

# TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER

## SEPTEMBER 2021



### **WELCOME MESSAGE**

Greetings!

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



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

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

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

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

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## ***LATEST NEWS***

### **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

It's likely you've already heard a little bit about the American Rescue Plan Act, aka ARPA. NH communities were required to apply for funding with the State of New Hampshire by August 18<sup>th</sup> in order to receive their allotted share of these funds. Enfield did apply for its share of funding, estimated at \$474,349. The Town has already received its first portion of this funding (\$237,174.40).

The Board of Selectmen is required to hold a public hearing to accept the ARPA funds. This public hearing is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 6:00 PM** as part of the regular meeting of the Board. This meeting will be held in person at the Public Works Facility, 74 Lockhaven Road and also via Zoom. The Zoom meeting information is available online at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/events/51766>. Masks are required for anyone attending the meeting in person.

The Board of Selectmen had previously discussed the allowed uses of ARPA funding at its meeting of June 21, 2021. You can read the minutes online. The discussion of ARPA funds begins on page 10: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-selectmen/minutes/board-selectmen-minutes-129>

Recipients may use funds to:

- Support public health expenditures;
- Address negative economic impacts cause by the public health emergency;
- Replace lost public sector revenue;
- Provide premium pay for essential workers;
- Invest in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure.

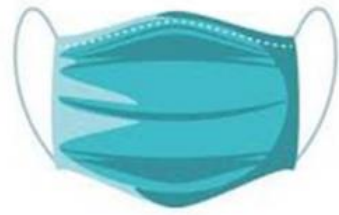
The Town must have the funds obligated by December 31, 2024, and must have the funds expended by December 31, 2026.

It was recommended to the Board of Selectmen at their meeting of June 21<sup>st</sup> to use the ARPA funds for the water and sewer infrastructure improvement projects approved at the 2021 Town Meeting. These projects are already approved by Town Meeting and none of the funding would need to be used to develop a plan as would be required for other uses. Additionally, use of the ARPA funds for this purpose would meet the spirit of the discussion at Town Meeting by reducing the borrowing required and thereby alleviate some of the burden on water and sewer users to pay for the projects. The Board expressed strong support for the proposed use of the funding.

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## MASKING REQUIREMENTS IN PUBLIC MUNICIPAL OFFICE SPACES

A policy has been established, effective immediately, requiring masks to be worn in public municipal office spaces. Our goal is to have all essential Town operations and services accessible and safe for all. You can read a copy of the policy [HERE](#).



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## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

### Memorial Picnic Table Established at Harris Brook Scenic Area

The Enfield Conservation Commission and the Enfield Board of Selectmen recently approved a donation of a memorial picnic table to be placed at the Harris Brook Scenic Area in Enfield.



The table has been donated by the Crate family in memory of their father, Donald A. Crate, a long-time resident of Enfield. Mr. Crate passed away in 2013 at the age of 89. During his lifetime in Enfield, he was very active in town activities and especially enjoyed working outside where he could enjoy Enfield's natural beauty.

His daughter, Dolores Struckhoff, remembers going to the town reservoir, that is the body of water at the Harris Brook Scenic Area, with her father on a work assignment when he was Road Agent and Water Commissioner. She said, "After rediscovering the area and trails as an adult, our family thought it was a good place for a picnic table to honor Dad."

The family has many memories of their father, but one that stands out is Mr. Crate's love of family picnics. It is that memory that the family truly wants to honor and share with others as they enjoy a walk through this lovely area.



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Harris Brook Scenic Area was established in 2015 by the Enfield Conservation Commission. The area has much to offer. There is a trail around the reservoir with hidden bays to discover. It's a wonderful place to search for tadpoles and crayfish with glimpses of Moose Mountain through the trees.

There is a hard-packed parking area opened from May to October. Don't forget to fill out one of the visitor registration forms while there.

Directions to the Harris Brook Scenic Area: The parking lot is one mile north of the Enfield Post Office on Maple Street.

The Enfield Conservation Commission's mission is to protect the natural resources of Enfield and preserve them for future generations.



## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### Assistant Town Clerk

The Town of Enfield, NH, is accepting applications for the part-time (20 hours/week) position of Assistant Town Clerk in the Enfield Town Clerk's Office. The Assistant Town Clerk will work under the supervision of the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk.

The Assistant Town Clerk is responsible for helping to administer motor vehicle registrations, boat registrations, vital statistics, dog licenses and elections. The Assistant Town Clerk also provides support to the Town Clerk in certifying the actions of the Board of Selectmen and other Town Officials, making official reports, and collecting fees. Acts as assistant for all Town Clerk duties and is therefore subject to statutory requirements.

This position will be strongly considered for a promotion to Deputy Town Clerk, with a potential for increased hours, upon the satisfactory completion of a predetermined probationary period.

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Minimum Qualifications: High School diploma or equivalent is required. Bachelor's degree preferred. At least two years of professional experience in the field of finance, government, non-profit management, accounting, banking, or related field. Any equivalent combination of education and experience which demonstrates possession of the desired knowledge, skills, or abilities.

The successful candidate will possess the following:

- Capable of understanding or knowledge of the State Law as pertaining to the conduct of Town clerks for Towns and Cities and its applicability.
- The ability to understand accounting principles, and mathematical concepts.
- General computer literacy, including proficiency with Microsoft Office suite and previous exposure to financial/accounting software
- The ability to explain and instruct the general public, employees, and Town officials in town clerk matters.
- The ability to communicate well both orally and in writing and possess a high degree of organizational skill.
- The ability to establish and maintain working relationships with departmental employees, Town Officials, State Agencies, and the general public.

Starting compensation of \$18.00 to \$20.00 per hour depending on qualifications and experience.

Interested parties should send cover letter, resume, and contact information for at least three professional references to the Enfield Town Manager by 12 Noon on Thursday, September 16, 2021. Application materials can be submitted by mail, (Town of Enfield, PO Box 373, Enfield, NH 03748), by night drop at Town Hall, (Town of Enfield, 23 Main Street, Enfield, NH 03748), or by email ([abonnette@enfield.nh.us](mailto:abonnette@enfield.nh.us)).

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

## **2022 MUNICIPAL CALENDAR**

### **Enfield's 2022 Municipal Calendar Photo Contest**

We want to include your photos in our 2022 Municipal Calendar! How better to showcase our community than with photos by people from our community?

Who can submit a photo? Members of the Enfield community including individuals that live in or own property in Enfield, NH or business owners that have their primary place of business in Enfield, NH. We will accept a maximum of **twenty (20)** photos per person, so select your very best photos for submission!



What subject matter will be accepted? Photos must be about Enfield, NH: places in Enfield, people from Enfield, or events that have taken place in Enfield. These photos are for a calendar – consider how photos will correspond to the various months and seasons. Preference for the cover photo is a Municipal location or event.

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When do they have to be submitted? **Photos must be received by Thursday, September 23, 2021.** For more complete check out our [Contest Rules](#)

### **Advertise with us!**

Help Support our 2022 Municipal Calendar with your Enfield Business Advertisement!

Calendars are mailed to all postal patrons with a zip code of 03748 or 03749, so your low-cost ad will be seen by a large portion of the Enfield community! And your advertising dollars save taxpayer dollars!



We are offering advertising space in our 2022 Municipal Calendar for Enfield businesses and organizations. We have available space for 2 or more small business card size ads (approximately 2" x 3-1/2") featured in each month. Contact us for details. Ad spaces can be combined for a single double- or triple-sized ad. A 10% discounted rate will apply if you purchase two or more ad spaces.

We also have 6 spaces at the back of the calendar (next to last page) that will be sold at a reduced rate. Two or more of these ad spaces can also be combined for a single larger ad.

#### **Rate Info:**

- \$110 for each 2" x 3-1/2" advertisement within a given month. Placement in a particular month is available upon request on a first come first served basis.
- \$55 for each 2" x 3-1/2" advertisement at the back of the calendar.
- A 10% discount is offered for the purchase of two or more ad spaces.

Provide your prepared ad with your logo, or we can simply scan your high-resolution business card, or we can work together to come up with something in between! If you've advertised with us before we can work with previously submitted content. Ads must be paid in full and submitted for inclusion in the calendar no later than Thursday, September 23rd.

Contact Alisa Bonnette, Assistant Town Manager, for more information at 442-5401 or [abonnette@enfield.nh.us](mailto:abonnette@enfield.nh.us). If you'd like someone to stop by to show you an example of our calendar and discuss your options just let us know!

Advertising space was offered on a first come, first served basis on August 19<sup>th</sup>. Beginning September 1<sup>st</sup>, we'll have someone visiting local businesses, so if you want to be sure to get your advertisement seen by the majority of the Enfield community -- don't hesitate! If all advertising slots aren't sold by September 20, 2021, we'll open up the opportunity to buy ad space to local businesses in neighboring communities.

The Town reserves the right to decline any advertisements deemed to be inappropriate or offensive for a mixed audience. The Town of Enfield is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

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## NEWSLETTER BANNER IMAGE

The Town has been holding municipal calendar photo contests since the 2008 issue. So many wonderful photos are submitted in the contest we simply can't use them all. This month we're featuring a photo titled *Sunrise on Mascoma Lake*, by Marcie Seiler. Watch future newsletters for more photos submitted in our calendar photo contests that didn't make it to print then but are great photos that we think you'll enjoy.

Photos used for the newsletter banner will be selected from previous year calendar contest entries only. Often, we'll need to crop the original photo to fit so don't be surprised if your photo appears but isn't exactly like the original.

## ASSESSING DEPARTMENT

The Town of Enfield's Assessing Department began inspections of approximately 600 properties the week of August 23rd as part of the cyclical review for the 2024 revaluation. We expect the inspections to be completed by the end of the year. Post cards were sent to the owners of the properties that are scheduled to be reviewed, notifying them of the impending visit. Due to an increase in COVID-19 cases within the State, we are not conducting interior inspections at this time. Our data collector, Brendon McGahan, will knock on the door, introduce himself, may ask questions about the interior of the property and measure all buildings. If it is not convenient to talk with him at that time of his visit, the property owner is encouraged to call the Assessing Office (603-442-5406) and Julie Huntley will help to verify the interior data. As always, the Assessing Department appreciates your cooperation.

## TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR OFFICES CLOSED FOR CONFERENCE

The Town Clerk and Tax Collector Offices will be closed September 8, 9 & 10 for the annual Town Clerk's Conference. These offices will reopen Monday, September 13.

The Town Manager's Office will be open and can accept water & sewer payments, however the Town Manager's Office is unable to process vehicle registrations, dog licenses or accept tax payments. Please check out our online services at <https://www.enfield.nh.us/home/pages/online-payments>

## MUNICIPAL OFFICES CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY

All municipal offices are closed Monday, September 6, 2021, for Labor Day. We'll reopen regular hours on Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Greetings all! Please welcome Jerusha Howard as your Deputy Tax Collector! You may recognize Jerusha as she is an Enfield resident and is currently also one of Enfield's Library Assistants. Jerusha is a welcome addition to the Tax Office. Should you wish to reach Jerusha in her capacity as Deputy Tax Collector, you may email her at [Tax2@enfield.nh.us](mailto:Tax2@enfield.nh.us). Jerusha will be working parttime, so be advised you may not receive an immediate response. You are always



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welcome to contact me directly with any questions or concerns as well at [whuntley@enfield.nh.us](mailto:whuntley@enfield.nh.us). The Tax Office phone number is 603-632-4201 and you may leave a message for either of us there as need. Happy September all!

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Fall is around the corner and School is back in session. The department would like to remind everyone again to be extra careful watchful for children as they cross the roads getting to and home from school. We understand that the traffic around the Enfield Village School can be frustrating and slow at times, but our number one concern is the safety of our young residents. Slow down, plan extra time and pay attention to the road not you cell phone or other distractions. As many of you have already seen, the traffic pattern entering the school and exiting has changed again this year. For the time being the exit from the elementary school will be a right turn only. Again, this is for the safety of the children and parents walking to and from the school along with easy understanding for the motoring public.

Trash and bears seem to be another hot issue in Enfield recently. A reminder that per town ordinance trash receptacles can be put out no earlier than the DAY PRIOR to pick up and MUST be removed same day. If a bear or other animal gets into your trash, it is your responsibility to clean it up. The highway department or Casella WILL NOT clean up your trash. The link for the town ordinance is attached for your review if you have any questions. ([Microsoft Word - Solid Waste Ordinance Adopted 3-19-07.doc \(enfield.nh.us\)](#))

The department has seen a sharp increase in reports of online and telephone scams. The Enfield community is not immune to these scams and, unfortunately, we see many victims each year losing thousands or even tens of thousands of dollars. If you receive an email or a phone call demanding money, assume it is a scam. Get a call back number and report it right away to the police department. Do not provide any information, do not confirm social security numbers or any other personal information. Agencies such as the IRS, Secret Service or even credit card companies will never demand over the phone payment and they will never accept gift cards (i.e., Amazon, Sephora etc.). If you receive a call from someone claiming to be a relative in need of help, hang up and call them using whatever number you know to be good for them. When in doubt, contact the police department and we will help if we can. It is better to get the police involved sooner than later, many times after the money has been sent, there is no way to recover it.

Last, but not least, as always please do not hesitate to contact the department. We are here to serve our community and no issue is too large or too small. Emily is available from 0800-1600 Monday thru Friday and dispatch is always available at 603-643-2222

Roy Holland  
Chief of Police  
Enfield Police Department

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## ENERGY COMMITTEE

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Learn tips on ways to keep your home warmer this winter.

**BUTTON UP NH Workshop via Zoom – Thursday September 23 7:00 to 8:30 PM**

This energy savings workshop presented by NHSaves, will be on Zoom on Thursday September 23 from 7-8:30 PM. This presentation teaches how to improve the energy efficiency of your home.

The program covers basic building science principles plus examples of whole house weatherization measures that will button up your home for the heating and cooling seasons. It also covers details about the energy efficiency programs offered by NH utilities (for existing homes and new construction) which provide energy audits, weatherization measures such as air sealing and insulating and rebates on new technologies and products such as electric and gas appliances and high efficiency electric heating/cooling equipment.

NHSaves is a collaboration of New Hampshire's electric and natural gas utilities. The utilities are working together to provide NH customers with information, incentives, and support designed to save energy, reduce costs, and protect the NH environment.

The sponsors of this webinar, Sustainable Hanover Committee and Canaan/Enfield Energy Committees, recommend you check out the NHSaves website for up-to-date info on energy saving tips and programs.

**Email Jo-Ellen Courtney at [jecourtney820@gmail.com](mailto:jecourtney820@gmail.com) for the digital Zoom link or questions regarding this virtual Button Up program.**

# Improve the energy efficiency of your home.

## FREE Home Energy Workshop



**NHsaves** Virtual Button Up Workshop is a 1½ hour presentation about improving the energy efficiency of your home. It covers energy saving tips and NHSaves energy efficiency programs. Learn about saving electricity, insulation and air sealing, energy audit and weatherization programs, rebates on electric and gas appliances, and other incentives from NH's energy utilities. New Hampshire residents that want to use energy wisely and save money will find the information very useful.

WHEN NEW HAMPSHIRE SAVES,

*we all win.*



NHSaves.com

### PRESENTATION:

Join us for a **NHsaves** Virtual Button Up Workshop on **zoom** with live Q & A.

### WHEN:

Thursday, September 23, 2021, 7–8:30 P.M.

### PRESENTERS:

**Andy Duncan**, *Energy Training Manager,*  
*Lakes Region Community College*

**Ted Stiles**, *BPI Building Analyst*

### QUESTIONS AND ZOOM LINK:

Email Barbara at:  
[bcallaway65@gmail.com](mailto:bcallaway65@gmail.com)

### SPONSORED BY:

NHSaves: [www.nhsaves.com](http://www.nhsaves.com)

### LOCAL PARTNERS:

**Sustainable Hanover Committee**  
**Canaan Enfield Energy Committee**

Visit [www.nhsaves.com/events](http://www.nhsaves.com/events) for dates and locations of all Button Ups.

Workshops are organized by **Plymouth Area Renewable Energy Initiative**, (PAREI)  
[www.PlymouthEnergy.org](http://www.PlymouthEnergy.org) • 603-536-5030

The workshops are FREE thanks to funding provided by



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## Energy Expo Plainfield September 11 from 11 - 3:00 PM

Cornish & Plainfield Energy Committees are hosting an Energy Expo at the Plainfield School Gym at 92 Bonner Road, Plainfield on Saturday September 11.

Information available about solar energy, heat pumps, Community Power, E-bikes and electric vehicles. Lebanon Ford will have an all-electric Ford Mustang Mach-E on display.

COVID protocols in effect: masks and distancing when indoors.

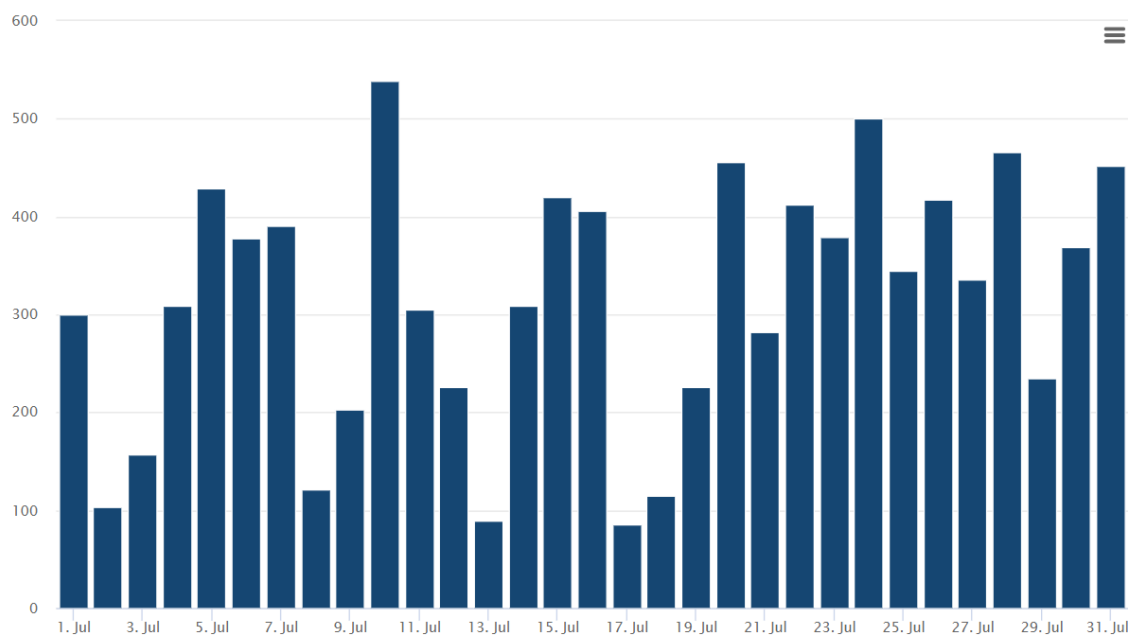
Contact Nancy Wightman at [nwlaststraw@gmail.com](mailto:nwlaststraw@gmail.com) for more information.

### Enfield Solar Array Update

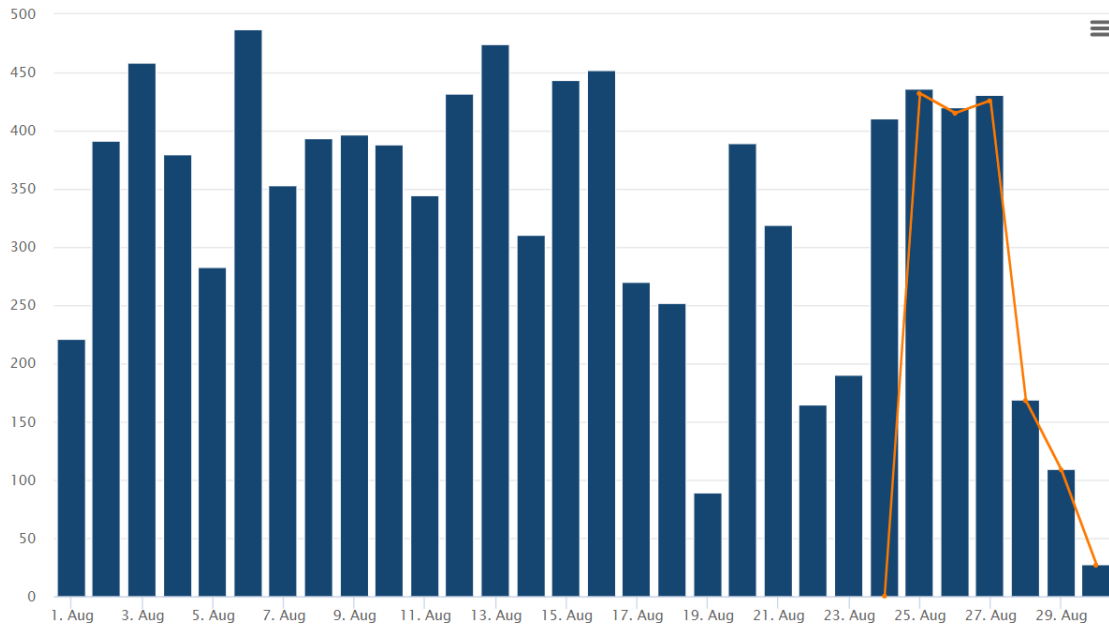
On 11 July 2020, Article 22 was voted on and passed at Enfield's town meeting, held outdoors in Huse Park. This article allowed Enfield to enter into a Power Purchase Agreement with a third party to install a solar array at the DPW building. At 10:30 on 15 June 2021, this solar array was connected to the electrical grid and Enfield joined the rest of the world as a solar electric producer. For the last 77 days all of the electric power used at DPW and the Lovejoy Brook pump station has been produced here in Enfield. Any extra power was purchased by Liberty Utilities. Despite the slow start in July with all the rainy days, we have been able to produce over 32 MWh of electricity. With the help of more sunny days we are hoping to boost our productivity. Thanks to the power of solar, we avoided paying Liberty Utilities an estimated \$1,444.36 for two of the town's facilities for month of July.



Day | 3 Day | **Month** | Year | Lifetime | < Jul 1, 2021 - Jul 31, 2021 >







## CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Amended Rules and Regulations have been approved by the Trustees which include adjusted fees that will start on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please feel free to reach out to Bridget Labrie with any questions. Meeting dates and minutes can be found on the Cemetery Trustees page on the Enfield Town website.

A friendly reminder to please keep all decorations or potted plants in line with the headstones to allow maintenance operations to take place. Please note that all decorations and potted items need to be removed from the cemeteries by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

A big “Thank You” to our Grounds team for keeping the cemeteries looking so nice and to the Highway department for their recent assistance!

For additional information about cemetery rules, regulations, or costs please visit- <https://www.enfield.nh.us/board-cemetery-trustees>

Please contact the Cemetery Sexton, Bridget Labrie at 802-332-5363 (cell) or email [cemetery@enfield.nh.us](mailto:cemetery@enfield.nh.us) to schedule a burial or to purchase a lot.

## LAND USE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT NEWS

All Enfield Land Use boards and committees have returned to “in-person” meetings at the DPW Facility at 74 Lockhaven Road as of July 1. However, the Town has recently re-implemented a Masking policy for people entering and using Town facilities. Therefore, anyone attending a Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting should expect to wear a facemask at all times while in the building. There continues to be a “hybrid” option to attend all these meetings

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via the Zoom Web Meetings Platform. The login information for all Town meetings is available on the Town's website: [www.enfield.nh.us](http://www.enfield.nh.us). Simply click on the Town calendar date of the meeting you wish to attend, then click on the meeting you are interested in. The Zoom info will be listed there, including the link to get you there as well as the meeting ID # and password.

**GOT JUNK?** This office has been receiving more and more calls each month on the subject of junk. It is important to note that the State of NH and the Town of Enfield do not allow for more than one unregistered vehicle to be present on someone's property. This would constitute an "illegal junkyard." There are several companies in NH and VT that will accept your junk cars for recycling, including Chase's Auto Salvage here in Enfield. Please also note, it is illegal to place junk and debris in the public right of way (along the roadside). That couch that is left out by the side of the road, and that got rained on a few times, is not getting picked up by anyone. Please dispose of it properly. Your neighbors and fellow residents will appreciate it. Once again, there are several companies that will either haul away items or rent you a dumpster to fill at your convenience. If you need help locating help for this, you can contact this office at 603-442-5427.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) held a single hearing in August on the 10th. This was for Enfield Land Use Case # Z21-08-02 where the applicant, Janet Carroll, asked to construct a pole barn within the prescribed 20 ft setback in the R3 zoning district at 13 Beckwith Lane (map 45, lot 10). This hearing was continued to the ZBA's September meeting to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Another topic of discussion for this meeting will be the Superior Court's recent decision handed down on August 17<sup>th</sup> regarding the case of Pettola v. Enfield. The court ruled in favor of the plaintiff, citing a "medical necessity" for the already installed deck and stairs within the prescribed 50' setback to Crystal Lake. In the decision, the court granted a very limited approval to the plaintiff, saying the deck and stairs may only be used for "emergency ingress and egress" and may not be used for "leisure activities." The court also indicated the deck and stairs shall exist only as long as the plaintiff's son has a "need to use the premises." The ZBA will discuss whether they wish to appeal this case all the way to the NH Supreme Court.

The ZBA has received one new application for a special exception hearing in September (9/14). This case is Land Use Case # Z21-09-01 where Nicole Sipe will ask to convert an active gravel pit into a commercial equestrian use. The subject property is located at 672 Bog Road (tax map 1, lot 3) in the R5 - Rural Residential/Agricultural Zoning District and is currently owned by CRATE PROPERTIES, LLC. This meeting's agenda as well as the previous meeting's minutes on the ZBA section of the Town's website at: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/zoning-board-adjustment>

At their August 25th meeting, the Planning Board heard one application for minor subdivision. Enfield Land Use Case # P21-08-01 saw that David and Victoria Rogers were granted approval to create two lots (one of 4.1+/- acres and another of 46+/- acres) out of a 50.1+/- acre parcel at 1443 NH Route 4A (Tax Map 9, Lot 36). This property is located partially within both the "R1" Residential District and the "R5" Residential/Agricultural District. The details for this hearing and others, including minutes and agendas are available on the Planning Board section of the Town's website at: <https://www.enfield.nh.us/planning-board>



The Town's Master Planning Task Force met twice in the month of August (on the second and fourth Mondays). The Task Force heard from the Heritage Commission at their first meeting

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and the newly re-constituted recreation commission at their second meeting. The group has begun planning some educational forums for this fall and continues to solicit feedback through a “Question of the Week” on their website (linked below). They are also working diligently on preparing a comprehensive survey to garner wide community input that will be ready to go soon. All Task Force meetings are open to the public and minutes and agendas are made available on the Town’s dedicated Master Planning website: <http://www.enfield-leaps.org>

If you have an idea for your property, such as a subdivision, lot merger, line adjustment or a concept for a new business, please reach out to the Town’s Land Use and Community Development Administrator, Rob Taylor, Monday to Friday at 603-442-5427 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm or by email at: [planning@enfield.nh.us](mailto:planning@enfield.nh.us). You may also drop by the office (remember to bring your facemask) at the DPW facility at 74 Lockehaven Road. We always recommend calling ahead first to be sure someone is available to help you. Happy late summer to everyone!

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS & HAPPENINGS**

The last couple of months have been busy for the department between calls and training. We have two trainings scheduled in the coming months; the first being in September with the State of NH Department of Environmental Services who will train us for spill recovery on water and land. This will be two evenings both classroom and field. This will incorporate use of the boat as well. In October, New England Rescue Training will present a very hands-on class for firefighter self and team rescue. If you see us conducting these trainings you are welcome to observe, however we ask that you check in with us for your and our safety.

The department, in the future, will be holding an open house at the Union St. Station. We want people to know us and encourage those who might be interested in joining the department to come and find out what the requirements are. Daytime coverage is particularly lacking where so may work out of town. Further information to follow.

Stay safe and remember to check your smoke and C/O detectors monthly.

Phil Neily  
Enfield Fire Chief  
[firechief@enfield.nh.us](mailto:firechief@enfield.nh.us)

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

### **Road Grading**

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

### **Meter Reading**

The Enfield Water and Sewer Departments will be reading meters the last week of September.

### **Remote Water/Sewer Meter Reading Touch Pads**

The Town of Enfield has touch pads connected to the meter with a light gauge communication wire and mounted on the side of the building. The touch pads are installed so the staff member reading individual meters does not need to enter the building in order to get a reading. It is

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important that these pads and wires do not get damaged. If you plan to paint your building or replace the siding, please take care to gently removed them and set them aside preferably intact. You can also contact the water/sewer department to have the pad removed temporarily while your project is completed.

### **Lebanon Landfill Registration**

Beginning in September anyone wishing to use the Lebanon Landfill or dispose of items that the Enfield Transfer Station does not accept will be required to obtain a Lebanon Landfill permit. This is in addition to the punch card system already in use. The permits are available at no charge on the Lebanon NH Website and will be enforced beginning September 1, 2021. Enfield residents may apply online only. For more information visit <https://lebanonnh.gov/1514/Solid-Waste-Permits#residential>

### **Roadside Mowing**

The Enfield Highway Department began mowing roadsides and easement areas in August. This helps keep drainage areas open for flowing water and allows for snow storage. It also improves site distances making roads safer. Please use caution when approaching and passing the mower tractors as debris sometimes flies out from the mower heads and operator focus is on the ditch lines being mowed. Residents should mark shrubs and plants near the road that they do not want cut.

### **Enfield Solar Array Completed and Generating Power**

Check out the [Energy Committee's report](#) on this project.

### **Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day**

The final household hazardous waste collection day in 2021 will take place on Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Lebanon High School. Gather your hazardous wastes for this last collection of the season to avoid having to store these items all winter!



# Household Hazardous Waste 2021 COLLECTION DAYS



**All collections are 9:00 am—Noon**

**Sat, May 1**—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street

**Sat, June 5** —Newport Highway Garage, 449 S Main Street (Rt 10S)

**Fri, July 16** —Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street (off Rt 120)

**Sat, August 7**—Sunapee Highway Garage, 621 Route 11

**Sat, October 2**—Lebanon High School, 195 Hanover Street

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

## WHAT TO BRING:

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

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



For  
information  
contact the  
Upper Valley Lake Sunapee  
Regional Planning Commission  
at (603) 448-1680 or  
[vdavis@uvlsrpc.org](mailto:vdavis@uvlsrpc.org)



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

**Ammunition and explosives:** State Police at 271-3636.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Medicine:** See [www.twinstatesafemeds.com](http://www.twinstatesafemeds.com) for police stations taking meds.

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

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

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

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**BUILDING INSPECTOR/HEALTH OFFICER**

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The smoky haze that recently drifted in from the western U.S. and western and central Canada and enveloped our region may have caused some residents to wonder what they could do to prepare their homes for potential wildfire. While wildfires are rare in New England, there was a period between 1888 to 1903 when they were more common, and usually caused by sparks from wood burning locomotives. Some wildfires have natural origins, but the National Forest Service reports these destructive forces usually are ignited by man-made causes. In 1947 the Bar Harbor Fire burned 17,188 acres in Acadia National Park and took nearly a month to fully extinguish. More recently in 2017, the Dilly Cliff Fire in North Woodstock, NH burned 70 acres and temporarily closed two sections of the Appalachian Trail.

FEMA has published guidelines for home construction in areas prone to wildfire. The probability that a home will survive a wildfire is greatly influenced by the components of the roof assembly. Embers and firebrands can ignite the roof covering, other roof components, and debris on the roof. Once the roof has ignited, the fire commonly propagates into the interior of the building, resulting in substantial damage to or total loss of the building. Only Class A rated roof assemblies are recommended for homes in wildfire zones. Metal panels and asphalt shingles are both Class A rated. The complexity of the roof's shape also influences the potential for ignition. A roof with valleys and roof/wall intersections where combustible debris, such as leaves and needles, can collect has more potential for ignition than a roof without them. Homeowners should remove combustible tree litter from gutters and trim tree branches that overhang the roof and chimney. Accessories are available that reduce leaf accumulation in gutters.

Typical construction materials for eaves, overhangs, and soffits are not fire-resistant and are therefore susceptible to ignition by wind-blown embers and hot gases. More importantly, soffits normally have air vent openings as part of the building code required attic ventilation system. Protecting attic spaces from wildfires is a challenge because air is naturally drawn into attics through these vent openings. Attic ventilation is intended to exchange warmer moist air for cooler drier air under normal conditions, but in a wildfire unprotected vents can allow embers and hot gases to enter the attic. FEMA recommends builders use flat, horizontal soffits instead of creating sloped soffits by attaching the soffits to the underside of rafters. A flat soffit reduces the potential for entrapment of embers and hot gases because the smoke will eddy in the horizontal/ vertical intersection and curl away from the structure. Building codes require ventilation openings to be screened with wire mesh or similar material having openings no larger than 1/4 inch. Although screening can prevent the entry of many embers, vents and louvers cannot prevent the entry of hot gases. To minimize the possibility that embers and hot gas will be pulled into the home, the HVAC system, including exhaust fans, should be turned off when a wildfire threatens.

FEMA recommends that local topography and the proximity of vegetation should be considered when choosing a site for a home to increase the chance the home will survive a wildfire. Homes built on hilltops have a 360-degree exposure to wildfire because, in the absence of a strong wind, fire burns primarily upslope due to the fact that heat rises and preheats available fuels such as buildings and vegetation making them easier to ignite. Homeowners should consider the vegetation characteristics of their building site. Creating a defensible space can enhance fire resistance. A defensible space is an area around a building in which vegetation, debris, and other types of combustible fuels have been treated, cleared, or reduced to slow the spread of fire to and from the building. To create a defensible space homeowners should eliminate all combustible materials within 30 feet of the home such as fire-prone vegetation, combustible patio furniture, and umbrellas. Fire resistant substitutions include irrigated grass, stone or

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masonry patios, metal patio furniture, and noncombustible decking. Stack firewood at least 30 feet from the building and store the wood in a vegetation free zone such as a graveled area.

Consideration should be made for emergency vehicles to access private property in the event of a fire. The following state fire code and electrical code information is relevant to all residents in the event of a natural or man-made disaster, not just those concerned with wildfires. Driveways should be 12 feet wide at a minimum. They should provide sufficient vertical clearance to allow for large emergency vehicles. The vertical minimum clearance to overhead electrical lines is 12 feet for residential driveways, and 18 feet for commercial driveways, parking lots, public roads, and agricultural land. Tree limbs should be trimmed no lower than 13 and a half feet above ground. Turnarounds are important features of driveways longer than 150 feet and must be large enough for fire department apparatus to turn around. The minimum inside turning radius should not be less than 30 feet, and the outside turning radius for a turnaround should be 45 feet from the center line of the road. If a “T” configuration is used, the top of the “T” should have a minimum length of 60 feet. Finally, the house 911 address is required by the NH Fire Code and Building Code to be posted on all properties and continuously maintained. The address is to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. Address numbers are to contrast with their background and be no less than 4 inches in height and 1/2 inch stroke width. Where access is by means of a private road and the building address cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means must be used to identify the structure.



## Self-Observation Guide for People Exposed to COVID-19 Who Are Not Required to Quarantine

If you were in close contact\* with someone with COVID-19 in the community (non-household contact), you should follow the instructions below. If you are a household close contact\*\* to someone with COVID-19 but you are **fully vaccinated**, you should also follow these instructions.

### 1 Monitor for symptoms

Monitor yourself closely for potential symptoms of COVID-19 for 14 days after your exposure, including: fever, respiratory illness (cough, sore throat, runny nose, shortness of breath), whole body symptoms (fatigue, chills, muscle aches), change in taste or smell, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea

### 2 Get Tested and Wear a Face Mask in Indoor Public Places

If you live or sleep in a shared space with someone diagnosed with COVID-19 (household close contact) and you are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you do not need to quarantine. You should get tested for COVID-19 with a PCR-based test 3-5 days after your exposure (even if you do not have any symptoms). You should also wear a facemask in indoor public settings for 14 days, or until you receive a negative test result.

If you had close contact exposure to someone diagnosed with COVID-19 in the community (non-household close contact), you should also consider following the above recommendations for testing and face mask use (even if you do not have any symptoms).

### 3 If you become sick

If you develop any symptoms of COVID-19, you should:

- Stay home and [isolate](#) from other people, including those you live with
- Seek medical advice for any concerning symptoms – call ahead before you go to a healthcare provider's office or emergency room, and tell them you were recently exposed to COVID-19
- Get tested for COVID-19 – you can find testing locations [here](#)
  - If you test negative, you should still stay home until you are fever-free for at least 24 hours (off any fever-reducing medications) and other symptoms are improving
  - If you test positive, you should follow the instructions found in the [Isolation Guide](#)

### 4 Take care of yourself and others

Additional things you can do to keep yourself and others healthy are:

- Get fully vaccinated against COVID-19
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when coughing or sneezing
- Attempt to stay 6 feet away from others and wear a facemask when in indoor public locations to protect yourself and others from COVID-19

*\*Close contact being within 6 feet of a person with COVID-19 for a cumulative time of 15 minutes or more within a 24 hour period.*

*\*\*Household Contact: any individual who lives and sleeps in the same indoor shared space as another person diagnosed with COVID-19 (either a temporary or permanent living arrangement), leading to close contact and potential repeated exposure to the person with COVID-19. This includes situations where there may be temporary but prolonged exposure such as occurs as sleep-over events, shared camp cabins, vacation rentals, etc*

Contact 211 with COVID-19 questions.  
TTY: 603-634-3388

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## Quarantine Guide for **Unvaccinated People Exposed to COVID-19 in their Household**

If you are unvaccinated and have been identified as a household contact to someone diagnosed with COVID-19, then you are at risk of developing COVID-19 in the 14 days after you were exposed, and you should follow these instructions.

**Household Contact:** any individual who lives and sleeps in the same indoor shared space as another person diagnosed with COVID-19 (either a temporary or permanent living arrangement), leading to close contact and potential repeated exposure to the person with COVID-19. This includes situations where there may be temporary but prolonged exposure such as occurs as sleep-over events, shared camp cabins, vacation rentals, etc.

### 1 **Stay Home (Quarantine) for 10 days from last exposure\***

- You should stay at your home and avoid other people for 10 days after your last close contact with the household member with COVID-19 while they are considered infectious (their 10-day isolation period). You can begin your 10 day quarantine period sooner if the person with COVID-19 sleeps in a different room than you and you can avoid ongoing close contact in your home.
- You should not go out in public places - not even to the grocery store or to run errands. Please do not visit with other people outside of your home, and do not invite others into your house to visit. Keep your distance from others in your household (at least 6 feet).
- [Wear a facemask](#) to protect those around you.

As long as you don't develop [symptoms of COVID-19](#), you can stop quarantine after 10 days have passed starting from the day of your last exposure to the person with COVID-19.

### 2 **Get tested\***

- Get tested 5 – 7 days after your last exposure to a person with COVID-19. This should be a test that detects active infection using a PCR-based test on a nose swab. You can find testing locations on our [COVID-19 testing guidance](#) webpage.
- A negative test does NOT mean that you can end quarantine early (you still need to quarantine for 10 days), but a test does help to identify infection early even if you're not showing symptoms, and it can help prevent spread and protect others around you.
- If you test positive for COVID-19, then you need to follow the instructions found in the [Isolation Guide](#).

### 3 **Monitor for symptoms**

- Take your temperature. You should do this twice a day for 14 days after your last exposure (even if you end your quarantine after 10 days), and take your temperature anytime you feel like you might have a fever.
- Monitor yourself closely for other potential symptoms of COVID-19 such as respiratory illness (cough, sore throat, runny nose, shortness of breath), body symptoms (fatigue, chills, muscle aches), change in taste or smell, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea, even after you end your quarantine.
- If you develop any symptoms of COVID-19: Seek medical advice and get tested – call ahead before you go to a healthcare provider's office or emergency room. Tell them you were recently exposed to someone with COVID-19 and have symptoms.

### 4 **Take care of yourself**

Reach out to your healthcare provider or seek emergency care if you have any concerns about your health. Social isolation can be lonely. Connect with others through phone, video chat, text, and email. Seek help from others to safely provide you and your household food and supplies you need while in quarantine. If you need support to maintain isolation, call 211 (TTY: 603-634-3388).

**If you have a medical emergency, call 911. Tell them that you are under quarantine for COVID-19 exposure.**

Please review these resources to help keep your home clean and protect others:

[What to do if you are sick](#) | [Caring for yourself at home](#) | [Cleaning and disinfecting your home](#) | [Coping with stress](#)

\*You do NOT need to stay home (quarantine) for 10 days but it is recommended that you be tested 3-5 days after exposure (or if you develop symptoms), and to wear a mask in public indoor settings for 14 days after exposure or until you receive a negative test result if:

1. You are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and more than 14 days have passed since you received the last recommended dose of a COVID-19 vaccine series
2. You have previously tested positive for active COVID-19 infection (by PCR or antigen testing) in the last 90 days (if you had a previous infection that was more than 90 days ago, then you still need to follow all of these instructions).

This document is available online at:

<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/self-quarantine-covid.pdf>

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## LIBRARY

Hi everyone,

It has truly been a pleasure serving as your Town Librarian for the last seven years. But like so many things that have changed since the beginning of 2020, it's time for me to do something different. Starting on September 13<sup>th</sup>, I will start my new job in Burlington, VT as the Technical Services and Digital Content Manager at the Fletcher Free Library. What this means is that my main responsibility will be managing their catalog software and digital resources, the very things I've spent most of the last two years updating here. For someone who likes to poke at things to see how they work, this was an opportunity I couldn't pass up.

I'm grateful to so many of you who have offered encouragement and kind words over the years. I would especially like to thank Marjorie Carr and the late Phil Cronenwett who trusted me to run the library when I really had no idea what I was doing in the beginning. I have learned so much about being a librarian and this community (honestly, is there anything better than a small-town listserv?) and I will miss the many ways you all supported the library and each other.

I wish you all the best as I head off to new adventures. Thank you, Enfield.

-Melissa

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## RECREATION

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

### **Enfield Recreation**

Any questions about Enfield Recreation, please contact Ed Winters, Enfield Recreation Director, at [recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:recreation@enfield.nh.us)

### ***Reservations for Use of Town Parks & Fields***

Just a bit of clarification for those interested in use of the Town's parks and fields for events:

- The Enfield Community Building is reserved with the Town Manager's Office ([abonnette@enfield.nh.us](mailto:abonnette@enfield.nh.us)), but
- **Town parks and fields** are reserved with Enfield Recreation Director, Ed Winters ([recreation@enfield.nh.us](mailto:recreation@enfield.nh.us)).

### ***Line Dancing***

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

### ***Chair Yoga & Exercise***

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

Please note the revised schedule – **Wednesdays Only!**

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- September 1
  - September 8
  - September 22
  - September 29
  - October 6
  - October 13
  - October 27

*Schedule subject to change based on instructor availability*

### **Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation**

Come join us at the **Enfield Market** at Huse Park from 10AM-1PM on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month (May 8th- October 9th). Looking for craft vendors for our end of the season **Holiday Market & Craft Fair**. Email [mvalleyrec@gmail.com](mailto:mvalleyrec@gmail.com) if interested. Don't forget to follow [Enfield Market](#) on Facebook!

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>

### **Youth Programs:**

**Mascoma Youth Sports League** – For seasonal registration information or questions email [MYSLBoard@gmail.com](mailto:MYSLBoard@gmail.com)

### **Adult & Family Opportunities:**

**Adult Co-Ed Recreational Volleyball** – Shaker Recreation Field- Sundays 4-6pm (when enough participants) keep an eye out on the [calendar](#) or email Bridget for more information or to join the email list.

**Disc Golf** – We are working to add a disc golf course to our Mascoma community. Look for upcoming event information soon! Come be part of the discussions and see how you could potentially help. Check out the [Mascoma Disc Golf](#) Facebook page or contact Bridget for more info.

**Beginner Yoga** – The classes are all levels and beginners are always welcome. For further information please contact Sonya at [sonyayoga2007@gmail.com](mailto:sonyayoga2007@gmail.com) Classes are \$12 for drop-in, \$10 for students and seniors, space is limited, be sure to email Sonya if you would like to attend and to keep up with the schedule.

**Runners:** Upcoming Race 9/25, more information and registration: <https://lebanonnh.gov/1520/Downstream-Rail-Run>

Check out Trail Finder, you are able to print the trail maps or download them to your phone if there will be no service on your hike. Take a look: <https://www.trailfinder.info/>

UNH Extension is offering many workshops. Visit: [www.naturegroupie.org](http://www.naturegroupie.org) for more information.

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Don't forget to check out other opportunities and programs Upper Valley Trail Alliance offers for all ages at <https://www.uvtrails.org>

For any questions about Mascoma Valley Parks & Recreation please contact Bridget at [mvalleyrec@gmail.com](mailto:mvalleyrec@gmail.com).

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

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Regional Recreation Coordinator  
Mascoma Valley Parks and Recreation  
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[Online Registration](#)

<b>MASCOMA LAKESIDE PARK</b>
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The Board of Selectmen will discuss the receipt and acceptance of the Love Our Byways grant at its meeting of [September 7, 2021](#).

**Volunteers Needed**

**MASCOMA LAKESIDE PARK WORKDAY  
September 28, 2021**



Toyota Motor & National Scenic Byway Foundation has awarded Mascoma Lakeside Park/Enfield Shaker Village Scenic Byway with a \$2000 grant supporting byway conservation and beautification. This grant requires a minimum of 35 volunteers along with a work date completion by September 30th. The funds received will enable us to continue the restoration process of our beautiful park by removing invasive plants and replacing them with native plants, shrubs and bulbs.

**Volunteers needed to work in small teams on the following projects:**

- Renovating, consolidating and updating existing garden beds
- Planting masses of spring flowering bulbs throughout the park



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- Cutting, bagging and removing invasive Purple Loosestrife
  - Pruning and tending existing Rose bushes
  - Removing invasive Multiflora Rose
  - Mulching, weeding, general clean up
- Volunteer shifts are 10am-12 and 12:30-2:30. Tools provided.*

***Join us at 12:00 noon under the gazebo for a complimentary lunch.***

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: [volunteersignup.org/FD9R8](https://volunteersignup.org/FD9R8)

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.  
Thank you for volunteering!

*Remember, Mascoma Lakeside Park is not funded with tax dollars, but by donations and grants.*

## **“KNOW YOUR TOWN”**

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

### **Shaker Buildings on Wells Street**

The March 2021 “Know your Town” story about Wells Street, written by John Carr, noted that some of the buildings on the street had originally been built by the Shakers.

After the 1850s, today’s “downtown” Enfield began to grow into a commercial center. At the same time, the Shaker communities on the western shore of Mascoma Lake were in slow decline. To meet Enfield’s expanding need for housing, the Shakers sold six structures located in their settlement to be used as residences in town. Two of these are on Wells Street (future “Know Your Town” articles will discuss the other four).

Moving a building in the days before steam or diesel power was a considerable achievement, which gives new meaning to the word “teamwork”. Some buildings were transported whole across the ice, while others were dismantled and reassembled on their new sites. Both methods relied on dozens of teams of oxen provided by both the Shakers and other Enfield residents and many neighbors’ cooperation and muscle.

According to a list compiled in 1858, the structure at number 7 Wells Street was among the Church Family’s buildings and was known as the “garden” or “seed” house. Built in 1822, the Shakers sold it in 1894, when it was taken down and then rebuilt on Wells Street. The building was divided into three apartments. Despite the addition of a fourth apartment added later and a front porch adapted to its new use, 7 Wells Street’s Shaker heart still shows in its pleasing proportions and simple roofline.

Number 35 Wells Street was built in 1848 and known as the Church Family Hacienda (the Spanish name for a farm dwelling became popular during the Mexican War). After its purchase from the Shakers in 1890, the structure was taken apart and rebuilt on its new site, where it served as a barn. It was later converted into two residences, with four more apartments added later. Over the years, an outside stairway, an entryway and dormers have been added. While

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harder to see than at 7 Wells Street, the window placement on 35 Wells Street's short ends reflects so many other Enfield Shaker buildings.

After it sold these buildings, the Church family carried on and was the last of Enfield's three Shaker families to close in 1923.

(Information from *Enfield New Hampshire 1761-2000. The History of a Town Influenced by the Shakers*. Edited by Nancy Blanchard Sanborn. The Enfield Public Library has several copies of the book.)

## ***MEETINGS & EVENTS***

### **ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING**

All public meetings are now being held **in person**. Masks are currently required in all public municipal spaces so must be worn if attending an indoor public meeting.

Some meetings, including most Selectboard meetings, will be a hybrid of in-person and Zoom videoconference. If Zoom is available for the meeting the connection information will be posted on the Town website along with the meeting posting. There are audio-only options available via Zoom.

Electronic or virtual attendance is provided as a courtesy only with no guarantee of quality or ability to participate.

**Please note:** Zoom meeting attendees may be muted upon entry. If so, to signal that you have a question or comment, you can virtually raise your hand during a Zoom meeting. To raise your hand in Zoom's desktop app, click the "Raise Hand" button in the "Participants" tab. The ability for attendees to unmute themselves will be restricted until such time as they are invited to speak by the Board. If a Zoom participant is invited to speak, the ability to unmute will be temporarily restored. After invited comments are made the ability to unmute will again be restricted. Procedures may change as we become accustomed to the new hybrid format.

### **UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)**

If a Zoom meeting option is also provided for a meeting you will find it online at [www.enfield.nh.us](http://www.enfield.nh.us) in the specific meeting posting.

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

- [September 1 @ 5:30 PM \(Huse Park Pavilion\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
- [September 2 @ 5:15 PM \(Town Hall\) – Trustees of Trust Funds](#)
- [September 2 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Conservation Commission](#)
- [September 3 @ 11:00 AM \(Town Hall\) – Library Trustees](#)
- [September 7 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)

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- [September 8 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Planning Board](#)
  - [September 9 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Cemetery Trustees](#)
  - [September 13 @ 5:30 PM \(Library\) – Library Trustees](#)
  - [September 13 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Master Planning Task Force](#)
  - [September 14 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
  - [September 14 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Zoning Board of Adjustment](#)
  - [September 15 @ 6:00 PM \(Town Hall\) – Recreation Commission](#)
  - [September 20 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)
  - [September 22 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Planning Board](#)
  - [September 23 @ 4:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Heritage Commission](#)
  - [September 27 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Master Planning Task Force](#)
  - [September 28 @ 6:00 PM \(Town Hall\) – Energy Committee](#)
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- [October 4 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) – Board of Selectmen](#)
  - [October 5 @ 3:30 PM \(Public Works\) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee](#)
  - [October 6 @ 5:30 PM \(Huse Park Pavilion\) – Old Home Days Committee](#)
  - [October 7 @ 7:00 PM \(Public Works\) – Conservation Commission](#)
  - [October 11 @ 5:30 PM \(Library\) – Library Trustees](#)
  - [October 11 @ 6:00 PM \(Public Works & Zoom\) Master Planning Task Force](#)

## ***COMMUNITY EVENTS***

### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

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

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

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

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### ***Mascoma Sailing Club's Thursday Evening Community Sailing***

The Mascoma Sailing Club is hosting Thursday evening community sailing through Labor Day, 2021. If you are interested in sailing and want to see what it's like, you are welcome to join us. You'll have an opportunity to trim the sails and even spend some time at the helm if you like.

Dates: Thursdays, through Labor Day (weather permitting)  
Meeting time: 4:30pm  
Location: Mascoma Lakeside Park

Details will be posted each week on the Enfield listserv and on the MSC website <https://sites.google.com/site/shakersailclub/>.

**Please RSVP** by contacting Sally Sharp at [smssharp66@gmail.com](mailto:smssharp66@gmail.com) if you would like to join us. We have a limited number of spots (first come, first served); if we can't accommodate you this week, we'll put you at the top of the list for next week.



- All participants should have completed their Covid 19 vaccinations.
- Life jackets will be provided if needed, but please bring your own if you have one.
- Water-friendly footwear is a good idea.
- Let us know if you have limited mobility.
- Vaccinated minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and must be able to swim and be comfortable moving from a rowing dinghy to the sailboat.
- As safety is our first priority, we may not sail if there are high winds or if thunderstorms threaten.

### ***Come Enjoy a Roast Pork & Harvest Vegetable Dinner!***

**Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**5:00 pm – 6:30pm**

**Enfield Community Building**  
**308 US Route 4**

Sponsored by the Enfield-Mascoma Lioness Club

Adults \$13 – children under 12 yrs. \$5

Take Out Available





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## ***RECENT NEWS FROM PAST ISSUES***

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### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

After a 20-year hiatus the police department will be bringing back the Chiefs Corner which can be found on the department website at [Chief's Corner | Enfield NH](#). This monthly article will include information for our residents related to scams, current trends in crimes, and any other issues that residents would like more information about. Each month Chief Holland will answer one or more questions that are submitted and provide insight on what Enfield PD is doing to be supportive and proactive of our community safety.

### **LIBRARY**

**Our Hoopla website is now live:** <https://www.hoopladigital.com/>

To start:

- click on the link
- click the blue button, top center: "Get started today" You will need to enter your email address and create a password
- choose your library
- enter your library card number (Enfield card numbers are 1-4 digits long). If you don't know your card number, please call us!

Start enjoying all sorts of content! Hoopla is a groundbreaking digital media service that allows you to borrow movies, music, audiobooks, ebooks, comics and TV shows to enjoy on your computer, tablet, or phone – and even your TV! Titles can be streamed immediately or downloaded to phones or tablets for offline enjoyment later. There are hundreds of thousands of titles to choose from, with more being added daily.

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