

TOWN OF ENFIELD E-NEWSLETTER **JANUARY 2020**

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.

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IMPORTANT TOWN MEETING DATES

January 22nd is the first day to declare candidacy for local elected office with the Town Clerk. Current open positions include:

For One Year: One Trustee of Trust Funds
 One Cemetery Trustee

For Two Years: One Zoning Board of Adjustment Member

For Three Years: One Selectman
 One Treasurer
 One Trustee of Trust Funds
 One Cemetery Trustee
 One Library Trustee
 One Zoning Board of Adjustment Member
 Three Budget Committee Members

For Six Years: One Supervisor of the Checklist

January 31st is the last day to declare candidacy for local elected office with the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk will be open on Friday, January 31st until 5:00 PM for this purpose.

February 4th is the last day to submit petitioned articles for the 2020 Town Meeting warrant. Petitioned articles should be submitted to the Town Clerk by 4 PM so she can complete the verification process prior to acceptance by the Board of Selectmen. If you need assistance with preparation of a petitioned article please don't hesitate to contact the Town Manager's Office.

March 10th voting by ballot for election of officers and amendments to the Zoning Ordinance in the Whitney Hall Auditorium, 23 Main St. Polls will be open from 8:00 AM – 7:00 PM

March 14th is the second session of Town Meeting (business meeting) at which the remaining warrant articles will be discussed and acted upon. Enfield Village School 271 US Route 4 beginning at 9:00 AM.

2020 BUDGET UPDATE

The Town Manager submitted final 2020 operating budget recommendations to the Budget Committee on December 12. The final proposed 2020 operating budget, including the general government (funded from a combination of property taxes, other local receipts, and state aid) and operation of the municipal water and sewer systems (which are funded from fees assessed to the users of these systems), is \$6,906,705, or an increase of 3.43% above 2019 (\$6,677,736). The General Fund, which represents the largest component of the overall operating budget, would see a net increase of 2.99%. The “bottom line” operating budget does not include vehicle replacements, infrastructure projects, or other non-recurring expenses funded from capital reserves.

The 2020 budget projects total revenue to the general fund in the amount of \$1,851,584 from “non property tax” sources (a roughly 6.7% increase in the \$1,736,050 budgeted in 2019). Although a conservative approach to estimating revenues was used, it should be noted that actual revenues could fall short of estimated revenues for reasons that are beyond the Town’s control. This would result in the need to raise a total of \$4,413,320 from the municipal property tax levy, and would in turn place the tax rate in 2020 at between \$7.54 and \$7.62 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This represents an estimated increase of roughly 2.87% to 3.90% from the 2019 municipal tax rate of \$7.33 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. The range is based on an assumed “net valuation” of between approximately \$580 million (the net valuation in 2019, following completion of the 5-year town wide revaluation) and \$585 million (a 1% increase in net valuation). Finally, the property tax rate will ultimately be set lower should actual revenues prove to be on pace to exceed estimated revenues by Oct. 2020. Similarly, the property tax rate will ultimately be set higher than presently estimated should actual revenues fall short of estimated revenues by Oct. 2020.

The Town Manager’s recommendations represent a balanced budget that does not rely on the use of undesignated fund balance or reserves to fund operational costs while maintaining and enhancing the high-quality services Enfield residents expect from town government.

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES EVALUATION PROJECT UPDATES

The Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee (MFAC) has continued to meet multiple times a month with the goal of finalizing recommendations relative to the facility needs of public safety, town offices and library. The committee last met on December 16 and will be meeting again on January 13. Bread Loaf (architecture firm) has been meeting regularly with the committee and other key local officials (i.e., Library Trustees and department heads) and recently

presented conceptual designs for (1) a public safety facility that houses police, fire, and EMS, and (2) renovation and expansion of the Whitney Hall and existing police station facilities to provide enhanced space for the library and municipal offices. At the most recent meeting, Bread Loaf provided the committee with an updated conceptual design regarding library and municipal office renovations/expansion. The committee provided Bread Loaf with feedback on what they saw as pros and cons of the proposed layout from the standpoint of program delivery. Bread Loaf will incorporate this feedback when refining the conceptual design to ensure alignment with the needs of Town personnel/officials and the residents of the community.

With respect to ongoing conceptual planning relative to a new public safety facility, Bread Loaf has prepared a conceptual design for an approximately 15,000 square foot facility that is capable of housing police, fire and ambulance departments. This design will continue to be refined based on stakeholder feedback, the characteristics of the site selected for construction, and cost considerations.

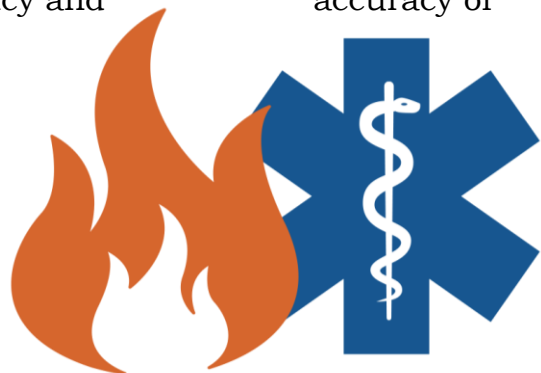
As a reminder, MFAC meetings are open to the public and meeting minutes are posted online (<https://www.enfield.nh.us/municipal-facilities-advisory-committee>).

In early-2020, 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 that Bread Loaf can facilitate discussions intended to better understand resident needs and preferences.

In close coordination with Bread Loaf, the Town's selected architecture and design firm, 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.

FIREFIIGHTERS & 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!

ENFIELD MUNICIPAL CALENDARS – THEY’RE GONE!

We had a higher demand than expected and have just handed out our last copy of the 2020 Municipal Calendar. The calendar has been posted to the Town’s website in PDF format and can be found here:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/2020_calendar_0.pdf

Feel free to download or print your own copy to keep on hand. The calendar includes important information such as meetings, election information and the curbside rubbish & recycling collection schedule.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

2020 Water/Sewer Rates

On December 16, 2019, the Enfield Water & Sewer Commissioners (Board of Selectmen) convened a duly noticed public hearing relative to the 2020 water and sewer rates. At the conclusion of the hearing, after obtaining additional input from engineering firms the Town contracted with on asset management planning, and receiving comments from members of the public in attendance, the Board voted to adjust water and sewer rates in accordance with the formal recommendations offered by the Town Manager and Public Works Director. The new rates will be effective January 1, 2020 and will appear in the 2020 first quarter bills arriving in your mailbox the first week in April 2020. The Water/Sewer Rate Table is available on the Town’s website:

https://www.enfield.nh.us/sites/enfieldnh/files/uploads/water-sewer_rates_-_2020_finalized_for_website.pdf

The adopted increases include:

- Water Rates

- Fixed charge increased \$7 per quarter for usage under 10,000 gallon per quarter
- Fixed charge increased \$7 per quarter for usage 10,000 gallons and over per quarter
- Consumption charges have been increased to \$2.86 per 1,000 gallons (for usage below 10,000 gallons) and \$3.58 per 1,000 gallons (for usage above 10,000 gallons), respectively (this represents a 36% increase for both usage levels in accordance with needed infrastructure upgrades as identified in the municipal water system's asset management plan)
- Sewer Rates
 - Fixed charges for all levels of use increased 8% in accordance with needed infrastructure upgrades as identified in the municipal sewer system's asset management plan
 - Consumption charges have been increase 8% on both usage levels; this increase is in accordance with needed infrastructure upgrades as identified in the municipal water system's asset management plan as well as to keep pace with the 7.2% increase in wastewater treatment costs as billed by the City of Lebanon
 - Deficit reduction charge increased 2.5%

Finally, effective April 1, 2020, the standard water/sewer connection fee (a one-time assessed fee) will increase from \$1,500 to \$2,500. This fee was last adjusted in 2007.

The Water & Sewer Commissioners, Town Manager, and Department of Public Works are committed to keeping the Water and Sewer Departments financially sustainable while delivering quality water and sewer services for connected properties in addition to fire protection and clean surface waters for the future. Both the water and sewer systems have recently undergone asset management projects and those projects have identified substantial capital needs over the next ten year and the Town is actively seeking grant money and low interest loan money to foster these needs.

Water/Sewer Billing

2019 fourth quarter water and sewer bills will be mailed the second week of January. This will be the last billing subject to the 2019 rates.

Driveway Snow Placement

A reminder that it is unlawful to plow snow across any and all Town roads or to deposit snow within the traveled portion of a Town road pursuant to RSA 236:20, Paragraph VII, and RSA 41:11.

Driveway Sand

Driveway sand is available at the DPW facility (74 Lockehaven Road) during their business hours (Monday-Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM) and is located at the top of the driveway in the bin on the right. It is open to Enfield residents with a current Transfer Station window sticker. Driveway sand is not intended for commercial applicators and cannot be taken in commercial volumes. Salt, ledge sand and materials in the shed are **NOT** available to the public and are for DPW use only.

Winter Parking Ban

The Enfield Board of Selectmen wishes to remind citizens of Enfield that the Winter Parking Ban is in effect from November 1 through April 1.

No vehicle shall at any time be parked on any public or publicly maintained street, alley, roadway or way open to the public, in a manner that hinders in any fashion the maintenance of the way.

Freezing and Bursting Pipes

If you are interesting in learning more about how pipes freeze and burst, and what to do to prevent this sort of damage in your own home or business, please visit the below resource published by the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety: <https://www.randinsurance.com/Customer-Content/www/CMS/files/Freezing-Bursting-Pipes.pdf>

Christmas Tree Recycling

Christmas trees can be recycled at the Public Works Facility. Please leave trees free of all decorations in the area to the right of driveway sand bin just before entering the main yard.

2020 Transfer Station Stickers Available

The 2020 Transfer Station window stickers are available, free of charge, at the Enfield Transfer Station & Recycling Center or Enfield Town Offices. Proof of residency or property ownership is required. An Enfield vehicle permit sticker must be affixed to the window of your car or truck on the side window behind the front passenger's seat, or with regular cab pick-ups in the lower corner of the rear window behind the passenger.

Enfield transfer station stickers also permit you to use the town beach parking lot on Mascoma Lake and access to the driveway sand located at the DPW.

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 has implemented a punch card system that will take the place of all transactions by cash or check. Residents can purchase punch cards at the Town Office to be used to pay fees at the Transfer Station. Cards have a face value of \$25.00 and attendants have a hole punch tool that is 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 accepted cash through the month of October, but this practice was discontinued in November. Checks will continue to be accepted for a period of time to give residents time to get to the Town Office to purchase the punch cards.

**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

Toters

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

Recycling Fees

The Town of Enfield charges fees for items that the Town gets charged for to dispose of including CFC units, tires, TVs, computers, tires, 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 the link below for details.

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

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)!

Enfield Vegetative Management Facility

The Enfield Vegetative Management Facility closed on 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. 603-523-4353 or at the Lebanon Landfill (Lebanon landfill punch cards are required and are available at the Enfield Town Offices).

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

Happy New Year and welcome to a new decade!

As you can all see, winter is here and in full swing. We would like to remind residents that after every snow fall you are required to remove the snow from your cars and trucks prior to driving. We would also like to remind all that plow or snow blow driveways that you cannot push or snow blow the snow and ice into the roadway as this can create unsafe situations as well as cause

damage to vehicles and equipment.

In the month of January, the department will be hosting or participating in several events around Enfield. We will be having Coffee with a Cop at Jake's Market as well as a touch a truck event at Whaleback on January 26th.

The department has received many applications for the vacant full time patrol officer position and we will be starting the selection process with a Physical Agility Test this month.

During these cold months be on the lookout for black ice and other driving hazards, Distracted Driving and Speed continue to be the major cause of many of our motor vehicle crashes. Slow down, put the phone away and arrive safe.

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.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Happy New Year to everyone. The men and women of the Enfield Fire Department hope you have all had a great holiday season.

Fire Department staff have been busy creating Policies and Procedures. Staff has been working with Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) to create Policies and Procedures that make sense and are enforceable. A total of 16 new policies were adopted by the Fire Chief in December. There will be more coming out in the next couple of months. There will also be job descriptions for all positions within the department that are being finalized now.

There were two promotions in December. Kim Withrow was promoted to Lieutenant. Josh Wessells was promoted to Captain. Both of these new officers have been great assets to the department. Moving forward, there will be more changes in the ranks as well.

The Fire Chief is recommending to the CIP Committee, Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen that the Town acquire a new Rescue Pumper. The estimated cost of this apparatus is approximately \$550,000. Engine 4, which is housed in the Union Street Fire Station, was originally programmed for replacement three years ago. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends trucks be replaced at 25 years of age, and Engine 4 has been in service for approximately 30 years old.

Engine 5, the other engine garaged in the Union Street Fire Station, is starting

to show signs of age. Its expected life is about 5-7 more years (it is 19 years old). Both Engine 4 and Engine 5 were recently evaluated by an outside firm who has 30 years in the fire apparatus industry. Based on evaluation, it would cost over \$200,000 to refurbish Engine 5 and Engine 4 is not a candidate for refurbishment. With respect to Engine 5, there are also concerns about finding parts to do the refurbishment, as it is built with manufacturer-specific parts, and the manufacturer is out of business. As such, failure of a component could take the truck out of service for an extended period of time (if not permanently).

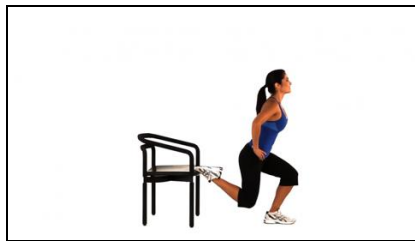
There has been much talk about a potential federal grant that has the potential to offset up to 95% replacement cost of an engine. It is the Fire Chief's recommendation that Engine 4 be replaced in 2020, and that the department simultaneously apply for grant funding. If successful, grant monies could then be used to replace Engine 5. If the grant application is not successful, the Town can reapply the following year. It gives us some time and some breathing room by purchasing the first replacement truck in 2020. Once a new truck arrives, Engine 5 could be moved to a second due status instead of first due as it is now. This would reduce wear and tear on the truck and hopefully extend its useful life. If Engine 5 suffers a catastrophic failure, which could very well happen, Engine 4 is not capable of taking its place. There is not adequate storage space, it is difficult to drive, it has electrical issues and the body isn't in great shape. If Engine 5 were to go out of service because of failure, it could impact our abilities to provide the level of service currently provided.

If you would like to see a copy of the funding request submitted to the CIP Committee, a copy can be obtained from the Town Manager's Office.

We hope you have a great 2020.

RECREATION

Enfield Recreation



Chair Yoga & Exercise
Weekly on M, W, F

The Enfield Recreation Department continues to offer the highly attended Chair

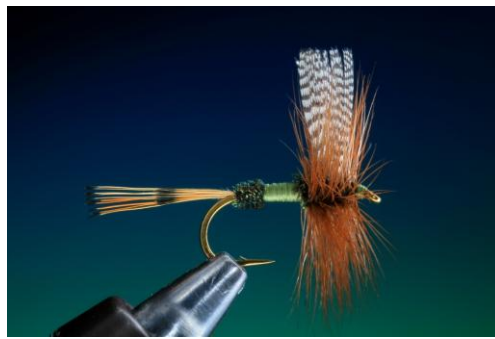
Yoga/Exercise classes on Mondays 9:30 – 10:30, Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:00, and Fridays 9:30 – 10:30 at the Enfield Community Building. These classes are low impact and focus on stretching, balance, strength and meditation. The classes are only \$5.00 and open to ALL levels!! No RSVP required.



Youth Archery Lessons

The inaugural Youth archery classes offered by the Enfield Recreation Department & Enfield Outing Club were a success and we look to continue growing the program moving forward. These classes consisted 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.mypr.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

Happy New Year!

We are embracing the winter weather and looking forward to offering some great programs to help get kids outside and stay active throughout the winter! We also have some fun and active adult programs, including Adult Volleyball, 30+ Basketball, Bob Ross Painting Classes and Line Dancing. We are also working to organize monthly outings and adventures for our 50+ population, so if you have ideas on where to go, what to do or what the group should be called please reach out and let us know!

If there is a particular program or activity that you would like to see to added, don't hesitate to reach out to mvalleyrec@gmail.com.

Downhill Skiing and Snowboarding:

The MVPR youth downhill ski and ride program has been pushed back one week and the new start date is **Tuesday, January 14th**. Our program is one afternoon a week of skiing and snowboarding at Whaleback Mountain in Enfield. It is a six-week program for students in K - 12th grade on Tuesdays. Students have the option to participate in a lesson, or free ski/ride (3rd grade and up with parental permission and recommended “Blue Ability Level”) for the afternoon. The program will begin on Tuesday, **January 14th**. Transportation to Whaleback is provided, but parents/guardians are required to pick up at

Whaleback. Lessons will begin at 3:00pm and end at 4:30pm. Students participating in the lesson have the option to free ski/ride after their lesson, with parental permission. Students must be picked up by 5:00pm (or have written permission from their parent/guardian to remain until Whaleback closes at 7:00pm). MVPR staff leaves the Whaleback lodge at 5:00pm. If students will be skiing/ riding after their lesson, written permission from their parent/guardian is required or the parent/guardian must be on hand to “sign-out” their child at the end of the lesson. Registration closes on January 6, 2020.

Online Registration through Whaleback (extended until January 6th):

<https://www.whaleback.com/mascoma-valley-rec-dept>

Cross Country Skiing:



This program meets on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30pm at Canaan Elementary School and is open to students in grades 1-4. Please note, there is no transportation provided from Enfield Village School to Canaan Elementary. We start on January 8th and will go through February 12th (weather depending). The cost is only \$25/child for all 6-weeks and all equipment is provided.

Register Online:

<https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Program/Detail?programId=243>

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. Our 2020 class dates will be published soon, so please check on Facebook, our registration site (listed below) and the local ListServes for upcoming class dates.

Online Registration Site: <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>



Previous Bob Ross Painting Classes - "Bubbling Mountain Brook" & "Poppies"

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 MVPR 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!](#)

YOUTH BASKETBALL SEASON IS IN FULL SWING! Thank you to all our volunteer coaches, practice helpers and officials. Our season would not be possible without you!

With the help of the Mascoma Athletic Director and the Girl's Varsity Basketball team, our 3rd and 4th grade girl's MYSL team participated in "Youth Sports Night" at the Mascoma home game on December 13th! We are working with the Royal Athletic Boosters and the Mascoma Basketball Teams and Coaches to organize more youth basketball nights for our other MYSL teams, so watch the MYSL Facebook page for details.

If you are interested in officiating youth basketball games, please contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com.

Upcoming & Ongoing Recreation Events, Programs and Activities:

For details about programs listed below and/or to register, please go to:
<https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>

- **Il Circolo Italiano – Italian Conversation Club**
 - Saturdays at 10am at Mickey’s Roadside Café (food available for purchase)
- **30+ Adult Basketball**
 - Sundays from 10am-12pm at MVRHS
 - No registration required; no fee
- **Adult Volleyball**
 - Sundays from 6pm-8pm
 - Contact mvalleyrec@gmail.com to be added to the email list!
- **Mascoma Valley Guitar Orchestra**, weekly rehearsals on Sundays at the Department of Public Works starting at 6:30pm. \$3/session (Registration not required)
- **Line Dancing**
 - 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! Upcoming classes are scheduled to take place at Mascoma Valley Regional High School. All materials are included. Each participant leaves with a completed painting at the end of class.
 - Class dates will be published soon!
 - Register online: <https://mvpr.recdesk.com/Community/Home>
- **MVPR Ski & Ride Program**
 - Scheduled to start on Tuesday, January 14th and will meet for six weeks
 - For children in grades K-12; lessons and free ski/ride options
 - Registration will close on January 6, 2020
 - To register: <https://www.whaleback.com/mascoma-valley-rec-dept>

LAND USE & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Planning Board/Master Planning:

The Planning Board met on Wednesday, December 11th for a work session on their Master Planning efforts. The board reviewed the recent work completed by Mike Akillian and the Center for Strategic Governance (CSG). This work included the focus group #1 and some documents outlining the recommended Master Planning “themes” that were developed in conjunction with the CSG. They also reviewed a document entitled “Final Guidance” from the CSG.

Chairman Fracht shared with the board a description of a recent conference call concerning the next steps for maintaining momentum in the area of Master Planning. It was agreed during this call that it would be important to not let progress wane between the period of our “pre-planning” process and a master planning contractor selection. A document was developed by Land Use Administrator Taylor and Planning Board Chairman Fracht titled “Planning for the Plan” that detailed five possible sub-committees of the PB that would divide up some key tasks to keep moving the process forward. The board agreed that these sub-committees will include: 1. Venues and Events Planning, 2. Master Planning Taskforce Member Selection, 3. Communications, 4. Contractor Selection and 5. Data Sets and Sources. Members of the board picked their sub-committees to join and concurred to get to work between the December and January meetings.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA)

The ZBA held two hearings on December 10. Their first hearing was for an application for a “Use Variance” for an automobile repair facility on Methodist Hill Road. This business had been opened in April without obtaining the necessary land use approvals from the Town. The ZBA heard the application presentation as well as from abutters concerned about the impact of a business on their residential neighborhood. They ultimately voted to deny the variance application to preserve the R5 Residential – Agricultural character of Methodist Hill. The second hearing was for an “area variance” for a garage on Hawley Drive (Crystal Lake). The applicants in this case wished to build a new two car garage within the setbacks to both the street and a neighbor’s property line. After a thorough review of the criteria for granting variances and with no abutters present, the board voted to grant the variance.

Board Members Needed

We are coming up on the filing period for individuals to declare their candidacy for a seat on the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA). Interested individuals should see the Town Clerk at Whitney Hall to file an application. Questions about what is involved and how it all works should be referred to Rob Taylor, Land Use and Community Development Administrator, at 603-442-5427 or by email to: planning@enfield.nh.us The filing period for elected offices is January 22nd through January 31st. The Town Clerk’s office hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday from 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM and Tuesday from 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM. For the purposes of filing for elected offices the Town Clerk will be open until 5:00 PM on Friday, January 31st.

The Planning Board also has a vacancy due to the recent resignation of Rita Seto. Rita recently had a baby and decided to go off the board to focus on her family. The Planning Board wishes to thank her for her service to the Town and

wishes her well. If you have any interest in joining the Planning Board, please reach out to Rob Taylor at 603-442-5427 or by email at: planning@enfield.nh.us Members of the Planning Board are appointed by the Enfield Selectboard.

Recording Secretary Needed

There is still a need for someone to be the official “minute taker” for all ZBA meetings. The job pays \$18/hour and is needed on the second Tuesday of each month (at the most). Interested individuals should contact Alisa Bonnette at abonnette@enfield.nh.us

As always, we are here to help. You may visit our offices at the DPW facility at 74 Lockhaven 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?

ENFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Happy New Year! December is a quiet month for us as we wrap up the year. I will spend the beginning of January compiling our annual statistics, so stay tuned. Once again, however, it looks like we'll be over 13,000 visits for the year.

A lot of you have come in to the Library in the last month to wish Patti well in her retirement. She has appreciated the well wishes and we have really enjoyed hearing the many positive comments from the community. I'm happy to announce that our next Assistant Librarian will be Kate Minshall. For the past seven years Kate has been the Youth Services Librarian at the Norwich Public Library as well as the Head Teacher for Toddler's Morning Out in Hanover. With this experience as well as her warm and enthusiastic personality, we are all very excited to begin working with Kate. Her first day will be January 21st.

Happening in January:

- **Make It Take It Monday:** January 6th. We will be making Perler Beads Windcatchers, drop in anytime between 3:30-5:00pm. All ages welcome!
- 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.
- **Saturday My First Story Time:** January 11st at 9:30am. (Happens only on the second Saturday of the month.)
- 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 *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens. The discussion will be held Thursday January 30th 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 December:

- We circulated 1,718 items and had 22 programs with 225 participants.

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

OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year's celebration.

Please also note that **beginning January 2, 2020** the Town Clerk's office has new hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm and Tuesdays 11:00am – 7:00pm. These new hours better align with the State DMV office as they too have evening hours on Tuesdays, and will allow us to provide better service to our customers by obtaining troubleshooting assistance from the DMV as needed.

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

Happy New Year! The month of January is typically a quieter month for transactions. Fortunately, this gives me the time to do the final reconciliations and close the Tax books for 2019, and work on reports for the State and for the Town's Annual Report. The next billing will be for the 2019 4th quarter water/sewer billings which usually are due sometime in early/mid February. I will also be sending out notices of outstanding balances due for any 2019 Tax, Betterment, and Utility billings sometime in mid January.

You can check your accounts online, anytime, 24/7 thru the Town's website at www.enfield.nh.us. To make your payment securely, online by either credit card or ACH (electronic check) go to <https://nhtaxkiosk.com/?KIOSKID=ENFIELD>. We strongly encourage residents to utilize this highly convenient option. If you have any questions about how to make an online payment, please do not hesitate to contact me

directly either by email whuntley@enfield.nh.us or by phone 603-632-4201 x 5404. As a reminder, payments for taxes or utilities over the counter may be made by cash or check only.

NEW OFFICES HOURS for the New Year.

Mon & Wed, Thurs, & Fri. 8:30am to 3:30pm. Tuesdays will now be the “late day” open 11am – 7pm.

I would also like to remind you that the Tax Collector’s office will be closed on Monday, January 20th in observance Civil Rights Day.

BUILDING & FIRE INSPECTOR

We would like to encourage all residents to review these tips and suggestions for staying safe and healthy during the winter months:

<https://www.cdc.gov/features/winterweather/index.html>

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

HUMAN SERVICES

It’s the time of year for increased activities in the office, community and surrounding agencies.

With the upcoming busy season, donations of supermarket gift cards would be greatly appreciated. Drop by the Town Office or feel free to use the drop box.

Want to Donate to the Town’s Fuel Assistance Fund?

The Town of Enfield’s Human Services Department provides financial support for fuel to Enfield residents in need. The funds we redistribute come from private donations made to a dedicated trust fund set up for this specific purpose. The fuel fund greatly assists us in helping needy families with their fuel needs. We strongly encourage residents to consider



making a donation to the fuel fund to help others in the community. Donations are tax deductible! For more information, please contact Diane Heed, Human Services Director, at 603-442-5429 or dheed@enfield.nh.us.

Information about the Tri-County Community Action Program (TCCAP)

Fuel Assistance Program

As funds become available, the Fuel Assistance Program provides benefits to qualified New Hampshire households to assist with heating costs. The Fuel Assistance Program can also help households during a heating emergency by securing an emergency delivery of fuel, delaying a shut-off notice or referring clients to another source of assistance. Fuel Assistance benefits are a grant and do not have to be paid back and can range from \$210 to \$1,575, depending on household income and energy costs. Benefits are calculated taking into account household income, energy costs, the number of heating degree days within a region and housing type. This targeting allows the Fuel Assistance Program to provide those households with the lowest incomes and highest energy costs with the highest benefits.

Electric Assistance Program

The New Hampshire Electric Assistance Program (EAP) gives eligible customers a discount on their monthly electric bills. The discount is from 8%-76% based on your gross household income size and electricity usage. Customers of the following companies may apply for the discount:

- Eversource Energy
- Liberty Utilities
- NH Electric Co-op
- Unil Energy Systems

Weatherization

The Weatherization Program serves low-income households that are most vulnerable to high-energy costs and who do not have the means of making cost-effective energy conservation improvements to their homes.

TCCAP collaborates with the electric and utilities' energy efficiency programs to enhance the weatherization services provided to low-income households in New Hampshire whenever possible.

Weatherization crews in all three counties have made improvements in 378 single family homes and apartment units in the past year. As with Fuel Assistance, our clients qualify for services through a means-tested application process. Our crews not only make significant upgrades to the energy efficiency of a client's home but also tackle needed safety improvements. These services drive down the cost of heating people's homes and repair dangerous living conditions where they are found.

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

UPCOMING PUBLIC MEETINGS (SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

- January 6 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- January 7 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- January 7 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- January 8 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board
- January 13 @ 5:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- January 13 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees
- January 14 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Zoning Board of Adjustment
- January 15 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Planning Board
- January 20 – Town Offices & Library Closed for Civil Rights Day
- January 21 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- January 21 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Trustees of Trust Funds
- January 21 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- January 23 @ 4:30 PM (Town Hall) – Heritage Commission
- January 27 @ 6:30 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- January 28 @ 6:00 PM (Town Hall) – Energy Committee
- January 28 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Budget Committee
- February 4 @ 3:30 PM (Town Hall) – Mascoma Lakeside Park Committee
- February 4 @ 6:00 PM (DPW Building) – Board of Selectmen
- February 5 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Public Budget Hearing & Budget Committee Meeting
- February 6 @ 7:00 PM (DPW Building) – Snow Date for Public Budget Hearing & Budget Committee Meeting
- February 6 @ 7:00 PM (Community Building) – Conservation Commission
- February 10 @ 4:00 PM (DPW Building) – Municipal Facilities Advisory Committee
- February 10 @ 5:30 PM (Town Hall) – Library Trustees

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

Touch a Truck with the Enfield Police Department and other Emergency Service Agencies

Hosted by Whaleback Mountain

January 26 (Sunday) from 10:00 AM to 12:00 at the Whaleback Mountain Base Lodge (160 Whaleback Mountain Road, Enfield, NH)

In lieu of the Community Bulletin Board on the Town's website we now use 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.

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** =====

ONLINE AUCTION RESULTS - SURPLUS VEHICLES

In November, the Town's online auction via GovDeals came to a close and we are happy to report that the total revenue generated by competitive bidding on five items recently designated as surplus exceeded expectations. With a winning bid of \$12,200 the 1954 Dodge Power Wagon took home the prize for the most coveted item.

The bid results were as follows:

- Fire Dept Boat -- \$2,500
- Saab 9-3 Convertible -- \$1,700
- International Fire Truck -- \$5,100
- Dodge Power Wagon -- \$12,200
- GMC Pickup -- \$8,301

Total -- \$29,801



DECOMMISSIONED UTILITY POLES

Approximately two weeks ago, the Town prepared a demand letter to Consolidated Communications relative to the removal of 19 decommissioned utility poles located along Shaker Boulevard. This notice was then duly executed by the Board of Selectmen. Consolidated's failure to remove these poles over the past two years has resulted in the delay of significant planned upgrades to the roadway. Pursuant to RSA 231:177, Consolidated is required to remove the decommissioned poles within 10 days of the issuance of the notice. If Consolidated fails to take the required action, the Town can remove the poles and bill Consolidated for any and all associated expenses. Consolidated crews have been observed diligently moving the overhead wires from the decommissioned poles to the new poles and this project appears to be nearing completion. Once Consolidated has finished moving the wires to the new poles, the decommissioned poles will be removed and this will allow planned roadwork to be completed during the next construction season. The Town of Enfield intends to aggressively pursue the removal of decommissioned poles in other areas moving forward.

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 (603-442-4605 or jtaylor@enfield.nh.us).

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>

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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)

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BUILDING & FIRE INSPECTOR



Recent Building Code Changes

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.

SHAKER BRIDGE THEATRE – 20% DISCOUNTS FOR ENFIELD RESIDENTS

Did you know that Shaker Bridge Theatre, which for several years has been delivering professional theatrical productions from the third floor auditorium in Whitney Hall (23 Main Street) offers 20% discounts on tickets to Enfield residents?

Discounts can be obtained simply by entering a special code during the online ordering/checkout process. Discount codes change between each production. Shaker Bridge Theatre's next production is Taking Steps, and more information about the performance can be obtained on the Theatre's website:

<https://www.shakerbridgetheatre.org/>

The current discount code is: **alan80**

This code can be entered on the checkout page (page 2 of the online order process) after providing payment information.

We hope everyone will come and enjoy a production (or several) this holiday season. It truly is a special experience in a unique setting.

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 Planning or Zoning. The Planning Board reviews and makes determinations on site plans and the **Planning Board presently looking to fill a vacancy** created by a member departing in November. Meetings of the Planning Board are on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month. 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 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>

And check out the Enfield Old Home Days Facebook page!

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



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- **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**