

Our Community Newsletter

BELMONT



My first 30 days have been very eventful and I have been very busy. I am honored to work among a great group of individuals who have deep pride in their work and the community they serve. They truly have the communities best interest in mind. My team is great and I look forward to working side by side with them for years to come.

Hello all, this is Alicia Jipson your new Town Administrator. This is my first newsletter as Town Administrator for Belmont. It is such a great pleasure working for the community in this capacity. I welcome all to come into Town Hall and say hi. My door is always open if there is something that I can assist with.

My email contact is administration@belmontnh.org and work number is 603-267-8300 Ext. 124.

LED Lighting Project to begin!

The Town of Belmont in conjunction with Affinity LED Lighting will be replacing 43 Street Lights in the Town of Belmont with LED lights. The Town received an energy grant through Eversource to assist with funding this project and we obtained lease financing for the project through Franklin Savings Bank. Work on this project will begin in July.

A little bit about me: I have lived in Belmont since 2014. Technically not married I have been with my partner Jason for 23 years. We have a lovely beautiful daughter who is 13. She is very active in competitive dance and that is where most of my free time is spent. We have a dog Lucy who we adopted from the Human Society, and a cat Sterling whom we rescued as a feral barn cat in upstate NY. He is living his best life as an indoor cat in NH vs a smelly cow barn. I have a Masters Degree in Public Administration with a concentration in Human Resources. I have worked in the private sector most of my career in different capacities. Before coming to Belmont I worked with the NHDOT in the Highway Division. In 2018 I came to Belmont as the Assistant Town Administrator/Assessing Administrator. This was a newly created position designed to hire the right person to learn and grow and eventually take over as TA upon Jeanne's retirement. I have been busy learning and growing and soaking up years of experience and knowledge that has been had by those before me.

Road Construction 2022



The Town anticipates reconstructing the portion of Seavey Road from Wildlife Boulevard to Church Street this year. This section of road was not part of last year's construction on Seavey. We will continue our annual shim and overlay process this year; a schedule of the roads has not yet been established but should be available shortly.

Town Administrator's News (Cont.)



IT is the LAW! (RSA 466:31 II (c))

Our message to all Dog Owners is to remind you of the importance of picking up your dog's waste from property not your own. The town installed at three different locations, dog waste stations where you can obtain a plastic bag to pick up the waste and deposit it in the numerous garbage cans located in the Village.



What's Flushable or Not

We continue to stress the importance of the "Not everything is flushable", **please check out the "Do Not Flush!" list to protect your sewer and septic system.** A "Flushable" label does not mean it is SAFE for your septic system or the Town's sewer. Please read the brochure we have included on the Town's website at www.belmontnh.org. We need your help to ensure our sewers keep flowing. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Town Administrator's Office at 267-8300 ext. 124.

Bulky Waste Disposal



Beginning Wednesday, September 2, 2020, and on the 1st Wednesday of each month following, Casella Waste will collect your bulky items curbside. Please note this is for Town of Belmont Residential Customers only; service is not available to commercial property owners.

Piles of debris, trash, yard waste or a single item too large for one person to collect WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. A request for pickup must be made in advance by calling Town Hall at 267-8300, Extension 118 or 124 only. You will be asked to list the items you want picked up, you will be advised what the cost is, and you will need to drop off a check made payable to the Town of Belmont prior to the collection day. Please visit the Town's website at www.belmontnh.org for the full details on the new program and a price.



Just a reminder that the Town of Belmont is an active member of Lakes Region Public Access Television which can be seen locally on Atlantic Broadband Channels 24, 25, and 26. If you are a camera buff and you have an interest in producing a show to be shown on LRPA, please contact the station at 528-3070 to discuss your idea. LRPA has made significant strides to improve programming this past year and its presence in the Lakes Region; we urge you to check out their website at <http://lrpa.org>.

Statistical Property Value Update

The Town will be working with KRT Appraisal over the next few months to update property values; these new values will be reflected in the Fall tax bill issued sometime in early November.



Town Clerk's Corner

The summer months are finally here and we hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather!

The first issue tax bill went out last month and are due Wednesday July 6, 2022. The first issue tax bill is the estimated tax bill and amounts to half of the total taxes paid from the previous year. When the tax rate is set by the State in the fall, we will send out the actual tax bill which will make up the difference owed for the year. The first issue bill covers the time period of April 1st through September 30th. You can pay your tax bill online at www.belmontnh.org, by mail or in person.

Water/Sewer bills are due July 11, 2022. This bills cover the months of March, April and May. This can be paid online at www.belmontnh.org, by mail or in person.

Some important dates to remember:

Town Clerk's Office will be closed Monday July 4, 2022 and will re-open Tuesday July 5th, 2022 at 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.

September 13, 2022 is the State Primary Election. This will take place at Belmont High School from 7 AM to 7 PM.

November 8, 2022 is the General Election. This will take place at Belmont High School from 7 AM to 7 PM.

Have you ever wondered how we spend our day here at the Town Clerk's Office?

Below represents the amount of transactions and fees that we process here in Town Clerk's Office on a monthly bases. Boats, Dog Licenses, Motor Vehicle Registrations and any miscellaneous transactions (Birth Certificates, Death Certificates, Marriage certificates, Marriage Licenses, Copy and mailing fees)

Month of:	Boats:	Dog License:	Motor Vehi-	Misc Fees:	Total:
	68 Regis- tered Boats	500 Dog's Registered	1,125 Motor Vehi- cles Pro- cessed	77 Transac- tion.	1,770 Trans- actions
Total Monies collected:	\$1,470.72	\$3,164.50	\$148,376.75	\$6,615.22	Total Collect- ed: \$159,627.19

Hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather and taking time to spend it with your love ones! Have a safe and wonderful Fourth of July!!

Cynthia, Jeanne and Jennifer

July 2022

Police Department

Captain Steve Akerstrom



Speed board

Earlier this year we had entered a contest to be eligible to win a speed board. We are excited to let you know that we in fact did win and were awarded with a speed board that has now been affixed to the school zone speed limit sign/flashing light on Gilman-ton Road. Having this speed board in this location will hopefully slow traffic down as cars are coming down the hill into town.



ATS GIVESBACK RECIPIENT



Congratulations,
**BELMONT POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

AWARDED **March 2022**



Radar Trailer

We applied for, and were awarded a radar trailer through a grant from New Hampshire Highway Safety. This radar trailer will be able to be brought to locations throughout town and set up to monitor traffic speeds and driving patterns. It also doubles as a message board for special events. If you have an interest in seeing this radar trailer in your neighborhood, please contact us at the station, 603-267-8351.



Summer Paving Program

This year the departments paving program was trimmed down to accommodate rising costs of materials and fuels associated with such an undertaking. The Departments plan is to continue with complete shim and overlay on all portions of roads that made the list in hopes of maintaining its standard of quality over quantity. Prior to paving, you will see your DPW crew out prepping these roads in multiple ways. All cross pipes will be surveyed for condition and appropriate size and replaced if deemed deficient in any way. Areas of the road that show signs of water saturation in the road base will see the installation of underdrain where applicable. Finally, the entire area will be ditched to allow drainage to flow properly, away from the roadway. When traveling through town please pay attention and watch for advanced warning devices and traffic control personnel. The signs mean your crews are out there and the flagger is there to get you safely through their work zone. Your Public Works Crew has a goal of completing quality work in a timely manner. If they can do that and make it home safe at the end of the day, we all win! South Road is First on our list, say hello to the Team if you see them and let them know what a great job they do.



Hazardous Tree Removal

In an effort to be proactive, the Department budgets money every year that allows for the removal of hazardous trees found in the towns maintenance right of way. Trees that are dead, show decay, or are clearly under stress such as Ash trees infested by the Emerald Ash Borer are assessed and taken down by your public works crews if possible. Trees that are either too large or too close to utilities are put on a list and removed by a contractor. The purpose of this program is to remove hazardous trees under controlled conditions. The hope is to reduce the chances of the trees falling on vehicles traveling in the roadway or prevent vehicles running into them once the tree has fallen. It also helps prevent pavement damage and reduces emergency callouts for debris clean up. To date for the 2022 year, the department has removed more than 25 hazardous trees between themselves and their contractors. If you have a tree in the towns maintenance right of way and you believe it should be considered, contact the Public Works Department at 603-528-2677. Someone will look into your concerns and let you know if the Department can help.



Before you dig, remember to call DigSafe
Not only is it safe, **IT'S THE LAW!**



Code Enforcement News

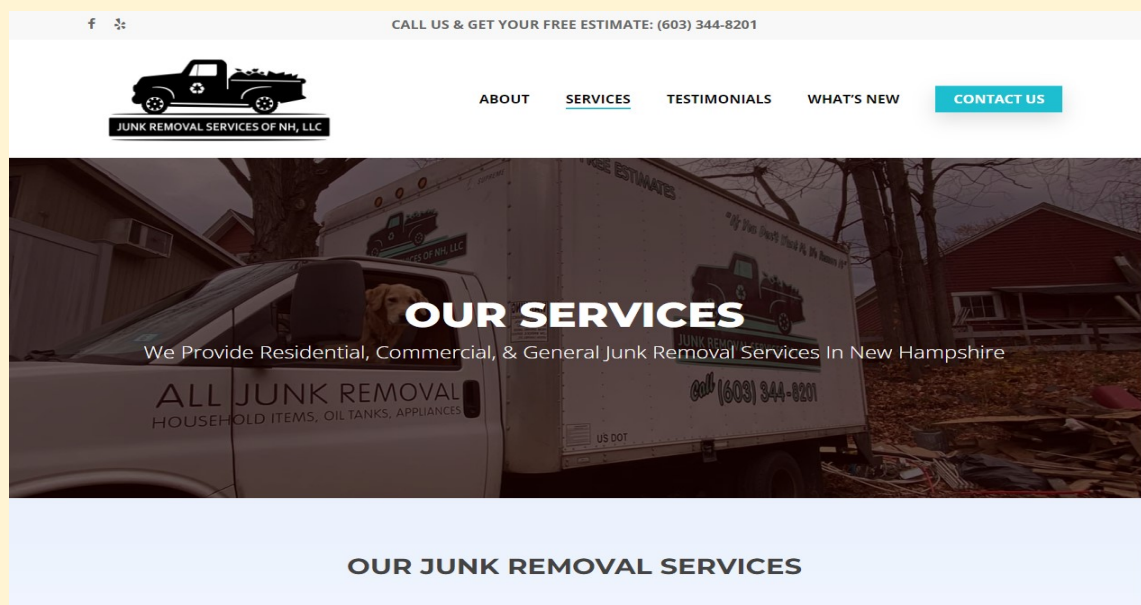
From your Friendly Code Enforcement Officer:

I hope you're having a wonderful summer and you are taking the time to take a look around your yard and make it beautiful.

1. It's now June! RVs are in use now! Please remember the following regarding RVs and your property.
2. RVs are considered an accessory structure. If you have guests stay in them, it must be temporary.
3. You are allowed only one RV on your property. If you have taken delivery of a new one, make sure you are figuring out what to do with the old one.
4. Vacant property cannot house RVs indefinitely. You are allowed 45 days on a vacant lot within a calendar year.

If you have an abundance of scrap metal or junk on your property, there are numerous locally owned companies who will be willing to come get it. If you have junk, scrap metal, or a house cleanout to do, and need help finding someone to do it, I will be providing a monthly contact for local junk removal companies.

This month we feature Junk Removal Services of NH. Locally owned, husband-and-wife team, local to the Lakes Region and family orientated. Give them a call they haul it all! (603) 344-8201



- If you are zoned in Rural, or Residential areas, using cars, trucks, or vans as a storage container is not permitted. These vehicles need to maintain registration and inspection.
- If you are going to be doing spring clean-up, house renovation, or property clean-out, and require a storage container, make sure to get it permitted. Storage containers can not be permanent to your property and need an end date for them.
- I am still trying to track down new Belmont Businesses for Aquifer Inspection participation. If you are a new business, please reach out to me and we can get the process started. If you are an established business and have not had your inspection done, we need to talk.
- If you would like me to include your junk removal business in my monthly newsletter, please let me know. I am not advocating for any one company. I am simply giving property owners options and information.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Who are your Conservation Commission Members?

Denise Naiva, Chair
Ed Stephenson, Vice Chair
Jane Jordan
Keith Bennett
Ruth Mooney, Ex Officio
Pauline Tessier
Susan Irving
Georgina Lambert, Alternate
Richard Moreau, Alternate
Deborah Woodcock, Alternate
Emilie DeFrancesco, Student Member
William Riley, Student Member



Come visit the Conservation Commission Booth at Belmont Old Home Day on Saturday August 13, 2022.

Information will be available about water testing available to Belmont residents.

Conservation Commission:
Next meeting August 3, 2022
6:00 PM
Meetings are held at the Belmont Mill.

You Can Help Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

With summer in full swing and the warm weather upon us many people take to the water. Whether you have a boat, jet ski, canoe or kayak it is important to be aware and not spread aquatic invasive species such as milfoil, fanwort, and zebra mussels. These can be spread when moving your vessel from one body of water to another. It is important to **Clean, Drain, and Dry** your vessel every time!

CLEAN: Clean off all mud, plants, animals, and debris from your boat, trailer, and equipment. Don't forget anchors and anchor lines, water intake grates on jet-powered craft, paddle craft cockpits, storage compartments, and paddles, too! Dispose of all material away from the waterbody where it won't wash back into the water.

DRAIN: Drain all equipment (e.g., motor, bilge, ballast tanks) away from the water where runoff won't flow back into the water. For paddle craft, be sure to tip over to drain water from the cockpit and storage compartments.

DRY: Dry off everything that came into contact with the water. Rinse with clean water somewhere runoff won't flow back into the water and towel dry.



Conservation Commission (Cont.)

The Village Spur Rail Trail offered some beautiful spring and early summer color!

Photos and identification were graciously provided by Ginger Wells-Kay.



Foam Flower (*Tiarella corifolia*)



Blue Bead Lily (*Clintonia borealis*)



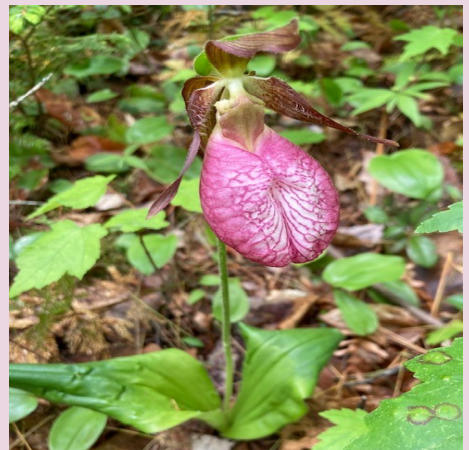
Bunchberry (*Cornus canadensis*)



Canadian Columbine (*Aquilegia canadensis*)



Gaywings (*Polygala paucifolia*)



Pink Ladyslipper (*Cypripedium acaule*)

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A Monthly Insight into the happenings in Belmont Land Use

Land Use

- ARC
- Planning
- Zoning

June Meetings >>>

Your Land Use Staff

Elaine Murphy

Administrative Assistant

Karen Santoro

Land Use Technician

Dawn Eastman

Land Use Clerk

Sarah Whearty

Town Planner

For additional Land Use
Information:

Visit www.belmontnh.org

Contact landuse@belmontnh.org

Call 267-8300 x 119



Application Review Committee (6/23/2022)

Tap Public House Inc.: Request for Site Plan approval to amend a previously approved Site Plan to show upper parking lot, add parking spaces, add a deck to the Tap Public House, show proposed 62'x32' building, remove existing above ground 1,000gal. propane tank and existing jersey barriers and connect to underground tanks on-site. Property is located at 930 & 936 Laconia Road, Tax Lot 122-057-000-000 in the Commercial Zone. PB #2122P.

>>> Next Meeting: July 21, 2022, 8:00AM

Planning Board (6/27/2022)

Plan Submission Meeting and Public Hearing – Paul Zuzgo for Raed Hertel Family Trust: Request for Subdivision Plan approval to subdivide one lot into seven. Property is located on Jamestown Road, Tax Lot 118-016-000-000 in the “RS” Zone. PB #1122P. (Re-noticing required, Tabled to 7/25/22)

Public Hearing – Route 106 Realty Trust:

- Continuation of a request for: Site Plan approval for Contractor’s Yard, commercial building (motor vehicle & trailer service, professional offices, light manufacturing, retail stores and service business). PB # 0622P
 - Conditional Use Permit for a subordinate dwelling unit. PB #1522P
- Property is located on Laconia Road & 28 Corriveau Way, Tax Lot 217-114-000-000 in the “C” Zone.

Plan Submission Meeting and Public Hearing – Sevita Health: Request for Site Plan approval to operate an Adult Daycare Facility within the existing mall. Property is located at 96 Daniel Webster Highway, Tax Lot 201-009-000-000 in the “C” Zone. PB #2022P.

>>> Next Meeting: July 25, 2022, 6:00PM

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Zoning Board of Adjustment (6/22/2022)

Abutters' Hearing – Tradz LLC: Continuation of a request for a Special Exception of Article 5 Table 1 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow motor vehicles sales and repairs in the Rural Zone. Property is located at 194 Gilmanton Road, Tax Lot 241-019-000-000, ZBA #1622Z.

Abutters' Hearing – Rudolphe Dion: Request for a Variance of Article 5 Table 2 of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a detached garage closer (47.49') to the front property line than allowed (50'). Property is located at 21 Leisure Lane in the Residential Multi-family Zone, Tax Lot 121-028-000-000, ZBA #1922Z.

Abutters' Hearing – Vernco Belknap LLC: Request for a Variance of Article 3 Section D of the Zoning Ordinance to allow an Adult Day-care Facility (unlisted use). Property is located at 96 Daniel Webster Highway in the Commercial Zone, Tax Lot 201-009-000-000, ZBA #2022Z.

Abutters' Hearing – CJM Industries LLC: Request for two Variances of the Zoning Ordinance to construct single-family residences:

Article 5 Table 1 - in the Commercial Zone in compliance with the Residential Single-Family Zone dimensional requirements, ZBA #2122Z.

Article 5 Table 2 - in the Rural Zone in compliance with the Residential Single-Family Zone dimensional requirements, ZBA #2222Z.

Property is located along Route 3 & 45 Westview Drive in the Commercial and Rural Zones, Tax Lots 201-016-000-000 & 201-025-000-000.

>>> Next Meeting: July 27, 2022, 6:00PM

New Faces!

The Land Use and Building Departments have seen a lot of changes over the last few months. A majority of our Staff have been with the Town for less than 3 months. We apologize for the delays this may cause as we get everyone up to speed. We ask for your patience and encouragement. We are very excited to have our new Staff members on board.

Looking for Board members!

Visit the Town's
website: www.belmontnh.org
to read about the various Boards and submit and
application.

Planning Board

- 7 regular members, 3 alternates, **1 vacancy**

Zoning Board

- 5 regular members, 5 alternates, **4 vacancies**

Conservation (no current vacancies)

7 regular members, 3 alternates, 2 student members





OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

June 18-August 6

**BELMONT PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

Special Events

BOOK GIVEAWAY

Children's Literacy Foundation will be visiting with a fun presenter and free books for attendees.

Date TBA

OUTDOOR MOVIE

The Belmont Library and Parks and Rec are partnering to bring you a night of fun! We'll have snacks; just bring something to sit on!

Friday July 22 8pm

Rain Date July 29 8pm

WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS

To celebrate the end of Summer Reading, we will have Wildlife Encounters giving a presentation with exciting animals at the Tioga Pavilion!

Saturday August 6 11am

146 Main Street / Belmontpubliclibrary.org / 267-8331 /
circulation@belmontpubliclibrary.org

Monday Friday 10-5 Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 10-6 Saturday 9-1

Library News (Cont.)

PRIZES

You will find a Summer Reading Prize Store in the Children's Room where you can trade in your hard earned sand dollars for anything from temporary tattoos and sheet masks to movie passes and LEGO sets!

A HUGE THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROUS DONATIONS!



SANDY AND JIM VALTZ

(PRIZE STORE PRIZES)

BROOKSIDE PIZZA

SMITTY'S CINEMA

CHUCKSTER'S

CANOBIE LAKE PARK

WATER COUNTRY

WEIRS GO-KART

CLARK'S BEARS

(PASS DONATIONS)

PLUS MORE

Weekly Programs

MARINE MOVIE

MONDAYS 3pm

Cool off and enjoy a snack in the children's room while watching an ocean themed movie.

SILLY SEALS

STORYTIME

This family storytime features ocean themed books and a craft or activity

Wednesdays 10:30am

STEM THE TIDE

This STEM based program will focus on different ocean themes each week, from Trash Island to ocean animal survival mechanisms.

Tuesdays 3pm

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

Weekly take home creative and crafty activities.

BELMONT OLD HOME DAY
SATURDAY AUGUST 13TH

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

**10 MILE ROAD RACE &
TIOGA FUN RUN**

**FREE CHILDRENS & FAMILY ACTIVIES, ROCK
CLIMPBING WALL & MORE !!!**

**- LIVE BAND -
BUCKLEBERRY FERRY**

PARADE

**FOOD TRUCKS, CRAFT
VENDORS & MORE**

BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

BELMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL BBQ

FIREWORKS

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO BELMONTNH.ORG OR CONTACT DANIELLE ST.ONGE
RECREATION@BELMONTNH.ORG
603-267-1865

Parks and Recreation (Cont)

BELMONT SUMMER CAMP

Belmont Summer Camp is back! We are fully staffed and ready for our camp season to begin. Our camp director Jolene and the assistant director Angela have been busy planning some exciting activities to keep our campers happy and having fun! Camp this year will run from July 11th - August 19th. We still have room for more campers so come join us for a fun, adventure filled summer! Please email Recreation@belmontnh.org or call 603-267-1865 for more information or to get your camper signed up!

BELMONT TOWN BEACH

The Leslie E. Roberts town beach is open. Our building and grounds crew has been doing a great job keeping it beautiful, clean and safe. We will have lifeguards on duty on Tuesday, Thursday, Fridays, Saturdays & Sundays.

YOGA

Thursdays thru July 28th at the Belmont Mill

Come join instructor Maya Bhatt-Hardcastle for a calming, stress-relieving yoga class to stretch and strengthen the body gradually. Emphasis on breath awareness and the body, asanas, postures, are practiced at a gentle to moderate pace with attention to alignment and detail. This class series will introduce you to the benefits of yoga and give you tools to use it daily. Learn basic postures, techniques for breathing, reducing stress and increasing focus and some philosophies of yoga - practice for body and mind. Classes offer Asana (poses), balance work, breath work (pranayama) and relaxation. The classes are co-ed and appropriate for patrons 12 years and older, youth must be accompanied by an adult. Participants should bring a yoga mat if they have one, we have a few to borrow. Yoga blocks and other equipment are provided.



**BELMONT
SUMMER
CAMP**

JULY 11-AUGUST 19
**OPEN TO AGES
5 AND UP**

OUR ACTIVITIES
SPORTS, CRAFTS,
CONTEST, FIELD
TRIPS, BEACH
DAYS FREE PLAY
AND MORE

**RESIDENTS
\$140**
**NON-RESIDENTS
\$165**

CONTACT US AT (603) 267-1865

BEACH RULES

1. NO VEHICLES ALLOWED ON BEACH
2. CHILDREN UNDER 10 YEARS OLD MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT (14 OR OLDER)
3. NO BOATS, WINDSURFERS, ETC. ALLOWED
4. NO DOGS EXCEPT SERVICE DOGS OR OTHER PETS ALLOWED
5. PLACE TRASH IN PROPER RECEPTACLES
6. SWIM IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY
7. NO BALL PLAYING, WATERGUNS, ETC. ON THE BEACH
8. NO GLASS CONTAINERS ALLOWED
9. PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE WATER FOWL
10. REMOVAL OR DAMAGE OF ANY STRUCTURE WILL BE PROSECUTED
11. NO CHARCOAL FIRES ALLOWED
12. ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL PERMITTED

BELMONT TAXPAYERS ONLY
NO SOLICITING BY ORDER OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF BELMONT

Parks and Recreation (Cont)



[Click here for the Classic Car Show Application Entry Form](#)



[Click here for the Old Home Day Vendor Application](#)



[Click here for the Tioga Fun Run Application](#)



[Click here for the Old Home Day Parade Entry Form](#)



[Click here for the Old Home Day Program Advertisement](#)

July 2022

Cemetery Trustees

STONE CLEANING SEMINAR

Saturday July 9, 2022 @ 10:00am

Perkins Cemetery in Belmont

Hosted By: Belmont Cemetery Trustees



Presentation to be done by our honored guest

Joyce Keegal

To get to Perkins Cemetery take Rt 106 to Perkins Rd. The cemetery is at the top of the hill on the right on the corner, Across from

Berry Road.

****ALL ARE WELCOME**** Cleaning agent is supplied but feel free to bring scrub brushes and rags.

For questions, please contact Sharon Ciampi by phone
(603) 581-9746 or by email belcem2015@gmail.com

Folsom Cemetery

Nestled high on the hill overlooking Province Road. This cemetery flaunts a granite staircase to the top there is ample parking at the bottom if someone wants to climb up and look around.

There is a large field stone wall on all sides and the original Iron gate is still in place opposite of the new entrance. It is quaint to the eye and a beautiful location.

The first person buried here is Ruth Sanborn died March 25, 1824 at the age of 61. The last person buried here is Almira Hadley December 25, 1898, She was 85 years old and is the Wife of Uriah Hadley who is buried in Hadley Cemetery on Federal St. There are 13 people known to be buried here.



General Assistance

For more information on programs and to see
if you qualify contact Donna Cilley General
Assistance Director at 603-267-8313



NEW HAMPSHIRE HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND FACT SHEET

Background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 provided for the Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF). The US Department of Treasury awarded the State of New Hampshire \$50 million to fund the New Hampshire Homeowner Assistance Fund (NH HAF). The State of New Hampshire, through the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR), has contracted with New Hampshire Housing to administer the program.
Purpose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The program provides aid to eligible residents of New Hampshire who are struggling to pay their mortgage, property taxes, utility bills, and other housing costs during the COVID-19 pandemic.
NH HAF Assistance Provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NH HAF program offers three types of assistance, with maximum benefit per property of \$20,000: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mortgage Loan Reinstatement – funds for delinquent mortgage payments (maximum benefit - \$20,000) Property Charges Default Resolution – funds for delinquent property taxes, homeowner insurance, homeowner association or condominium fees/dues, and co-op maintenance or lot rents (maximum benefit - \$20,000) Utility / Internet Payment Assistance – funds for delinquent utility (electricity, gas, heating fuel costs, water & sewer, and internet payments (maximum benefit - \$3,000)
Loss Mitigation Requirement for Mortgage Loan Reinstatement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligible homeowners applying for the Mortgage Loan Reinstatement Program will be required to complete loss mitigation efforts with their servicer prior to receiving NH HAF funds. An exception clause is in place for those: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whose servicer has not been timely and responsive with homeowner's loss mitigation efforts; or Who have demonstrated imminent threat of losing their home, which makes it unlikely that loss mitigation can be completed in time; or Who for other good cause when other extenuating circumstances outside of the homeowner's control prevent completion of loss mitigation.
Form of Assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cumulative assistance less than \$5,000 will be structured as a non-recourse grant. Cumulative assistance equal to or more than \$5,000 will be structured as a two-year, non-interest bearing, non-amortizing, forgivable grant with recorded note and mortgage. The grant is due in full upon sale, cash-out refinance, or transfer of ownership. If none of these events occur within two years, the grant will be fully forgiven, and the note and mortgage released.
Eligible Homeowners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must have experienced a coronavirus pandemic-related reduction in income or increase in expenses that occurred after January 21, 2020 or began prior to but continued after that date; Must currently own and occupy the New Hampshire property as their primary residence; If a tax deed has occurred, homeowner must have an equitable, statutory, or other right to reclaim legal ownership and must still occupy the property as their primary residence; Must have income(s) of equal to or less than 125% of Area Median Income.
Eligible Properties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be owner occupied, or in the case of a land contract or contract for deed, occupied by the documented buyer, and include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Single-family (attached or detached) properties; Condominium units; 1 – 4 unit properties where one of the units is homeowner's primary residence; Manufactured/modular homes permanently affixed to real property and taxed as real estate; Manufactured homes not permanently affixed to real property but with a Title Certificate or Statement of Ownership in the homeowner's name. Ineligible: Vacant or abandoned properties, second homes and investment properties.
Resources & Program Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit HomeHelpNH.org for information and to apply for assistance from NH HAF program For assistance with application, financial counseling, and other resources, contact: AHEAD - (800) 974-1377 x1014 HomesAhead.org For assistance due to immediate threat of foreclosure, tax deed, or sheriff's sale, contact: 603 Legal Aid – (603) 224-3333 NHLegalAid.org

General Assistance (Cont.)



HOME PERFORMANCE WITH ENERGY STAR® Moderate-Income Program

The Home Performance with ENERGY STAR - Moderate-Income (HPWES-MI) program is open to qualifying customers of Eversource, Liberty Utilities, Unitil, and NH Electric Cooperative. The HPWES-MI looks to support those NH residents that are over income for Home Energy Assistance (income eligible weatherization program) yet may struggle to cover the customer co-pays in our market rate Home Performance program. HPWES-MI offers higher incentives on weatherization measures and 0% finance options to help cover the customer co-pay.

The program rebate structure is as follows:

Measure Type	Incentive Level	Customer Co-Pay
Air Conditioning	80%	20%
Air Sealing	100%	0%
Appliance Timers	100%	0%
Door Replacements	80%	20%
Duct Sealing	80%	20%
Health & Safety	80%	20%
Heating System Clean & Tune	80%	20%
Heating System Replacements	80%	20%
Insulation	80%	20%
LED Bulbs	100%	0%
LED Fixtures	100%	0%
Low Flows	100%	0%
Pipe Insulation	80%	20%
Refrigerators/Freezers	100%	0%
Tank Wrap	80%	20%
Thermostats	100%	0%
Water Heater Setback	80%	20%
Window Replacements	80%	20%

Program Requirements:

- Income eligibility qualified by the Community Action Agency
- Open to customers who do not qualify for fuel assistance (over income for fuel assistance) but fall within the 80% state median income or 300% federal policy guidelines

For more information, please contact Margaux Levesque with Eversource:

Margaux.levesque@eversource.com or 603-490-3506

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Letter to the Editor

OPEN HOUSE AT BELKNAP HOUSE FAMILY SHELTER - July 17th, 1-4PM

Belknap House is a non-profit LLC, located at 200 Court St and Union Avenue, Laconia and provides a temporary shelter for families in Belknap County facing homelessness. In addition to providing emergency shelter, it's mission includes empowering families to become self-sufficient, giving them a helping hand-up with customized resource referrals (social services, employment) and education (parenting skills, budgeting, etc.). This approach encourages struggling parents to work at developing needed life-changing skills and confidence and to find a permanent place in the community.

Belknap House was first organized from a community coalition in 2014 out of concern for homeless families in Belknap County. It opened in 2017 as a cold weather family-centered shelter but, when there was a 43% increase in family homelessness in the As of March 11th this year, Belknap House reached its fifth year of operation. The shelter has seen constant and extraordinary use in these five years and has providing 19,044 total bed nights of which 10,271 were for children, all supported by volunteers and generous donations from local communities and organizations.

To celebrate it's 5th year, Belknap House will conduct an Open House on July 17th from 1 PM - 4 PM.

To learn more about Belknap House, please stop by our Open House for a tour and refreshments and meet some of the staff and families that make up our effective organization.

If you have a need for shelter or you are interested in how to volunteer or support the shelter in various ways, you can contact the Belknap House Manager, Mr. Tom Sica at 603 527-8097, or you can visit the website at: www.belknaphouse.org.



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2022 Lakes Region

Household Hazardous Waste Collections

www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshww.asp


Keep Our Lakes Region Clean and Beautiful!

Residents and taxpayers may bring up to 10 gallons or 50 pounds of household hazardous waste to one of our regional collection sites for no additional cost!

Saturday, July 30 (8:30 AM – 12 PM)

Belmont Fire Station (14 Gilmanton Rd.)
 Franklin DPW Garage (43 W Bow St.)
 Gilford DPW Garage (55 Cherry Valley Rd.)
 Meredith DPW Garage (17 Jenness Hill Rd.)

Saturday, August 6 (8:30 AM – 12 PM)

Bristol Newfound Regional School (150 Newfound Rd.)
Access Bristol site from River Road
 Laconia DPW Garage (27 Bisson Ave.)
 Moultonborough Hwy Garage (68 Hwy Garage Rd.)
 Ossipee Hwy Garage (55 Main St.)

24 PARTICIPATING COMMUNITIES

Alexandria • Andover • Belmont • Bridgewater • Bristol • Center Harbor • Effingham • Franklin • Freedom
 • Gilford • Gilmanton • Hebron • Hill • Holderness • Laconia • Meredith • Moultonborough • New Hampton
 • Ossipee • Sanbornton • Sandwich • Tamworth • Tilton • Tuftonboro

On collection day, attendees MUST:

- 1) Put HHW in a **cardboard box** in **open**
- 2) **STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE!**
- 3) Notify site staff if you want your fuel containers back.
- 4) Follow local mask mandates.



HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Toxic Art Supplies
 Cleaning Fluids
 Roofing Tar
 Unbroken Fluorescent Bulbs

GARAGE

Car Wax Polish
 Antifreeze
 Gasoline & Diesel Fuel
 Carburetor Cleaners

YARD AND GARDEN

Herbicides/Weed Killer
 Pesticides
 Pool chemicals
 Coal Tar-based Driveway Sealer

WORKBENCH

Paint Stripper
 Oil-based Paint
 Stains & Varnishes
 Spray Paint

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED:

**NO LATEX
 PAINT!**

- Tires
- Electronics
- Ammunition/Fireworks
- Radioactive Materials
- Asbestos and Propane Tanks



Find us on
 Facebook & Instagram:
 @lakesrpc

Questions? Call (603) 279-5341 or visit lakesrpc.org/serviceshww.asp



Annual household hazardous waste collection events are organized by the Lakes Region Planning Commission, with financial support from participating communities and the NH Department of Environmental Services.



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Letter to the Editor

Coming to Belmont in 2023 is automated curbside collection. Stay tuned for more information.

A sample of new cans will be on display at Town Hall in July.

YOUR CURBSIDE COLLECTION JUST GOT EASIER

Early next year, your residential curbside trash and recycling will be picked up by an automated side-load truck.

Prior to the start date, you will receive two new wheeled carts for trash and recycling that will make maneuvering the carts easy. Colored lids help to keep items clean and dry and distinguish trash from recycling. The cart will include additional instructions for placement and use.

We appreciate your help and look forward to continuing to provide you with safe and reliable trash and recycling service!



We're here to help!

For more information, please call us at **603-524-5881**



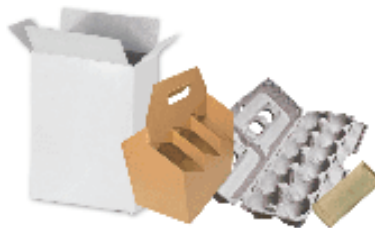
ZERO-SORT[®] RECYCLING

TOSS ALL CLEAN & EMPTY RECYCLABLES INTO THIS CONTAINER

CARDBOARD/PAPER



Corrugated Cardboard
(Wavy center layer)



Boxboard
(Dry-food boxes, egg cartons, & rolls)



Junk Mail, Periodicals, & Office Paper
(Paper bags, envelopes, & catalogs)

PLASTIC



Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Tubs, & Lids
(Empty kitchen, laundry, & bath containers)

METAL



Aluminum & Steel Cans
(Foil & empty food & beverage cans)

GLASS



Glass Bottles & Jars
(Empty food & beverage bottles & jars)

NOT ACCEPTED

Plastic bags, bagged recyclables, clothing/textiles, food waste/liquids, tangles such as rope or hoses, scrap metal, batteries of any kind, electronics, wood, medical waste, hazardous materials, explosives, toys, hangers, shoes, wax cups or plates, food bags or wrappers, plastic wrap or film, shrink wrap, tarps, diapers, human/pet or yard waste, tires or rubber, Styrofoam[™], napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers, coffee pods, ceramics, or baking glass



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KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF ZERO-SORT® RECYCLING

Place these items in the trash!



Gloves



Face Masks

For contamination purposes, if these items end up in recycling, it will all end up in the trash!



KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF ZERO-SORT® RECYCLING

NO Compostable Products



*Place these items in the **Food Waste bin!***

If these items end up in recycling, it will all end up in the trash!

Newsletter

Do you know someone new to Town or know someone in Town who would love to see our Newsletter. Please have them email Alicia Jipson at administration@belmontnh.org to get on our distribution list. We also will occasionally send out other important information via email when necessary.

