

TOWN NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024

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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 this town-wide newsletter that is disseminated by email monthly 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. Simply:

- Go to the town’s website subscription page: 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
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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 Ed Morris, Enfield 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.

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

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A MESSAGE FROM ENFIELD'S TOWN MANAGER

The weather held out just long enough to have a successful sledding day here in Enfield. We had about 25 kids show up to play in the snow and enjoy their final days of winter break. As we enter March the weather will be unseasonably warm with the lows barely hitting the freezing mark. As the snow disappears, the sap flows and the mud deepens the final details are being addressed for Town Meeting. We look forward to speaking with and hearing from each of you as we make decisions that will help direct the Town through 2024.

In addition to Town meeting preparation, I have been primarily focused on working on the two building projects. The Public Safety Building continues to move through the final phases of development and bid tabulations. Bids are coming back in accordance with the estimated budget, and we are on track for breaking ground in the spring of 2024.



pouring the foundation.

On another note, we are working with our contractors to finish the demolition of the Shedd Street properties, which should happen in early March. After that, the final grading and preparation will happen after the snow melts and the ground thaws. Town staff is putting the final preparation into a request for proposals for the sale and development of these two lots, which should be presented to the Select Board soon.

Ed Morris, Town Manager



The Whitney Hall project continues to move forward as well. There were very few unexpected items during the initial phases of excavation and demolition. This is good news, because opening up an older building can often uncover issues that have large budgetary impacts. We have a budgeted contingency, but so far have not needed to tap into them. This week the helical piles were installed which will help create a solid foundation for the new addition to the building. The excavation contractors are backfilling some areas in preparation for the concrete contractors who will be onsite next week, preparing and

Whitney Hall Renovations Underway



Work on the Whitney Hall renovation and expansion project continues. In February, the old vault was removed. As a cost saving measure, the elevator shaft and mechanical room will remain in their current locations. Foundation work for the addition also began. Helical piles are being installed to provide a stable foundation for the new structure.

What are helical piles and what do they do? Helical piles provide foundation support. This is particularly important if the soils are not ideal. Many years ago, following a fire at this location, the remains of the building were pushed behind Whitney Hall and paved over. These organic materials are less stable as they are still decomposing. Helical piles are screwed into the earth. By embedding helical piles under the surface, the needed stability is provided for the building foundation.



Interior work also continues with library restrooms removed and the wall and door at the bottom of the balcony stairs also removed.

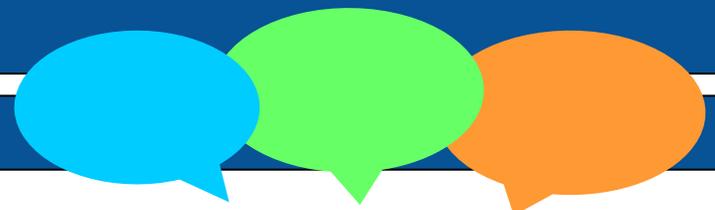
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Enter your email address. For general News & Announcements, which includes notice of this newsletter) check the box for **Town News & Announcements**. Check boxes for any other information you want to receive directly to your email address, such as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

SPECIAL NEWS ITEMS

TOWN MEETING



2024 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 12 & 16, 2024

[For up-to-date information visit our 2024 Annual Town Meeting web page](#)

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Vote by ballot on election of officers. Polls will be open from 8 AM - 7 PM at the Enfield Community Building, 308 US Route 4.

- [Candidates for Elected Office](#)

To view **Sample Ballots** for the Town and School or to request an **Absentee Ballot** see the [Town Clerk's page](#).

Saturday, March 16, 2024

Presentation, discussion and action on the remaining articles, 2 – 19, will take place at the Enfield Village School, 271 US Route 4, beginning at 9 AM

- [2024 Town Meeting Warrant](#)
- [Proposed Short Term Rental Ordinance \(Article 7\)](#)
- [Proposed Tax Increment Finance District Plan \(Article 9\)](#)
- [February 20, 2024 Public Hearing Presentation relative to the adoption of SB2 \(Article 12 – by citizen petition\).](#)
- Watch the Select Board's February 20, 2024 public hearing on [YouTube](#).

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST – ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS TO THE VOTER CHECKLIST

The Supervisors of the Checklist will meet for Additions & Corrections to the Voter Checklist on

Saturday, March 2, 2024
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Town Offices
410 NH Route 4A, Bldg. 2

Items needed for quick registering:

- Birth certificate or passport AND
- Driver's license or other photo Id AND
- Mail, utility bill, auto registration or pay stub with current street address

BALLOT MACHINE TESTING

The Ballot Counting Machine, to be used for the March 12th Town Elections, will be tested on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 at 11:00 am at the Town Clerk's Office, 410 NH Route 4A, Building 2. Interested parties are welcome to attend.

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

Read the [2023 Annual Report online!](#)

As in previous years, a limited run of Annual Reports will be printed. Reports, once received from the printer, will be available for pick up at the Town Offices, 410 NH Route 4A, during regular office hours. Copies will also be available for pick up at both sessions of Town Meeting. Watch for availability updates at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/select-board/pages/annual-reports>

2023 ANNUAL REPORT



ENFIELD NEW HAMPSHIRE



RSA 130-A:5-d Sale and Rental of Property In Effect July 1, 2024

New Hampshire's Department of Health and Human Services is calling attention to a section of RSA 130-A Lead Paint Poisoning Prevention and Control, passed on April 9, 2018, that will go into effect July 1, 2024.

Lead poisoning is
100%
preventable

Who Should Be Aware of This Law?



Realtors



Property owners



Municipalities



Developers



Banking industry



Childcare facilities



Building inspectors



Contractors

**RSA 130-A:5-d
Sale and Rental of
Property in effect
beginning
July 1, 2024**

The following *shall* require certification of lead safety **prior to** being used as either a residential rental unit or as a day care facility:

- I. Newly-constructed rental units within buildings erected prior to January 1, 1978. ("Newly-constructed rental units" means rental units being converted from a use other than residential rental housing.)
- II. Newly-licensed day care facilities within buildings erected prior to January 1, 1978.

To learn more about NH RSA 130-A:5-d, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule, and the Federal EPA disclosure rule, visit www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/environmental-health-and-you/lead-poisoning-prevention-program/laws-and





RSA 130-A:5-D SALE AND RENTAL OF PROPERTY

What Does This Mean for Residential Properties?

All pre-1978 properties being converted into residential rental housing will be required to have a Lead-Safe Certificate issued by a licensed NH Risk Assessor prior to occupancy.

What types of properties does this apply to?

- Pre-1978 residential properties being converted into rental housing, including properties such as mill buildings or other large buildings being converted from another use to residential housing
- Pre-1978 residential properties being converted to add rental units
- Single-family homes that used to be owner-occupied being put on the residential rental market

What type of properties does this not apply to?

- Residential rental properties already in existence
- Owner-occupied homes



To locate a list of licensed NH Risk Assessors that can issue Lead-Safe Certificates, visit www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/environmental-health-and-you/lead-poisoning-prevention-program/lead-abatement

What Does This Mean for Childcare Facilities?

RSA 130-A:5-d does not require *currently* licensed childcare facilities to obtain a Lead-Safe Certificate; however, it does require any *newly* licensed childcare facilities opening in a property built prior to 1978 to have a Lead-Safe Certificate on file issued by a licensed NH Risk Assessor.



It only takes a speck of lead dust the size of a grain of salt to poison a child.



1 in 5

Attention Deficit Disorder cases were attributed to lead exposure. www.aap.org

For more information

Email LeadInfo@dhhs.nh.gov or call 1-800-897-LEAD (5323)



NH DHHS Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program | Feb 2024

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

The Trustees are scheduled to meet again starting in May. As always please contact Bridget with any questions at cemetery@enfield.nh.us

Burials will be able to be scheduled, as noted in the rules and regulations, between April 15th and November 15th with considerations around the weather and how soft/wet the ground is. You can also find general information on the rules and regulations of the cemeteries here:

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/cemetery-department/files/rules-regulations>

Something a little different, a little history on each cemetery during these quieter months. All information about the cemeteries is abbreviated and from the Enfield, New Hampshire 1761-2000 book that can be found in the library, or maybe you own your own copy. Next up:

Colby Cemetery

A small private cemetery very near the Enfield-Grafton boundary. It is noted to have been 45 feet from the highway, with no clear indication of being a burial ground other than three grave mounds and a rough fieldstone. One burial was identified. All traces have since disappeared.

ENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

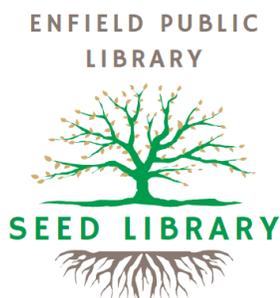


February 2024

PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES

THE TINY ART SHOW HAS ARRIVED!

Canvases are due by March 4 to be displayed for the month. Wait till you see the amazing creations! We gave out nearly 200 canvases, and it's going to be awesome. Join us for an **Opening Reception** March 7, 5 – 7 p.m.!



EPL Seed Library

We have seed packets for the taking!
Come in and see which varieties we have available.

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Enfield Public Library Book Group

Now meeting the 2nd Thursday of the month and incorporating both general and mystery reads.

- March 14, 6 p.m. at the Library to discuss [The Measure](#) by Nikki Erlick

Cookbook Chat & Recipe Swap

- Friday, March 22, 1 p.m., with the theme of “Your Favorite Spring Flavor”
Join us to chat about spring cooking – recipes and samples not required but always appreciated.

Books on the Nightstand Discussion

- Tuesday, March 26, 6 pm – What have you been reading? Come tell us and others at this lively discussion of books and leave with a list to grow your to-be-read pile.

[RSVP requested if you plan to attend these meetings \(and you haven't told us you're coming\).](#)

Knitting & Fiber Group

- Meet other fabric folks every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in the library

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS



Story Time at the Community Building

Mondays, 10 a.m., **EXCEPT** Monday, March 11, Store Time moves to the library due to Town Meeting preparation

Story Time at the Library

Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.

LEGO Thursdays

Come by for free-building fun every Thursday afternoon.

Can't wait till Thursday? We get out the LEGOs when asked.
March 9th and 23rd



The Craft Table Returns!

We've found a place for the kids' craft table in the back room. Drop in to create some art whenever the library is open, and you may see your creation pinned up.



READ TO A THERAPY DOG!



Read to a Therapy Dog

Monday, March 4 and 18, 3:30 p.m.

These sessions are fully booked.

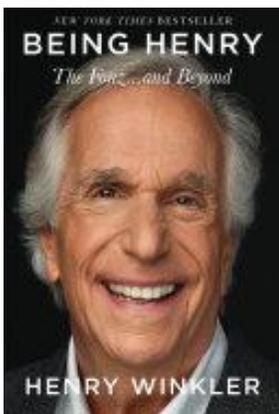
Please check for cancellations.

We currently have space available

for April 15 and May 20 sessions.



RECOMMENDED READING



[Being Henry](#) by Henry Winkler

Summary: "Brilliant, funny, and widely-regarded as the nicest man in Hollywood (though he would be the first to tell you that it's simply not the case, he's really just grateful to be here), Henry shares in this achingly vulnerable memoir the disheartening truth of his childhood, the difficulties of a life with severe dyslexia, the pressures of a role that takes on a life of its own, and the path forward once your wildest dream seems behind you. Filled with profound heart, charm, and self-deprecating humor, *Being Henry* is a memoir about so much more than a life in Hollywood and the curse of stardom. It is a meaningful testament to the power of sharing truth and kindness and of finding fulfillment within yourself"--Provided by publisher.

Perhaps most appealing to those who know Henry Winkler from his role as "The Fonz" in the television series *Happy Days*, this book should also be of interest to those concerned with learning disability, as Henry has struggled his whole life with reading as a severe dyslexic. Included are some nice asides from his wife, including one about how charming he can be. He certainly charmed me with this memoir. A delightful, easy, and inspiring read. –Nancy

ABOUT EPL

What's New

Browse [New Books](#) and more on our library catalog home page. Find out about Borrowing, Resources, Programs, [contact information](#), and our [Calendar](#) too! Get the latest news in your email inbox each Wednesday with the [Wowbrary](#) newsletter.



Hours

Monday: 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:00 am-7:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:00 am-5:00 pm
Thursday: 11:00 am-7:00 pm
Friday: closed
Saturday: 10:00 am-2:00 pm
Sunday: closed

Location & Contact

410 NH Route 4A, Bldg. 1
P.O. Box 1030
Enfield, NH 03748

[Directions](#)

Phone: 603-632-7145
Email: library@enfield.nh.us

HERITAGE COMMISSION

“Know your Town” is presented by the Enfield Heritage Commission. Each month we bring you a bit of insight into the origins of street names or places you see every day and more. Check out “Know your Town” features from [past issues!](#)

Native Americans - Enfield

Long before people came to enjoy the water and scenery of our area by car on I-89 or carriage via the Fourth New Hampshire Turnpike, Native Americans stopped on the shores of Mascoma Lake and River. 11,000 years ago, Native Americans, like the later European settlers who followed them, travelled and lived along water routes that linked the Connecticut River with southern villages and the Atlantic coast. In East Lebanon, where rapids interrupted navigation, indigenous travelers would sink their canoes and proceed on foot taking the Maskwamok-Aguadakan trail along Mascoma Lake and the Indian River to The Weirs in Laconia.

These travelers belonged to the Abenaki language group, which dominated New Hampshire and consisted of several bands including the Penacook, Winnipisaukee, Pigwacket, Sokoki, Cowasuck and Ossipee bands. Sokoki sachem “Chief” Mascoma negotiated treaties on behalf of his people. Native American settlement in the Enfield area appears to have been transitory or seasonal. Any dwellings would have been semi-permanent and the preferred location for them was flat areas near water.

In fact, the material traces of indigenous people’s presence in Enfield come from the beachy, flat ends of Lake Mascoma, where the Knox and the Mascoma rivers enter the lake. In 1951, stone flakes and pottery fragments were found on the water’s edge near what is now Lakeside Park. A woman living near the current park found “projectile points” in her

garden in 1975. During preparation for building Mascoma Lakeside Park, additional stone flakes and pottery (European) were found in test pits.

While living off the bounty of local waters and woods, New Hampshire's Native Americans were largely agricultural. They cultivated the "three sisters", corn, beans and squash, as well as sunflowers, Jerusalem artichokes, ground cherry and tobacco. For other goods, they traded with colonists. However, by the time European settlers moved into the Enfield area, the population of the Abenaki in New Hampshire was severely reduced. Epidemics in 1615 and 1620, conflicts with Mohawks and the newly arrived colonists and intermarriage diminished the population. An ongoing conflict with the Iroquois league left up to 75% dead, while northward migration further emptied our area of indigenous people.

Today, there are fewer than 1,000 Abenaki in New Hampshire; few of whom speak the language. New Hampshire does not have any tribes recognized by the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs.

For more information on Enfield's first inhabitants, visit the seasonally open Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum.
<https://www.indianmuseum.org/visit>

LAND USE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Planning Board (PB) - The Planning Board met twice in February. At their 2/14/2024 meeting the Board held a conceptual discussion with a property owner regarding a potential subdivision that would involve land that straddles the Enfield-Canaan town line. At their 2/28/2024 meeting they held two hearings. They were for Land Use Case # P24-02-03 where Cameron and Sara Roberts were seeking minor subdivision approval to create two lots from one they own at 804 Shaker Hill Road (Map 8, Lot 1). The subject parcel is 11.66 acres total, and this request was to create one lot of 10.47 acres and another of 1.19 acres, respectively. Second was Land Use Case # P24-02-04 where Tardiff Hall at Shaker Village, LLC applied for Major Site Plan Review (SPR) approval to convert a portion of their building at 86 Chosen Vale Lane (Map 10A, Lot 75-A8) into four residential apartments. The subject property is 1.01 acres and is located within the R1 Rural Residential District. The property is owned by Tardiff Hall at Shaker Village, LLC.

The Planning Board has two important hearings scheduled for March 13th at 6:30 pm. Both of the Land Use Cases are for the Town of Enfield's construction projects. First is Land Use Case # P24-02-01, where the Town of Enfield, NH is seeking major site plan review (SPR) for the renovation and expansion of Whitney Hall which will continue to serve as the Enfield Town Offices and Library at 23 Main Street (map 34, lot 37). The work on this project will be completed by Bread Loaf Construction of Middlebury, VT. Second up is Land Use Case # P24-02-02, where the Town of Enfield, NH is seeking major site plan review (SPR) for the construction and future use of a consolidated public safety facility (police, fire, and ambulance) at 6 Granite Place (map 15, lot 18-3). The work on this project will be supervised by Neagley and Chase Construction of South Burlington, VT.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) - The ZBA did not meet in February, however they have an important appeal/hearing coming up in March on the 12th at 7:00 pm at the DPW Facility, 74 Lockehaven Road. This is for Enfield Land Use Case # Z24-03-01 where DC Development & Construction LLC (Stephen Doherty, duly authorized) has applied for zoning variances with the Enfield ZBA. First, a variance is requested from article IV, section 401.1, paragraph "L" to allow for a building's height to be greater than 35 ft. Second, a variance is requested from article IV, section 401.1, paragraph "U" which states that "no lot shall have more than one principal building." The subject parcels are located at 107 Maple Street (map 14, lots 47 & 48) and are owned by Maple Street- Enfield Acquisition LLC (care of John Dibitetto).

NH HOP Grant Zoning Re-Write Project - As you may or may not know, the Town of Enfield, NH has been awarded funding known as a "Housing Opportunity Planning" (or NH-HOP) Grant. This grant funding is to be used to help Enfield develop new zoning ordinance language, especially with regard to housing. On Thursday, February 29th, our contractors

met with Enfield Zoning Ordinance “Stakeholders” for a special discussion to guide the development of new, updated land use regulations. These “Stakeholders” are people who have unique experience and knowledge of Enfield and more specifically, our existing regulations and regulatory climate. It was a productive discussion and there will be many more opportunities for input, including from the general public.

Master Planning Project Phase II - Our Master Planning Contractor has been meeting with each of the five related town committees and commissions. These have been opportunities to dive in deep on the issues and priorities for Enfield’s future. These meetings were held (or will be held) with 1) recreation Commission, 2) Heritage Commission, 3) Energy Committee, 4) Conservation Commission, 5) Municipal Facilities and Services (ad hoc) Committee. The Master Planning Task Force (MPTF) will meet again on March 11th at the DPW Facility (6:30 pm) to continue their facilitation of this Phase II project.

Land Use and Community Development Office - Please contact the Land Use office with any questions, complaints or new ideas between Monday and Friday at 603-442-5427 or by email at: planning@enfield.nh.us You may also drop by the office at the DPW facility at 74 Lockhaven Road. It is always recommended to call ahead first to be sure we are available or to schedule a meeting. Have a great early spring!

Parks & Recreation

Spring and Summer Recreation Programming

Enfield Recreation is excited to bring you the following programs this upcoming spring/summer seasons! More programs to be announced soon! For information on all of the events listed check out Enfield.nh.us or check out our Facebook by searching EnfieldNHRecreation. As always you can register for all most programs at <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

TOWN OF ENFIELD NEW HAMPSHIRE

ENFIELD Recreation

SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAMING

ENFIELD EGG HUNT

Date: 3/30
Time: 10:00 am
Registration Opens March 1st

APRIL 8TH SOLAR ECLIPSE

Date: 4/8
Time: 1 pm - Eclipse
Eclipse time: 3:30pm
More information coming soon!

ENFIELD RECREATION SUMMER CAMP

6 week Summer Camp
Time: M-F 8 - 4:45pm
Registration Open: **March 25th @ 9am for Enfield Residents**

ENFIELD MARKET

Date: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of Each Month. May to Oct
Time: 10 - 1 pm
Registration Open

CHALLENGER INTERNATIONAL SOCCER

CHALLENGER SOCCER CAMP

Dates: 6/24-6/28
7/8-7/12
Registration is Open

HOGANS BASKETBALL CAMP

Dates: July 15th-18th
Registration Date: OPEN
Camp Times:
Grade 1-4: 8-10am
Grade 5-8: 8-12pm
High School: 12-4pm

MOVIE IN THE PARK W/ ENFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Date: June 8th at Dusk
Free event open to the public at Huse Park
Movie title release coming soon!

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Dates: TBD
Registration Open: TBD

To register for a program follow link below or ask questions reach out to Recreation@enfield.nh.us
[MVPR.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM](https://mvpr.recdesk.com/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM)

Enfield Farmers Market

Registration is opening for the Enfield Farmers Market this month starting on February 1st! The market will run the same schedule as last year and be the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. We welcome all vendors but are in need of Produce Vendors and Food Vendors/Food Trucks! If you are interested in and have questions, please reach out to Recreation@enfield.nh.us for all inquiries.

A promotional graphic for the Enfield Market 2024. It features a central white panel with a green border. At the top left is the Town of Enfield logo. In the center is a basket of fresh produce. Below that, the words "Enfield Market" are written in a large, bubbly green font. A green banner below the title reads "Now Accepting Vendors/Musicians for the 2024 Season!". Underneath is the text "REGISTER TODAY!" in large, bold, yellow-outlined letters, followed by the website "MVPR.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM". Two columns of market dates and sign-up options are listed at the bottom. The background of the graphic shows a grassy field with market tents and a white building under a blue sky.

TOWN OF ENFIELD
NEW HAMPSHIRE

Enfield Market

*Now Accepting Vendors/Musicians
for the 2024 Season!*

REGISTER TODAY!

MVPR.RECDESK.COM/COMMUNITY/PROGRAM

MARKET DATES 2024:

5/11	8/10
5/25	8/24
6/8	9/14
7/13	9/28
7/27	10/12

MARKET SIGN UP OPTIONS:

- FULL SEASON - **\$100**
- ALL 2ND SATURDAYS - **\$72**
 - 6 MARKETS
- ALL 4TH SATURDAYS - **\$48**
 - 4 MARKETS
- DROP-IN - PER MARKET - **\$15**

More Information:
[@EnfieldNHMarket](https://www.facebook.com/EnfieldNHMarket) | Recreation@enfield.nh.us

Intermediate Line Dancing 1:30 - 2:30

Grab a friend and join professional dance instructor Jamie Orr on Thursdays from 1:30-2:30pm at the Enfield Community Building. This is a fun and friendly class, and they dance to ALL types of music. This class is for experienced dancers.

Yoga with Sonya

Gentle yoga classes are offered at the Mascoma Community Health Center (MCHC). Classes offered by Sonya Carter and Jean Bender. Beginners are always welcome. \$10 for adults over 60 years of age and students, \$12 for adults. To sign up for classes please email Sonyayoga2007@gmail.com or Jeanbd123@gmail.com

Chair Yoga & Strength Class

Enfield Recreation continues to offer the highly attended Chair 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. Classes are Monday 8:15-9:15am, Wednesday 9:30-10:30am, and NEWLY ADDED Friday 12-1pm! *Schedule subject to change based on instructor availability & weather*

RSVP Bone Builders

Bone Builders is a one-hour program geared to folks 60+ that combines stretching, strength training, and balance exercises to combat osteoporosis and osteopenia. Participants are encouraged to attend twice a week for maximum effectiveness. Classes meet at the Enfield Community Building every Tuesday and Friday morning, 9:30-10:30. There is no fee, although donations are welcome. Registration and medical approval are required. Stop by class early to talk with a volunteer and get a packet.

Other Fun Items/Opportunities

Check out Trail Finder, you can 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/>



Program listing and Registration

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>.

Follow Enfield Parks & Recreation on [Facebook](#) or Instagram [@enfieldnhrec](#)! Reminder- Electronic payments are now accepted through the recreation program registration site. *There is a 3% non-refundable processing fee*

(If you need to pay by check or cash all program payments should be made payable to "Town of Enfield" and mailed to: PO Box 373, Enfield, NH 03748 OR dropped off in the night drop box in an envelope marked Parks & Recreation and a note of what payment is for.)

****Just a friendly reminder that all payments are due at the start of the program, a spot in the program will not be held without payment. Failure to make a payment may also lead to not being able to take part in future programs. If you need financial assistance, please email recreation@enfield.nh.us ****

Kevin Marker

Enfield Recreation Director

recreation@enfield.nh.us

[Online Registration](#)

Follow us!



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Spring is just around the corner. Before long the weather will be changing, the snow will be gone, and the flowers will start to bloom. We want to take this time to remind those who have bird feeders out that bears will start moving around very soon. With wildlife becoming more active with the warmer weather everyone needs to take part in reducing issues. Remove bird feeders in the spring, follow the town ordinance on trash receptacles and secure trash that is stored prior to pickup day. The earlier that you address problems with wildlife such as bears the shorter the time you will have to deal with it.

March 7th is "National Slam the Scam Day". This time of year, we see a large increase in scam and scam attempts. Remember that the IRS, Law Enforcement or the Court will never call and demand over the phone payment. When in doubt hang up and call the station. A newer scam that we are seeing is e-mail or callers trying to "investigate fraud" on an account. They use this story to try and get sensitive information. If you receive a call like this hang up, call your credit card company or bank and ask them if they are investigating such an issue. If you have any questions or want more information, please feel free to call the station any time.

As always if you see something say something. You can reach an officer by calling 603-632-7501 or by calling Hanover Dispatch at 603-643-2222.

Roy Holland
Chief of Police

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – HIGHWAY, WATER, SEWER, SANITATION, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Road Postings

The Town of Enfield posted all Town maintained roads effective at noon on Saturday, 24 Feb 2024. All vehicles that weigh over 6 tons are prohibited from accessing these roads until the posting is rescinded, usually around May first. The State of New Hampshire will be posting Shaker Hill Road at 13 tons. Limited permission for access will be granted on a case-by-case basis with factors such as weather, truck size, time of day, etc., being taken into consideration. Please contact the Highway Supervisor at 603-442-5418, highway@enfield.nh.us or the DPW Director at 603-632-4605 with any questions and requests. Those wishing to access Shaker Hill Road should call the NH DOT District 2 office at 603-448-2654

Meter Reading

The Enfield Water/Sewer Department will be reading meters beginning March 25 for first quarter 2024 billing. Please have touch pad locations shoveled out and sanded for access.

Please Use Curbside Trash and Recycling Services

Trash and Zero Sort recycling collected at the Transfer Station cost 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 \$20 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 \$50 per ton more than recycling collected at curbside due to the extra hauling fees (when Transfer Station transportation fees are included).

Curbside Pickup Calendar Refrigerator Magnets Available

There are 2024 curbside collection calendar refrigerator magnets available for pickup at the following locations: Enfield Town Offices, Transfer Station, and Public Works Facility. These correct an error showing on the Town Calendar pickup weeks running from March and through the end of the year.

2024 CURBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR

- If your service day falls on a holiday, there will be a one day delay in service. All subsequent collection days that week will also be delayed one day. To view the holiday schedule, visit casella.com/holidayschedule.
- Place containers at the curb the night before pickup.
- For bulk waste collection including excess cardboard, please call **800-CASELLA**.



For information about Residential Curbside Terms and Conditions, visit casella.com/residential-terms.

- Trash & Recycling Pickup
- Holiday

Pothole frequently asked questions:

What are potholes and how do they form?

Potholes are created when the water underground expands and contracts. When water freezes it expands and causes pavement to weaken, bend, and crack. When the water melts the pavement begins to shrink leaving gaps or voids under the pavement and this allows water to seep through and become trapped. The freeze thaw cycle of the water expanding and contracting weakens the pavement to the point where it can no longer withstand the weight of the vehicles. Pieces begin to break creating a pothole.

How are potholes repaired?

Potholes are typically cleaned out and filled with hot bituminous asphalt mix. Filling potholes in the winter is complicated because hot asphalt is not available, and the alternative becomes “cold patch” material. Cold patch does not melt into the surrounding pavement making it difficult to properly patch each hole. You will find some potholes that need to be filled in several times a year because of it.

Can gravel roads get potholes?

Yes, they can. Gravel roads typically get washboard conditions but can have spots where individual potholes show up. It is usually in the winter and is caused by salt falling off cars and thawing a spot in the gravel which in turn gets mined out by wheel action. These can be filled with gravel or hardpack and disappear the first time the grader is out.

How do I report a pothole?

The Enfield DPW periodically sends staff out to fill potholes. Please report any potholes directly to DPW by emailing highway@enfield.nh.us or calling (603) 632-4605 especially if they are in line with where wheels generally travel. Potholes observed on US Route 4, NH Route 4A, Main Street, or Shaker Hill Road should be reported to the NH Department of Transportation District 2 office at (603) 448-2654.

Bears

With the change of season bears will be around looking for an early spring snack. Please see the brochure put out by the New Hampshire Fish and Game at the link below to help minimize conflicts with bears.



New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

New Hampshire's Black Bear

The American black bear (*Ursus americanus*), which has made a remarkable recovery from record low numbers in the mid-1800s, is now common throughout New Hampshire. The statewide bear population is estimated at 5,600 and regional densities range between 0.1–1.0 bears/mi² and average 0.6 bears/mi².



Although black bears are generally shy and usually avoid humans, they are opportunistic and will seek out human-related foods particularly when natural foods are limited. Minimizing conflicts between bears and people is critically important and a high priority for wildlife managers. Maintaining a strong and sustainable bear population into the future will depend on a public that is motivated to be responsible and proactive in securing food attractants.

Bears are part of our native heritage and for many, serve as a symbol of wildness and an indicator of quality, diverse habitat. Bears are highly intelligent, resourceful, and very effective at locating high-quality food resources. They are a prized big game animal and valued for both their meat and hide. A black bear sighting typically leaves wildlife watchers and tourists fascinated, particularly when they come from areas where bears are less common. From an ecological standpoint, bears serve important roles. As an opportunistic feeder, they help clean up carcasses of animals that die due to various causes. As an animal that feeds on a tremendous diversity of tree and shrub species, they serve as a significant seed disperser. Bears fill an essential niche and they are an important component of our landscape.

IF YOU ENCOUNTER A BEAR

In Your Backyard:



- From a comfortable distance, make loud noises by shouting, banging pots and pans or using an air horn to deter the bear from the area.
- When the bear leaves, remove potential attractants such as garbage, bird seed, or pet food.
- Ask neighbors to remove attractants.

At a Close Distance or in a Confined Area:



- Begin repeating "hey bear" in a calm voice, maintain eye contact, and slowly back away. Do not run or climb trees.
- Give the bear a clear escape route (do not corner it).

Remember, bear conflicts are a community issue. It is important to work together to remove bear attractants.



wildnh.com

11 HAZEN DR | CONCORD, NH 03301 | (603) 271-2461

AVOIDING BLACK BEAR CONFLICTS AND PROTECTING YOUR PROPERTY FROM DAMAGE



While hundreds of bear conflicts are reported each year, most can be prevented by simply removing or securing common bear attractants.



BIRD SEED

1 REMOVE & STORE

- Only feed birds between December 1 and April 1
- Dispose of unused seed
- Store feeders indoors

2 SECURE & CLEAN

- Clean up bird seed from the ground



GARBAGE

- Store garbage cans in a building or enclosed by electric fence
- Take garbage to curb on morning of pickup

- Keep outbuildings and garage doors closed at all times
- Use bear-resistant dumpsters or garbage cans
- Dumpster lids/doors should be kept closed and latched
- Use airtight garbage cans and ammonia to control odor when storing in an outbuilding



GRILLS

- Store grill inside when not in use

- Burn off food residue
- Keep grease trap clean



POULTRY & LIVESTOCK

- Do not allow animals to range free

- Protect poultry and livestock with an electric fence



PET & LIVESTOCK FOOD

- Store livestock and pet food inside
- Feed pets inside

- If you feed your pets or livestock outside:
- Clean dishes daily
 - Remove leftover food daily

For more information on black bears in New Hampshire, please visit us online at wildnh.com



TOWN CLERK / TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Greetings all! Please be aware the notice of Delinquent taxes (including water and sewer, gravel, etc.) have been mailed. You may also review your accounts for Taxes and Utilities online thru the Town's website; www.enfield.nh.us. If anyone has any questions on outstanding balances due, please do not hesitate to contact the Tax Office by emailing whuntley@enfield.nh.us or tax2@enfield.nh.us and either myself or Jerusha Howard, Deputy Tax Collector, will be happy to assist.

In recognition of the Federal Income tax filing time fast approaching, I would like to remind all that the information on the amount of property taxes paid in 2023 is available on the Town's website. 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 us. On the Town Clerk side, as a reminder, we have converted to sending the courtesy auto renewal notices by email only. Please contact us with your email for receiving future courtesy auto renewal notices. You can email your request to

whuntley@enfield.nh.us or clerk2@enfield.nh.us and either myself or Daisy Coppins, Deputy Town Clerk, will add your email to the system.

Again, regarding Federal Income tax filing, the information needed for payment of vehicle registration is on both the courtesy renewal notice and the actual registration. On the right-hand side of your registration, you will find the amounts for the State and Municipal fees listed separately.

Hope to see you all at Town Meeting! March 12th from 8am – 7pm at the Community Building and on March 16th beginning at 9am at the Enfield Elementary School!

Don't forget we're now located at 410 NH Route 4A, Building 2, formerly the LaSalette cafeteria.

Think spring! Clock springs ahead on March 10th!

Wendy Huntley
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

MEETINGS & EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

All public meetings are being held **in person**. If a **Teams videoconference** meeting option is provided for a meeting, you will find connection details online at www.enfield.nh.us in the specific meeting posting.

As always, *electronic or virtual attendance is provided as a courtesy only, with no guarantee of quality or ability to participate.*

If attending a meeting online via Teams, please note that background noise can be disruptive.

Please remain muted until called upon to speak.

Thank you for your understanding.

Meeting videos for meetings with a Teams videoconference option are available online!

Simply go to our website and click on the Videos tab for a list of available videos. Or go directly to [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) where you can subscribe to our channel.

The meetings below are linked to the Town's website so you can easily access the most up-to-date information for that specific meeting.

- [March 2 @ 10:30 AM \(Town Offices\) – Supervisors of the Checklist Additions & Corrections to the Checklist](#)
- [March 4 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
- [March 6 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
- [March 6 @ 5:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
- [March 7 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [March 11 @ 5:00 PM \(Enfield Public Library\) – Library Trustees](#)
- [March 12 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
- [March 12 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
- [March 13 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Planning Board](#)

- [March 18 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
 - [March 19 @ 6:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Recreation Commission](#)
 - [March 20 @ 5:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Community Nursing Committee](#)
 - [March 26 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
 - [March 26 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Energy Committee](#)
 - [March 27 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Planning Board](#)
 - [March 28 @ 4:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Heritage Commission](#)
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- [April 1 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)
 - [April 3 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
 - [April 3 @ 5:30 PM \(Enfield Community Building\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
 - [April 4 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Conservation Commission](#)
 - [April 8 @ 5:00 PM \(Enfield Public Library\) – Library Trustees](#)
 - [April 9 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee \(Design Team\)](#)
 - [April 9 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
 - [April 10 @ 6:30 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Planning Board](#)
 - [April 15 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Teams\) – Select Board](#)



Enfield-Mascoma Lioness

Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

Saturday, March 16, 2024

5:00 - 6:30 PM (or sold out)

Enfield Community Building

All meals \$16 / Take-out available

Oh, and there's
homemade pie!!!



All proceeds benefit community projects

The Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club
will be sponsoring

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

Saturday, March 30th

8 – 10 am

Enfield Community Building



Pancakes
Sausage
Juice &
Coffee
\$5 per person

*Bring your camera
for bunny pictures*

All proceeds benefit Community Projects

Craft SUPPLY Sale

Saturday, April 27th ** 10am – 2pm

Enfield Community Building, Route 4, Enfield, NH

Do you have surplus or no longer needed craft supplies that you would like to sell or recycle?

Would you like to find craft supplies at a reasonable price to purchase?

SELL – PURCHASE – TRADE

Sponsored by the Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club

For more information, email:

Diane Kelly – enfieldkellys@comcast.net

Mary Magnell – Mary@Magnell.com



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>

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

We have positions available on various committees. If you're interested in volunteering your time to any of these important committees please submit an [Application for Committee/Board Membership](#)

Select Board Appointed Positions

Applications should be sent to abonnette@enfield.nh.us Applications will be provided to the Select Board at their next regular meeting following receipt.

- Heritage Commission
- Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- Capital Improvement Program Committee
- Recreation Commission
- Old Home Days Committee
- Mascoma River Local Advisory Committee – Town appointment, but not a Town Committee
- Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway Advisory Board – Town appointment, but not a Town Committee

Zoning Board of Adjustment Appointed Position

There is currently a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA). Members of the ZBA are elected, therefore appointment to this position will be through the March 2024 Town Meeting. Applications for the Zoning Board of Adjustment should be sent to planning@enfield.nh.us for consideration by the ZBA.

If you wish to run for these elected offices, or any other open local elected positions, you may do so during the filing period for Declaration of Candidacy, January 24 – February 2, 2024. Please look for notice of the available elected positions sometime later in the month of January.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – RECENT NEWS

Changes at the Lebanon Landfill Effective January 1, 2024

The Lebanon Landfill has made some significant changes to their program that will be in effect beginning in 2024. The highlights include credit cards will be accepted and punch cards will no longer be accepted. Landfill permits will need to be renewed annually online and require a \$5 permit fee. Residential trash will only be accepted in Lebanon bags available for purchase at several Lebanon stores. See the below flyer for more details.

LEBANON LANDFILL CHANGES:NON-LEBANON RESIDENTS

Effective January 1, 2024

Bagged Trash

- Pre-Paid Trash Bags are required for all bagged trash.
- No punch cards will be accepted.
- Pre-Paid Bags are currently sold at Price Chopper, Hannafords, Shaw's, CVS and the Lebanon and Hanover CO-OPs.

Credit Cards

- Credit cards required for all other items for disposal.
- Examples include-Furniture, mattress, TV's, Construction debris, etc.
- Credit Cards accepted as of October 20th, 2023.

Permits

- A new permit is required starting January 1st, 2024, even if your old permit has not expired.
- Apply online now on our website at: LebanonNH.gov/SolidWastePermit
- Permits cost \$5, including all fees.
- Create an account online for reminders to renew and access to reprint your permit.

Recycling

We take a number of items for free!

Save money by recycling:

- Scrap metal
- Plastic Bags
- Clothing, shoes, towels, bedding, linens
- Aluminum cans, tin foil, pie plates
- Plastic bottle, jars and jugs
- Cardboard
- Food scraps
- Glass
- Grass and yard clippings
- And more!

Good things to know!

- Permits are for your vehicle, 2 vehicles allowed per household.
- Rental vehicles, like U-Hauls are allowed as well with a valid permit.
- For permit assistance please contact your town.
- Hours of Operation Change: Starting January 1, 2024 we will be open from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM during the week.
- Extended summer hours on Wednesdays: Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend open until 5:00 PM.
- Saturday hours are not changing



For a complete list of items that can be recycled check out our webpage or the Betterbin App for more information visit:

LebanonNH.gov/Betterbin

370 Plainfield Road,
West Lebanon, NH 03784

(603) 298-6486

LebanonNH.gov/SolidWaste

solid.waste@lebanonnh.gov

Lebanon Punch Card Refunds

Lebanon Landfill is no longer accepting punch cards from non-residents. Were you caught off guard and now have a punch card you can no longer use where you can return and get a refund for punch cards you may still have in your possession? Unused punch cards may be returned for a refund at Lavalley's, West Lebanon Feed & Supply, and Jake's on Mechanic Street in Lebanon. Check out this article in the [Valley News](https://www.valleynews.com) or the Lebanon Landfill website <https://lebanonnh.gov/452/Landfill-Punch-Cards> for more details.

Household Hazardous Waste 2024 COLLECTION DAYS

**NEW SITE
IN LEBANON
FOR 2024**

WHEN

All collections are 9:00 am—Noon

Sat, May 4—NEW! Lebanon: DHMC Lot 27, 52 Labombard Rd

Sat, June 1—Claremont Highway Garage, 8 Grandview Street

Fri, July 12 —NEW! Lebanon: DHMC Lot 27, 52 Labombard Rd

Sat, August 3—Sunapee Highway Garage, 621 Route 11

Sat, Sept 28—NEW! Lebanon: DHMC Lot 27, 52 Labombard Rd

FREE to residents from Claremont, Cornish, Enfield, Grantham, Goshen, Hanover, Lebanon, Lempster, Lyme, New London, Newbury, Newport, Orford, Piermont, Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, Washington, and Wilmot. (Other towns' residents welcome for a fee)

ANYONE with 25 gallons or more and all businesses must pre-register by calling UVLSRPC two weeks before event

- WHAT TO BRING:**
- Pesticides & Herbicides, Flea/Tick Treatments
 - 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
 - Batteries: Button, Ni-Cad, Lithium, Rechargeable (NOT ALKALINE)
- Vape pens and other oddball items require pre-registration

- WHAT NOT TO BRING**
- Aerosol cans, empty:* Recycle with scrap metal. Talk to your town. Bring cans with product in them to collection
- Ammunition and explosives:* Call State Police at 271-3636.
- Asbestos:* Contact 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. Tape 9-volt terminals before disposal to avoid fire in your trash
- Batteries, automotive:* Take to auto parts store 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 "SHARPS — NOT FOR RECYCLING" Dispose of with regular trash by handing to a waste collector — can become a projectile if compacted in trash
- 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

 Questions? Contact the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (603) 448-1680 + tjosephson@uvlsrpc.org + <http://hhw.uvlsrpc.org>



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