



ALEXANDRIA TODAY NOVEMBER 2023 EDITION

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Town Clerk/Tax Collector



2024 boat **renewals** are now available at the Town Clerk's office, all boat registration renewals can be processed up to four months in advance. When renewing your boat, please bring in your renewal notice or your prior boat registration. Please note, **new** boat registrations will expire 12/31/2023. If you would like to register your new boat prior to the 2024 season, the full 2023 fee shall apply.

Highway Department



With winter fast approaching, we thought it might be beneficial to remind residents about our current winter sand availability policy and ordinance regarding plowing snow across road.

Policy Regarding Availability of Sand:

- Sand is available behind the Municipal Building (47 Washburn Road).
- Residents of the Town of Alexandria are allowed to fill up five 5-gallon buckets with sand for use on their property.
- The filling of pick-ups or other trucks and use by contractors is prohibited.
- Removal of sand by residents at the Highway Garage on Mundy Road is prohibited.
- The fine for a violation of this policy is \$100 per incident.

Snow Plowing Ordinance: Plowing of Snow into Roadways

To promote the safe and orderly passage of the motoring public on the Town's roads, free from obstructions and obstacles created by the removal or depositing of snow, the Town of Alexandria hereby adopted the following ordinance on February 5, 2019. No person shall by himself or by his agent or agents throw, push or put any snow or ice into or across any and all Town roads, including Class V and Class VI, or to deposit snow within the traveled portions of Town roads. Across any and all Town roads shall mean pushing snow from one side of the road to the other where snow would be deposited within the right-of-way of any road. Traveled portion shall mean any part of the roadway in which vehicles would travel or within the shoulders of said roadway.

Any person who violates the provisions of the Snow Plowing Ordinance shall:

- Receive written warning for first offense
- Subsequent offenses shall be subject to a fine of \$25 for each occurrence

Police Department



We are happy to announce, while we can't officially name the candidate just yet, a conditional offer has been made to an applicant for the Police Officer position. We are in the process of all of the background investigation and hope to have this candidate on board by the end of the year.

We also received word of a successful resolution the individual charged in April for animal cruelty stemming from an investigation with the NHSPCA and NH Department of Agriculture; pled to and was found guilty and will pay a fine and was banned from ever having livestock again. This case was one of the most heinous animal neglect cases that has been investigated in Alexandria and we can't thank our partners at the NHSPCA enough for helping to remove several dozen neglected animals from the property.

In conjunction of some intensive team work with the US Marshal's Office; NH State Police- Sex Offender Registry; Plymouth Police; Meredith Police; NESPIN; Garvin County (OK) Sherriff's Office; and the Oklahoma Dept of Corrections, the Alexandria Police Department received word that an individual originally from Oklahoma had been residing in Alexandria and neglected to check in as required under Sex Offender regulations, and plead guilty in a US Federal Court, will serve time and pay a fine.

Alexandria still continues our mission to be a Recovery Friendly Community and the Town of Alexandria a Recovery Friendly Workplace; there are resources (not just related to recovery, but many opportunities that folks have asked for) on the Resource Wall in the hallway between the PD and Town Clerk, all resources are available with no questions asked.

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Selectmen's Office

REMINDER: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 is the last day for voters to petition selectmen to include an article in the town meeting warrant, provided that if a petitioned article proposed a bond governed by RSA 33:8-a, the deadline is the preceding Friday, January 5, 2024. [RSA 39:3; 40:13, II-a(b)]. The petition must have a minimum of 25 signatures from residents that are registered voters in Alexandria.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

When: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm

Where: Municipal Building, 47 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

FIRST DELIBERATIVE SESSION

When: Saturday, February 10, 2024 at 10:00 am

Where: Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

TOWN VOTING DAY (SECOND DELIBERATIVE SESSION)

When: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 polls open 11:00 am to 7:00 pm

Where: Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

Alexandria adopted the Official Ballot Referenda (SB2) in 2010. Official Ballot Referenda is a form of town meeting that has two sessions. The first session (deliberative session) is for explanation, discussion, debate and amendments to the proposed operating budget and warrant articles (see NH RSA 40:13, IV below). The second session (voting session) allows voters to cast an official ballot to pass/fail proposed articles. The Town Warrant and Budget will be posted online and available at the Municipal Building by January 29, 2024.

Per NH RSA 40:13, IV

IV. The first session of the meeting, governed by the provisions of RSA 40:4, 40:4-a, 40:4-b, 40:4-f, and 40:6-40:10, shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each warrant article, including warrant articles pertaining to the operating budget and the default budget. A vote to restrict reconsideration shall be deemed to prohibit any further action on the restricted article until the second session, and RSA 40:10, II shall not apply. Warrant articles may be amended at the first session, subject to the following limitations:

(a) Warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended.

(b) Warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

(c) No warrant article shall be amended to eliminate the subject matter of the article. An amendment that changes the dollar amount of an appropriation in a warrant article shall not be deemed to violate this subparagraph.

Newfound Lake Region Association



2023 NLRA Watershed Workshop

Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:00 pm

Alexandria Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH

The Newfound Lake Region Association's partnership and collaboration with towns is critical to NLRA's success in protecting the lake and watershed; part of this collaboration is the Watershed Workshop. This provides a chance for town planning boards, select boards, conservation commissions, zoning boards, and road agents to connect with NLRA and with each other so we can all work together to keep the Newfound area healthy and vibrant. This year's workshop will include an NLRA presentation on watershed planning efforts throughout the watershed, an update from the towns about important 2023 projects and priorities moving forward, and time for boards from each town to connect with their peers from other towns. For more information, contact NLRA Executive Director Rebecca Hanson at Rebecca@NewfoundLake.org or (603) 744-8689.

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Haynes Library



From the Haynes Library Board

A small but dedicated group of volunteers is continuing to work on the Haynes Library. The air quality issues have been addressed (after the building was closed for five years); the interior walls have been patched and are being painted; the heating oil tank is being replaced; the cable and telephone wiring has been updated.

Although this project is time-consuming, it is rewarding. Haynes Library is a treasure, and we are working to preserve it, as well as to make it relevant for today and the future.

Fire Department

Alexandria Community: Disaster Volunteerism

Do you want to be able to help in the event of a local large-scale disaster or incident?

This year we have started working on an initiative to create a roster of community members of whom we can call on in the event of a large-scale incident or disaster. This would include any Alexandria residents who are willing to donate their time, medical assistance and/or resources, such as tools and/or heavy equipment, before, during, and after, a large-scale incident. Community Volunteer members can help by performing basic response activities, including checking in on their neighbors following an incident to make sure they are okay, assisting with search and rescue operations, and helping out with the emergency shelter, thus allowing professional responders to focus on more complex tasks. Community volunteers can also help by organizing, promoting, and participating in emergency preparedness events, activities, and projects. We all have a role to play in keeping our community safe. What role will you play? **If interested in being added to this roster, sign up forms are available at the Town Hall.**

CodeRED™ 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.

Uses: The CodeRed® system will be used to send critical communications, from evacuation notices to missing child alerts.

Caller ID: When you see the following displayed, you will know the call is from us. If you would like to hear the last message delivered to your phone, simply dial the number back.

- Emergency notifications: 1-866-419-5000 or Emergency Comm
- General notifications: 1-855-969-4636 or General Comm

Privacy: Your contact information remains private and will only be used for community notifications.

Join Our Database: To make sure you receive notifications, please register at <http://alexandrianh.com> and click the sign-up button on the Fire Department page.

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

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REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS

**If we can't find you
We can't help you.**

**This program is being done by the
Alexandria Volunteer Firefighters
Association.**

- * Highly Visible Day or Night
- * Reflective Material on Both Sides
- * Fade Resistant, Lasts for Years
- * Pre-drilled Holes

Order your reflective address marker today. It may help save you or someone you love.

Pick up order form in the Selectmen's Office or email info@alexandrianh.com with your name, street address, contact number, and whether you want the sign to be horizontal or vertical.

Signs are free, but if you would like to make a donation you can send it to:
Alexandria Volunteer Firefighters Association, PO Box 282, Bristol, NH 03222.

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Other Community Events & Information



BLOOD DRIVES

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 from 9 am to 2 pm

Newfound Regional High School, 150 Newfound Road, Bristol, NH

Wednesday, November 15, 2023 from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Marian Center, 17 West Shore Road, Bristol, NH

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

Fire Department

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

Transfer Station*

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 6 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm
**Please 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, and Thursday from 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: info@alexandrianh.com
Phone: 603-744-3220
Mail: 47 Washburn Road
Alexandria, NH 03222

Upcoming Meetings/Schedule

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 info@alexandrianh.com with any questions or concerns you would like included in the public meeting.

Tuesday, November 7, 2023: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm
Tuesday, November 14, 2023: Budget Committee Meeting at 6:00 pm at Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road
Wednesday, November 15, 2023: Planning Board Meeting at 6:00 pm
Wednesday, November 15, 2023: Town Offices Closed while staff attends training
Thursday, November 16, 2023: Selectmen's Office Closed while staff attends training; Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Office will be open
Tuesday, November 21, 2023: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm
Thursday, November 23, 2023: Town Offices Closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday, November 29, 2023: Conservation Commission Meeting at 6:00 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 Breezeline Channel 24 on Mondays at 8pm, Wednesdays at 9 am, and Saturdays at 3 pm*