and summer. You can stay up to-to-date on the progress of the 2019 revaluation by visiting our webpage at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/assessing-department/pages/2019-revaluation>.



Are you wondering about the revaluation? Here's a bit of background and what's happening now:

Background

The Town has used Vision Appraisal assessment software since 1987. While this software, Vision 6.5, worked very effectively, late in 2017 the Town was informed that Vision Appraisal was making changes to its programs and would no longer support the software the Town of Enfield has been using for 30 years. The new upgraded Vision Appraisal software was going to cost the Town of Enfield an additional \$20,000 with no guarantee of its reliability. At that time, our assessor, Norm Bernaiche reviewed all available platforms and recommended switching to assessing software developed by Avitar Associates of Chichester, NH. This provided immediate and substantial monetary savings to the Town. The Town will continue to save with lower annual support costs.

In 2018, the new Avitar appraisal software was installed and the data conversion from Vision to Avitar began. The systems were different and required our staff to transfer all the sketches (2,400 +/-) from Vision to Avitar. Along with the sketches, the assessors have been aligning the data from Vision to Avitar to meet the needs of Enfield. This included things like labeling what was different and aligning it closer to what we are used to; adjusting factors in the system where they were different; adjusting land factors that more closely aligned with our needs since the overall valuation model developed by the assessors has worked quite well for many years; and overall, just learning the new software system.

Happening Now

Most recently, the assessors have completed all the permit work, which is done on an annual basis. They are now moving on to the sales verification process which requires visits to properties sold over the last 2 years to verify the data on the property record card and the circumstances surrounding the sale as best they can. This was ongoing throughout the month of May. If the assessors recently completed a site visit to given property they may not need to re-

measure, but may need simply to verify, with a visual inspection, that nothing appears to have changed.

From there the assessors will move onto the sales analysis phase where they adjust the assessment model to produce credible values based on the sales in the Town of Enfield. Please keep in mind that they are only using sales that have occurred in the Town of Enfield, except where the property type may require them to consider sales outside of the town boundaries. After that they apply the model factors and criteria to all the non-sale property in town to produce values that are effective for an assessment date of April 1, 2019.

Please note that the assessment practice relies on overall averages and does not target single sales so you might find your new assessment either a bit higher or lower than the sale price. The assessors have consistently said “one sale does not make a market”.

The expectation is to perform a field review of all properties once the new values have been produced to make any specific adjustments needed to properties. Those adjustments might include an adjustment to the condition of the property, design/appeal adjustment or a land adjustment. Once completed, the assessors will present the final values to the Board of Selectmen for approval. Once approved, all taxpayers will be notified of their new value and will have an opportunity to meet with the assessors to review those findings. The online mapping site will be updated and the results will be available there, along with many analysis reports to back up the assessment process. The intent is for the process to be fully transparent.

Lastly, the assessors are required to produce a State mandated USPAP (Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice) report which is reviewed and approved by the state.

If, after that, you still do not agree with your new assessment, you have the right to file an appeal after you receive your second issue tax bill in the fall of 2019. Any appeal must be filed by March 1, 2020 to comply with the law.

A review of existing statistics, as they relate to the different types of property in Enfield, including the last 2 years of sales, indicates lakefront property overall is performing better than non-lakefront property; this is nothing new. This has been happening since the 1980's as observed by the assessor who has been working with the Town since 1987. While average residential property is currently assessed at about 91% of its selling price, lakefront property is around 87% of its sale price. This means that during a general revaluation those properties will increase at a greater rate than others. The tax rate is expected to decrease with a larger assessed value overall. Please remember that the general revaluation every five years is not related to the yearly budgets of the various entities which make up the tax rate. This is a separate and distinct process performed for the purpose of fair and equitable taxation, not for increasing taxes.

The assessors working for the Town of Enfield are proud of the work they do and the consistency with valuation methodology and Town assessment staff. They are committed to delivering an excellent product and are vested in making sure that all taxpayers are treated fairly and given the time needed to understand the process.

If you have any questions about the 2019 revaluation, or other aspects of the property valuation process, please do not hesitate to contact Julie Huntley, Assessing Administrator, at 603-442-5406 or jahuntley@enfield.nh.us.

MASCOMA LAKESIDE PARK – MATCHING GRANT FUNDRAISING GOAL HAS BEEN ACHIEVED!

As was reported in the May issue of the Town newsletter, the Town successfully closed on the sale of the Mascoma Lakeside Park property from NH DOT in early-March. This milestone has been made possible by the commitment and dedication of many volunteers comprising the Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee, and of course the residents, businesses, foundations, and other interested parties who have made monetary donations to this project. It is an enormous achievement to be able to acquire this property exclusively with privately raised funds and manage it as a public park in perpetuity.



In the months since the sale was finalized the Committee's focus has been on raising additional funds for amenities for the park. This past fall we actively solicited public input through a series of meetings with local organizations, town committees, and a well-attended public forum held at the Community Building. The top priority for all stakeholders is that the natural beauty of the site be preserved and not over-developed. Some improvements are also needed and

desired. They include removing and replacing brush and trash trees with native shrubs and trees; creating trails and educational signage to enhance recreational use of the property; constructing rainwater gardens and a new retaining wall to protect the water quality of the lake; installing a children's wading/swimming area; improved parking; installing grill boxes, and; building an open pavilion (which will likely include a fire feature of some sort) that can serve as a gathering place and an educational facility.

We are very excited to announce that, after several months of hard work, we have officially raised the additional \$135,000 in private funds needed to match (dollar for a dollar) a \$135,000 matching grant from the

Northern Borders Regional Commission to help fund improvements to the park property!

This is a major achievement, but private fundraising efforts will continue to ensure that we have the financing needed to complete all the planned improvements.

An online version of the pledge agreement can be accessed here:

<http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/mlppledgeagreement.pdf>

You may enclose a check with your completed pledge agreement, but if you'd rather pay later you may do that. Send in your donation when it's convenient, with the words "Mascoma Lakeside Park" clearly noted in the memo field. Or, you can choose to wait and a member of the Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee will contact you for payment on the date or dates you specify in your pledge. Thank you for your support! This is an incredibly important effort for our community.

ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Please don't hesitate to contact the Town Manager at 603-632-5026 or raylesworth@enfield.nh.us if you have related questions or interest in lending your support to this important community project.

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES OPTIMIZATION STUDY – NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

An electronic copy of the final report prepared by Barrett Architecture for Phase 1 of the Municipal Facilities Optimization Study has been posted on the Town's website: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/municipal-facilities-optimization-study>

It is important to reiterate that the contents of Barrett Architecture's presentation (and forthcoming report) are the first phase of what will be a multi-phase/deliberative process. The Town retained the services of Barrett Architecture (Phase 1) to complete an independent and objective evaluation of our current facilities, our facility needs, and related alternatives that the Town could/should consider moving forward. The subsequent findings and recommendations furnished by Barrett Architecture will now be thoroughly examined, deliberated, and used to guide future information gathering (and public input) as we collectively progress with a comprehensive analysis that is completed prior to any formal proposals ultimately being presented to voters at a future Town Meeting.

Along these lines, an advisory group (Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee or “MFAC” for short) was recently assembled to begin addressing the next phase of this effort. The MFAC is comprised of nine members, including the following individuals

- Shirley Green
- Jean Patten
- Erik Russell
- Phil Shipman
- Maynard Southard
- Mark Tarantelli
- Robert West
- Tracy Young
- Ryan Aylesworth, Town Manager

The committee is charged with developing cost-effective strategies that enable the Town facilities to meet their service delivery needs in both the mid- and long-term while still ensuring that potential investments in new projects reflect fiscal responsibility and use external funding sources (i.e., federal and state grants) to the fullest extent possible in order to minimize the Town’s financial commitment. Committee meetings will be open to the public, and all meetings will be publicly posted at least 24 hours in advance.

TOWN POLICIES RELATED TO DOGS

We would like to remind everybody that Enfield has a leash ordinance. The rules require that dogs must stay on your property and that when out in public be on a leash or “under control of a handler.” Under control is defined as the dog being in the immediate area of the owner and ensuring that the dog responds to commands. The town ordinance also requires that owners pick up after their dog if it defecates on property other than property owned by the dog owner. It should also be known that Town ordinances also prohibit dogs from Huse Park, Shakoma Beach and Shaker Ball Fields at all times.

On a related note, at its May 20 meeting, the Board of Selectmen deliberated on a proposal to “trial” allowing intact dogs in all three enclosures at the Shaker Field Dog Park on NH Route 4A. Intact dogs had been previously prohibited in all enclosures prior to a rule change in the spring of 2018 that allowed intact dogs to utilize one of the enclosures (“Ingrid’s Park”). After reviewing

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES OPTIMIZATION STUDY

Town of Enfield

Enfield, New Hampshire



April 25, 2019

Barrett Architecture, PC
White River Junction, Vermont



information contained in scientific literature, examining dog park rules being used in dog parks across the United States, and receiving testimony from a number of interested parties, the Board of Selectmen ultimately voted to permit intact dogs (with the exception of female dogs in heat) into each of the enclosures on a one-year trial basis. The merits of making this temporary rule permanent will be evaluated at the conclusion of the trial.

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. For instance, during this year of the full town-wide revaluation of property we'll post updates to our progress on the Assessing Department page. Community news items will appear on the Community & Businesses page – we currently have two scholarship Announcements on this page – check it out!

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Toters

The trash and recycling toters are part of the Enfield trash and recycling collection program and must remain with the property upon a property transfer. The Town has had to replace many of these containers that people have taken with them after selling their properties.

Recycling Fees

The Town of Enfield charges fees for items that the Town gets charged for to dispose of including CFC units, tires, TVs, computers, electronics, fire extinguishers, propane tanks and microwave ovens. Lately a number of people have been trying to "sneak" items into the Transfer Station to avoid paying these fees. It is very important to dispose of these items properly not only for the health of the Town budget but the safety of the operators and people at the Transfer Station and down the trash and recycling streams. Many of these

items contain hazardous materials which is the reason for the fee. Hiding hazardous materials in bags going into a compactor or placing them in the metal container that will be run through a grinder could result in a serious injury. Please follow link below for details.

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/solid-waste-recycling/files/solid-waste-recycling-program>

Water Saving Tips to Help You Save Money on Your Next Water/Sewer Bill

1. *Check faucets and pipes for leaks.* A small drip from a worn faucet washer can waste 20 gallons of water per day. Larger leaks can waste hundreds of gallons.
2. *Check your toilets for leaks.* Put a little food coloring in your toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl within 30 minutes, you have a leak that should be repaired immediately. Most replacement parts are inexpensive and easy to install.
3. *Use your water meter to check for hidden water leaks.* Read the house water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter does not read exactly the same, there is a leak.
4. *Install water-saving shower heads and low-flow faucet aerators.* Inexpensive water-saving low-flow shower heads or restrictors are easy for the homeowner to install. Long, hot showers can use five to ten gallons every unneeded minute. "Low-flow" means it uses less than 2.5 gallons per minute (gpm). Also, all household faucets should be fit with low-flow aerators. 2.5 gpm may be needed in a kitchen sink but bathroom faucets and other water outlets should be 1.5 gpm or lower. Check gpm rating on packaging to be sure the advertised "low-flow" is at or below these levels. This single best home water conservation method is also the least expensive!
5. *Insulate your water pipes.* It's easy and inexpensive to insulate your water pipes with pre-slit foam pipe insulation. You'll get hot water faster plus avoid wasting water while it heats up.
6. *Take shorter showers.* One way to cut down on water use is to turn off the shower after soaping up, then turn it back on to rinse. A four-minute shower uses approximately 20 to 40 gallons of water. Limit your showers to the time it takes to soap up, wash down and rinse off.
7. *Turn off the water after you wet your toothbrush.* There is no need to keep the water running while brushing your teeth. Just wet your brush and fill a glass for mouth rinsing.
8. *Rinse your razor in the sink.* Fill the sink with a few inches of warm water. This will rinse your razor just as well as running water, with far less waste of water.
9. *Use your dishwasher and clothes washer for only full loads.* Automatic dishwashers and clothes washers should be fully loaded for optimum water conservation. Most makers of dishwashing soap recommend not

pre-rinsing dishes which is a big water savings. With clothes washers, avoid the permanent press cycle, which uses an added 20 liters (5 gallons) for the extra rinse. For partial loads, adjust water levels to match the size of the load. Replace old clothes washers. New Energy Star rated washers use 35 - 50% less water and 50% less energy per load. If you're in the market for a new clothes washer, consider buying a water-saving frontload washer.

10. *Keep a bottle of drinking water in the fridge.* Running tap water to cool it off for drinking water is wasteful. Store drinking water in the fridge in a safe drinking bottle.

How to Improve Recycling

To improve the quality of materials that residents place in their recycling bins, Casella (the Town's contracted solid waste service provider) has created a new video for customers to watch. This video is just one component of a campaign centered on Casella's Recycle Better™ campaign.

It is Casella's stated goal to not only invest in recycling technology to improve its outbound materials, but to also educate its customers to do their part to ensure the sustainability of recycling. Consumers, businesses, and municipalities alike must learn to Recycle Better for cleaner, less contaminated material to be delivered to Casella facilities. We encourage you to share this video with your friends, family, and colleagues. The video can be accessed here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdvboQQWUc8>

The “Don’t” of Recycling



KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF ZERO-SORT® RECYCLING



NO Plastic Bags or Bagged Recycling

(Take clean plastic bags to your local retailer for recycling)



NO Coated Paper Items

(Items with a plastic lining such as waxed coffee or soda cups & waxed paper plates)



NO Disposable Items

(Styrofoam™, napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, dirty recycling, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers & coffee pods)



NO Toys, Hangers, Clothes or Shoes

(Gently used items can be donated)



NO Waste or Wood

(Rope, twine, diapers, food, pet & yard waste)



NO Plastic Wrap, Films or Tarps

(Food bags or wrappers, plastic or shrink wrap & tarps)



NO Hazardous Materials

(Check for alternative recycling)



NO Rubber or Scrap Metal

(Check for alternative recycling)



NO Medical Waste

(Find safe and secure disposal near you)



NO Ceramics, Pots, Pans or Baking Glass

(Gently used items can be donated)



NO Electronics, Lithium Batteries or Bulbs

(Check for alternative recycling)

WHEN IN DOUBT, KEEP IT OUT! • For more information visit casella.com or call 800-CASELLA

BUILDING AND FIRE INSPECTOR

With the warmer weather residents are beginning to enjoy outdoor activities, which include pools. I have listed a few things to keep in mind as you prepare these for use.

1. Any pool under 4 feet in height is required to have a fence installed around the perimeter.
2. The fence shall have a locking and self latching gate.
3. Pools 4 feet and over in height shall have the ladder removed or made unusable when unattended.
4. Consider installing a pool alarm that goes off when anyone enters the pool.
5. Contact your homeowners insurance to verify that the pool is included in your policy.
6. Establish and enforce rules and safe behaviors, such as “no diving”, “swim with a buddy” and “walk please”.
7. Ensure everyone in the home knows how to swim and respond to pool emergencies by having appropriate safety equipment and training.

For questions about fire safety, please do not hesitate to contact to Town’s building and fire inspector at 603-632-4343 or pneily@enfield.nh.us.



Doing laundry is most likely part of your every day routine. But did you know how important taking care of your clothes dryer is to the safety of your home? With a few simple safety tips you can help prevent a clothes dryer fire.

- Have your dryer installed and serviced by a professional.
- Do not use the dryer without a lint filter.
- Make sure you clean the lint filter before or after each load of laundry. Remove lint that has collected around the drum.
- Rigid or flexible metal venting material should be used to sustain proper air flow and drying time.
- Make sure the air exhaust vent pipe is not restricted and the outdoor vent flap will open when the dryer is operating. Once a year, or more often if you notice that it is taking longer than normal for your clothes to dry, clean lint out of the vent pipe or have a dryer lint removal service do it for you.
- Keep dryers in good working order. Gas dryers should be inspected by a qualified professional to make sure that the gas line and connection are intact and free of leaks.
- Make sure the right plug and outlet are used and that the machine is connected properly.
- Follow the manufacturer's operating instructions and don't overload your dryer.
- Turn the dryer off if you leave home or when you go to bed.

AND DON'T FORGET...

Dryers should be properly **grounded**.

Check the **outdoor vent** flap to make sure it is not covered by snow.

Keep the area around your dryer **clear** of things that can burn, like boxes, cleaning supplies and clothing, etc.

Clothes that have come in contact with **flammable substances**, like gasoline, paint thinner, or similar solvents should be laid outside to dry, then can be washed and dried as usual.

FACT

- ❗ The leading cause of home clothes dryer fires is failure to clean them.



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Smoke Alarms at Home

SMOKE ALARMS ARE A KEY PART of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.



SAFETY TIPS

- Install smoke alarms in every bedroom. They should also be outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Install alarms in the basement.
- Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.
- It is best to use interconnected smoke alarms. When one smoke alarm sounds, they all sound.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.
- Current alarms on the market employ different types of technology including multi-sensing, which could include smoke and carbon monoxide combined.
- Today's smoke alarms will be more technologically advanced to respond to a multitude of fire conditions, yet mitigate false alarms.
- A smoke alarm should be on the ceiling or high on a wall. Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen to reduce false alarms. They should be at least 10 feet (3 meters) from the stove.
- People who are hard-of-hearing or deaf can use special alarms. These alarms have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old.

FACTS

- ❗ A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- ❗ Smoke alarms should be installed inside every sleeping room, outside each separate sleeping area, and on every level. Smoke alarms should be connected so when one sounds, they all sound. Most homes do not have this level of protection.
- ❗ Roughly 3 out of 5 fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.



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PROPERTY RECORDS AND MAPS

Did you know that property records and GIS maps with various layers, including wetlands, topography, etc., are available on our website? Simply go the Assessing Department page at <http://www.enfield.nh.us/assessing-department> and click on GIS Maps & Property Record Cards link.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

Do you want to become more involved in your community? Then you're in luck! Several volunteer positions are still open. You can access our Application for Committee Membership here: http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/membershipapp_0.pdf

Do you love our wide selection of recreation programs for children and adults alike? Then join our **Recreation Commission!** We currently have three openings. This group works with the Enfield Recreation Director to develop a wide variety of recreation programs for residents of all ages. The Recreation Commission meets the third Tuesday of each month in the Whitney Hall conference room in the Enfield Town Offices. You can see what the committee has been up to on their webpage here: <http://www.enfield.nh.us/parks-recreation>

Do your interests lie in economic development? Then the **Tax Increment Finance District Advisory Committee** may be for you. This committee currently has three openings for a five member committee. Applicants for this committee must live within the Enfield TIF District or immediately adjacent to it or own a business in the TIF District. This committee, advisory to the Board of Selectmen, is charged with maintenance and implementation of the District Plan. The TIF Committee meets on an as needed basis, generally less than once a month, at the convenience of its members.

Or perhaps your interests lean toward Zoning. The Zoning Board of Adjustment is a quasi-judicial body that has the responsibility for special exceptions and variances of the Town Zoning Ordinance. We have one full member vacancy and up to four openings for **Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) alternates**. Meetings of the ZBA are the second Tuesday of each month (as needed).

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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 January

– July at 5:30 PM, with a couple of additional meetings in June and July as needed to prepare for the festivities. Check out the wide array of entertaining events held in 2018:

<http://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/2018ohdevents.pdf>



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