

TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER

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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
- Enter your email address in the “Your Email” field
- Check the box for “Town News & Announcements” Check the “I am not a robot” box and follow the prompts
- Click the “Subscribe me” navigation button at the bottom of the page

Thank you for being a part of our community. We hope you find this and future newsletters both informative and enjoyable. Please don’t hesitate to contact 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=====

2019 REVALUATION UPDATE

By now all property owners should have received their preliminary property assessments. If you have not, or are interested in comparing your preliminary assessment with similar properties, you can view the new property record cards for all properties online here: <https://www.axisgis.com/enfieldnh/>. Additional information about the 2019 revaluation process, lists of the preliminary property values for all property owners and sales data can be found on the Town's website here: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/assessing-department/pages/2019-revaluation>.

Should you feel that the assessor made an error when establishing the value of your property, you can request a review of the assessment by calling 603-442-5406 between 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on 10/2, 10/3 or 10/4. Please note that these are the only dates/times when appropriate staff will be available to take your call. Hearings will be scheduled on October 5 (Saturday) from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM and October 7-10 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, subject to availability as we've already scheduled a number of reviews.

MUNICIPAL SEWER SYSTEM - LEVEL OF SERVICE PUBLIC FORUM

Enfield officials will be holding a public forum/workshop on October 8 (Tuesday) beginning at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of the Community Lutheran Church (96 Main Street) to obtain resident feedback on the municipal sewer system that will help inform the goals and objectives we set regarding desired levels of service moving forward. With assistance from DPW Engineering (and funding support from the NH Department of

Environmental Services), the Town has developed a draft asset management plan for the wastewater system that will guide future infrastructure upgrade decisions. We hope that all interested residents, and users of the system in particular, will attend the session to convey your valued input and help ensure that the asset management plan reflects the community's goals and service expectations.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF OUR 2020 MUNICIPAL CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST!

We had so many amazing photos submitted again this year. How do we choose our winners? Each individual who enters the contest is assigned a random code known only to one person. All of the photos are printed and the entrant's random code is written on the back of the photo; this assures anonymity during the judging process. The photos with the most votes are then looked at to determine which months they best correspond to. In the event that we have two photos for a single month we may use both, if space is available, or a tie is broken by the Town Manager. If we have a small additional space to fill we'll go back to those photos that didn't win in the first round and from those remaining photos with the greatest number of votes we select a photo to fill that space. The decision for those additional photos is more complex as they not only need to be suitable for the month in which they'll be featured, but also complement the winning photo for the month – and with so many excellent photos the decision is that much more difficult! Thank you to everyone who submitted photos.

And the winners are...

Heather Warren
James Buffington
Janice Nunn
Stephanie Kalina
Kyra Martin
Deborah Mashibini-Prior
Marivel Fernandez
Hana Masecar
Maria Yamburenko

Congratulations all!

You didn't win? Try again next year. And look to the Town's website where we'll be adding some of the beautiful runner up photos!

THANK YOU TO OUR MUNICIPAL CALENDAR SUPPORTERS!

Our municipal calendar provides our residents with information about board and committee meetings, important dates and the curbside rubbish and recycling collection schedule. To provide this at the lowest possible cost to our taxpayers we solicit advertising from Enfield businesses and organizations. After a couple of weeks, if there is still space available, we expand our area of coverage and invite local businesses from neighboring communities. The advertising dollars greatly offset the costs of production and mailing. In 2019,

roughly two thirds of the costs were supported by advertisers. In 2020, with additional ad spaces sold, we anticipate being close to 100%! Enfield businesses support our calendar and we encourage the support of our Enfield and local businesses. The calendar should be mailed out to Postal Patrons of Enfield and Enfield Center by early November. Check it out!

Thank you for your support

Whaleback Mountain	Shaker Farm Bed & Breakfast
Mascoma Bank	All Occasions Waste
Granite Northland Associates	Jake's Market & Deli
MTD Building Contractors	Vanessa Stone Realty
Shaker Hill Bed & Breakfast	MTD Property Services
Mickey's Roadside Cafe	Shaker Hill Granite
Hess Property Services	Lapan's Insurance Agency
Enfield House of Pizza	Enfield Shaker Museum
Stearns Septic Service	George's AG Super Value
Twin State Tractor	Shaker Valley Auto Center
MB Pro Landscape Design	Lasting Impressions Graphic Studio

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES EVALUATION PROJECT – CONCEPTUAL DESIGN & COST ESTIMATION FIRM SELECTED

The Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee (MFAC) most recently met on September 23. The meeting included a report from the subcommittee (consisting of the Town Manager, Building Inspector, Phil Shipman, Erik Russell and Tracy Young) indicating that they had completed in-person interviews with six architecture and design firms that had been identified as finalists for the conceptual design and cost estimation services. It was the subcommittee's unanimous view that Bread Loaf, a firm based in Middlebury, VT, with exceptionally deep experience with respect to the (re)design of municipal facilities (including public safety facilities, municipal offices and public libraries), is the most advantageous firm for the Town to engage based on several objective criteria that were used to evaluate each firm. The MFAC ultimately voted to endorse the subcommittee's recommendation to retain Bread Loaf's services. This recommendation was also officially supported by the Board of Selectmen at its September 23 business meeting. The goal is to issue a notice to proceed to the selected architecture/design firm by October 1 to ensure that the project can be completed within the previously outlined timeline (Oct.1 to early-January).

As a reminder, MFAC meetings are open to the public and meeting minutes are posted online (<https://www.enfield.nh.us/municipal-facilities-advisory-committee>).

In the coming weeks, we anticipate public forums will start being scheduled so the MFAC can bring residents up to speed on the work that has been done to date, and so Bread Loaf can facilitate discussions intended to better understand resident needs and preferences.

Over the course of the coming weeks and months, in close coordination with Bread Loaf, the MFAC will develop formal recommendations that are ultimately presented to the Board of Selectmen. These recommendations will be intended to 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. A number of public forums will be organized during this time frame to promote transparency and accuracy of information being shared.

FIREFIGHTERS & EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL RECRUITMENT

If you are interested in helping to protect and care for people in your community, the Town of Enfield's Fire Department and Ambulance Service welcomes the opportunity to talk with you. Both departments are "call" departments and participation requirements are flexible in recognition that members will be juggling other professional or personal obligations. Members are compensated on an hourly basis for time spent in training, responding to calls, or other related activities. Relevant training and certifications (i.e., Firefighter I or II, EMR, EMT, AEMT, Paramedic, etc.) are highly desired, but formal training can be provided to individuals who are willing to make the commitment.



Interested parties should contact the Fire Chief (603-359-5206 or fcummings@enfield.nh.us) or Ambulance Chief (603-304-9324 or efirefighter32@yahoo.com). We hope to hear from you!

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Enfield Transfer Station Punch Cards

In an effort to make the Transfer Station more efficient and also respond to deficiencies noted by the New Hampshire Department of Labor the Town of Enfield is implementing a punch card system that will take the place of all

transactions by cash or check. Residents will purchase punch cards at the Town Office to be used to pay fees at the Transfer Station. Cards will have a face value of \$25.00 and attendants will have a hole punch tool that will be used to punch the cards for the corresponding amount of the item being disposed of. Each card is broken up into five \$5.00 sections and all of the fee items listed below are also in \$5.00 increments. The Transfer Station attendants will continue to accept cash for the month of October and checks for a period of time to give residents time to get to the Town Office to purchase the punch cards and become accustomed to the new system.

**ENFIELD TRANSFER STATION
FEE SCHEDULE
(Effective June 3, 2019)**

CFC's (refrigerators, freezers, etc)	\$20	Tires—14" and under, off rim (includes car, lawn tractor, light trailer and wheel barrow tires)	Two for \$5
Computer Component	\$10	Tires—Car/Light Truck, 15"-19", off rim	\$5
Computer Monitor, CPU, Printer	\$20	Tires—Truck, 20" and up, off rim	\$10
Fire Extinguisher	\$10	Tires—Tractor/Equipment, off rim	\$30
Microwave	\$10	Television—Small	\$10
Propane Tank 20#	\$10	Television—Medium	\$15
Stereo Equipment/VCR/DVD Players	\$5	Television—Large or Console	\$25

Light Equipment Operator

The Town has filled the light equipment operator vacancy within the DPW Highway Division. Matt Wilson will begin work on October 7. Matt previously worked for the phone company for many years and has served as a light equipment operator in Canaan. He holds and Class A CDL and has experience operating a variety of equipment. Please join us in welcoming Matt!

Surplus Equipment

The Town of Enfield will be listing several surplus vehicles on the web auction site www.govdeals.com in the upcoming week including:

- 1) 1989 International Fire Truck
- 2) 1954 Dodge Power Wagon
- 3) 12' Aluminum Boat with 25 HP Johnson Outboard
- 4) 2003 Saab 93 Convertible
- 5) 2009 GMC 2500 Pickup Truck

These listings will be announced on the Town Website and through Town social media. If you wish to be notified directly please send a note or email to the address below with your contact information:

Jim Taylor, PO Box 373, Enfield, NH 03748. jtaylor@enfield.nh.us

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. Each toter has a serial number that the Town has on file and can be used to recover lost or stolen toters.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule – Saturday, October 5th
LAST CHANCE in 2019!

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, Springfield, Sunapee, Unity, and Wilnot. 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://hww.uvlsrc.org>



For
information
contact the

Upper Valley Lake Sunapee
Regional Planning Commission
at (603) 448-1680 or
vdavis@uvlsrc.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://hww.uvlsrc.org>

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>

Road Grading

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

Culvert Replacements

The Enfield DPW Highway Division will be replacing culverts on several roads that are required to be done during low water levels and/or during lake drawdown per the issued Wetlands Permit. Roads may be closed at these sites for part of the day. Signs will be placed to notify residents of closures.

Hydrant Flushing

Hydrant flushing will begin in October. The Town routinely flushes water from the system to improve water quality and test emergency fire hydrant readiness. If you experience a loss of pressure it should only be temporary. Please wait 30 minutes before contacting the Town. This does not pertain to properties on NH Rte 4A and in Shaker Village that are serviced by sewer only.

Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste

The Lebanon Landfill is taking construction and demolition (C&D) waste once again for a fee of \$150/Ton. The other options available for these materials:

- Casella at their transfer facility located at 40 N Labombard Road, Lebanon, NH.
- 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.

Water and Sewer Bills

The Water/Sewer Department will be mailing third quarter bills the first week of October. Properties that changed hands during the third quarter may or may not have the new owners in the database at the time of the mailing. Please forward the bills to the new owners if known or to the closing attorney. The Town online bill paying application at can be used for paying bills and checking balances due. Go to <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

The Town is no longer sending bills to tenants. Owners are responsible for the payment of utility bills and are free to set up payment arrangements with their tenants that do not involve the Town.

State Announces 2019 Drawdown of Lakes

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) announced today that the annual fall drawdown of the lakes and ponds controlled by dams owned by NHDES will be initiated according to the schedule at the following link:

<https://www.des.nh.gov/media/pr/2019/20190910-lakes-drawdown.htm>

Mascoma Lake and Crystal Lake are both scheduled to be drawn down 3' beginning on October 14.

Enfield Vegetative Management Facility

The Enfield Vegetative Management Facility will be closing November 2, 2019 and will reopen May 1, 2020. Clean brush and yard waste can be recycled at Hammond's Grinding and Recycling just East of Canaan Village on US Route 4. Hammond's can be contacted at 603-523-4353.

Cemetery Decorations

The Enfield Cemetery Ordinance requires that all cemetery decorations and flowers shall be removed by October 1st of a given year and can be reinstalled

on May 15th of a subsequent year. All decorations remaining in Enfield Cemeteries after October 30th will be collected and disposed of.

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.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Fall is upon us. As the leaves begin to change and the weather gets colder, please start planning for that four letter word... "snow."

The department will be participating in handing out candy on Halloween so please stop in and show Paula and Chief Holland your costume. When out trick or treating remember to bring a flash light and walk in groups. If you see something out of place or dangerous call the station. Only go to the houses that have a porch light on and be safe. Trick or treating will be from 5:00 – 8:00 PM in Enfield on October 31.

Officers of the department will be participating in the state wide Safe Commute patrols in October. These patrols specifically target speed and distracted driving, which are still the major cause of our crashes that cause injury.

Recently we have had to speak with several residents who placed freezers and refrigerators for sale on the side of the road. If you are going to sell or give away a refrigerator or freezer by placing it on the side of the road, it is required that the door be secured shut or removed. This is for safety; if you have a question please contact the Station.

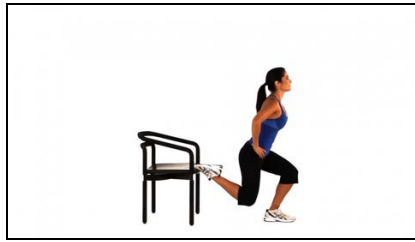
Last but not least the department will be participating in a dodgeball game against other local Emergency responders such as Enfield Fire and Canaan

Police and Fire on October 27th to collect goods and money for Friend of Mascoma.

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 \$5.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required.



Youth Archery Lessons

The inaugural Youth archery classes offered by the Enfield Recreation Department & Enfield Outing Club are currently underway. These classes will consist of safety, education and hands on use of archery equipment. Keep your eyes open for more archery class offerings in the spring.

Information and Registration at www.mvpr.recdesk.com



Fly Tying

Interested in learning the art of fly tying? The NH Fish and Game Department's Let's Go Fishing Program is offering a free introductory course on Saturday February 15, 2020.

The course will be instructed by master fly tier and Let's Go Fishing instructor Scott Biron. The course will be held from 8:30-12:00 noon, at the Enfield Community Building 308 US Route 4, Enfield NH.

Preregistration is required and will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. The course is limited to 10 participants, ages 15 and older. All program materials and equipment will be provided. No experience is required.

To sign up, visit www.fishnh.com/fishing/lets-go-fishing.html and select "View the Current Class Schedule," then "View Upcoming Events." Registration opens on January 29, 2020 at 8:00AM.

Participants will learn to tie several fly patterns that are commonly used in New Hampshire waters. They will be introduced to the use of all of the basic tools and materials necessary to tie flies, and learn what the flies imitate. Instructors will also discuss insect anatomy and explain why a particular fly is used.

New Hampshire Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" program has taught thousands of children and adults to be safe, ethical and successful anglers. Find out more at www.fishnh.com/fishing/lgf-schedule.html. The program is federally funded through the Sport Fish Restoration Program.

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

Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation

Fall is officially here and youth soccer and field hockey is in full swing. Canaan, Enfield and Mascoma Valley Recreation are part of the Mascoma

Youth Sports League board and we are looking forward to working closely with the amazing parents and community members also on the board. We want to thank all of our youth sports coaches and parent helpers! Our soccer and field hockey season would not be possible without you.

On Saturday, September 14th, the Mascoma High School Soccer Team and Coaches came out to Shaker Recreation Field and coached a youth soccer skills clinic for Pre-K – 4th grade students. We can't thank the players and coaches enough for giving up their time on a Saturday to work with these young soccer players. We can't wait to offer more events like this in the future. We also want to thank the Friends of Mascoma for their generous donation of healthy snacks for the kids!



Youth Soccer Skills Clinic – Saturday, September 14, 2019



Bob Ross Style Painting Classes:

Join instructor Mary Bakker and learn to paint like Bob Ross in a single day. The classes are \$45 and all materials are included. Each registration leaves with a completed painting at the end of class. Click [here](#) to view the upcoming painting for the class on October 12, 2019.

Line Dancing:

Have you tried out our Thursday evening line dancing class yet? Grab a friend and join professional dance instructor Jamie Orr on Thursdays from 5-6pm at

the Enfield Community Building. This is a fun and friendly class and they dance to ALL types of music.

Follow us on Facebook

If you are not already following the Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation Facebook page, please consider checking it out. We post details about recreation programs and events, as well as pictures and updates for our events. Check out our page [here](#)!

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>

- *2019 Tiger Run on October 27th*
 - 5k or 12k fundraiser run for the IRS XC & Track Team (Part of “Finding Our Stride)
 - Link to Register: <https://register.chronotrack.com/r/47520>
- *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)
- *Belly Dance With Gina on Mondays through October*
 - RSVP at Gina@GinaDances.com or call (802) 282-2149
- *Line Dancing*
 - Thursdays from 5:00-6:00pm at the Enfield Community Building
 - This class dances to all types of music; no advance registration required
- *Bob Ross Style Painting Classes* – Learn to paint like Bob Ross in just one class! Classes take place at the Enfield Community Building and are \$45. All materials are included. Each participant leaves with a completed painting at the end of class.
 - Class Dates:
 - Saturday, October 12th from 1-4pm – “Full Moon”
 - Saturday, October 19th from 1-4pm and Friday, October 25th from 6-9pm – paintings are TBD
- *MVPR Ski & Ride Program*
 - Scheduled to start on Tuesday, January 7th and go through Tuesday, February 11th
 - For children in grades K-12; lessons and free ski/ride options
 - Registration is through the Whaleback website and will open soon – registration will close on January 1, 2020 at midnight

- MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!



LAND USE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

There's an old and inaccurate adage; "it's better to ask for forgiveness than it is to ask for permission." Whoever came up with that one didn't get it right, especially when it comes to land use regulations and building permits and inspection. As we have seen in Enfield these last few weeks, not getting the proper permits and approvals with the Town can end up costing you big time. Listed below are some of the important reasons to visit the Land Use and Community Development office and/or the Building Inspection office before you start a project:

- A project with proper planning and zoning approvals as well as building inspection/certification is more valuable when complete and will improve your net worth.
- A project or home that was built without permits and/or approvals may be impossible to sell. Banks and other lenders will not lend money for purchase of these properties. The lack of proper Certificate of Occupancy (CO) can be a literal "deal breaker."
- Getting approvals from planning, zoning and building inspection makes you a better neighbor. The folks next door will appreciate the opportunity to be involved in the process and their needs will be addressed with yours. This is a win, win for your neighborhood.
- The permitting process for work along shorelands, in wetlands and on septic systems is designed to protect all of us by protecting our shared water resources.
- Playing by the rules upfront will save you time and money. Asking for forgiveness may actually require you to start a project all over again. This could mean ripping it out or down, leading to delays and wasted investments.
- Building permits and building inspections ensure that life safety issues are properly addressed. This could literally save your life someday.
- Not all contractors have the same scruples. Proper inspection during construction will lead to a better, stronger and safer building in the end.

The Town is still seeking a recording secretary/ minutes taker for the ZBA meetings that occur on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the DPW training room. The position is offered at \$18/hour. Please contact Alisa Bonnette, Assistant Town Manager with interest at abonnette@enfield.nh.us or 603-632-5026 ext. 5401.

As always, we are here to help. A recent visitor commented to us “I was dreading coming to see you, but this was way easier than I thought it would be.” You may visit our offices at the DPW facility at 74 Lockehaven Road in person or call 603-632-4067. An email inquiry is possible as well; just send your note to planning@enfield.nh.us. How can we be of service to you?

Have a happy fall!

ENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Happy Autumn! We’re getting into our “normal” routine of weekly story times, school visits, and knitting group meetings. October has us beginning to long range plan for 2020 where we hope to continue implementing ideas from our strategic plan. As for what we’ve already done, did you know you can stream movies for free with your library card? In May we started providing access to Kanopy and so far patrons have watched 200 movies! If you want to know more about what we’re doing, stop by or call us! We’re always happy to answer your questions.

Also, join us on Halloween night for a special story time! Come show us your costumes and listen to Miss Patti read spooky stories!

Happening in October:

- Tuesdays **My First Story Time**: 10:00am. For babies to age 2 ½ on a caregiver's lap. Supporting early literacy with books, songs, rhymes, lots of movement and social time for the kids and caregivers.
- Wednesdays **Pre-School Story Time**: 10:00am. For kids ages 2 ½ to 5. Stories read and told, rhymes, lots of movement, and a simple craft.
- Our **book group** will be reading *Born a Crime* by Trevor Noah. The discussion will be held Thursday October 31st 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 September:

- We Circulated 2,214 items and had 27 programs with 314 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

Hello to fall! I hope everyone knows where they stored their sweaters.

As a reminder, the Town Clerk's window is open Monday-Wednesday-Friday, 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Tuesday, 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM, and Thursday, 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM. Although we understand that it can sometimes be challenging to make it to the office during our regular hours, please understand that our service counter will need to close at the posted time and this means residents should arrive well in advance of closing to ensure that there is sufficient time to complete your transaction.

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! I trust everyone enjoyed the final days of summer. Now it's time for fall! Warm sweaters, hot apple cider, pumpkin carving and raking leaves.

The Tax Office begins to buzz in October. Water/sewer billings will be sent out for the 3rd quarter 2019, and hopefully we will get our 2019 tax rate finalized in October so the Tax Bills can be printed and sent out in early November to be due early December. Also, the Sewer Betterment billings will be processed to be due roughly around the time Tax Bills will be due. As a reminder we now offer on line/paperless billing. Once signed up, you will receive up to 3 email notifications from which you can click a link and pay the bill. As always, these bills are viewable and payable 24/7 online at www.enfield.nh.us. 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. If you need to be walked thru this process, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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 enjoys the fall and remember to watch out for the little ghosts and goblins on October 31st!

BUILDING & FIRE INSPECTOR

October is Fire Prevention Month!

Home Fire Safety Tips

1. Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Install a Smoke and C/O Alarm on every level of your home and test it monthly. Change batteries at "Fall back and Spring ahead".

2. Prevent Electrical Fires

Don't overload circuits or extension cords. Never run cords under rugs or in high traffic areas.

3. Alternate Heaters

Make sure there is ample space around any portable heating unit. All items should be at least 3' from the heat source.

4. Create an Escape Route

Create and practice your escape routes, have a meeting place so all occupants can be accounted for during an emergency.

5. Clean Dryer Vents

Clothes dryers often start fires in residential homes. Clean the lint filter every time the dryer is used. Make sure the vent piping is made of metal and cleaned regularly.

6. Holiday Lights

Check all lights prior to installing, dispose of any that are frayed or have exposed wiring.

7. Conduct Regular Inspections

Be aware of any changes to your household appliances and equipment, check further if something seems different and make corrections.

Do not hesitate to contact the Town's Building Inspector at 603-632-4343 or pneily@enfield.nh.us with any questions.

HUMAN SERVICES

Free flu vaccine clinics are scheduled for:

- Thursday, October 10 – 4:00 to 7:00 pm – Enfield Community Building
- Thursday, October 31 – 4:00 to 7:00 pm – Mascoma Community Health Center

Holiday Baskets

LISTEN Community Services Holiday Basket Program

Holiday Gift Baskets are a wonderful tradition that unites our community during the holiday season.

- Our holiday baskets provide warm clothing and a food certificate for a complete holiday meal.
- Receiving families fill out a wish list for warm clothing requests for children and senior citizens. Sponsoring families, businesses and religious organizations fulfill these requests.
- The donated items are delivered to a central location by the sponsors. Volunteers assemble each bag, ensuring each is complete. Recipients pick-up their completed holiday "baskets" on their assigned pick-up date in early December.

How to Apply:

- Call LISTEN at (603) 448-4553 to make a Holiday Basket appointment. Appointments will run from October 1st through November 18th.

What families need to provide us:

- Clothing sizes and needs for qualified recipients.

You can apply if you are:

- The parent or guardian of children 18 and under or senior citizens age 65 or older.
- Live in one of these NH towns: Canaan, Dorchester, Enfield, Grafton, Grantham, Hanover/Etna, Lebanon/West Lebanon, Lyme/Lyme Center, Meriden/Plainfield, Orange, Orford, Springfield
- Live in one of these VT towns: Barnard, Bethel, Fairlee/West Fairlee, Hartland/North Hartland, Pomfret, Post Mills, Royalton/South Royalton, Sharon, Strafford/South Strafford, Thetford/East Thetford, Woodstock/South Woodstock
- Hartford/Norwich residents should apply to the Hartford-Norwich Holiday Basket Helpers <https://holidaybasketsvt.org/>.
- Families with a household income of not more than 200% of federal poverty guidelines*

*See next page for income guidelines



LISTEN Community Services | 60 Hanover Street | Lebanon, NH | 03766 | (603)448-4553 | www.listencs.org



Upper Valley Landlords Meeting

**Thursday, Oct. 17, 8:30-Noon
Hartford Town Hall**

This event is FREE

WHO: Upper Valley landlords and service providers – from VT and/or NH

AGENDA:

- **Networking** & light breakfast
- **Learning session: ENERGY**
Meet with staff from VT and NH programs to learn about:
 - **Energy assistance** for struggling tenants
 - **Opportunities for smart investments** in energy efficiency
- **Discussion on creating a landlords network**
 - Should we organize a network of Upper Valley landlords & service providers?

Special Guest: Jason Cooper

Longtime Brattleboro landlord who
saved \$78,000 last year in energy costs.
Come learn how he did it!

Please RSVP Online:

vitalcommunities.org/landlordmtg

RSVP is not required, but will help make sure we bring enough food!

Sponsored by: Upper Valley Continuum of Care

with support from **Upper Valley Energy Advocacy Council** *and staff from*



FRIENDS OF MASCOMA HIRES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Friends of Mascoma Foundation board is pleased to announce the hiring of Eula Lee Kozma as the organization's first Executive Director. Funding for this position was made possible by a private supporter who understood the pressing need for this role as the organization grows to meet the needs of this community. This generous designated gift will support the Executive Director position for three years.

Friends of Mascoma Foundation (FOM) was formed by a group of community advocates committed to supporting the needs of the Mascoma Valley Regional School District (MVRSD). FOM provides support to the MVRSD on initiatives that foster educational development and nutritional well-being for our students and their families. Their core focus areas are:

- Supporting students by funding supplemental educational opportunities and scholarships.
- Providing teachers with "mini grants" enabling them to offer additional educational programs to their students.
- Enhancing and improving the reputation of the district by helping highlight our communities' commitment to education.
- Supporting successful existing programs to include more students.
- Supporting our Friends Feeding Friends food pantries.

In her role as Executive Director, Eula will have overall strategic and operational responsibility for FOM's staff/volunteers, programs, expansion, and execution of its mission. She will develop a deep knowledge of field, core programs, operations, and business plans within her first 6-9 months with the organization.

Understanding the people and community FOM serves is vital to the role and Eula has been a valuable member of the Upper Valley and Kearsarge/Sunapee regions for many years. A graduate of Franklin & Marshall College and Vermont Law School, Eula knew early on that she wanted to focus her efforts on the mission driven work of nonprofits. She has worked at a variety of not for profit organizations in New England including [Community Resources for Justice](#) and [Raising A Reader Massachusetts](#). Most recently she served as the Development Director for the Good Neighbor Health and Red Logan Dental Clinics in White River Junction, VT.

Eula is thrilled for this opportunity and feels that she is a good fit for FOM at this time. She said, "Fostering educational development and making sure that the children and families of this community are thriving are two points I am very passionate about. I will bring a unique perspective to FOM, utilizing my experience in fundraising and organizational

development as well as education and overall health and wellness to further the mission of FOM. I am inspired by what this group of committed volunteers and founding board members have accomplished in five years and I am excited to be a part of this growing organization's next chapter."

To learn more about, or to make a gift to, the Friends of Mascoma Foundation, or, if you know someone who might need their services please call 603-632-4542, visit their website at friendsofmascoma.org or email them at info@friendsofmascoma.org.

WHALEBACK MOUNTAIN – DID YOU KNOW...

Whaleback Mountain is a 501(c)(3) mountain right in Enfield's back yard! Our mission is to support and enhance an affordable, healthy, and sustainable snow sports experience in the Upper Valley of New Hampshire and Vermont. Located off exit 16, it is close to home and an affordable venue for snow sports. Staff and volunteers have been busy getting the mountain ready for our December 13th opening. Opening day will feature a chili cook-off, FREE activities for children, raffles, and of course skiing and riding. The number of trails open will depend on Mother Nature, so keep your fingers crossed for winter weather and a healthy amount of snow to kick off a great season. This event will be fun for people of all ages and you do not need to participate in snow sports to have a great time!

It's October now, and **2019-2020 SEASONS PASSES ARE ON SALE!** Enfield residents enjoy 50% off the regular season pass, which make skiing and riding at Whaleback a great deal. **Purchase your pass at whaleback.com** and start making plans to join us for opening day! Thanks to our good friends at [Golf & Ski Warehouse](#), all unlimited passes purchased by September 30, 2019 will receive **free season tuning** (\$100 value). Your 2019-2020 seasons pass is valid at Whaleback, but also has many **added perks*** including discounts to [Golf & Ski Warehouse](#), [Killington Resort](#), [Ragged Mountain](#), and **all of the [Freedom Pass](#) partner mountains.**

As a nonprofit, we rely on individual donors and grants to help close the gap between revenues and expenses. We are taking steps to increase off-season revenue following this season, but have some big projects to finish before we finalize those plans. If you are not in the market for a season pass, but want to support our mission please considering making a [donation](#). Donations of any amount, even \$5, help us with our projects and programming.

Thank you in advance for your patronage and support!

*Certain passes only, see website for details

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

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- October 1 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- October 1 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- October 3 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Conservation Commission
- October 4 @ 1 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board Special Meeting with Master Plan Consultants
- October 7 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- October 8 @ 5:15 PM (Town Hall) – Energy Committee
- October 9 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board Work Session
- October 10 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Cemetery Trustees
- October 14 @ 4:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- October 14 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees
- October 15 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- October 15 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- October 21 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- October 23 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board
- October 24 @ 4:30 PM (Town Hall) – Heritage Commission
- October 28 @ 6:30 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- October 29 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – CIP Committee
- November 4 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- November 5 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- November 5 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- November 7 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Conservation Commission
- November 11 @ 4:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- November 12 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Zoning Board of Adjustment
- November 13 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board Work Session

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

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=====

MASCOMA LAKESIDE PARK – UPDATES

After officially purchasing the property from the NH Department of Transportation in March 2019, the Mascoma Lakeside 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.



Members of the Mascoma Lakeside Committee would like to extend their appreciation to local architect Paul Mirski, who has been graciously providing valuable design services and consultation in support of this project at no cost. The committee will continue working closely with Mr. Mirski and others to ensure that the park is ultimately designed and developed in a manner that is consistent with the needs and values of our residents and visitors.

Although the committee has 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 (which is a major achievement), private fundraising efforts are still needed to ensure that we have the financing required 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.

CEMETERY SEXTON – HELP WANTED

The Town of Enfield's Cemetery Trustees are in search of a sexton. This is currently a volunteer position, but has the potential to become a paid position in the future. Given the nature of the position, it is important that the sexton be a conscientious, organized and empathetic individual. The cemetery sexton responsibilities include the following:

- Coordinating tasks associated with burials with funeral directors, families and any others involved
- Being available at odd hours if necessary, to accommodate plot owners or buyers
- Maintaining and updating records of burials and plots
- Researching inquiries from the public regarding family members burial locations and historic context
- Explaining burial and plot sale requirements to the public
- Selling plots
- Participating in monthly meetings of the Cemetery Trustees
- Reporting sales to the Cemetery Trustees and other town bodies as appropriate
- Working with members of the Town's Public Works Department to open and close graves, and sow grass

- Receiving burial fees and permits from funeral directors and ensuring permits and other forms of documentation are appropriately recorded with the Town

Interested parties should contact the Office of the Town Manager (603-632-5026) for referral to the Cemetery Trustees. More detailed questions about the nature of the work should be directed to the Public Works Director (603-632-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us).

FINANCIAL POLICIES ADOPTED

At its July 15 business meeting, the Board of Selectmen reviewed and adopted a set of financial policies that were prepared by the Town Manager to help guide the Town toward ever greater fiscal responsibility. A complete copy of each policy is posted on the Town's website here:

<https://www.enfield.nh.us/town-manager/pages/ordinances-policies-regulations>.

Undesignated Fund Policy – The purpose of this policy is to improve the Town's financial stability by protecting itself against emergencies and economic downturns. This policy is also designed to help the Town prepare for a financial emergency as well as contribute to continuity of financial operations allowing for the management of necessary operations and projects mitigating short term borrowing and interest charges. It is essential that the town maintain adequate levels of undesignated fund balance to mitigate financial risks that can occur from unforeseen revenue fluctuations, unanticipated expenditures, and similar circumstances. Fund balance ensures cash flow and liquidity for town operations. This policy sets guidelines for fund balance classifications, minimum undesignated fund balance reserves and the allowable uses of undesignated fund balance.

Debt Management Policy – The purpose of this policy is to establish the guidelines for the issuance of debt by the Town of Enfield. Debt levels and the related annual debt service expenditures are important long-term obligations that must be managed with available short- and long-term resources. This policy also addresses the level of indebtedness that the Town can reasonably expect to incur without negatively affecting its financial position. Adherence to a debt management policy, along with the utilization of other sound and prudent financial practices and the Town's other financial policies, will assure the lending market that the Town is well managed and will meet its obligations in a timely manner.

Capital Reserve Policy – It is the position of the Town of Enfield (Town) that accumulating and maintaining capital reserves as part of its annual budgeting process is important for long-term sustainability. The Town is committed to

maintaining reasonable cash balances (reserves) to help offset the costs of future capital projects and replacements. The Town believes that establishing and maintaining such reserves will assist the Town in taking advantage of the "pay as you go" philosophy as opposed to relying entirely or heavily on debt financing. As such, the Town will ultimately be able to minimize the costs related to borrowing and debt service.

Fraud Policy – The Town of Enfield (Town) is committed to the deterrence, detection and correction of misconduct and dishonesty. The discovery, reporting and documentation of such acts provides a sound foundation for the protection of innocent parties, the taking of disciplinary action against offenders up to and including dismissal where appropriate, the referral to law enforcement agencies when warranted by the facts, and the recovery of assets. The purpose of this Policy is to implement systems and procedures that aid in the prevention of fraud and support the Town's culture and environment of honesty and ethical behavior.

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

Inter-municipal Sewer Agreement with Lebanon

The Town of Enfield and City of Lebanon have completed negotiations on the draft inter-municipal agreement (IMA) for sewage collection and treatment services. Although there were some minor modifications that benefitted the City of Lebanon, there were others that will ultimately benefit Enfield. As such, the adjustments balanced each other out and the result is a mutually agreeable

and equitable IMA that will preserve the Town's ability to potentially disconnect from Lebanon's sewer system if it were financially more advantageous to construct and operate our own local wastewater treatment plant in the future. The feasibility of constructing a local wastewater treatment plant is the focus of an engineering study the Town recently commenced using funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services.

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 & FIRE INSPECTOR

Effective September 15, 2019 the following codes were updated by the State of New Hampshire and adopted by reference in the Town of Enfield.

- 2015 International Building Code
- 2015 International Residential Code
- 2015 International Plumbing Code
- 2015 International Mechanical Code
- 2015 International Existing Building Code
- 2015 International Energy Conservation Code
- 2015 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code
- 2017 National Electrical Code, NFPA 70
- 2015 Fire Code, NFPA 1
- 2015 Life Safety Code, NFPA 101

Amendments to the NH State Building Code and Fire Codes:

Several of the adopted codes have amendments to address specific New Hampshire concerns. Many of these amendments have been carried-over from the 2009 codes.

These amendments can be found on the NH Building Review Board website for Building Codes:

<https://www.nh.gov/safety/boardsandcommissions/bldgcode/>

Information on Fire Codes can be found here:

https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/.../state_age.../saf-c6000.html

For any questions or concerns during this transition period do not hesitate to contact the Town's Building Inspector at 603-632-4343 or pneily@enfield.nh.us.

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).

We are also in search of a **Cemetery Trustee**! Regular meetings take place on the second Thursday of every month (as needed).

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.

2019 was another successful weekend of Old Home Days! Check out the events held in 2019:

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



If you have friends or family that 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:**
<http://enfieldnh.vt-s.net/Subscriber>
- **Enter your email address in the "Your Email" field**
- **Check the box for "Town News" under the News & Announcements sub-section**
- **Click the "Send My Request" navigation button at the bottom of the page**