

Derry School Board Discusses Next Year's Reopening Plan

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DERRY - For the past year and a half school districts across the Granite State and country have balanced the health and safety of its students, and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic while also making sure students get the best education possible.

While COVID-19 cases are decreasing and more and more people are becoming vaccinated, the pandemic hasn't totally ended yet.

That's why school districts across New Hampshire are working on finalizing their reopening plans for the 2021-22 school year.

During the June 8 Derry School Board meeting their reopening plans were discussed.

Derry Superintendent MaryAnn Connors-Krikorian explained during the meeting that they were only discussing some of the possibilities and they were still working on the draft of the plan.

"This is just the vision of what we have for our reopening plan. This isn't by any means finished," she said.

As of now, it was announced that the plan is

to have a mask requirement anytime six feet of social distance can't be maintained. When outdoors, masks will be optional.

One question that was brought up by the board was what happens if the plan is approved and then guidance from the state changes.

Derry Assistant Superintendent Austin Garofalo said that as guidance changes so will the plan.

"This is a live document that we will keep updating," Garofalo said.

It was also announced that facilities will be open

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Chester Selectmen Discuss Increase for Police Details

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CHESTER - During the June 10 Chester Board of Selectmen meeting one of the items that was discussed was in regards to raising the rate for police details.

Chester Police Chief Aaron Berube explained that each year they look at what other towns pay for details and what they charge.

"Annually I take a look at what we charge for our detail rates and I do a comparison to other agencies," he said.

In the last year he said that a lot of agencies have made major jumps in what they pay and charge for details and decided to propose that they increase

both by \$3 per hour.

"I felt it was appropriate for us to adjust ours to be in the median area," he said.

By doing so he said they will be competitive with the rest of the area departments.

Last year they were charging \$67 per hour and with the increase they will be charging \$70 per hour. The increase in pay will go from \$47 to \$50 per hour.

While the Board of Selectmen voted 4-0 to approve the change, the possibility of designating a certain amount of revenue from each detail for new vehicles was discussed.

It was decided to have Berube do more research about how much profit they get from each detail before they decide how

much will go towards the new vehicles fund.

The rate change will go into effect on July 1.

Another agenda item that was discussed during the meeting was in regards to the Chester 300th anniversary.

Selectmen Stephen Landau said that the committee decided to purchase commemorative license plates and will be selling them for \$20 each.

Landau brought up the possibility of the town purchasing one for each of their vehicles. He said that they have about 45 vehicles that the town owns.

It was explained that they would go on the front of the vehicles and that they are approved by the New Hampshire Department

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Tom Wilhelm of Preservation Timber Framing Inc. constructs some staging on Monday in the Chester Congregational Baptist Church steeple as reconstruction efforts are underway at the historic site. *Photo by Chris Paul*

Restoration Efforts Move Forward at Chester Church

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NUTFIELD NEWS

The restoration of the Chester Congregational Baptist Church is currently underway with work being done to the historic steeple by Preservation Timber Framing Inc.

The construction group recently managed the restoration of the First Parish Church in East Derry, which took a number of years and a full frame restoration, but nothing that extensive is planned in Chester.

The hope is that the steeple will be

restored within two or three months, provided nothing is uncovered as they begin work.

Scaffolding was set up around the steeple last week, and workers have been busy setting up staging within the steeple for restoration work to begin.

This is just Phase I of the project, it involves anything structural that needs to be done to the steeple and reconditioning of the front façade of the church.

Phase II involves the interior of

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Derry Planning Board Examines Commercial-Residential Mixed Use Projects

JOHN SEIDENBERG
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DERRY - The Derry Planning Board conducted conceptual discussions of two mixed use development proposals in town at its June 2 meeting.

One of the projects, at 1, 2, 3, and 4 Humphrey Road in the West Running Brook District, is on four parcels together and would blend residential and commercial use.

Attorney John Cronin of Cronin, Bisson and Zalinsky in Manchester, whose law firm does land use work, told the board traditional retail and office space is giving way to mixed use and work, live, and play communities.

The trend in these developments is more boutique and service retail whether for a financial planning or insurance business, added Shayne Gendron, project manager at the civil engineering firm of Edward N. Hebert Associates.

This project proposes 94 units in two buildings, to have amenities such as a game room and gym. There also will be 18 planned urban townhouses in back of the development with underground parking.

The site is intended to be well landscaped.

Lee Berard, principal of Berard Martel architects, noted he is familiar with old colonial farms in Derry as a model for the project's architecture. The commercial building style now envisioned will likely emerge ultimately as discussion continues with potential tenants, Gendron said.

For drainage, some retention areas would be located toward the back of the residential townhouses. Some drainage will be handled within the buffer zone for wetlands if the planning board approves a permit to do that.

The other option to handle drainage on the site would be below the pavement, Gendron noted. But the problem with that is it becomes disruptive to residents and merchants if not handled through the outside of the property.

The phasing process has yet to be determined, he said, but the project probably would start with the townhouses and then establish drainage for the site.

The second proposal the board considered, at 109 Rockingham Road also within the West Running Brook District, is on the existing site of a salvage yard. The location is one many Derry residents have long wanted to see with another use.

The state's Department of Environmental Services is undertaking an environmental assessment there.

Doug MacGuire, vice president of the Dubay Group representing the developer, told the planners this plan was similar in idea and scope to the Humphrey Road project in

reflecting the current market and potential for mixed use development.

The property though has a substantial grade change posing challenges for development. The rear of the site has a steep slope.

The proposal is for a mixed use building fronting on Rockingham Road with commercial space and higher end one or two bedroom apartment units with a covered parking garage at existing grade.

The parking deck can be set into the slope and be used as a retaining wall to increase the grade, MacGuire said.

There would be 92 parking spaces on the lower level, outside of the garage areas. The second floor of the building would be the residential units with at grade access.

There would be 60-65 residential units proposed. The overall site would have 196 parking spaces.

The commercial components would be built at the same time as the residential garden style units. There is to be a landscaped walking path along Bedard Avenue and separate patio areas or outdoor seating.

There is about a 40-foot difference from the lower parking lot to where the townhouses will be. But one issue of concern is over density in the nearby single residential neighborhood.

MacGuire said one thought was that townhouses would be preferable to having an apartment building.

The project is proposing an impact to the wetlands 75-foot buffer with a stream going under Bedard and then along the property on Winter Hill Road, he noted. A parking area can go right up to the wetland line but a building can't go into the buffer.

Jim MacEachem, board vice chair, asked that the topology here be taken into consideration. He pointed to having the tops of the townhouses somewhat in line with the heights of the homes across the street on Bedard.

As it further reviews these plans, the board said its objective was striking the right balance for both.

Chester

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ment of Motor Vehicles to have them on the front of the vehicles.

On a 4-0 vote they approved purchasing up to 45 of them, for a total cost of \$900.

With summer fast approaching the Board of Selectmen also discussed their summer meeting schedule.

One proposal was made by Selectmen Steven Couture to not have a meeting on July 1 because it's right before the 4th of July weekend and right after the fiscal year ends. After that his proposal was to meet every other week for July and August.

In the case of the emergency he said they could meet on their off weeks.

"If we have to meet then we do," he said.

Selectmen Stephen D'Angelo said that he didn't agree with that saying that usually something comes up each week and they should plan on meeting each week. If they don't need to meet a particular week, he said that they could always cancel that particular meeting.

"This is what we signed up for," D'Angelo said.

It was ultimately agreed on to not meet on July 1, and instead their first meeting for their summer schedule will be on July 8. After that they will plan on meeting each Thursday like usual and decide on a week by week basis on whether or not they have to meet.

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Conservation Commission Asked to Help Site Plan Review Move Forward

JOHN SEIDENBERG
NUTFIELD NEWS

SANDOWN – The Sandown Conservation Commission has been asked to try to move along consideration of a site plan application before it.

The proposal is a conservation town-owned property with open space. It is for Tax Lot 16-9 at Hoytford Hills to establish an open space multi-family, non-age restricted residential condominium development. It will consist of 48 two-bedroom units within 13 buildings.

The location is served by a private roadway with the potential for turtle habitat on the site. The property also has vernal pool wetlands providing a habitat for animals.

The town Planning Board granted conditional approval for the project in March.

Charlie Zilch, owner and project manager with Surveying and Engineering Consultants, Inc., speaking on behalf of D&H Construction in Plaistow, addressed the commission at its June 10 meeting.

He said the project developers have met with the state Fish and Game Department, the Wetlands Bureau of the Department of Environmental Services, and the Army Corps of Engineers. They've also consulted with the Board of Zoning Adjustment, the building inspector, and Town Engineer Steve Keach.

The wetlands impact is fairly minimal, Zilch added, but the project is looking for mitigation by dedicating part of the open space to conservation.

One hitch has been the state's insistence on having a third party help manage the site. The Southeast

Land Trust has been considered in that capacity as a steward of the property.

To go back to the planning board, the application will have to be resubmitted because of the change being made in the plan by subdividing the open space, Zilch said.

The developers have asked for all state permits to be granted to then go back to the planning board with an amended application to finalize everything.

A Wetlands Bureau permit will be necessary to get the other permits which are all conditionally approved. He hoped the Conservation Commission could move as expeditiously as possible on approval.

In a rough draft created for the project, there is open space of 35.3 acres and 34.1 acres for conservation.

The project has gone

back and forth on conservation easements. The state tends to be restrictive on those easements, Zilch added. He thought it was advantageous to have passive recreation uses and trails on the land and an educational function in being able to study habitat there.

There's an option for future site enlargement depending on different landowners.

At the meeting the commission also considered a continued use permit submitted by Michael Cronin for a proposed driveway at 65 Odell Road and Hersey Road. This project initially proposed three 24-inch culverts to keep the fill amount and slide slopes down.

After discussion with the drainage engineer, the plans were changed to a proposed two-foot tall, five-foot wide bottomless box culvert for better flow and to save on fill, said Tim Lavelle, a land surveyor with James M. Lavelle Associates, representing Cronin and a family trust.

The driveway must be 20-feet wide because it's accessing three lots off Hersey Road. It will go up a slope to get further away

from sensitive wetlands. The erosion control could stop 50 feet away from the wetlands in natural vegetation, said Sandown Environmental Consultant Bruce Gilday.

There also was discussion of a wetland code enforcement complaint made regarding 25 Elizabeth Road. The landowner there had cleared trees and pushed fill on the land for a planned garage.

It was a clear violation, said Gilday who investigated at the site.

He explained to the property owner what a jurisdictional wetland line is and informed him he had to discontinue doing any

further damage and put in place erosion control silt barriers and stabilize the finished grade.

At that point the owner could request waivers or permits for what he wanted to do on the property.

In addition, the commission granted permission for monitoring cameras and track stations to be set up at trail sites in Sandown as part of a year-long University of New Hampshire furbearer study. Researchers will survey the wildlife population of furbearing animals.

Cameras as part of this same project are also being set up on town land in Derry.

OBITUARY

Christopher W. "Hutch" Hutchinson



Christopher W. "Hutch" Hutchinson, 52, of Derry, NH, died Wednesday June 9, 2021 in Parkland Medical Center in Derry. He was born in Yokosuka, Japan on Jan. 23, 1969 and had been a resident of Derry for over 20 years, formerly living in Boston's North End. He was a graduate of Oyster River High School in Durham, NH, Class of 1987, and a graduate of Plymouth State College in 1993. Hutch was employed as an analyst for Fidelity Investments in Boston, MA and Merrimack, NH. He enjoyed fishing and was an avid surf caster, frequenting Plum Island. He enjoyed traveling and passed along his love of adventure and travel to his children.

He is survived by his wife, Leigh (Astheimer) Hutchinson of Derry; his son, John Aidan Hutchinson; his daughters, Katherine Lucille Hutchinson, and Holland Perrine Hutchinson; his father, John Kenneth Hutchinson and his wife Judy; his mother, Barbara Jane Miller; and his brother, John David Hutchinson and his wife, Sung Eun. More than anything, he was devoted to his children, and will be sorely missed by so many.

Following cremation, memorial services will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation, 814 Elm St., Suite 300, Manchester, NH 03101-2230. The Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry is assisting the family with arrangements.



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Editorial

Getting the Full Story

How many of us find ourselves irritated or offended by comments on Facebook or other social media sites? It's important to be in the know about big traffic jams on I-93, sightings of multiple emergency vehicles, school busses stopped on the side of the road, and icy road conditions during the winter. However, this information is often followed by rumors, half-truths, and anonymous comments. Sometimes the facts are there, but the material we read is often based on opinion and speculation.

Depending where you click, you might get the story. Or, you might be treated to somebody's idea of the story, which lacks facts all together. Although there has been talk about the Internet being the death of the newspaper, we don't buy it. We know now that this will only be the case with the 'big ones' and their weeklies that only pretend to be local. Privately owned community and local weeklies will soon be the only reliable source of information.

Social media postings can catch and keep our attention by providing real-time content, but they create rumors, suspicions, and conspiracy theories, making it difficult to tell truth from fiction. This is not the case in community newspapers, though, which are based on facts, people, and places we all know.

What you read in print may not be as exciting as the latest social media posting, but it's factual, and if we make a mistake, we correct it in the next edition.

The purpose of a community newspaper is to report the facts and educate rather than to speculate or start rumors, even though we're all tempted to sometimes. While reporters are asked to investigate rumors, readers will never see stories containing information that has not been proven to be true.

We do not create news. We cover what will happen and what has happened publicly.

While sites like Facebook don't have word count limitations, they cater to the short attention spans we've developed since the advent of the Internet. If you want to find out what really happened, pick up a community newspaper. You may not like what an article says, but it's based on the facts.

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So, go ahead and check out social media. We all do it. We even have Facebook pages for our newspapers. But, if you want to read about what really happens in your community, you can't beat a community newspaper.

Letters

Standing Up for NH Elections

To the editor,

New Hampshire does elections well. From Town Meeting to the First in the Nation Primary, Granite State voters always take their civic responsibilities seriously, and our voter turnout figures are always among the best in the country.

The system we use to run these elections works well, and the public can and should have confidence in it. We make it easy for voters to register, to prove their identity, and to cast ballots. Our local election officials are well trained to count ballots, and we have a transparent system to resolve recounts and election disputes.

Yet there has been a concentrated push to replace NH's time-tested system with a partisan system dictated by Democrats in Washington D.C. Our own Secretary of State Bill Gardner, a lifelong Democrat, has urged Congress to reject this overreaching attempt to run all state elections from Washington. The U.S. House of Representative has already passed H.R. 1, a bill that would federalize elections in the fifty states, outlawing common-sense voter ID laws, and mandating questionable practices such as ballot harvesting and allowing absentee ballots arriving days after Election Day. Regrettably, our Representatives, Chris Pappas and Ann McLane Kuster, went against Gardner's defense of NH election laws and sided with Speaker Nancy Pelosi.

For forty years, Gardner and the Legislature

have had the flexibility to defend our First-in-the-Nation Primary. If we cede control of our elections to Washington, I'm afraid we won't be able to fend off the move by Nevada Democrats to move ahead of us and take away our First-in-the-Nation status.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer has scheduled a vote on this sweeping federal takeover of state election laws later this month. I urge our Senators, Jeanne Shaheen and Maggie Hassan, to reject this partisan attack on state elections. But if Washington Democrats get their way, we have taken steps in NH to protect our elections.

The Legislature has approved SB 89, which would preserve NH laws governing state and local elections. I was proud to support SB 89 with my fellow Republicans. Unfortunately, defending our election laws has become a partisan issue, and Senate Democrats voted in lock-step with their Washington counterparts.

This is a shame. NH should be proud of how we run our elections. I trust Bill Gardner a lot more than Nancy Pelosi or Chuck Schumer. We will not let Washington overturn how we elect our government in the Granite State.

Sen. Bill Gannon
(R-Sandown)
Represents District 23

Speak Up for Democracy

To the editor,

Have you been wondering lately why it feels that our economy and our democracy is working really well for a relatively tiny number of very wealthy,

corporate CEOs, but not at all for the rest of us everyday citizens? Wondering how much longer our democracy can last before being completely dismantled? Wondering what it would be like if our children and grandchildren were to live in a world without democracy?

The Meeting House in Londonderry is hosting a community meeting of interested, and frustrated citizens who would like to learn more about what we as voters can do to restore our democracy. Come join us on Wed., June 23 from 5:30 - 7 p.m.! Open Democracy Action (ODA), a grassroots group founded by the late Granny D Had-dock, will be presenting an informative session entitled "Bucket Brigade for Democracy" for NH voters who are wondering what's happening to our democracy, and more importantly, what we can do about it. Our speaker will be Brian Beihl, Deputy Director of Open Democracy Action.

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- what you need to know about Voting Rights legislation in NH

The outdoor event begins at 5:30 p.m., with light refreshments, followed by the presentation and Q & A at 6 - 7 p.m. To RSVP on Facebook go to the Meeting House Page <https://fb.me/e/12wZUI7vB>

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Rely for Life Holds Event at Pinkerton Academy Track Again



After take a break from fundraising last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, volunteers from the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life resumed over the weekend. The event was held on Saturday night, June 12, at the Pinkerton Academy track once again this year, but the process was much different than previous years. The Derry Village Rotary and their Pinkerton Interact ladies were on hand to help with set up and provide food and services. This year the Londonderry/Derry group was joined by Salem, Windham and Pelham to form the Rockingham County Relay for Life group. Only one team was allowed on the track at one time due to health concerns, but the spirit of the event was still very strong. It was also just a one night event, where it was always an overnight event in the past. Over \$75,000 was raised and the top fundraising teams were: Cathy's Angels-\$15,678; Synthoid Sluggers-\$11,567; Fr. Bob's Believers-\$11,401; and CoachBSM13-\$9,379.

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Humphrey Road Multi-Use Development Moving Forward

ALEX MALM
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - During the June 2 Derry Planning Board meeting the board had a conceptual discussion with representatives for Dr. Timothy Butterfield, who owns 14 acres of property on Humphrey Rd.

Their goal is to build a multi-use development on the land.

"It's an exciting project," said John Cronin, the attorney representing Butterfield at the meeting.

Cronin said he is thankful for new zoning laws

which allow the West Running Brook District to have mixed type use with residential properties and commercial use buildings.

He explained that their plan is to have approximately 18 townhouses, apartments, along with commercial spaces.

Planning Board member Jim MacEachern said that he is thankful that they took into consideration the comments they had before when they went to the planning board for a previous conceptual discussion.

"I think you did a great job taking into heart

the feedback we gave you the last time," he said. "I think everything we see here looks fantastic."

"I can't see anything that you didn't take into consideration. I think this is a great plan," MacEachern said.

He said that they will now be getting into more details as they come up with the final plans for the board's consideration.

Planning board member Mark Connors said that he was also happy that they took into consideration the comments.

"The plan looks much

better," he said.

Planning board member Brian Chirichiello said that he liked the underground parking garage style that they are proposing for the apartment residents.

"I think it's important, people are going to look for that," he said.

Overall he is happy with the plan so far.

"What you have here is really nice," Chirichiello said.

One of the major changes that they made to the design compared to the one presented to the board last time was the amount

of floors they have.

Originally their tallest building was proposed to be five floors and now will be four floors based on the feedback of the board.

It was also asked if they would be considering having studio apartments if they are approved by the planning and zoning board to have them. In the zoning district apartment units are supposed to be one and two bedrooms.

They said that it's something they may want to consider.

Also during the meeting it was announced that

planning board member Lori Davison had to resign from the board because she is moving to Vermont.

She said that she is going to miss serving on the Derry Planning Board.

"Leaving the board is the hardest part," Davison said.

Davison has served on the planning board for the last 10 years, and is hopeful that another woman will take her place on the board.

"I hope some other woman in Derry will step up to take my place. Boards need more representation," she said.

Bread and Breakfast Discusses by Chester Planning Board

ALEX MALM
NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - During the Planning Board meeting on June 9, the board had a conceptual discussion with Robert Swanson who owns 504 Haverhill Road, in regards to his unattached cottage behind his house.

Swanson explained that he is interested in using the seasonal cottage as a bread and breakfast. Due to the new zoning laws bread and breakfasts are required to have the bedroom either inside the single family

home or attached to it. With the cottage being located behind the house it means that it doesn't fit that criteria.

Because the cottage is detached from the house it was explained that they will likely need a variance from the zoning board of adjustments.

While Hadik said that based on their plan they shouldn't have any problems getting approval from the planning board because they have enough parking spaces and have been given permission by the Board of

Selectmen to use Jack Road for their guests, it will ultimately come down to the decision made by the ZBA to allow a variance or not.

He said if they are approved by the ZBA they will have to go back to the planning board for a site plan review

During the meeting Scott Bourcier of Gale Associates, Inc. expressed his interest in continuing to service the planning board after switching to a different engineering firm.

He said he has been

serving the board for the past 17 years.

"I really enjoy servicing planning boards, and being a part of the community," Bourcier said.

"My goal is to support and be that secondary technical resource for the town and hopefully help and continue providing the services that town is expecting and has received for a number of years," Bourcier said.

It was also noted by Chester Town Planner Andrew Hadik that Bourcier has secured a contract

with the road agent already.

In the past he has done construction inspections and has done site plan reviews. Because DuBois and King is the engineering consulting firm that currently handles those services he said that he thinks it would be best for him to handle the construction inspections.

Bourcier said he understands that it will ultimately be up to the planning board to decide what company they want to do both, and is okay with whatever they decide to do.

"It's up to you to decide what best fits your needs," he said.

The planning board

will decide what they want to do in regards to the two different companies.

Also during the meeting, it was announced by Hadik that they would have to begin meeting in person because the state of emergency order which has allowed them to meet remotely is expiring.

The order expired on June 11.

While a quorum is needed in person they are still allowed to have some planning board members meet remotely.

Board of Selectmen Chairman Chuck Myette said that all the municipal offices are now open and masks are optional and not required.

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Derry Town Council Takes Zoning, Grant, Administrative, and Recognition Steps

JOHN SEIDENBERG
NUTFIELD NEWS

DERRY - The Derry Council has amended the town's zoning ordinance on uses and requirements for the Traditional Business Overlay District. This change affects the downtown central business area.

As Planning Director George Sioras explained at the council's June 1 meeting, both the council and Planning Board have wanted to look at permitted uses primarily regarding housing in the downtown business district.

Their objective is to encourage mixed use development particularly with higher density housing, and the size of the units. The major change here comes in residential density, he said.

The zoning amendment will enable a residential unit in a mixed use development with either commercial or office uses. Each unit must be no more than 400 square feet.

Because of interest in having them included, Sioras added, one studio unit per development will be permitted if a development has no more than four units in total.

Minimum lot size in the downtown business district must be 20,000 square feet. Density also can't be greater than 40 units per acre.

District 4 Councilor Brian Chirichiello who is a professional realtor said this step is a response to the statewide housing shortage and inability to find affordable places to live.

"This is the first domino to fall in redeveloping and increasing density to the downtown," stated Council Chair Jim Morgan.

In other action the council accepted a Bureau of Justice Assistance Grant for personal body armor. Police Chief Ed Garone told members the Derry Police Department became eligible for this grant for bullet proof vests.

The department is looking to purchase 19 vests. The grant's value is \$11,961.35 representing up to half the cost of the vests to be reimbursed by the Department of Justice to the town.

In addition, the council accepted a portion of Stoneleigh Drive as a Class VI Town Road

which has no maintenance requirements for the town. The move is also an acceptance of an existing 50-foot right of way, said Public Works Director Mike Fowler.

The next related step would be the planning board's final approval of the affected residential subdivision.

On administrative matters, councilors approved amendments to the non-represented personnel policy pertaining to five town employees not represented by any collective bargaining agreements.

They also approved and funded a collective bargaining agreement between Derry administrative support staff and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

The agreement contains a 1.5 percent bonus outside of the base year one pay rate, followed by increases of 2 percent for FYs22-26, said Town Administrator Dave Caron.

The first year cost of this agreement is \$42,297 to be funded through existing appropriations.

With the need for repairs to the stage at the Derry Opera House, and the facility's economic contributions, the council further authorized the transfer of \$70,000 from the DCC TIF Redevelopment and Infrastructure Activities Expendable Trust to complete the stage's construction.

Repairs were expected to cost about \$90,000 when the FY22 budget was approved, Caron noted. But subsequently the coun-

cil chose to underwrite the total cost of improvements up to \$115,000.

On another subject, Caron cited some concern over interest earnings revenue. The council reduced anticipated revenues by approximately \$160,000 with approval of the FY21 budget.

However, the town will be about \$200,000 below that number and is earning about 10 percent in interest earnings of the amount earned two years ago, he pointed out.

According to newly released U.S. Census population figures, Derry remains the fourth most populous community in the state at 33,442 people.

The council also officially recognized LGBTQ Pride Month during all of June for town residents.

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Chester Church

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the building. Years of water damage from gaps in the

steeple has done significant damage to the sanctuary ceiling, thus the ceiling



Scaffolding now surrounds the Chester Congregational Baptist Church as the steeple has some much-needed work done. Photo by Chris Paul

will need to be scraped, prepped and re-painted.

Phase II involved the remaining exterior three sides of the building. Repairs will include Painting, fixing shutters, window glazing and foundation repair.

In total, the cost for all this work adds up to about \$475,000. About 85 percent of this funding has already been raised, but additional funding will be required to finish this extensive project.

Recently, the Meetinghouse Preservation Project committee sent out a mailer asking for donations.

Most of the funds already raised for the project was done through congregation members of the church and from private donations. About \$65,000 of the money raised was from Warrant Articles raised by taxpayers in Chester at Town Meeting.

Interestingly, the clock and bell in the steeple is owned by the town of Chester.

The committee hopes that most of the reconstruction can be done before the Chester 300th Anniversary celebration, as a lot of the events will be held on the church grounds.

The events for the anniversary are scheduled

to begin on May 7, 2022.

Stevens Hall was also going to be used during the 300th celebration, but recently it was discovered that structural issues in the hall have made it off limits to residents.

The congregation has just recently started to hold services in the historic building again after the

COVID-19 state of emergency ended and Rev. Linda Rackliffe can once again welcome members each Sunday at 10 a.m.

Anyone interested in donating to this preservation project can do so by visiting chesternhchurch.org and clicking the donate button on the Meetinghouse Preservation Project page.



Derry Flag Day Members of American Legion Post 9, VFW Post 1617 and their Auxiliary members, Pinkerton Jr. Air Force ROTC and Boy Scout Troops 98 and 405 assembled at the Derry Conservation Area at Broadview Farm on Saturday, June 12 for the annual Flag Retirement service. Photos courtesy Tony Travia

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DERRY SPORTS

Astros Varsity Lacrosse Squads Come Up Short in DI Tournament

CHRIS PAUL
NUTFIELD NEWS

Despite giving it a good run in the NHIAA Division I Championships, both the Pinkerton Academy boys and girls squads suffered overwhelming defeats last week.

Both games took place on Tuesday, June 8, with the boys playing first, at Exeter High School, where they fell to the Blue Hawks 12-5.

Later that evening, the Lady Astros took on the Bishop Guertin Lady Cardinals and fell in a very lopsided 20-3 battle.

The Bishop Guertin teams in both the boys and girls finals. The Exeter boys lost 9-7 in the finals to the Cards.

In the finals between the Lady Astros and the undefeated Lady Cardinals the teams were delayed until after the rains came through

Nashua, the PA squad had an optimistic start as PA's Ali Lamphere scored the first goal of the game at the 24-minute mark in the first half.

Unfortunately, that would be the only lead of the game for the Lady Astros, as BG came right back to tie the game two minutes later.

The Lady Cardinals scored six more times before PA Emily Jowett was able to give PA their second point of the day.

Shortly after, Jowett added another for her second goal and Pinkerton's last goal of the game to make it 10-3 with five minutes left in the first half.

After that, it was all BG, and they hit for ten more unanswered goals for the 20-3 final score and the BG girls celebrated winning their third straight state title.

In the boys Division I semifinal game, held earlier in the day in Exeter, the Astros got off to a slow start and trailed throughout the contest.

Mason Barbone scoring the first goal with an assist from Mason Drouin at the 3:13 mark in the first quarter to make it 4-1.

Riley Spellman had the second goal of the game for PA making the game 5-2.

Sophomore Ryan Lynch made it 5-3 before the period ended with a shot right in front of the net. He also took a penalty with the score.

The Astros brought it to within one with Lynch's second goal of the game to start the second.

Mike Uber had the fifth goal for PA, making it 6-5 with six minutes left in the half.

That is were the scoring ended for PA, despite a number of close plays where the ball clanged off the post several times. The Blue Hawk defense tightened up, and they moved onto the Division I finals against Bishop Guertin.

At the DI state finals the Blue Hawks lost 9-7 to the Cardinals.



Sophomore Ryan Lynch had two goals in the Semifinal game in Exeter. Photos by Chris Paul



Pinkerton's Emily Jowett was the top scorer in the Astros loss to BG in the state finals game.

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Hampstead Water Committee Reviews Initial Water Survey Results

JOHN SEIDENBERG
NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - The Hampstead Water Resource Committee plans to use an online forum for distribution of the town's water survey findings. The committee reviewed the initial results at its June 1 meeting but wants to share them in advance of its next meeting on July 6.

The deadline for responding to the survey was

May 25. HWRC Chair Stephanie Spyvee said the small number of respondents reflected a subset of the town.

A total of 532 responses were received with a high percentage being from voters already engaged in town governance issues. Nearly everyone completed the survey online with approximately 20 respondents submitting paper copies, reported alternate committee member Sheila Nolan.

The committee and the Rockingham County Planning Commission collaborated on the project. While they sought responses from residents, businesses, and schools, almost all came from residents and very few from businesses.

Survey questions included sources of drinking water, types of wells people have, knowledge of testing practices, and inquiries about groundwater resources and water con-

servation.

The 30 percent of respondents who said they had bedrock wells were considered representative of Hampstead overall, Spyvee said. But 28 percent didn't know what kind of private well they had.

A few asked if 60 feet was considered a shallow or deep well. Potentially 5-10 feet of that is thought to be overburden and 50 feet of rock.

For those not familiar with what kind of well they have, one repository of well information is com-

pletion reports that drillers submit, Jim McHale, committee secretary, pointed out. The requirement to submit those forms began in 1984, he said, though well records on file have varying levels of detail.

McHale doubted well records would be found for many houses in Hampstead built before 1990.

Among other survey results, 79% said groundwater resources management in the community should be protected for everyone as a shared public resource, although some added this

should be a resource owned and managed on privately owned property.

49% support implementation of restrictions on water use in the event of a declared drought. The same number said protection should be given as a resource limited by environmental conditions such as drought and water consumption use and demand.

Three percent thought water should be a resource for commercial sale, and 94% said the town's master plan should prioritize groundwater resource protection.

Fifty-three people responded they wanted to participate in water committee meetings but haven't noticeably materialized as yet, Spyvee said.

Of the respondents, 44% said they were unfamiliar with the water committee.

In addition, a number of complaints were made about the Hampstead Area Water Company. Approximately 150 comments also were submitted. Some called for limits on building in the community.

Those who participated were thought to indicate the interest in water and concern over drought and pollution. The committee wants to incorporate the results into the town's master plan, sharing them with the planning board and master plan committee.

A final survey report with a link to a pdf of the full results could be posted to the town website and on Facebook.

OBITUARY

Brian David Garvin



Brian David Garvin, 28, of Derry, NH, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, June 12, 2021, at his home in Derry. He was born on Nov. 15, 1992 in Nashua, NH, a son of Ronald and Debora (Bradner) Garvin, and had been a resident of Derry for the past 3 years, formerly living in Litchfield, NH. Brian was a graduate of Campbell High School in Litchfield. He was an avid sports fan and especially loved the Boston teams. Brian had a love of tie dye and sneakers. He will be remembered as a true original, never afraid to be himself.

He is survived by his parents Ron and Debby Garvin, one sister, Kendra Garvin and her boyfriend Jon Sinclair; his girlfriend, Katrina Williams, his longtime best friend Matt Ferdinand, his aunt and uncles, Jeannie and Tim Farrell, Brian and Andrea Sorrells and Andrea Garvin and her partner Al Streck; as well as numerous cousins, extended family and friends.

Following cremation, memorial calling hours will be held on Thursday June 17, from 4 - 6:30 p.m., in the Peabody Funeral Homes and Crematorium, 15 Birch St., Derry. Funeral services will begin at 6:30 p.m., in the funeral home. For those in attendance, face mask usage and social distancing are recommended. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Brian's memory to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Assoc., PO Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005. To send a condolence or for more information, please visit, www.peabodyfuneralhome.com.

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Chester's Wason Pond Commission Elects New Officers

ALEX MALM
NUTFIELD NEWS

CHESTER - During the June 7 Wason Pond Commission meeting, the commission elected its officers for the 2021-2022 year.

Being nominated to remain as the chairperson of the commission was Chris Hadik.

Making the nomination was Kathleen Neff Ragsdale.

"I thought you've done a wonderful job, Chris especially during some trying times and times when you were kind've forced to stand up to folks. I am real-

ly hoping you will consider staying on as chair of this commission," she said.

The commission voted to reelect Hadik as the chairperson. He abstained from the vote.

Being reelected as the vice chairperson was Corinna Reishus. She abstained from the vote.

The commission also reelected Neff Ragsdale to the position of treasurer.

"I'm happy to do it," she said. Like the other two officers she abstained from the vote.

On the agenda during the meeting was a discussion about creating a policy in regards to horses swim-

ming in the pond at the small and large beaches.

Hadik said that last year they talked about not allowing horses to swim there between Memorial Day and Labor day which is when the beach is at its busiest, otherwise they don't have an issue with it.

Commission member Sandy Wright said that there may be some people who will be upset with it because there haven't been many messes there.

"It has been clean down there," she said.

Hadik pointed out that the main concern is the safety issues with having many kids at the beaches.

Reishus said that if they aren't going to allow horses then they shouldn't allow dogs as well.

"I think it's a larger discussion," she said.

It was ultimately decided to not allow animals at either beach from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

During the recreation report Reishus gave the commission a recap about the annual fishing derby that took place earlier this year.

"It was very successful," she said about the event.

She said that about 60 children participated this year, with half of them pre-

registering and the other half registering on the morning of the event.

When asked she said that 60 is about the normal amount that participates in the fishing derby.

With the Chester summer recreation program taking place again this year from July 6 to Aug. 6 Reishus said that she is still looking for lifeguards in order for them to have a swimming program.

It was also announced during the meeting that they would have to meet in person once again because of the Governor's Executive Order expiring which previously allowed public

boards and commissions to meet remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Although they are required to once again have a quorum in person in a public meeting place they are still allowed to have some member of the commission meet remotely if they aren't able to attend in person for a particular meeting.

Reishus said that they are able to do a hybrid meeting for any members that can't attend.

The next Wason Pond Commission meeting is slated for Monday, July 5 at 7 p.m.

Hampstead Zoning Board Approve a Pool and a Deck

HENRY GREENBAUM
NUTFIELD NEWS

HAMPSTEAD - The Hampstead Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBA) met for their monthly meeting on June 2 and held two public hearings.

The first order of business was the hearing over a request made by Jeffery and Stephanie Wiggins of 18 Shaker Lane for a Special Exception in the city zoning ordinance.

The request made by the Wiggins was to allow for the placement of an inground pool that would

be slightly close to the side lot line on their property.

"Out intent is to line the pool up with the corner of the house and have it come straight back for aesthetic reasons, but also because I did not want to put it too close to the deck and deck stairs," said Stephanie Wiggins. "We have four children, and I really don't want them jumping off of the steps into the pool."

The Wiggins want the pool to be safe for their children to swim and jump into. Having it near the deck could make it unsafe

for their children and may increase the likelihood of them getting injured.

To make the pool safe, the Wiggins claim that it must be allowed to line up closely with the lot line. This could be due to there not being enough space to place the pool in a way that it is both far enough away from the deck and follows the guidelines enforced by the Town Zoning Ordinance.

The ZBA felt that it was a very simple request that would not be intrusive to anyone in anyway, so they unanimously voted to

accept the special exception.

The next hearing was to consider the request made by Terry Lynagh for the approval of a Special Exception in the Town Zoning Ordinance. This would allow for the construction of a deck on the property owned by John Lynagh located at 150 Mill Shore Drive.

The issue is that John's property is a non-conforming lot. Robert Champagne, who would be building the deck presented the request on Terry Lynagh's behalf. "The cri-

teria here is that the Special Exception is for the alteration or enlargement of a structure on a non-conforming lot so long as there is no diminution of surrounding property values in the view of the [ZBA]," said Vice Chairperson Hank Riehl.

When the floor was opened up to the public, the people that came forward were all in support of the Special Exception.

Neighbor Don Bryant of 151 Mill Shore Drive said, "I have no problem with [the Special exception]."

"We have no problem with the proposed deck on the Lynagh's property," said Rose Colby of 149 Mill Shore Drive.

The Zoning Board members determined that the proposed deck would not impede on the value of the surrounding area.

With the full support of the public, they unanimously approved the Special Exception requested by Terry Lynagh, allowing a deck to be built on the property owned by John Lynagh which is a non-conforming lot.

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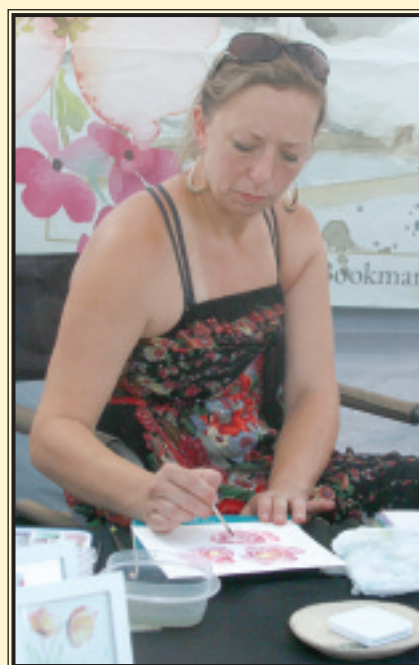
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COMMUNITY EVENTS

This section is meant to be used to announce free events to the communities. If your group or non-profit is receiving money for what they are publicizing, there will be a charge of \$40.00/week per paper. All Around Town/Calendar Items will be held to 100 words maximum; anything over will incur a charge of \$40.00/week for up to another 50 words. All free announcements in the Around Town/Calendar section can run a maximum of 3 weeks. **Additionally:** We will run the full versions of any calendar items online free of charge at www.nutpub.net. Please send submissions to nutfieldnews@nutpub.net.

DERRY

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Checklist Session

State law requires that the Supervisors of the Checklist verify the checklist every ten years. Any person on the checklist who has not voted in the past four years must re-register to remain on the

checklist. The Supervisors are sending notice letters to these voters at the address the voter provided when registering. The Supervisors of the Checklist for the Town of Derry will hold 2 sessions for re-registering voters who have not voted since April 1, 2017, On Monday, Monday, June 28, from 6 - 7 p.m., at

the Derry Municipal Center 1st floor, 14 Manning St., Derry. Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may still register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship, and / or domicile.

Tiny Tot Storyhour

The Taylor library will be holding Tiny Tot Storyhour on Monday's at 10 a.m. Call

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CHESTER

Teen Book Club

Chester Library will host a teen book club on Thursday, June 24, at 6 p.m. The group will discuss Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds. Pick up books at the front desk. Registration Is Required. To register or for more information call 887-3404.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Chester Library Board of Trustees will hold a meeting on Tuesday, June 29, at 6:30

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Reopening

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to outside groups. "We believe this is a very positive step for our schools and our community," Garofalo said.

As they continue to create the final draft of the reopening plan, Connors-Krikorian said they will continue to keep the safety of its students in mind.

"Health and safety continues to be an ongoing

priority," she said.

While all of the school facilities will be open for learning, Connors-Krikorian said that medically compromised students will be able to receive accommodations through the 504 or IEP plan processes.

Connors-Krikorian said that the draft plan is up online and the public will have a limited amount of time to give feedback about the plan because they need to have

enough time to synthesize the results before the board takes a vote on the final plan.

During the June 22 school board meeting the school board is expected to take a vote on the final draft of the plan and then will submit it to the New Hampshire Department of Education.

In personnel news the school board accepted resignations of two different teachers. They included Holly Webster, a music teacher at Grinnell Elementary School, and Isis Santiago, a special education teacher at East Derry Memorial Elementary School.

The school board also approved its summer board meeting schedule. Those meetings are slated for July 13, Aug. 17, and Aug. 31. The meetings will take place at 6:30 p.m.

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is every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. Bring your little ones for stories and songs with Miss Maryjo! Registration is required by calling 887-3404.

HAMPSTEAD

Thrift Shop Reopen

The Friends of the Hampstead Public Library are pleased to announce that they plan to re-open their Thrift Shop on Tuesday, July 6. Shop hours will be Tuesdays and Saturdays, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The Shop is located in the basement of the Hampstead Public Library and shoppers should enter via the door on the left side of the building, where a red flag will be hanging. Item donations to the Thrift Shop will be accepted starting June 21. Donations should be brought into the Library when it is open. Please do not leave donations outside the building. The Shop sells clothing, shoes, and accessories for men, women, and children. Call 603-329-6411 or email HampsteadFriends@gmail.com if you have questions.

Summer Reading

Adults and children are welcome to register for the Hampstead Public Library Summer Reading Program at any time online, or in person, for the duration of the program. You can find the online registration forms on the Kids Homepage, Teens (Middle School) Homepage, and the Entertainment & Research/Adult Summer Reading page on www.HampsteadLibrary.org. Join our summer of Tails & Tales fun! The more you read, the more chances you have to win great prizes.

Summer Storytime

Tails & Tales Summer Storytime at the Hampstead Public Library begins on Monday, June 21 at 9:30 a.m. Grab a blanket or folding-chair and join Miss Jenn on the lawn for animal-themed stories. This program is geared toward preschoolers, but siblings are welcome to attend. In case of bad weather, information will be posted on the Library's Facebook

page by 9 a.m. or you can call to inquire.

Wildlife Encounters

The big opening event for Hampstead Library's Children's Summer Reading is Wildlife Encounters at 10 a.m., on Thursday, June 24 at Meetinghouse Park. Wildlife Encounters Ecology Center and Farm School brings a selection of animal ambassadors to wow you! Please bring chairs or blankets and make your family comfortable to enjoy the show. This event is presented by the Hampstead Public Library and the Hampstead Recreation Department. Special thanks to the Hampstead Civic Club for providing the funding.

Activity Kits

The Hampstead Public Library has STEM kits for the Children's Museum of NH program Finding Science in Folktales. There are a limited number of kits available for Hampstead kids; advance registration is required. Find out more information on the Events Calendar (see June 30) on www.HampsteadLibrary.org, call 603-329-6411, or ask when you visit the Library. The activities are designed for Ages 5-11, however, children outside this age range are welcome to participate.

6th Annual Golf Tournament

The 6th Annual Greater Hampstead Civic Club/Brian E. Colbert Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Monday Aug. 2, at Atkinson Country Club. Registration starts at 10:30 a.m., and Shotgun Start at noon in a Scramble Format. The entry fee of \$185 per player that includes Greens fees, Cart, and lunch and dinner. Sponsorships are still Available. If you can attend you can bid on Auction Items online. Field is limited to first 144 Golfers on the Main Course but we also have the Par 3 Event the same day. Go to www.HampsteadCivclub.org for registration. Contact Kim Colbert at 603-548-6776 with Questions

Independence Day Festival

The Big Independence Day Celebration will be held

on Saturday June 26, events starting at 3 p.m., to be held on the Town Green in Hampstead. Find out who the winners of the Civic Club Scholarship Award. There will be: Kids games, carnival booths, and a wide selection of food, there will be music to entertain you for the evening leading up to the fireworks.

Vacation Bible School

Island Pond Baptist Church, 26 North Salem Rd., Hampstead, will hold this year's Vacation Bible School (VBS), "Destination Dig, Unearthing the Truth about Jesus", from June 21 - 25, 9 a.m. - Noon. All kids entering Kindergarten through entering 5th grade are welcome. Come join the fun. This is a free event. To register and for more information, you can email the office, info@islandpondbc.com, or call us at 603-329-5959. Visit us on the web at www.islandpondbc.com

Library Hours

Starting Tuesday, June 1, Business hours are expanding and returning to Monday and Tuesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Wednesday 1 - 8 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Curbside Pickup services will continue to be offered during those hours. Please note that there is no Curbside Pickup service when the Library is closed on Wednesday mornings. Masks are still required of all visitors in the building over the age of 2, regardless of vaccination status.

Renew Open 2021

Renew will be open Tuesday's, Thursday's and 3rd Saturday of the month starting in June: Tuesday, June 22, 29 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Thursday, June 24 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, June 19 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. At Calvary Bible Church Families and individuals in need or on a budget are welcomed for NH residence only. Enter at marquee sign of Calvary Bible Church, 145 Hampstead Rd., Derry. To make sure our newest items are available for all our visitors there is a limit to each household to up to 30 items and two pairs of shoes per family. Come in and get a bag

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Blood Drive

The Knights of Columbus Council #9058 of Hampstead, will be sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, June 18, from 1 - 6 p.m., at St. Anne Church, 26 Emerson Ave., Hampstead. Appointments are required. With an appointment, you can use "Rapid Pass" and speed your way through the donation process. For an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

SANDOWN

Legos and More

Come and build over zoom from 4 - 5 p.m., for ages 6 and up! We will be doing some fun building challenges. If you don't have Legos, that's okay. You can use blocks, magnet tiles, tinker-toys etc. Registration is required. Once you have registered, you will be emailed a unique link to Zoom where we will have fun building together. The Zoom meeting will be locked after the program has started, so please arrive on time. Contact: Adrienne Skora at 887-3428 and youthservices@sandownlibrary.us

Supervisors Of The Checklist

Are you a registered voter of Sandown? If you are and have not voted in the past 4 years (since April 1, 2017), you will need to re-register or we will be removing your name from the Voter Checklist. Please come to one of the Supervisors of the Checklist sessions: Saturday June 26, 11 - 11:30 a.m. or Tuesday June 29, 7 - 7:30

p.m., at the Town Clerks Office, Sandown Town Hall, 320 Main St., Sandown, to re-register. We will also be taking requests for corrections of the Checklist. Also new voters may come to register at these times or during regular business hours at the Town Clerks Office. All persons re-registering or new will need to bring: A photo ID, verification of Domicile, age (birth certificate) and proof of citizenship (US Passport and or US Citizenship certificate). We will also have affidavits available at these sessions.

Messy Mondays at Home

Looking for something to do with your child? Join the Sandown Library on Mondays from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., for a child-centered, creative exploration. Art, science and crafts will all be incorporated into this program

Monday Mystery Book Club

Are you a mystery reader? Looking for some new authors or a chance to read a favorite one? Join us at the Sandown Library on the 1st Monday of the month to discuss the monthly book choice from 10:30 a.m. - noon. This month's book: This Month's book: Iced Under by Barbara Ross. Books are available to pick up at the library. Please register so we have enough copies of the books available. Contact Susan Kehoe at 887-3428 or skehoe@sandownlibrary.us.

Virtual PJ Storytime

Join Miss Adrienne live on Facebook at 6:30 p.m., every Wednesday night for Virtual PJ Storytime. Wear pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal with you.

Family Fun In The Kitchen

Via Zoom from 4 - 5 p.m. Fall is here which means lots of apples. The Sandown Library will be making apple crisp. Participants are required to register and will receive an email with the login information to this Zoom event. Contact: Adrienne Skora at 887-3428 or youthservices@sandownlibrary.us.

BOOK - 2 - MOVIE

Is the Book always Better? The first Thursday of

each month from 6 - 8 p.m., the Sandown Library watches a movie based on a book and have a discussion comparing them. Books for the next gathering are always available on movie viewing night. This is open every month to anyone who wants to join the discussion and watch the movie. Contact: Tricia Thomas at 603-887-3428 or pthomas@sandownlibrary

Board of Library Trustees

Sandown Library Board Of Trustees will be Meeting from 7 - 9 p.m. The Board of Library Trustees meet every month on the second Thursday. This meeting is open to the public.

Crafting Crew

Crafts to make at home with the Sandown Library for ages 2-6! Each registered participant will receive a Take & Go Bag containing craft materials for each week's craft. If you did not request a bag, most crafts can be made with materials you probably have at your home, so check out the craft video! The directions for each week's craft will be pre-recorded then posted to the library's YouTube channel each Thursday 10 - 11 a.m. Find the library's channel here, <https://bit.ly/2REz5vh>. Contact: Tricia Thomas, at 887-3428, or programming@sandownlibrary.us.

Virtual Mother Goose On The Loose

On Mondays, from 10 - 10:30 a.m., a Virtual Mother Goose On The Loose (Ages up to 36 months) will be hosted by Sandown Library. Join Monday mornings on YouTube for movement, reading, rhymes, and songs. Mother Goose on the Loose is a brain-based program consisting of thirty minutes of fun, skill-building activities. Some benefits of the programs are the following: aids speech development, improves motor coordination, develops attention span, and encourages a love of books and book illustrations. A link to the day's YouTube video will be posted 10 minutes prior to the start time. You can find archived story times from previous programs, too.

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