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## Fall Fun

Fourth grade student Aubrey Willis was having fun at one of the many activities set up at the annual Matthew Thornton Elementary School Fall Festival. See more page 8. *Photo by Chris Paul*

## Town Council Reviews Proposal for Water Infrastructure Funding

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

In an effort to fund upcoming water projects, Town Manager Shaun Mulholland presented a proposal at the Monday night, Oct. 20, Town Council meeting to create a warrant article establishing a Water Capital Reserve Fund.

“The Town has multiple locations where individual drinking water wells for homeowners and businesses are contaminated or at risk of contamination by chemicals or other sources,” Mulholland wrote in a memo. “These contami-

nants pose a risk to the health of people consuming water from these wells. The Town has received grants and loans from the State of NH to extend water mains in some areas to provide safe drinking water. However, there are additional areas with contamination or identified risks. The Town is working in conjunction with the State of NH and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to address these issues.”

Mulholland explained that the proposed Water Capital Reserve Fund would be established

under NH RSA 35:1 and would require voter approval at Town Meeting. The fund would serve three key purposes:

1. Provide funding for the construction or reconstruction of water distribution lines, property acquisition, easements, and related infrastructure to supply water to homes and businesses.

2. Support studies and engineering necessary for water line projects, which are critical for developing grant applications.

3. Serve as matching funds for grants from **continued on page 5**

## Planning Board Begins Review of PUD Ordinance

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry Planning Board held its first discussion on potential amendments to the Planned Unit Development (PUD) ordinance during its most recent meeting.

Assistant Town Manager Kellie Caron explained that the conversation follows a directive from the Town Council to begin reviewing and drafting changes to the ordinance.

Caron said a draft amended ordinance was prepared as a starting point for discussion. The process will include a series of work sessions, a public hearing,

and ultimately a vote by the Town Council.

The draft ordinance defines a PUD as:

“A Planned Unit Development (PUD) allows a landowner to propose a development project with flexibility from the standard land use regulations that would otherwise apply to the property. A PUD Master Plan functions similarly to a special zoning designation for a specific tract of land, establishing permitted uses, dimensional requirements, and development standards.”

One of the proposed changes involves eligibility and permitted uses. Caron explained that the draft recom-

mends a minimum tract size of 20 contiguous acres for all zoning types except AR-1, which covers most residential properties in town. For AR-1, the threshold would be 50 acres - down from the current blanket requirement of 100 acres.

Caron said the recommendation was based on standards from other **continued on page 2**

## Library Trustees Vote to Formally Present Budget at Special Meeting

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Leach Library Board of Trustees convened on Oct. 14 for its second special meeting of the month to review proposed budget figures for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. A key topic of

discussion was the impact of cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) and merit-based pay increases on the overall budget.

“The COLA is 3%, and the highest merit increase is 3.5%,” explained Library Director Erin Matlin. “Everyone re-

ceives the 3% COLA, and if all goes well, they could also receive the 3.5% merit. I recommend budgeting for the maximum amount based on those percentages.”

While some Trustees considered lowering the **continued on page 2**

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# Trustees

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COLA, noting that it had been higher in previous years, Trustee Nancy Hendricks cautioned against reducing it too much.

“We have employees with their own budgets to manage,” Hendricks said. “To remain competitive, I believe our COLA should not fall below the consumer price index.”

Despite rising costs, the Board explored ways to reduce spending. One suggestion was to cut carpet and upholstery cleaning from twice a year to once, and to post materials online in advance to reduce printing expenses.

“It’s not a huge savings, but it could be a couple thousand dollars per year,” said Matlin, who also noted that electricity costs were rising faster than inflation. She proposed a 6.7% increase to account for the change.

“I’m retired from

National Grid - I know prices are going up. I’ve already been told that,” said Chair Liz Thomas.

The Trustees ultimately agreed to allocate \$43,000 for next year’s electric budget.

Other budget items included costs for workshops, mileage, postage, maintenance and repairs, and memberships in regional organizations such as the NH Library Association. The budget also covered museum passes for cardholders and the library’s GMILCS subscription.

“Another way to raise money for museum passes would be to ask patrons if they’d like to donate in honor or memory of someone,” suggested Treasurer Jan McLaughlin.

Thomas supported the idea, noting that increased fundraising could help offset rising costs. Trustees expressed concern that the library may not be able to cover all subscription fees under a default budget.

The book budget was

another major concern. Matlin described it as “stagnant” despite the rising cost of books. She emphasized that digital resources like Hoopla also carry unpredictable costs.

“It’s not like we pay \$1,000 to Hoopla and everyone gets access,” she explained. “If ten people use it, and next week we add five more, the cost goes up. It’s unpredictable.”

Based on past usage, Matlin estimated it would cost at least \$39,000 to maintain current digital database memberships. She warned that lowering the amount to \$35,000 would mean cutting Hoopla and possibly other services.

“The loss of a digital database or a reduction in the book budget would have a huge impact,” she said.

“I’m concerned that if we minimize these services, people who can’t physically come to the library will have fewer opportunities to en-

gage,” added Hendricks. “I’d be very concerned about that.”

Legal services were also discussed. The current \$1,200 allocation was deemed insufficient.

“I recommend \$5,000,” said McLaughlin, noting that \$1,200 would cover less than four hours of

billable consultation. “Other departments aren’t setting aside money for legal services - we’re just trying to begin offsetting costs the town might incur on our behalf.”

Last year, the library was included in the townwide legal budget, which drew concern

from some Town Council members over the added expense.

After reviewing all line items, the Trustees approved a proposed budget of \$1,686,110. The figure was unanimously accepted, though members noted it may change.

## PUD Review

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communities and guidance from the American Planning Association.

Initially, some Board members supported keeping the 100-acre requirement. However, Board member Giovanni Verani pointed out that only a few properties in town meet that threshold, which would severely limit its usefulness.

At the request of member Lynn Wiles, Caron said staff is working on a map showing which properties would qualify under different

acreage thresholds.

Board Chair Jake Butler noted that while the proposed ordinance offers more control over PUDs, changing the land requirement could become the focal point of public debate, overshadowing other benefits.

Town Council Ex-Officio Shawn Faber emphasized the importance of messaging, saying the goal is to maximize public benefit from future developments.

Verani added that expanding the use of PUDs could allow for more creative development, rather than de-

faulting to traditional subdivisions.

The Board agreed to continue evaluating which properties would qualify under the proposed acreage requirements. No decisions were made during the meeting.

Another proposed change involves density bonuses, which would allow developers to increase density in exchange for community benefits such as affordable housing, open space preservation, sustainable design, public amenities, and mixed-use integration.

The Board generally agreed that infrastructure improvements should be a baseline requirement for PUDs, with density bonuses offered as incentives for additional benefits.

Under the revised review process, recommendations include pre-application consultations, conceptual Planning Board discussions, and community input sessions. The Board expressed support for requiring a community input session as part of the PUD process.

No formal votes were taken, and the next workshop meeting is scheduled for Nov. 12.

A copy of the draft ordinance is available under the Oct. 8 Planning Board meeting agenda.

## OBITUARY

### Stanley E. “Buzzy” Follansbee, Jr.



Stanley E. “Buzzy” Follansbee, Jr., 77, of Londonderry, NH passed away Saturday Oct. 18, 2025 following a brief illness. He passed at home surrounded by his loving family. Buzzy was born Dec. 15, 1947 in Manchester, NH, a son of the late Stanley, Sr. and Elizabeth (LeMay) Follansbee. He has been a lifelong resident of Londonderry.

Stan served his country in the US Airforce and worked for over 20 years as a sales associate with the NH State Liquor Commission in the Londonderry store. Stan “the man” enjoyed playing golf, loved nature and was an avid reader. He was happiest spending time with his grandchildren, taking photos and enjoying the occasional sweet treat.

Members of the family include his two daughters and their spouses, Jennifer (Molly) Follansbee-Williams and Lisa (Jeffrey) Doyle; four grandchildren, Madeline, Olivia, Griffin and Emerson. He was predeceased by his twin brother Scott Follansbee in November of 2001.

After cremation, a visitation will be held Friday, Oct. 24 from 5 - 7 p.m., at the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 290 Mammoth Rd., Londonderry. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to: The American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 6704, Hagerstown, MD 21741. To send a condolence, please visit, [www.peabodyfuneralhome.com](http://www.peabodyfuneralhome.com).

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# Technology Hill Project to Include Extensive Landscaping at Envision Building

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Conservation Commission met on Oct. 14 to hear a presentation from TFMoran Civil Engineer Nick Golan, who described what he called “the last part” of the Village at Technology Hill development, located at 5 Kitty Hawk Landing.

“Now, it’s really what we’re considering the crown jewel of our development: the Envision building,” said Golan. “The Envision building is a 42-foot-tall, approximately 237,000-square-foot, two-story structure.”

Access to the building will be provided via a

private road named Envision Drive. The site plan includes a parking lot with more than 700 spaces and extensive landscaping around the building’s perimeter.

“There is a wetland area that’s less than half an acre, centrally located within the site,” Golan explained. He assured the Commission that the applicant is committed to maintaining an “appropriate” buffer zone between the building, the roads, and the wetland. “This wetland sits about ten feet below the finished floor elevation of our building. Because of the grading and the applicant’s desire to create a

smooth transition with vegetative plantings, we have the opportunity to retain this area.”

Golan added that the wetland is forested and will be preserved as part of the landscaping plan. Additional environmental features include a proposed wildlife crossing beneath the access road, preservation of a small apple orchard, use of native seed mixes for landscaping, stormwater infiltration systems, and an emphasis on maintaining green space. The Envision portion of the Technology Hill project is designed to avoid any direct impact on surrounding wetlands.

“Is this building considered manufacturing?” asked Commission Chair Marge Badois. “How many employees do you think it’ll generate?”

Golan confirmed that the Envision building is intended for manufacturing and is expected to employ up to 1,200 people within a few years of opening. The parking lot is designed to accommodate the long-term needs of the facility.

“This is not your traditional automation,” he said. “These are workstations, much like you’d see in an engineer’s office - cubicles where delicate equipment is assembled. There are military contracts asso-

ciated with what they’re developing here.”

“What is your management plan for the apple trees?” asked Commissioner Deb Lievens. “They won’t take care of themselves. It needs to be written down, planned out, and people need to be aware of it.”

Golan was unable to provide specific details but indicated that the applicant had contracted a landscaper to implement the plan.

Concerns were raised about the volume of parking and potential traffic impacts.

“Have you looked at alternative commuting options? Van pools? A bus shuttle from resi-

dential areas to the factory?” asked alternate member Mike Speltz. “It seems ideal - you’ll have people working in shifts, all coming and going at the same time.”

Golan responded that there are currently no plans for a private van or bus service, but he agreed to bring the suggestion to the ownership team. He also noted that the development must meet minimum parking requirements.

“Minimizing the parking would be key to us,” said Badois.

The Conservation Commission is set meet again on Tuesday, Oct. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Moose Hill Conference Room.

# Residents Invited To Attend Town Leadership Town Hall

The Town of Londonderry will host a Town Leadership Town Hall on Thursday, November 13, 2025, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at The Orchard Fellowship Hall, 136 Pillsbury Road.

The event is open to all and offers a chance to ask questions in an informal and conversational setting. Attendees will

hear directly from Town Manager Shaun Mulholland and the Londonderry Town Council about current projects, local priorities, and future initiatives.

The session is designed to encourage open dialogue and strengthen communication between residents and Londonderry’s Town govern-

ment. Community members are invited to ask questions, share ideas, and raise topics of interest either during the event or in advance at [londonderrynh.gov/townhall](http://londonderrynh.gov/townhall).

“Community engagement in Londonderry is stronger than ever,” said Town Manager Shaun

Mulholland. “Residents have shown they care deeply about what happens here, and we want to keep building on that momentum. The Town Hall format gives everyone a chance to be heard and to understand the work being done on their behalf.”

No registration is

required, and all are welcome to attend. Attendees are also encouraged to bring an unexpired, non-perishable

food item to help stock up The Orchard’s community food pantry in advance of the holiday season.

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# Editorial

## Halloween on a Friday, A Perfect Night for Fun and Frights

Halloween falls on a Friday this year, and that means the stars have aligned for a night of full-blown fun! With no school the next morning and the weekend ahead, families can enjoy the festivities without the usual weekday rush. It's the perfect setup for costumes, candy, and community cheer.

For kids, it's a magical evening - dressing up as their favorite characters, heading out after dark, and filling their bags with treats from friendly neighbors. And for the grown-ups? It's a chance to relive the joy, decorate the porch, and maybe sneak a piece of candy or two. There's something timeless about Halloween that brings out the child in all of us.

Expect to see streets alive with superheroes, witches, princesses, zombies, and plenty of creative costumes. Porch lights will glow, jack-o'-lanterns will flicker, and laughter will echo through the crisp autumn air. It's Halloween at its best - New England-style.

### A Quick Safety Reminder

With all the excitement, let's not forget to keep safety front and center. Police will be out helping to ensure a safe night for everyone, but we all play a role. Drivers, please slow down and stay alert - especially between 5 and 9 p.m. when trick-or-treaters are most active.

### Tips for a Safe & Spooky Night

Parents, here are a few simple ways to keep the night safe and fun:

- Choose costumes with bright colors or add reflective tape.
- Equip kids with flashlights or glow sticks.
- Keep costumes short to avoid

trips and falls.

- Use face paint instead of masks to keep vision clear.
- Stick to well-lit, familiar homes.
- Never enter a stranger's home or vehicle.
- Wait until kids are home before enjoying any treats.

### Make It Memorable

Let's make this Halloween memorable for all the right reasons. Whether you're out trick-or-treating or handing out candy from your porch, embrace the spirit of the season. Light a jack-o'-lantern, wear a silly hat, and enjoy the parade of costumes and smiles. Halloween is about joy, imagination, and community - and this Friday night promises to deliver all three.

There's something magical about hearing laughter echo through the neighborhood, seeing porches glowing with carved pumpkins, and watching little ones proudly show off their costumes. It's a celebration of creativity, connection, and good old-fashioned fun.

And if you need a spooky tale to share, just remind folks of that Halloween a few years ago when trick-or-treating was postponed because of a surprise snowstorm. Now that was chilling!

So go ahead - decorate your porch, stock up on candy, and get ready to welcome the ghosts and goblins. Whether you're donning a costume or simply enjoying the view from your doorstep, this Halloween is sure to be a night to remember.

Have a safe, sweet, and spectacular Halloween!

# Letters

## Come Update the Master Plan

To the editor,  
Residents invited to help shape Londonderry's Future Land Use Map.

Londonderry is updating its Master Plan, which serves as the community's long-term guide for how and where the Town grows. The current Master Plan was adopted in 2013, and much has changed since then, including new housing needs, economic opportunities, and infrastructure investments. Updating the plan ensures that future decisions about land use, housing, and conservation reflect today's community priorities.

A key part of this update is creating a Future Land Use Map, which illustrates where growth, reinvestment, and resource protection should occur over the next 10 to 20 years. This map will directly inform future zoning and development strategies, helping Londonderry manage growth while maintaining its unique character.

The Town has already heard from residents through two community surveys. Now we need your help to put those ideas on the

map. This interactive, hands-on workshop will invite participants to explore different growth scenarios and identify the best locations for new housing, business areas, open space, and community amenities.

The strength of this process comes from the people who call Londonderry home. Your input will help shape the next generation of the Master Plan and ensure it reflects the vision of residents and businesses alike.

Please join us on Nov. 6 at 6 p.m., to share your ideas and help plan Londonderry's future.

Jeffrey M. Penta  
Chair, Master Plan  
Steering Committee  
Londonderry

## Ironic America

To the editor,

We are living in our new country known as Ironic America. This is a country where people who are demonstrating to protect the First Amendment and save our democracy are labelled "America Haters" and those who want to limit freedom of speech and freedom of the press consider themselves patriots. That is Russia, not America. Trump and his cronies want to control the

news outlets by having "news" screened and approved by them prior to release. That is Russia, not America. Additionally, Trump is using the Justice Department to do his personal vindictive dirty work by persecuting those who have disagreed with him or criticized him and his authoritarian policies, even those who once worked for him. Again, this is Russia, not America. When will we be seeing the poisoned underwear Mr. President?

I did not participate in any No Kings demonstrations but I applaud all those who did. They are not America haters. They are true Americans who are witnessing outrageous acts by a hateful, greedy, vain and insecure man who happens to be president. They are courageous and determined people who are willing to stand up and do something to save our democracy.

Patriotism is not determined by the size of one's flag and how loud one can shout but by one's belief in the United States Constitution, the ideals for which America stands and the will to fight for it.

Bruce Stern  
Londonderry

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# School Board Reviews District's Cell Phone Policy

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry School Board held a second reading of its amended cell phone use policy during a recent meeting.

"Updates were made after the prior School Board meeting to remove a paragraph and clarify the language regarding how students can store their cell phones during the instructional day," Superintendent Dan Black wrote in a memo.

Previously, the district had established rules outlining when cell

phones could and could not be used in schools. However, recent legislation passed by the state now requires school districts to implement a "bell-to-bell" ban on cell phone use during instructional hours.

As part of the proposed amended policy, it states:

"Cell phones or other personal electronic communication devices should not disrupt the learning environment or be a distraction in the Londonderry School District."

The policy emphasizes the importance of

teaching students to use personal electronic devices responsibly and states that such devices should not interfere with a student's education during school hours. Devices covered by the policy include, but are not limited to: cell phones, tablets, iPads, earbuds, headphones, smartwatches, and e-readers.

The policy further recommends that these devices not be brought to school at all.

"The use of personal electronic communication devices is prohibited in classrooms from

kindergarten through 12th grade during the school instructional day. These devices should be stored away, out of sight, and may be kept in a student's backpack or locker," the policy states.

Violations of the policy will be referred to building administrators for appropriate and immediate consequences. Teachers are expected to manage their classrooms effectively to ensure compliance.

Additionally, the district will not be responsible for the loss, damage, or theft of any per-

sonal electronic communication device brought to school.

The policy outlines specific exceptions:

"Students with medical needs, such as insulin pumps and glucose sensors, or disabilities that require a device to support their learning - as identified by their individualized education program (IEP) or a plan developed under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - are exempt. Multilingual students with appropriate language access programs and services under Title VI of the Civil

Rights Act of 1964 are also exempt. The superintendent or their designee may approve additional exceptions on a case-by-case basis or through an administrative decision recorded in the student handbook."

It was noted during the meeting that the policy could be implemented as a procedure while the School Board completes its formal policy readings.

The next Londonderry School Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 4, beginning at 7 p.m.

## Water Fund

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government entities or private sources.

Mulholland noted that the Town is currently evaluating 12 water-related projects and expects to expand efforts once those are completed.

"I want to desperately get us in that spot," Mulholland said, referring to positioning the Town to secure available funding.

If the warrant article is approved, Mulholland said he would return with a proposed amount of unassigned fund balance to be allocated to the account.

Members of the Utilities Committee said they plan to hold public education sessions ahead of the March vote to

explain the importance of the fund.

Town Council Chair Ron Dunn expressed support for the initiative.

"I'm very glad to see it come to fruition," Dunn said.

Mulholland also proposed the creation of a Water Special Assessment Trust Fund, which would be established under NH RSA 52-A:11 by the Town Council and funded through voter appropriations at Town Meeting.

"This fund would be part of a process by which the Town Council would create a special assessment district to provide potable water," Mulholland wrote.

He explained that the creation of the district would be addressed separately in January 2026,

but a warrant article is needed to authorize appropriations.

Mulholland described how the Town receives grants and low-interest loans to expand water mains and service lines to properties. The water main - owned by providers like Pennichuck Water Works, Manchester Water Works, or Derry DPW - runs along the street. The service line from the main to the edge of the Town's right-of-way is typically owned by the provider, while the remaining portion from the gate valve to the home or business is the property owner's responsibility.

Currently, the Town is partnering with Pennichuck Water Works to construct water mains

along High Range Road. The project includes building the water main and lateral service lines to the gate valve. Property owners will be responsible for the cost of extending the line into their homes or businesses, which may vary depending on distance and terrain.

Mulholland highlighted a state program that provides up to \$10,000 for service line construction or \$5,000 for a Point of Entry Treatment (POET) system for properties with unsafe PFAS levels.

The proposed trust fund would allow the Town to offer voluntary, low- or no-interest loans to property owners for service line construction costs not covered by grants or responsible

parties.

"These loans could be structured for terms from one to twenty years," Mulholland explained. "They would be repaid annually through a special tax assessment added to the property tax bill. Collection would follow the same process as property taxes, including interest, fees, and tax deeding for non-payment. The collected

assessments would replenish the Water Special Assessment Trust Fund."

The Town Council agreed to move forward with creating the warrant articles and directed Mulholland to further develop the Special Assessment District concept in partnership with the Utilities Committee for consideration in January 2026.

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# School Board Reviews Public Comment & Participation

ALEX MALM  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

During its most recent meeting, the Londonderry School Board reviewed a policy that hasn't been updated in decades: Public Comment and Participation at Board Meetings.

The proposed policy begins by affirming that "Meetings of the Board shall be open to the press and public." It emphasizes the Board's commitment to transparency and community engagement.

"The Board encourages residents to attend Board meetings so that they may become acquainted with the operation and programs of the schools," the policy states. "Additionally, the Board will provide opportunities for members of the public to offer input and comment at Board meetings, consistent with the meeting and participation rules described below."

The policy outlines standards and rules for public attendance and participation, including how and when comments may be made.

Under the section titled Opportunity for Public Comment, the policy references RSA 189:74, stating that public comment will be allowed at all Board meetings except emergency sessions under RSA 91-A:2, II, or meetings held solely for non-public matters under RSA 91-A:3.

To ensure meetings run efficiently while allowing public input, the policy proposes the following procedures:

1. Members of the public may speak only when recognized by the Board Chair or presiding officer.

2. Public comment will generally be scheduled during the first half of meetings.

3. A minimum of 30 minutes will be allotted for public comment, which may be extended by majority vote. Additional comment periods may be added for specific agenda items.

4. Individual speakers will be given five minutes each. Time may not be transferred between speakers. The Board may adjust the time limit at the start of

the comment period but must maintain the 30-minute minimum.

5. Written comments will be accepted from those unable to attend. These must include the commenter's name and will be attached to meeting minutes. Anonymous comments will not be accepted. Only one written comment per person per meeting is allowed.

6. Speakers must clearly identify themselves for the record to comply with RSA 91-A:2, II.

7. Comments may address agenda items or other district matters such as operations, budget, and policies. However, complaints about individual students, volunteers, or employees (except the Superintendent) must be directed through proper channels, such as the grievance process outlined in policy KE.

8. Defamatory statements, threats, or other forms of unprotected speech will not be tolerated.

9. Comments that violate these rules may be ruled out of order. Repeated violations may result in the speaker losing the privilege to address the Board and may be deemed disruptive.

10. The public comment period is for input only. It is not a Q&A session. Board members

are not authorized to respond spontaneously and will defer responses for full Board consideration.

The policy also addresses Meeting Disruptions, clarifying that while the public has the right to attend and comment, they do not have the right to disrupt proceedings.

Examples of impermissible disruptions include:

- Shouting or speaking out of turn.
- Obstructing views with posters or other materials.
- Refusing to end comments after time expires.
- Sustained loud noises after being called to order.
- Any conduct intended to disrupt the meeting or another speaker.

If a person continues to disrupt the meeting after two warnings, the Chair may direct them to leave. If they refuse, law enforcement may be called to remove the individual, with the possibility of criminal charges. Disruptions may also result in a recess or adjournment of the meeting if the public comment period has concluded.

Following discussion, the School Board voted to send the policy to a second reading for further review.

# OBITUARY

## Walther Charles Peikert



With broken hearts, we share the passing of Walther Charles Peikert, age 23, of Londonderry, NH. Born in Derry and raised in Londonderry, Wally lived his entire life surrounded by the people and places he loved most.

Wally was the cherished son of Walther and Maryanne Tulley Peikert and the beloved brother of Angela Mary. Standing tall at 6'6", people often saw a giant who could be intimidating – but those who truly knew him saw a big heart. He was a young man with the biggest heart – kind, loyal, and full of life. As a kid, his mother lovingly referred to him and his sister as the Pied Pipers – wherever they went, laughter followed, with children always surrounding them. His love for his family, friends, and pets was boundless, especially for Maya and Stella, who were never far from his side.

He found joy in the thrill of dirt bikes, the rush of snowboarding, and the quiet peace of fishing. Wally had a unique way of blending adventure with tenderness – riding his rip stick while walking Maya was just one of the many ways he showed his playful spirit and deep connection to those he loved. He especially cherished camping trips with his dad, where the two shared laughter, stories, and the simple beauty of the outdoors. Wally enjoyed target shooting and was an excellent shot. He also loved sitting by an open fire with friends and family, listening to music and soaking in the warmth of those moments.

Many people didn't understand Wally's struggles because they weren't always visible. He once said that if he had cancer or a physical disability, people would show empathy – but his challenges began in childhood, when he struggled to manage overwhelming emotions. More than anything, he wanted to be loved, accepted, and to matter, and to those who knew him, he was.

He hated being misunderstood and resented the assumption that he wasn't smart, often wrestling with how to prove otherwise. In truth, Wally was extremely smart – insightful, curious, and capable in ways that weren't always recognized by the world around him. Yet despite his own pain, Wally was always there for the underdog. He had a fierce compassion for those less fortunate and never hesitated to stand up for them – no matter what. Wally's heart was with those who needed love most. He spread the word of God through his grateful love and compassion for those in need. Whether it be keeping extra snacks, gloves and hats in his truck for the hungry and cold – or bringing them home to give them a warm, safe place to sleep – he was always looking out for people.

Besides his parents and sister, Wally is survived by his paternal grandmother, Gabi Peikert of Lawrence. Wally was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Raymond & Anna Tulley, his paternal grandfather Charlie Peikert, his beloved cousins David Tulley and Wendy Theberge, his aunts Maureen and Sandra Tulley and his uncle Brian Zinsmeister. He is survived by his aunts and uncles, Thomas Tulley, Angela Zinsmeister, Dennis & Tricia Tulley, Raymond Tulley, Joey & Carol Tulley, Michael & Melinda Tulley, Christopher & Joell Tulley, Patrick Tulley, Theresa & Greg Taylor, Daniel & Julie Tulley, Johnny Tulley, Matthew & Donna Tulley, Kriszta Peikert, Sylvia & Don Theberge, and Kathy & Brian Brasseur. He is also survived by many cousins and friends.

Forever loved, forever remembered – Walther, your light lives on in every heart you touched.

May God welcome you in His loving embrace and free you of all your pain. We will be together again one day – until then, know you are so loved, and you will be missed more than words can ever say.

Memorial contributions may be made in Wally's name to Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, Inc., 2 Quincy St., Nashua, NH 03060, <https://nsks.org/give-online/>; or St. Basil's Salvatorian Center, 30 East St., Methuen, MA 01844, [center@saintbasils.org](mailto:center@saintbasils.org).

Calling hours were held on Tuesday, Oct. 14, at Cataudella Funeral Home, 126 Pleasant Valley St., Methuen, MA 01844. A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 15 at Holy Rosary Shrine, 28 Union St., Lawrence, MA 01840. Burial will follow in Pillsbury Cemetery in Londonderry, NH.

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# Officials Outline Importance of Strategic Plan to Town Committees

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

At the October meeting of the Utilities Committee, Town Manager Shaun Mulholland and Administrative Support Coordinator Kirsten Hildonen provided an update on the Town Council's directive to develop a strategic plan for Londonderry - an initiative aimed at guiding short-term municipal priorities and operations.

"The Council has directed us to develop a strategic plan for the town. Right now, Londonderry doesn't have one," explained Mulholland. "We do have a Mas-

ter Plan, which focuses on land use, transportation, and other broad areas. It's a long-term plan - 10 to 30 years out. A strategic plan, on the other hand, looks at the next year and sets operational objectives for the next 12 months, with a two-year outlook beyond that. It's much more focused and actionable."

Mulholland estimated the strategic plan would take about a year to develop and emphasized the importance of a "facilitated discussion" to guide the process.

"What I don't want - and I've made this very clear in places where I've implemented some-

thing like this - is a wish list. This isn't a plan that sits on a shelf and looks nice," he said. "It's a realistic roadmap for what we're going to accomplish in the next year with the resources we have or are willing to commit. That's a very important distinction."

He noted that the Utilities Committee's broad scope meant the strategic plan would likely intersect with several of its upcoming projects.

"How granular should we be in setting an objective?" asked alternate member John Mahon, who oversees the solid waste subcommit-

tee. "For example, should we aim to reduce landfill waste, or focus on increasing composting in Londonderry?"

Hildonen responded that objectives should be specific, measurable, and time-bound.

"You probably wouldn't want to say 'improve composting in Londonderry' - that's too general," she said. "Something like 'increase the number of residents composting by 15%' is better, though we'd still need to ensure it's measurable. That's why we're workshopping it."

Committee member Ray Breslin raised concerns about funding.

"We need money - how is that going to happen?" he asked. "The Utilities Committee has a long list of objectives but limited resources. Nothing will happen until we can finance what we want to do. That affects the health and welfare of our citizens."

Mulholland acknowledged the concern but said financial planning would come later. The strategic plan's timeline would allow committees to align their goals with annual budget cycles. The first plan is expected to cover July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2028.

"We're already seeing

recurring themes like digital transformation and emergency operations," said Hildonen. "These objectives aren't limited to one board or committee - they're interconnected."

Mulholland assured the committee that a public hearing would be held before the draft list of strategic objectives is finalized.

"That's a critical part of the process - getting public engagement and feedback," he said.

The Utilities Committee is scheduled to meet again on Tuesday, Nov. 4, at 7 p.m. in the Moose Hill Conference Room.

# Master Plan Steering Committee Welcomes New SNHPC Representatives

PAUL CONYERS  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After a brief hiatus, the Master Plan Steering Committee reconvened on Oct. 16 with renewed momentum and fresh perspectives. The meeting marked the official introduction of Suzanne Nienaber and Cameron Prolman, the new representatives from the Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC), who are stepping in to continue the work previously led by Sylvia von Aulock.

"I'm a Principal Planner with the Southern NH Planning Commission, and I'll be joined in this new phase of our work by Cam Prolman," said Nienaber. "I've worked on master plans

for communities across the country. I was based in New York City for a time, where I served under the Bloomberg administration for nearly a decade. During that time, I helped launch a nonprofit focused on the intersection of planning and public health. I've always been passionate about a multisector approach - bringing diverse perspectives together to creatively solve problems and get things done."

Nienaber also noted her recent involvement in helping the nearby town of Chester develop its latest master plan.

Prolman followed with his own introduction.

"I'm a Senior Planner with SNHPC and a life-

long Granite Stater. I've been with the Planning Commission for 10 years, primarily focused on land-use planning. I currently serve as the planner for Deerfield and Auburn," he said. "I've worked on many master plans throughout southern NH and assisted with this one alongside Sylvia, particularly with writing and survey analysis. I'm excited to help bring this project across the finish line."

Committee Chair Jeff Penta expressed appreciation for their support and emphasized the importance of defining the next steps for the Londonderry Master Plan.

"Where are our guidelines? Where are

our guideposts? Where are our milestones?" asked Penta.

Nienaber acknowledged the urgency of the timeline, noting that the team is working within a "compressed period" to produce a working draft by early 2026. She stressed the need for efficiency and collaboration.

"What are all of the accomplishments of this group to date, and what are our remaining needs?" she asked. "Are there

ways we can avoid duplicating efforts or reinventing the wheel? Is there anything we can choose to omit for now to make our work together a little easier?"

She commended the Committee's progress, particularly the draft housing chapters, and suggested prioritizing moving forward.

"The most important item we're going to work on together is the future land-use map," Nienaber

explained. "It's one of the two elements legally required for a master plan - the other being a vision statement. We want to ensure the future land-use map reflects the values and aspirations of this community."

Currently, the Steering Committee is actively developing chapters on transportation, natural resources, economic development, and historic and cultural resources.

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# Matthew Thornton Families Enjoy Annual Fall Festival



The annual Fall Festival took place at Matthew Thornton Elementary School on Thursday, Oct. 16 with hundreds of families joining in the fun. Children flocked to the petting zoo that featured goats, chickens, pigs and a pony from Carriage Shack Farm. The event also included sack races, games, dancing, grilled cheese sandwiches, a pumpkin contest and plenty of other activities.

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# LONDONDERRY SPORTS

## Blue Devil Run to 35-21 Win Over Lancers Football

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

After what looked to be a promising start for the Londonderry High School football team, the Lancers fell for the fourth time this season, leaving the team at 3-4, with a very slim chance of making the playoffs.

The 21-35 loss to the Salem Blue Devils on Friday night in Londonderry had a number of exciting moments for local fans, but the Lancers had trouble stopping the Salem running game in the end.

The Lancers were able to stop Salem's first two drives of the game, forcing punts after three plays with very little gain and after a strong drive to end the first quarter and a touchdown to start the second, the LHS squad looked to be in control.

The Lancers first touchdown drive began with 3:05 left in the first and ended one-minute into the second, after eight plays and 60-yards, with senior running back Adrian Cruz running the ball in from the two-yard

line. Sophomore kicker Owen Monahan made it 7-0 with the extra-point and an optimistic start to the team's fourth home game of the season.

Unfortunately for LHS, that's where the momentum ended. Salem roared back with an eight-play, 62-yard drive of their own, rushing down the field for six-points.

LHS sophomore Jayden Mahlatini came up with a big block of the point-after to help retain a slim 7-6 LHS lead.

Both teams were forced to punt in their following drives and the final touchdown of the half came after an interception was made by the Blue Devils on a long pass by junior quarterback Sully Daron intended for junior Devin VanAvery with 1:30 minutes left in the period. The SHS touchdown drive started at the Lancer 33-yard line and ended with another series of running plays and an extra-point for a 13-7 Salem lead headed into the half.

Londonderry was able



Freshman Jackson Rao makes a grab late in the third quarter. Photo by Chris Paul

to score two more times in the game, but the Blue Devils were able to put three touchdowns up on the board for the two-score advantage.

The first came on a first and 15 play and ended with an 80-yard touchdown run and a two-point conversion.

Daron turned things around with a bomb from the LHS 18-yard line to a wide-open senior Braeden Ayers, who caught the pass at mid-field until he was run down at the

game would get, following another march down field by Salem to open up a 27-14 final quarter lead.

The Lancers were able to get one back with a six-play drive, starting with eight-minutes left in the game, giving the Lancer fans a reason to stay. Londonderry had that drive end with a Daron pass completion to senior tight-end Brandon Dyer for a 26-yard gain into the endzone and a Monahan point-after for a 27-21 total with five-minutes left in the contest.

One more long drive for the visitors, resulting in a touchdown, deflated the Lancers chances at a comeback.

Both teams had nearly 400-yards of offense in the game, with Londonderry leading in passing with 253-yards to 37-yards and

Salem led on the ground 362-138.

Daron went 13-22 in pass completions with Ayers leading in receptions with his 82-yard catch-and-run, followed by Brandon Dyer who had three catches for 60-yards and freshman Jackson Rao who caught four for 42-yards.

On defense, Dyer had two sacks and five total tackles. Lucas Palma, VanAvery, Adrian Cruz and Dante Fabiano all had six tackles.

The Lancers will host the undefeated Bedford Bulldogs in the team's final home game of the season on Friday night, Oct. 24. Bedford has had double-digit win in all but one of their victories and are coming off a 35-28 home win over Bishop Guertin.



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# Sochanek Leads Soccer Squad to Two Wins with Seven Goals

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

Senior forward Leo Sochanek and the Londonderry High School soccer team had an exceptional week, starting with the Lan-

cers moving to 8-3-2 behind six goals scored by Sochanek in a 6-3 finish and ending with a 3-1 victory to end the week at 9-3-2.

The Lancers began the team's week, at

home, against the Salem Blue Devils (5-6-2), where seniors Sochanek and Khoi Totten really tore up the offensive side of the field for the 6-3 victory.

Sochanek had two hat tricks with Totten feeding him the ball in five of those goals and senior Caden Jordon getting the assist for the Lancers fourth goal of the game.

Sochanek and Totten combined for two in the first half and three in the second to help solidify the home victory.

The win came on the heels of a rather one-sided 1-4 loss to the Windham Jaguars to end the previous week.

First-year head coach Richard Clegg noted that it was an overall team effort win, saying, "Today was an excellent collective performance and a strong response after a challenging match the previous Friday."

He said, "Leo Sochanek led the way with six goals, while Khoi Totten provided five assists. Ultimately, it was a full team effort that created the opportunities and overall success."

The Lancers took that momentum into the following game on Thursday, Oct. 16, in Manchester, at Gill Stadium against the Central Little Green.

In that game, Londonderry had a goal in the first half and two in the second, giving up just one for the 3-1 result.

In the first half, at the eight-minute mark senior J.J. Digeorge scored with the assist from fellow senior Bryce Rivard.

In the 51st-minute of the second half, Sochanek got his seventh goal of the week with an assist from freshman Andrei Sandu.

Sandu scored the third goal of the game one-minute later with an assist from Totten.

Clegg commented after the game, "This was a good team win on the road in the cold

weather. The boys showed focus and discipline throughout the match and created quality chances by working together."

With those two wins, the Lancers ended last week tied with the Hanover Bears for sixth place in the Division I standings with just two game left to the regular.

The Lancers started the week in Nashua against the first-place Nashua South Purple Panthers (13-0-1) on Tuesday, Oct. 21.

The final game of the regular season will be at home on Thursday, Oct. 23, at 6 p.m. against the Concord Crimson Tide (4-9-1).



Senior forward Leo Sochanek had six goals in the team's win over Salem.

# Lancers Volleyball Rattle Off Six Straight

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Girls' Volleyball team

only has one blemish on an otherwise perfect season and the girls finished last week with winning their sixth consecutive match.

The unbeaten streak goes back the final week of September, during the annual Mack Plaque contest, where they were narrowly defeated by the Pinkerton Academy Astros 3-2 in a heated battle.

The Lady Lancers had been undefeated until that point in the

season and the loss put them in second place in the Division I standings. Since then, the Atsros have lost one and the LHS squad has been able to rattling off six consecutive victories.

In that stretch, Londonderry was able to get shutout victories against the Windham Jaguars, Keene Blackbirds, Goffstown Grizzlies and the Spaulding Red Raiders. They had a close 3-2 victory over

the Timberlane Owls and finished last week with a 3-1 win over the 7-8 Alvirne Broncos in Hudson.

The Lancers have just three games left to the regular season with games against Bedford (9-6), Portsmouth (10-5), and Hollis Brookline (5-10) before heading into the playoffs.

The Astros still sit in first place with a 16-1 and Londonderry currently resides in second with a 14-1 record.

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# Lancers Field Hockey Head Into Playoffs as #3 Seed

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Field Hockey team finished off their exceptional regular season with a 13-3 record, good enough for the third seed in the upcoming NHIAA Division I State Championships.

The Lancer squad began its season with an outstanding ten-game winning streak before dropping two 1-2 games, one to the Timberlane Owls (#7) and the other to the eventual number two seeded Bedford Bulldogs.

Londonderry's only

other defeat came in their final game of the season, another 1-2 loss, against the Bishop Guertin Cardinals, on Wednesday, Oct. 15.

All of those defeats came after losing their key senior mid-fielder Eres Delorey, who was injured just before the team's 4-3 victory over Pinkerton Academy on Mack Plaque weekend, at the mid-way point of the schedule.

The team's final two games of the regular season began on Tuesday, Oct. 14, with a trip to Salem High School where they were able to come away with victory

number 13, a 3-1 win over the 7-7 Blue Devils.

Sophomore Morgan Ayotte had two goals in the victory, with senior Lindsey McKinnon putting in the third goal of the game.

Senior Alison Chambers, junior Annika Lewis and junior Lexi Padykula had the assists in the victory.

Junior goaltender Molly Tharrington had two stop on three shots to preserve the win.

The following day, on an extremely cold and windy home turf, the Lancers fell by one-goal to B.G. in a very evenly played contest.

The game went back-and-forth throughout, with neither team being able to score in the first two quarters.

Londonderry had their chances, with seven corners in the first half.

The Lady Cardinals were able to go ahead mid-way through the third quarter where the score stay 1-0 until 10:44 in the fourth and final quarter.

Padykula scored on a two-on-one break against the BG tender with Ayotte getting the assist.

That 1-1 tie lasted until the final four-minute of the game when BG went ahead of the win.

Tharrington made two stops in the loss.

The Lancers will have a bye in the first of the playoffs this week and will wait to see their



Sophomore Morgan Ayotte had two goals and an assist last week. Photo by Chris Paul

opponent in the quarter-finals on Friday, Oct. 24.

Delorey will return to the field, after being absent for eight games and the Lancers will face the winner of the preliminary round game between Dover (#6) and Concord (11).

## Cross-Country Team Take Fourth at NHIAA JV States

CHRIS PAUL  
LONDONDERRY TIMES

The Londonderry High School Boys' Cross-Country team had 11 members compete in the 2025 Division I Junior Varsity State Championship at the Alvirne High School course on Friday, Oct. 17, with the team placing fourth in the 5K Race out of 12 teams.

Pinkerton Academy took first with 15-points; Nashua South was second at 83 and Exeter place third with 85.

Londonderry finished with a total of 103.

The winner, from Pinkerton, ran the course in 17.17.5.

Sophomore Alec

Lemeris was the first Lancer to cross the finish line with a time of 18:12.78 and a seventh-place spot.

Senior Cash Robles also came in the top ten, in eighth at 18:17.73.

Other LHS finishers out of the 179 runners were: senior Gil Tapia, 14th, at 18:32.47; freshman Ethan Miller, 26th at 19:18.16;

sophomore Jamie Godbout, 73rd, 20:49.14; freshman Soren Jonesinski, 74th, 20:49.97; freshman Jaden Figueroa, 87th, 21:13.95; freshman Bennett MacCulloch, 95th, 21:24.09; freshman Silas Robles, 104th, 21:36.51; freshman Eyan Kelly, 112th, 22:02.81; and sophomore

Gavin Ng, 123rd at 22:41.26.

Coach Matthew Smith was happy with the results, saying, "This meet was a great end to our JV season. We had so many great-performances across the board. It's always gratifying see how much our newer/younger athletes improve over the course of the season."

He added, "Top 15 finishes were a fitting end to their high school cross country careers for seniors Cash and Gil. They've improved tremendously since their freshman year and have contributed so much to our program.



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# North School Captures Both Cross-Country Team Trophies



Sam Smith



Ady Brown



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LONDONDERRY TIMES

Londonderry High School Cross-Country and Track and Field coach Sue Johnson orchestrated the annual Fifth-Grade Elementary School Cross Country Race for the 41st times last week, with North School literally running away with both the boys' and girls' trophies.

The Bears of North School took two of the three top spots for the boys and all three in the girls' race.

In the boys' race, North School's Sam Smith opened a huge cap and won the race with a time of 7:19, claiming victory despite the fact that he lost his running shoes at the start of the race. Matthew Thornton's Finn Cappannari took second place and Tanner Grants was the third-place finisher.

The plaque went back to North School after residing in the halls of South School for two

years. Prior to that, North had won three consecutive times (2019 to 2022).

Of note, the schools principal, Paul Dutton, ran in the inaugural race back in 1985.

For the girls, North School had a clean sweep, with Ady Brown

just edging out Samantha Pannell in the final stretch with a time of 8:27 for first place with Parker Hogan coming in at third.

The Lady Bears regained their title from Matthew Thornton who had won the plaque last year.

## Players of the Week



**Girls Soccer**  
**Lyndi McKinnon**

Lyndi is a four-year varsity soccer player, who is fast, strong and highly competitive. She's quick off the ball, tough in every challenge, and a true anchor and leader on and off the field.



**Boys Soccer:**  
**Andrei Sandu**

With a goal and assist recently, Andrei's hard work and consistent effort in both practice and games have stood out for the varsity team.

*Athletes named by LHS Athletics department*

# We've got some exciting news!

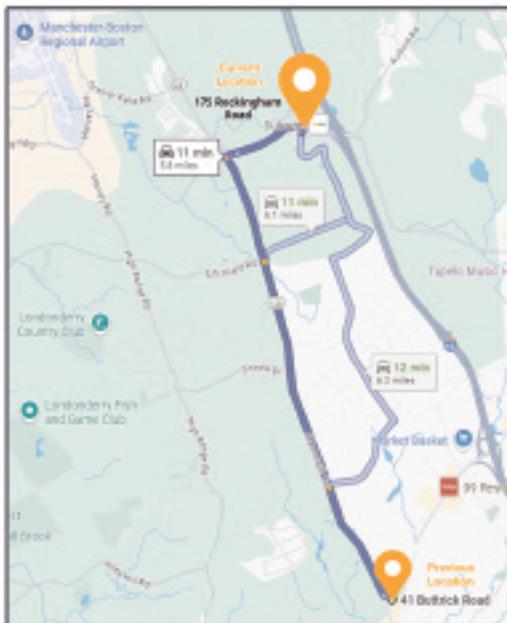
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## Veterans Breakfast

This year's Thank You Veterans Breakfast will be held on Saturday, Nov. 8, at 8 a.m. in the Londonderry High School cafeteria. Breakfast will be served from 8 - 9 a.m., followed by musical performances from the LHS band, student speakers, and presentations from students across the district. Veterans with questions or those wishing to RSVP can contact Ms. Katie Sullivan at [ksullivan@londonderry.org](mailto:ksullivan@londonderry.org) or call 603-247-8304.

## Future Land Use Workshop

On Thursday Nov. 6 starting at 6 p.m., at Londonderry's Town Hall, Londonderry is updating its Master Plan. The current Master plan was adapted in

2013 and much has changed since then, including new housing needs, economic opportunities, and infrastructure investments. Updating the Plan ensures that future decisions about land use, housing, and conservation reflects today's community priorities. The town is looking for residents ideas on the map. This interactive, hands on work shop to explore different growth scenarios and identify the best locations for new housing, business areas, open space and community amenities.

## Leadership Town Hall

The Town of Londonderry will host a Town Leadership Town Hall on Thursday, Nov. 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at The Orchard Fellowship Hall,

136 Pillsbury Road. The event is open to all and offers a chance to ask questions in an informal and conversational setting. Attendees will hear directly from Town Manager Shaun Mulholland and the Town Council about current projects, local priorities, and future initiatives.

## Trunk or Treat

Londonderry Presbyterian Church and Kids by the Common Early Learning Center hosts Trunk or Treat on Saturday, Oct. 25 from 3 - 5 p.m. Rain or shine. Everyone welcome.

## Make a Centerpiece

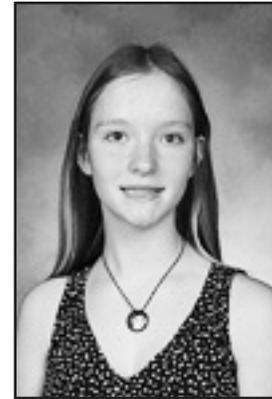
Make your own centerpiece for only \$30 with all materials provided. The Londonderry Women's Club is providing this

event at the Marion Gerish Community Center on Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. Through the guidance of prominent floral designer, Sylvia Roberts, create a unique design for Thanksgiving that can be transformed into a December Holiday design. Space is limited to only 30 participants so register soon. To register or more info, contact LWC at [sylvia.roberts@londonderrywomensclub.org](mailto:sylvia.roberts@londonderrywomensclub.org)

## Holiday Swag Night

On Saturday, November 15, from 3:30 to 6:00 PM, the Londonderry Green Team will host its 5th Annual Holiday Swag Night at the Londonderry YMCA. All proceeds will help fund the creation of a Pollinator & Butterfly Garden near Moose Hill School. For those who prefer to admire rather than assemble, pre-made decorations will be available for purchase and raffle-perfect for adding a touch of holiday charm without the glue gun. Cost: \$25 per swag or \$30 per family, Space is limited to 25 participants-early registration is encouraged. To register: Email [GreenTeam603@gmail.com](mailto:GreenTeam603@gmail.com). Walk-ins welcome if space allows

## Student of the Month



House 2 proudly recognizes Madeline Kassin '26 as our September Student of the Month!

In March, Madeline placed 2nd individually in Veterinary Science at the 95th NH FFA State Convention, while her Alvirne team took 1st. She'll represent New Hampshire

FFA at nationals in Indianapolis this month. Madeline's resilience, initiative, and commitment to learning make her a standout. Her success highlights the strength of the LHS/Alvirne CTE partnership and reminds us that academic excellence comes in many forms. Congratulations, Madeline - and best of luck in Indy!

## Country Christmas Craft Fair

On Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., join St. Jude for a festive day of holiday cheer, shopping, and community spirit! Our craft fair will feature: Handmade items from local crafters - including gifts for your pets; A delicious Cookie Walk and Bake Sale; A fun-filled White Elephant Room; Exciting raffles; A special

Blue & Yellow Handmade Quilt Raffle - with a portion of proceeds benefiting the children of Ukraine through Common Man for Ukraine; Food and beverages available for purchase, including lunch options; and A variety of local vendors offering unique holiday finds. Come support local artisans, enjoy tasty treats, and get a head start on your holiday shopping.

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## TOWN OF LONDONDERRY PLANNING BOARD

The Londonderry Planning Board will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 7 p.m. in Moose Hill Council Chambers to consider the following:

Public Hearing on an application for a rezoning request to rezone approved subdivision lots at 23-51 Wilson Road (Map 16, Lot 9) from split zoning AR-1 (Agricultural Residential) and IND-1 (Industrial I) to AR-1 (Agricultural Residential) Evans Family Limited Partnership (owner & Applicant).

Public hearing on an application for formal review of a site plan for a warehouse at 42 Wentworth Avenue. Map 14 Lot 44-36, Zone IND-II and AR-I. Yelsew, LLC c/o Textiles Coated International (owner), Stephen W Tippert (applicant).

Public hearing on rezoning request to rezone 2 Litchfield Road (Map 12 Lots 68) from C-III and Historic District Overlay to AR-1, CC Properties, LLC (owner/applicant).

Public hearing on an application for formal review of a conditional use permit to permit multi-family use in the C-III district at 2 Litchfield Road (Map 12 Lots 68). Zoned C-III and Historic Overlay District CC Properties, LLC (owner/applicant).

Public hearing on a compliance alternative request at 44 Pillsbury Road (Map 10, Lot 15), Zoned Woodmont Commons PUD (PUD-I) and AR-1, Pillsbury Realty Development LLC (owner), Procopio Companies (applicant).

# Londonderry Police Log

Selections taken from the daily Londonderry Police Logs

## Monday - Oct. 13

**12:01 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Spruce Street, Manchester. Andrew Majoy, 38, of Manchester, charged with Willful Concealment (Theft of \$1,000-\$1,500).

**2:10 a.m.** Alertus Test conducted at Londonderry Police Department.

**10:05 a.m.** Officer assists the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Teton Drive.

## Tuesday - Oct. 14

**4:44 p.m.** Welfare Check conducted at Londonderry Middle School.

**5:21 p.m.** Suspicious Activity investigated at Derry Medical Center on Michels Way.

**6:15 p.m.** Motor vehicle check on Pettengill Road, at Gate 9, results in a warning issued.

**7:56 p.m.** Welfare Check

conducted on Wilshire Drive.

## Wednesday - Oct. 15

**3:18 a.m.** Services rendered by four officers for Juvenile Offenses at Londonderry Lions Hall.

**7:05 a.m.** Animal Control responds to the report of a Dog Bite on Lawson Farm Road.

**8:10 a.m.** Four officers serve warrant and make an arrest on Buckthorn Street. Ryan Hebert, 18, of Londonderry, charged with: Computer Services (Use Prohibited); and 17 counts of Child Sex Abuse Images (Buy. Etc.)

**8:24 a.m.** Eleven officers respond to the Londonderry High School for a Shooting Complaint.

**10:15 a.m.** Motor vehicle accident on Nashua Road results in Vehicle being towed. Rosemary De La Cruz Castillo, 34, of Manchester, found to have had Suspension of

Vehicle Registration.

**11:13 a.m.** Services rendered for Criminal Mischief at the LAFA Complex on Nelson Road.

**4:47 p.m.** Peace restored on High Range Road during a Domestic Disturbance.

**5:02 p.m.** Shoplifting arrest made by three officers at the U-Pick Station on Pillsbury Road. Wilmirna Casimir, 30, of Manchester, charged with Bench Warrants.

**8:44 p.m.** Welfare Check conducted on Victoria Drive.

## Thursday - Oct. 16

**8:21 a.m.** Four officers conduct a Welfare Check on Mammoth Road, at Litchfield Road.

**9:44 a.m.** Animal Control officer investigates a Dog Bite reported at Crossroads Animal Hospital on Nashua Road.

**9:43 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on

Goffstown Road, Manchester. Marcos Molina, 44, of Manchester, charged with Receiving Stolen Property (\$0-\$1,000).

**11:35 a.m.** Warrant served and arrest made on Glass Street in Pembroke. Myi Khaill Kye Ontya Armstrong, 18, of Pembroke, charged with Sexual Assault - Sexual Contact.

**11:47 a.m.** Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**2:51 p.m.** Neighborhood Disputes reported on Raintree Drive.

**3:07 p.m.** Services rendered for Shoplifting reported at TJ Maxx on Michels Way.

**4:41 p.m.** Criminal Mischief investigated on Welch Road.

**5:03 p.m.** Welfare Check conducted at the Macgregor Cut apartments on Stonehenge Road.

**5:15 p.m.** Restraining Order Served by six officers on Buttrick Road at Building D Basement.

**6:03 p.m.** Services ren-

dered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud on King Edward Drive.

## Friday - Oct. 17

**12:22 p.m.** Neighborhood Disputes investigated on Raintree Drive.

**12:57 p.m.** Larceny/Forgery/Fraud investigated at Park & Ride - North, on Symmes Drive.

**1:30 p.m.** Services rendered for Larceny/Forgery/Fraud at Londonderry Flea Market on Avery Road.

**6:49 p.m.** Motor Vehicle Stop on Michels Way leads to an arrest. Jason Martin, 46, of Londonderry, charged with Driving After Revoke/Suspension - Admin License Suspension.

**6:51 p.m.** Welfare Check conducted by three officers on Old Nashua Road.

**6:57 p.m.** Officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from Whittemore Road.

**9:51 p.m.** Peace restored by three officers during a Domestic Dis-

turbance on Charleston Avenue.

## Saturday - Oct. 18

**10:56 a.m.** Services rendered for Neighborhood Disputes on Ashley Drive.

**4:41 p.m.** Medical Emergency, at Manchester Boston Regional Airport, transported to a hospital.

## Sunday - Oct. 19

**11:35 a.m.** Report of Rape investigated on Westminster Drive.

**4:11 p.m.** Five officers respond to a motor vehicle accident at the RMZ Truck Stop, on Rockingham Road resulting in transport to a hospital.

**4:59 p.m.** Welfare Check conducted by three officers on Stonehenge Road, at Rockingham Road.

**8:01 p.m.** Four officers assist the Londonderry Fire Department with transportation to a hospital from the Garner Hotel on Perkins Road.

## Around Town

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### Fifth Annual Walk to Defeat ALS

Londonderry High School's Community Service Club is hosting its fifth Annual Walk to Defeat ALS on Saturday, Oct. 25 at 9:30 a.m., on the LHS track. Raffle tickets for gift certificates to area restaurants and businesses will be on sale. Winners will be drawn after the walk. If you would like to honor someone who has had or is currently battling ALS, contact Kelly Giguere at kgiguere@londonderry.org by Oct. 16 to order a lawn banner.

### Pizza Dinner & Erev Shabbat

On Friday, Nov. 7, from 5:30 - 7 p.m., join Etz Hayim Synagogue for a free pizza dinner followed by potluck desserts. Shabbat service will be led by Rabbi Jonathan Biatch with musical accompaniment by Irina, religious school director. Adult services follow at

7:15 p.m. All are welcome. Please RSVP to office@etzhayim.org by Nov. 6, so we can plan for pizza.

### Sunday Family Camp

On Sunday, Nov. 9, from, 10 a.m. - Noon, learn about the traditions of Shabbat, work on projects related to the holiday and learn the Hebrew letters that spell the word Shabbat at Etz Hayim Synagogue. RSVP to sarahjohnplater@aol.com by 8 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 8, to ensure enough materials. The program is free, and no membership is required. Visit [www.etzhayim.org/learn/grades-0-1](http://www.etzhayim.org/learn/grades-0-1) for more information.

### Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

On Tuesday, Nov. 25, from, 7:15 - 8:30 p.m., Etz Hayim Synagogue will be hosting this year's annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service with the Derry Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration, with The Rev. Dr. Marjorie Gerbracht (Rev Margie) offering the ser-

mon.

### Experience New England

The Friends of the Leach Library will hold an "Experience New England" raffle to raise funds for future programming. Tickets are 20 for \$5 and may be purchased at the library. Visit the library between Oct. 14 and Nov. 1 to see the amazing prizes donated by local residents and businesses. Winners will be drawn on Nov. 3 and notified by telephone or email. For more information, contact [friendsofleachlibrary@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofleachlibrary@gmail.com).

### AI's Next Act: Your Smarter Future

On Thursday, Nov. 13, from, 7 - 8 p.m., Wayne Kurtzman leads an AI-enabled social, communities, and collaboration for a global market intelligence firm. Discover what AI does now, what's next, and how it will transform work, life, and play. Learn practical steps to embrace AI and thrive in an (arguably)

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### Fire Department Open House

Join the Londonderry Fire Department for an Open House filled with demonstrations, activities, and fun on Saturday, Oct. 25, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (Rain date: Sunday, Oct. 26) At 9 a.m., Sensory-Friendly Time; 11 a.m., K9 Demo & Fire Prevention; Noon House Fire Demonstration; 1 p.m., Vehicle Extraction Demo.

### Democrats Monthly Meeting

The next meeting of the Londonderry Democratic Committee is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 27 at

6 p.m., in the Leach Library downstairs meeting room. Local Democrats and Democratic-leaning Independents and UnDeclareds are urged and welcome to attend. Please reach out to LondonderryNH Democrats via Facebook or email [pskud@gmail.com](mailto:pskud@gmail.com) for more details.

### Legion Halloween

On Oct. 31, 7:30 p.m., for Halloween American Legion Post 27 will have live entertainment, raffles and prizes for best costume at 6 Sargent Rd., Londonderry.

### Veteran's Day Field Of Flags

The Daughters of the American Revolution, the Molly Reid Chapter is supporting Veterans Day with the Fields of flags project that, honors Veterans. When you donate \$5 for each flag with identification Honoring your Veteran. This donation will be distributed to help support our chapter work and for non-profits and events that match the three areas

of our DAR mission of Historic Preservation, Education (Londonderry & Pinkerton High School) and Patriotism (NH Veterans). If you have any other questions, please email [Darmollyreid@yahoo.com](mailto:Darmollyreid@yahoo.com) or call Veterans Field of Flags Organizer, Judy Glen 239-948-9427.

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### SALES HOURS

Monday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Tuesday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Wednesday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Thursday	9:00AM - 8:00PM
Friday	9:00AM - 6:00PM
Saturday	9:00AM - 5:00PM
Sunday	10:00AM - 3:00PM

### SERVICE HOURS

Monday	7:00AM - 6:00PM
Tuesday	7:00AM - 6:00PM
Wednesday	7:00AM - 6:00PM
Thursday	7:00AM - 6:00PM
Friday	7:00AM - 5:00PM
Saturday	8:00AM - 3:00PM
Sunday	CLOSED