## Town Manager's Update October 26, 2023

## Announcements

- The Merrimack Police Department's Open House has been postponed to Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM -1:00 PM. Special events to include: NH Fire Marshal Demo (K-9 Anthem), K-9 Demo with Sgt. Steve Wallin and K-9 Drei, Taser demo, bomb robot demo (Nashua PD Bomb Unit), Station tours, MPD Comfort Dog Mack, MPD new Search & Rescue Vehicle, Incident Command Vehicle, Search & Rescue drones, Southern NH Special Operations Unit SWAT Bearcat Armored Vehicle and much more.
- The Parks & Recreation Department invites you to join them this Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> for the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Town of Merrimack Halloween Party at Wasserman Park. The event features free games, crafts, demonstrations and other activities from 32 local business & community organizations along with the Annual Costume Contest and new Pumpkin Derby Races. The event is held from 12 3 pm. For details visit the Parks & Recreation Dept. website at <a href="https://www.merrimackparksandrec.org">www.merrimackparksandrec.org</a> or call 882-1046.
- The DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM 2:00 PM. Drop off your expired or unused medications in the lobby at the Merrimack Police Department. As always, please NO needles or liquids.

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- The bench dedication honoring the late Phil Straight will be held on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM at Watson Park.
- Work on the Seaverns / Fields Bridge on Amherst Road has been progressing on schedule. The weather has been holding so far which has helped keeping the project on schedule. This week they worked on the back retaining wall installing new rebar and setting up the forms. The first concrete pour will occur tomorrow on the back retaining wall. Next week they will concentrate on reconstructing the end of the deck section and will be making another pour as early as Wednesday, if the weather holds.
- Continental Paving is working to wrap up all of the paving projects before winter sets in. The work to tie in the driveways and intersections into the new pavement is continuing. Once all of the paving has been completed the line striping crew will be in to stripe the roads.
- Wastewater Upgrade Project is now nearing the 70% mark. This week featured a major turning point when the new screenings climber was installed in the new screenings building through the roof skylight.

• The long awaited Souhegan River Trail Construction will have a Ground Breaking Ceremony to kick off the project. The Ceremony will be conducted by Town Center Committee on Friday, November 3 at 10 AM at Watson Park. The public is invited to attend. The project will begin in Watson Park and tie into the trail coming down from the High School. The trail will travel down from the park and will run under the Chamberlain Bridge utilizing the old canal. The path comes back through the headworks and will then cross the wetland area to the end of the trail from the High School.