Announcements

- Come and join the Parks & Recreation Department at Abbie Griffin Park every Wednesday Night from 6- 8 pm for the weekly Summer Concert Series. This year’s concert series will run from June 22nd – August 17th. Each week’s concert will feature a variety of musical performances including Oldies, Swing, Rhythm & Blues & Classic Rock music and more to fill the air. Bring your family & friends, blankets & chairs, to enjoy this free night of entertainment each week. For a complete schedule of performers visit the Parks & Recreation website at www.merrimackparksandrec.org

- We are just a week and a half away from this year’s 4th of July Celebration. On Sunday, July 3rd; we will be featuring the Merrimack Concert Association for their annual Patriotic Concert at Abbie Griffin Park from 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

- On Monday, July 4th, the Merrimack Road Runners Boosters Club will be holding their Annual Sparkler 5K Road Race which will begin at 8AM at the Merrimack High School.

- From 8 – 11 am; the Merrimack Rotary Club will be holding their Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Merrimack High School. ** The Rotary Club typically runs a family fun day of music and activities during the afternoon but that event will NOT be happening this year**

- The Annual 4th of July Parade will kick off from the Commons Shopping Plaza at 515 Daniel Webster Highway at 1:00 pm. Merrimack typically has one of the largest Independence Day parades in the State of NH. The deadline to enter a float into the parade is Thursday, June 30th. The parade features a wide range of bands, militia units, clowns, local businesses, community organizations and more. Participating can be as easy as putting a decorating a bicycle or a vehicle and just riding along or can be a highly decorated float. It is a great way to show your patriotism and get some free advertising for your business or organization at the same time. We want the parade to be a fun, family friendly event for all to enjoy and the more local groups that participate, the better. There is no cost to participate but advanced registration is required which is done thru the Parks & Rec Website at www.merrimackparksandrec.org

- The Annual 4th of July Fireworks Display will begin at 9:00 pm at Merrimack High School and we will have DJ Darren Roy playing music in front of the high school from 7:00 – 9:00 pm so come early and get a good seat.

- The Library’s Summer Reading Program kicked off last night with a concert in Abbie Griffin Park featuring children’s performer, Bed Rudnick and Friends! Check the library’s website for upcoming events for all ages. Read with us this summer - Register online or in person, read and log your reading and be entered to win great books and prizes.
Town Manager’s Report

- New Hampshire DOT, Turnpike Division will be performing drainage work on Greeley Street in August. The project will repair or replace drainage pipe and structures at the bottom of Greeley Street, on the west side of Daniel Webster Highway near the Common Man restaurant. Work is expected to begin in August and be completed by September. The work will occur at night and will require shifting both lanes of traffic to one side of the concrete island and then the other side. As the work schedule is finalized, notice will be published through the Town webpage and social media sources to help to alert residents and businesses of the work. Work will be accomplished by Busby Construction of Atkinson, NH.

- Naticook Road drainage repair – The replacement of 380 feet of drainage pipe and three precast concrete structures has been completed in Naticook Rd between Westborn Drive and Lamson Drive. The paving contractor is anticipated to complete the paving next week. Please see the Town website or Public Works Facebook page for pictures of the work and updates on the work schedule.

- A drainage improvement project for Gail Road is currently advertised for bid. The project will replace approximately 800 feet of failing drainage pipe, add or replace 14 catch basins, install 240 feet of underdrain pipe to lower the groundwater under the road, and repave 1,600 linear feet of Gail Road. Bids will be publicly opened on July 14, 2022 and the project is scheduled for completion by November 4, 2022.

- The Town of Merrimack submitted the $2,000,000 State ARPA Grant application to NHDES on June 17th for the Phase V upgrade. The amendment application to add the Phase V project to the current loan is required to be submitted no later than June 30th.

- The Town received good news this week when we received the approved wetland permit for the Souhegan River Trail. The permit is approved subject to a 30-day appeal period that commenced on June 16, 2022. The project is on schedule to advertise for bid in August/September of this year, with construction occurring in 2023.