



ALEXANDRIA TODAY SEPTEMBER 2021 EDITION

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Alexandria Police Department



We would like to wish Officer John Leblanc a huge welcome to the Alexandria Police Department.

John was sworn in August 25th. We're excited to have John on staff, John comes to us with a vast knowledge of rural New Hampshire policing.

Welcome to the team!!

Alexandria Conservation Commission



Governor Chris Sununu signed 30 bills into law from the recently concluded 2021 legislative session including one which enhances The New Hampshire Coastal Program (NHCP). The program works with partner organizations to advance understanding, application and success of living shoreline stabilization approaches in coastal New Hampshire.

The New Hampshire Living Shoreline Site Suitability Assessment (L3SA) Technical Report was published in 2019. by the NHCP in partnership with the NOAA Office for Coastal Management, the Great Bay Stewards, the New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (GBNERR), The Nature Conservancy New Hampshire, and the Northeast Regional Association of Coastal Ocean Observing Systems. It is intended to help interested stakeholders identify sites that are suitable for specific living shoreline approaches in order to address erosion issues along the New Hampshire tidal shoreline.

The assessment evaluates living shoreline suitability using spatial data about the state's tidal shoreline and characteristics unique to the Northeast such as a short growing season, effects of ice, nor'easters, and large tidal range. The L3SA assigns a suitability index number between 1 (less suitable) and 6 (highly suitable) to points along the shoreline. The results are intended to inform a range of end-users including NHDES Wetlands permittees, municipal conservation commission members, other regulatory agency staff, technical assistance providers, grant managers, engineers, consultants, landscape architects, nonprofits, and owners of land/property along the New Hampshire tidal shoreline as they consider appropriate stabilization actions for eroding shorelines.

The Great Bay Living Shoreline Project has resulted from data developed by the L3SA and concerns for the New Hampshire coast, which although small in distance, plays an important part in New Hampshire's economy. The Great Bay Living Shorelines Project is supported by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (funding partner), the Town of Durham, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program, the University of New Hampshire, the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, the Great Bay Stewards, and the Strafford Regional Planning Commission. The project will engage additional municipal, private, and professional stakeholders. Its objectives are to create new living shoreline projects in the Great Bay Estuary that protect salt marsh habitat and coastal communities from erosion, sea level rise, and flooding. Science tells us that traditional, grey shoreline stabilization techniques like seawalls and "rip rap" rock walls are harmful to natural ecosystems and, in some cases, are more prone to failure than more natural shorelines in flood events. We also know that sea-level rise is making shoreline erosion worse in the Great Bay Estuary, causing stress on our valuable salt marsh habitats as well as public and private land. A living shoreline is a management practice that provides erosion control benefits; protects, restores or enhances natural shoreline habitat; and maintains coastal processes through the strategic placement of plants, stone, sand fill and other structural organic materials. The Great Bay Living Shoreline Project team will work with Great Bay community stakeholders to identify four new living shoreline project sites, develop conceptual designs for the chosen sites, provide practical living shoreline design learning opportunities for

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professionals, and develop and share recommendations for future living shoreline projects in the Great Bay Estuary. Work is scheduled to begin in January 2021 and last through May 2022.

Source: Living Shorelines | NH Department of Environmental Services



Alexandria Waste Management Committee 09/21



Recycling is contagious; You set the example, and others will follow

Trivia Quiz Question for the Month: How much plastic waste is currently estimated to be polluting our oceans today?

Money in our Pockets

In July, our total revenue received from recyclables was \$952 generated by \$308 from aluminum cans and \$644 from light tin and misc. metal. Through July 2021, we have realized a net savings of \$5,320. Based on our 6-month numbers, I've set our objective for 2021 at \$10,000, which will be a stretch, but is attainable (spoiler alert: in August, we have already deposited over \$2,500 in recycling revenue, which will be reported in next month's newsletter – that's a new monthly record for our program) As you know, in addition to saving us money, your efforts to recycle have a positive impact on our environment and preserve our natural resources for all to enjoy.



What's New at the Transfer Station

There will be a TSSC meeting on 31 August and the highlights of that meeting will be shared in next month's update. Erin was able to complete the revised layout and the permits necessary to begin work for the gravel pit have been completed. Approval of the plans is expected at the meeting on the 31st and the permits forwarded to DES for approval. Meanwhile, the committee has been reviewing building and equipment requirements needed for the initial opening of both the transfer station and the gravel pit. The objective is to be able to develop a dollar amount needed for consideration by residents on a 2022 warrant article. The next TSSC meeting has not yet been scheduled pending the outcome of the meeting to be held on the 31st; however, notification will be posted in accordance with RSA requirements. Please check the town website for the latest information.



Ken is back! Welcome back Ken, you've been missed. Thank you Keith, for keeping the boat afloat during his absents, and thanks to the staff for putting forth the extra effort during Ken's absents. The staff has asked that I continue to remind residents, especially returning seasonal residents who may not be aware of some of the recent changes, to be especially mindful of throwing material into the correct bins. The compactor is for household waste and loose paper only; all other waste goes into specifically designated containers. Also, please remember to break-down your cardboard boxes before throwing them into the container. We have 4 new *Helpsy* containers for the collection of used clothing. *Helpsy* is a non-profit organization that collects and distributes clothing to those in need. If you have unwanted, **usable clothing**, please consider donating it by using these containers – no receipts are provided. There are now also 2 new collection containers for recycling old books and magazines. **This container is for books and magazines only**; all other paper continues to go into the compactor, and cardboard in with the construction demo material. If you have question, please ask one of the attendants for help.

Hazardous Waste Day was held on 7 August. For those of you who may have missed the day, detailed information can be found on the Lakes Region website at www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshwh.asp. Please consult the website for information about alternate locations and what types of materials are and are NOT accepted and any special handling needed.



Every Individual Can Contribute

Governor Chris Sununu recently signed into law recommendations from the recently concluded 2021 legislative session including one which enhances The New Hampshire Coastal Program (NHCP). The program works with partner organizations to advance understanding, application and success of living shoreline stabilization approaches in coastal New Hampshire. Among its enhancements are steps to reduce the amount of plastics currently finding their way into our oceans. While enhancements deal primarily with methods to

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protect our shorelines, increasing the amount of plastic we recycle on a daily basis plays a significant role in reducing the pollution of our waterways and shorelines.

We all have a part to play to create a sustainable, circular economy for plastic. It will require ongoing and expanded cooperation among plastic producers, manufacturers, brands and retailers, recyclers, and waste haulers, as well as citizens, communities, non-profits and policymakers. We must come together to advance the solutions and infrastructure to solve the plastic waste issue, and recycling plays a major role.



Creative ideas for recycling, reusing items, and interesting articles or websites offering recycling ideas are always welcome as are comments and suggestions about the newsletter articles. Please submitted your comments to: steve.whitman@hotmail.com; be sure to state "recycling comments" in the subject. In some cases, with the author's permission, comments may be printed in subsequent issues.

Answer to trivia question: According to the United Nations Environment Program, there are approximately 46,000 pieces of plastic floating on every square mile of the world's oceans. Approximately 305 million tons reach our oceans each year. There are several "Great Garbage Patches" in the oceans of the World where actual 'islands' are formed consisting of simply plastic waste.

Alexandria Fire Department



CodeRED is the FREE community notification system available to Alexandria residents that will send you alerts concerning time-sensitive and/or emergency information that may impact your area via phone calls, text messages, emails, and social media. AVFD encourages you to actively participate in emergency preparedness by remaining informed.

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- General Notifications 1-855-969-4636 or General Comm

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Join Our Database To make sure you receive notifications, please register at <http://www.alexandrianh.com> or visit [facebook.com/Alexandria Fire Department@AlexandriaFD01](https://www.facebook.com/AlexandriaFireDepartment@AlexandriaFD01) and click the sign-up button.

22ND Annual AVFD Deputy William E. Corliss Memorial Pig Roast

Sponsored by the Alexandria Volunteer Firefighters Association

Saturday, September 4, 2021 at 5:00 PM

Alexandria Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road

Menu: Roast pork, salads, beverages & homemade desserts

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Selectmen's Office

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announces that on Monday August 30, 2021 repair work is scheduled to begin on the stabilization of an embankment adjacent to Washburn Rd and Patten Brook, just west of the Alexandria Fire Department, in Alexandria, NH. During slope repair, traffic will be in an alternating one-way pattern, controlled by temporary traffic signals. Motorist should obey all traffic signals, drive carefully in construction zones, and expect delays due to construction equipment and one-way alternating traffic during daytime hours. The project is anticipated to be completed and two-way traffic restored by the beginning of October, 2021.

Office Hours

Selectmen's Office – 744-3220

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 8 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector – 744-3288

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 9 am to 7 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Transfer Station

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm
Must arrive 15 minutes prior to posted closing time

Police Department 744-6650

Chief David Suckling
When dispatcher picks up, give dispatcher your message. They will page an officer on the radio. Cell phones are not reliable locally.
Office Hours:
Tuesday & Wednesday 8 am to 2 pm

Highway Department – 744-6516

Paul Sirard, Road Agent

Planning Board – 744-8986

Deliberative Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm
Open 1 hour prior to meeting.
Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.

Conservation Commission

To contact the Conservation Commission:
e-mail: alexandrianh@metrocast.net
Phone: 603-744-3220
Mail: 47 Washburn Road
Alexandria, NH 03222

BURN PERMITS

Burn permits can now be obtained online -
<http://www.nhfirepermit.com/>

All categories of burn permits are also available in the Selectmen's Office during normal business hours.

Before burning, please check the daily predicted fire danger.

Visit
www.nhdfi.org/Community/Daily-Fire-Danger

The daily fire danger rating may also be obtained by calling the Division of Forests and Lands wildfire information line (toll free): 1-866-NH-FIRES (866-643-4737)

ALEXANDRIA FIRE DEPARTMENT

PHONE: (603) 530-2229
FAX: (603) 744-3165
Emergency: 911
fire@alexandrianh.com

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Please check website for up-to-date meeting schedule – These meeting dates and time may change due to the ongoing concerns with COVID-19. Meetings will always be available to the public and we will be making efforts to have the meetings live streamed. Please also email alexandrianh@metrocast.net with any questions or concerns you would like included in the public meeting.

Monday, September 6, 2021: Town Offices & Transfer Station Closed in Observance of Labor Day
Tuesday, September 7, 2021: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 15, 2021: Planning Board Meeting at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 29, 2021: Conservation Commission Meeting at 6:30 pm at Alexandria Village School, 44 Mount Cardigan Road

All meetings are held in the Conference Room at the Municipal Building (47 Washburn Road) and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Selectmen: All appointments and agenda items for Selectmen's meetings must be submitted to the Selectmen's Office by 4:00 pm the Thursday before the meeting. The Selectmen hold work sessions as needed at 5:00 pm prior to the meetings.

Planning Board: Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting. Selectmen's Meetings can be viewed on Atlantic Broadband Channel 24 on Mondays at 8pm, Wednesdays at 9 am, and Saturdays at 3 pm.

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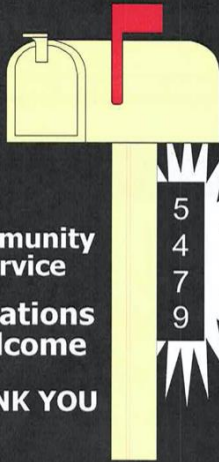
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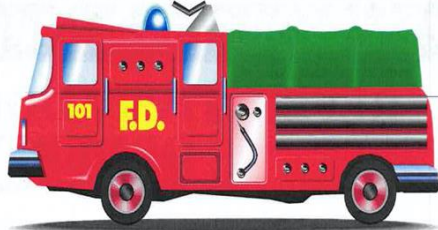


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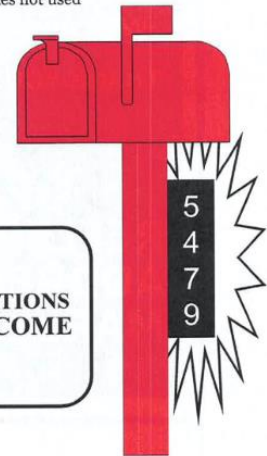
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