



# TOWN OF CONCORD

## Town Manager's Report

Week of: June 13, 2016

### Concord Public Works -Bicycle Giveaway for Concord Residents

Contact: (978) 318-3240

There has been strong initial interest in the bike giveaway to be held from 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM on Wednesday, June 22nd at the Public Works facility located at 133 Keyes Rd. Many residents have contacted Concord Public Works beginning on the morning of June 6th, the day passes became available, to make arrangements to obtain a pass. An official, no cost pass is required to receive a bike, with a two-bike per family limit - on a first come, first choose basis on the day of the event. Residents may pre-register and obtain a limited availability pass to attend the event beforehand by contacting Concord Public Works at (978) 318-3240.

Given the high interest in the bike giveaway, CPW urges residents to obtain their pass early as passes are limited to the existing inventory.

### Paid Summer Internship Opportunity

Contact: (978) 318-3025

The Town of Concord is seeking a paid summer intern to work with our Social Services Division and the Department of Planning and Land Management to assist with a variety of projects. Candidates must have a general knowledge of Microsoft Windows (Word, Excel and Access) and related software, as well as digital cameras/photography.

Candidates must be able to organize information in spreadsheets and perform research and field work as needed. Good communication skills, a positive attitude, excellent verbal and written skills and the ability to work unsupervised are also required. A general understanding of good graphic design is a plus. More information is available on the Town's website on the left-hand side under 'Job Opportunities'. Applications are being accepted until June 20th, or until the right candidate is selected.

### Construction Work on Main Street June 15th

Please be advised that the contractor for the Main Street Sidewalk Improvement project will recommence construction June 15th to complete all remaining work.

This work includes the reconstruction of the brick crosswalk at Academy Ln, the reconstruction of the curb ramp at the intersection of Main St and Sudbury Rd, and all other incidental work. During the reconstruction of the brick crosswalk, there will be alternating traffic during the removal of the existing crosswalk. Main Street will be closed for through traffic (between Belknap St and Sudbury Rd) for a period of two hours during the installation of the concrete base for the crosswalk. Traffic will be temporarily detoured using Thoreau St and Sudbury Rd. There will be signs posted directing vehicular traffic during the detour. Once the concrete is poured, alternating traffic will resume until the crosswalk is complete. Likewise, pedestrians must also be attentive to the sidewalk closures and detours.

Please proceed with caution through this work zone. Expect delays and seek alternate routes, if possible. For more information and scheduling please contact the CPW- Engineering Division 978-318-3210.

### Concord Police Officers, Dispatchers Recognized for Life Saving Efforts

Chief Joseph O'Connor is pleased to announce that several members of the Concord Police Department received First Responder Recognition Awards yesterday for their life saving achievements.

Sgt. Joseph Connell, Officer Kevin Walsh, Officer Charles Dirienzo, Officer Robert Dolins, Officer Sean Connell and Dispatcher Anthony Marabella were honored by the Municipal Police Training Committee (MPTC) at a ceremony on Thursday, June 9.

The annual event recognizes members of local law enforcement who have provided life-saving medical assistance to people in need. This year, Governor Charlie Baker was in attendance as the guest speaker, along with Undersecretary Jennifer Queally and MPTC Executive Director Daniel Zivkovich.

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**Traffic and Construction Advisory - Main Street Sidewalk Project** – Project contractor Century Paving will recommence construction June 15th to complete all remaining work. This work includes the reconstruction of the brick crosswalk at Academy Ln, the reconstruction of the curb ramp at the intersection of Main St and Sudbury Rd, and all other incidental work. During the reconstruction of the brick crosswalk, there will be alternating traffic during the removal of the existing crosswalk. Main Street will be closed for through traffic (between Belknap St and Sudbury Rd) for a short period estimated at two hours during the installation of the concrete base for the crosswalk. Traffic will be temporarily detoured using Thoreau St and Sudbury Rd. There will be signs posted directing vehicular traffic during the detour. Once the concrete is poured, alternating traffic will resume until the crosswalk is complete. Likewise, pedestrians must also be attentive to the sidewalk closures and detours. Please proceed with caution through this work zone. Expect delays and seek alternate routes, if possible.

**Sleepy Hollow Pedestrian Bridge and Culvert Rehabilitation Project** – Project bids were opened on Friday June 10th. The apparent low bidder is Pecora Contracting of Woburn. The project scope includes the removal of the existing culvert adjacent to the Chestnut Hollow section of the cemetery to install a new pedestrian bridge day-light a perennial stream, removal and replacement of a trail culvert with a water control structure and the cleaning and slip lining of the old Railroad culvert. Construction is expected to begin in early July.

**Roads Program Updates –**

**Deacon Haynes Road** - Project contractor Lazaro Paving will complete top course roadway paving the week of June 13th. The project is expected to reach substantial completion by the end of June.

**Southfield/Riverdale Neighborhood** - Project contractor Lazaro Paving will complete top course roadway paving for the two remaining sections (Pilgrim Road and Southfield Road) the week of June 13th. The project is expected to reach substantial completion by the end of June.

**Hunters Ridge Road**- Project contractor Cedrone Trucking completed the top course roadway paving of Hunter's Ridge Road. The project is nearing completion with top course sidewalk paving with loam and seed remaining. The project is expected to reach substantial completion by the end of June.

**ADA Right of Way Transition Plan** - CPW has entered a contract with VHB in order to update the Town's ADA Right of Way (ROW) Transition Plan. The scope of services includes modifying and expanding on the Town's existing sidewalk and ramp geodatabases. Features, such as slopes, pinch points, level changes, overhead obstructions, etc. will be stored and utilized for analysis to ensure that the transition plan prioritizes accessibility upgrades within the Town's fiscal constraints. In addition to the services of the consultant, the CPW Engineering Division developed a targeted community outreach questionnaire to gather information on known ADA barriers and help prioritize repairs. Please contact the Engineering Divisions if you would like to fill out a questionnaire. The ADA ROW Transition plan is expected to be in draft form by the Fall.

**Westford Road Culvert Replacement Project** – Project contractor Aquiline Industries anticipates beginning construction for the culvert replacement on July 6th. The project scope includes the replacement of the culvert and headwalls. Traffic will be detoured around the work area for approximately one month. The detour will be established via Spencer Brook Rd and Pope Road in Carlisle. The project is being funded in part through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) administered by MEMA.



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**MassDEP Sponsored Grants Submitted by CPW** - On June 9, 2016 CPW submitted both a “Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Grant” in the amount of \$1,250, the maximum amount that could be awarded under this grant based on the Town’s population along with a “Recycling Dividends Program (RDP) Grant” which is a point-based program. Under the Recycling Dividends Program, the Town may be eligible to receive up to an additional \$4,000 (maximum of 10 points @ \$400 per point). Both grants could be utilized for the purchase of additional recycling-related products such as wire-frame recycling containers for downtown areas, other public recycling containers (i.e. collapsible containers for events), compost bins, curbside recycling bins, etc. MassDEP typically awards these grants in October.

**Nagog Pond Water Supply** - In concert with the Acton portion of the new pedestrian/bike path overpass under construction along Route 2A in Acton, SPS New England, Inc. has completed the relocation of several hundred feet of 16-inch (circa 1909) suction main located immediately up gradient of Concord’s Nagog Pond booster pump-station. The completion of this work, coupled with the installation of a temporary ozone treatment unit at our Acton drinking water treatment facility, have CPW prepared to bring Nagog Pond on-line just in time to meet summer/peak demand period.

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**Building Inspections Division**

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**Concord-Carlisle Regional High School:** A full Certificate of Use and Occupancy (C of O) has now been issued for the CCRHS project. The school had received a temporary C of O pending demolition of the old High School structures and landscaping being completed. The High School playing fields construction is still proceeding throughout the summer.

**110/112 Commonwealth Avenue (Reasons to be Cheerful):** With a pending sale of the building/lot to a new owner, the Building Inspections Division has been working with the buyer’s/seller’s attorneys to make sure that the proper parking easement is in place to allow the sale and prevent a zoning violation. This building relies on three (3) parking spaces which are located on the 104-108 Commonwealth Avenue site next to and behind it.

**‘Black Horse Place’ Planned Residential Development (PRD):** The Building Inspections Division has started issuing building permits for a 19-unit PRD, “Black Horse Place”, located on 46.5 acres off Commerford Road. Lot clearing and road construction has already begun on the site.

**Health Division**

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Routine septic permitting, temporary food event permitting, and camp and pool inspections have been carried out by Health Division inspectors. 13 septic field inspections, 3 food inspections, 5 temporary food event permit reviews, 4 camp inspections, 2 pool inspections.



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### Natural Resources Division

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**Natural Resources Commission:** Staff reviewed the following projects for the June 15th NRC meeting: the continued Notice of Intent (NOI) for Mill Brook Tarry to construct a market and expand the parking lot; a NOI for 300-310 Baker Avenue to expand the parking lot; an NOI for MassDOT to install stormwater management swales and basins on a portion of Route 2; and an NOI for 253 Sudbury Road for landscaping and to repair a retaining wall.

**National Trails Day:** The Appalachian Mountain Club, Trails Committee, local volunteers, and DNR staff held a successful work party on Saturday, June 4th. Three hundred butterfly weed and 15 New Jersey Tea plants were planted in Heywood Meadow and eight bog bridges were constructed and installed on the Emerson-Thoreau Amble.



### Planning Division

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**Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Advisory Committee meeting of June 9th:** Director Marcia Rasmussen provided an update about the Right-of-way process to the BFRT Advisory Committee. Sudbury Selectmen Leonard Simon attended the meeting and provided an update on Phase 2D – the rail trail through Sudbury. He reported the design engineers VHB were currently developing the 25% design plans with an expected completion date of November 2016, that additional funds have been appropriated from Community Preservation Funds through Town Meeting to support the next stage of design and that CSX has expressed an interest in selling a portion of their right-of-way to the towns of Sudbury and Framingham, which would allow completion of the trail as envisioned.

**Historical Commission meeting of June 9th:** The agenda included planning for the presentation of the first annual Preservation Awards, which will be held on Monday, July 20 during the Select Board's scheduled meeting. The Commission also reviewed and approved a Demolition Review Application form for use as soon as the Bylaw has been authorized by the Attorney General; discussed the Ball Benson House and Barn reconstruction project and steps for moving forward with the project; brainstormed ideas to make the Historic Markers program more visible; and discussed their summer meeting schedule and potential upcoming projects.

**Millbrook Tarry market proposal:** At its Tuesday night meeting, the Planning Board finalized its recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) recommending that the special permit; site plan and requested relief from parking requirements be granted. On Thursday, June 9th, the ZBA opened the public hearing on this application, and after listening to a presentation by the proponent and comments/questions from residents, continued the hearing to July 14th.