

Town Manager's Update

September 10, 2020

Announcements

- The Transfer Station Thursday late summer hours ended today, September 10th. The regular hours for the Transfer Station are Tuesday to Saturday, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- **November elections:**
Absentee ballots: The Town Clerk's office strongly encourages persons wishing to vote by absentee ballot in November to submit their request for an absentee ballot as soon as possible. An absentee ballot request form can be found on the Town's website. Ballots are expected to be available around October 1st and will be issued as soon as received from the NH Secretary of State's office. Due to the number of inquiries being received, we wish to inform voters that the General Election is the same as the Presidential Election. There will be only one ballot in November with all Republican and Democratic candidates. Party affiliation is not a factor in this election.
- Persons who are not registered to vote and wish to register and vote absentee should complete the absentee ballot request form. It serves as both a request for a ballot and voter registration.
- Voter registration: The Town Clerk's office is open and is accepting voter registration applications in person during our normal hours for those who wish to do so in person. Please monitor the Town website for upcoming evening and weekend registration sessions that will be held by the Supervisors of the Checklist.

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- The process for the 2021-2022 Capital Improvements Plan has begun. Memos were sent to departments, the School District, library and MVD to begin the annual process of planning for the next 6 years of capital projects. CIPs will be processed through the Town Council and School Board before review by the Planning Board in either December or January.
- The NHDES will issue a decision regarding Saint Gobain's variance request today and it will be posted on the NHDES's OneStop database, which is comprised of environmental information and data comprised by NHDES programs. Please note, that during the public hearing the Air Resources Director extended the public comment period.
- Old Blood Road reconstruction update – The project is progressing nicely and is expected to be completed by the end of September. The base course of pavement has been placed and the contractor is currently building the new side slopes and installing loam. Final work to be completed includes constructing driveway aprons, relocating a fence, seeding and fertilizing the loamed areas, installing bituminous curbing, paving the top course of pavement and final project cleanup. The waterline under the road has been installed and accepted by the Merrimack Village District.

- Baboosic Lake Road Sewer Update – The new sewer line installation is complete and awaiting final testing which will occur in three weeks. Drainage work will be completed tomorrow and reconstruction of the road base will conclude next week. We expect the base pavement to be placed by Friday, September 18. Remaining work for the coming weeks includes constructing driveway aprons, cleaning up the slopes of the project, loaming, fertilizing and seeding the slope areas, installing the traffic sensor loops near the signalized intersection, and final project cleanup. The dewatering system has been decommissioned and removed from the site. The work on Madeline Bennett Land has been completed and approved by Public Works. We expect the project to be completed by the end of September.



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August 20, 2020

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RE: Retirement

Dear Eileen Cabanel:

I would like to inform you that I will be retiring effective Thursday, October 15, 2020.

I have enjoyed working for the Merrimack Police Department for the last 29 years and I appreciate the support you have provided to me during my years as police chief. The decision to retire has not come easily, especially during these unprecedented times. It is important to me that you and the Merrimack community know that you have a remarkable police department led by a qualified and compassionate command staff. The culture which the police department has developed is one of excellence which is evident in the officers' everyday actions.

While I look forward to enjoying my retirement, I will miss leading the incredible women and men of the Merrimack Police Department, and being part of the Town of Merrimack's team. These officers are my family and I will continue to pray for each of their safety as they continue to protect the Town of Merrimack

If I can be of any assistance prior to my departure and afterwards, please let me know as I would be glad to provide whatever support I can to assure a smooth transition.

Sincerely,

Denise I. Roy
Chief of Police