

Town Manager's Update

December 2, 2021

Announcements

- The Merrimack Parks & Recreation Department invites you to join us in kicking off the official Holiday Season by joining us for the 28th Annual Holiday Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony; which will take place this Sunday, December 5th, 2021. The Annual Holiday Parade will start at 3:00 p.m. in the Commons Shopping Plaza located at 515 Daniel Webster Highway. When the Parade kicks off, it will take a left onto Daniel Webster Highway and will proceed south. It will then take a right onto Baboosic Lake Road and then a left onto McElwain Street, disbanding at the Town Hall Parking Lot.
- **TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:**
The Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony will be held at Abbie Griffin Park (located behind Merrimack Town Hall) and which will begin immediately after the parade arrives at Abbie Griffin Park at approximately 3:45 pm. For questions, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 603-882-1046.
- **FOOD DRIVE:**
This year more than most; the need is great. The Town-wide Food Drive continues through December 31st. Please donate your unexpired canned food and other non-perishable items to benefit the local food pantries at St. John Neumann and St James Churches. Other drop-off locations are located at the Town Hall, Police Department, Fire Department, Highway Maintenance Complex, Transfer Station and the Library. We will have collection boxes available at the tree lighting to drop off your donations at the Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- The Single Stream operation at the recycling facility will see a minor change in December – we will no longer be able to accept #3, #6, and #7 plastics in the recycling stream. Please see the Solid Waste website, Public Works Facebook Page, and informational posters at the facility for details in the coming week.
- Wreaths Across America will bring its mobile education unit to Merrimack next week. The display is making its way from Maine to Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia on Dec. 18 for the 30th anniversary of the first wreaths laid there. The exhibit arrives Monday, Dec. 13, the birthday of the U.S. National Guard, at the American Legion hall at 43 Baboosic Lake Road in Merrimack at 1:45 p.m. The exhibit will be open to the public at 2 p.m. before moving on to Brattleboro, VT.

Town Manager's Report

- Wastewater Phase III Update: The contractor is in the process of installing the concrete foundations for the new emergency generators, installing electrical manholes and duct banks, and completing field verifications of measurements and grades for the primary and secondary clarifiers. Work remains on-schedule.
- The Woodbury Street sidewalk is complete. Kudos to Town Engineer Dawn Tuomala and Contractor Continental Paving for making this project such a success!