

TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

Week of: November 13, 2017

Veterans Ceremony

Town offices were closed Friday in observation of Veterans Day with the flag retirement and parade. We thank Concord's Veterans for their service to our town and country.





Tree Lighting and Parade

Join the Town of Concord and Concord Recreation in celebrating our community during the Holiday Tree Lighting and Parade. December 3rd from 3-6PM Featured this year will be a new parade route, photos with Santa, carolers, live music from the Beantown Swing Orchestra, meet and greet with characters and much more.

Visit the Facebook event for details: https://www.facebook.com/events/1891041077873332/



Fire Department

Last week Captain Dave Curran became aware that there was an opportunity to procure some surplus self-contained breathing apparatus and equipment from the State. The department found that they could replenish some the equipment that is slated to expire in the not too distant future. Using the surplus pricing schedule provided by the State Operational Services Division, for \$700.00 they were able to acquire 20 SCBA units, 40 SCBA cylinders, 20 SCBA masks. The value that the state attributed to this equipment is roughly \$106,000.00. To put this in perspective, CFD recently purchased some replacement SCBA cylinders for \$993.00 each. The Fire Department was in the process of determining how to replace a number of expiring cylinders, this acquisition solves a potential problem for the fire department and saves a lot of money for the town.



West Concord Ribbon Cutting

Join the Town of Concord and the West Concord Advisory Committee in the official Ribbon Cutting for the West Concord Improvement Project. The ribbon cutting will take place on Friday the 17th at 4:30PM in the pedestrian plaza between Concord Teacakes and Twin Seafoods.



Upcoming Meetings

CMLP Strategic Planning Public Hearing

Join CMLP for a public outreach session regarding the <u>Strategic Plan</u>. The outreach session will allow people to provide feedback to the plan and its implementation going forward during the Tuesday November 14th from 7-9pm in the Hearing Room at the Town House.

Included in the outreach session will be topic breakout sessions for fuel switching and electric vehicles, rate design, purchase power agreements and renewable energy, energy storage and smart thermostats, and energy efficiency.

Parking Management Meeting

The public is invited to come provide comments to the Select Board regarding parking management this Wednesday, November 15th at 7PM in the Town House Hearing Room.

To view the parking management suggestions from the 2012 study completed by Nelson Nygaard, please <u>click on the link</u> or visit the town website under Planning—Parking Management Plan

Concord Long Range Planning Public Hearing

The public is invited to come learn what was said during the first public input session and to continue to provide input to the process. The progress report will be provided on Thursday November 16th at 7PM at the Willard School. Auditorium.

To learn more about the Committee's progress and information gather, please visit the Committee's web page at https://concordma.gov/1863/Current-Meeting-Nov-16th-Public-Hearing-

Public Works

755 Walden Street Compost Site Wednesday Extended Hours – The Wednesday extended hours pilot program (3:00 PM – 5:30 PM) will continue through November 22. Brush fees will continue to be waived through Wednesday, November 15, due to the high generation of brush debris in Town associated with the October 29th - 30th storm. Regular brush fees will be reinstated effective Saturday, November 18.

The Compost Site will remain open Saturdays, 9 AM - 3 PM, through December 16th for leaves and brush. The Paint Shed is closed for the season and will open the first Saturday of April. For questions, contact Concord Public Works at (978) 318-3240 or cpw.info@concordma.gov.

Annual Landfill Inspection and Mowing– MassDEP requires an annual landfill inspection by a third-party DEP-approved inspector for closed landfills in the Commonwealth. These inspections are typically performed in November, after the mowing is completed. The annual landfill inspection was conducted by Weston & Sampson on the 8th.

Weston & Sampson is currently preparing the landfill inspection report which will be submitted to MassDEP within 30 days of the inspection. The landfill inspection report is comprehensive and includes a review of post-closure use and post-closure requirements such as groundwater and soil gas monitoring.

The inspection report will be included with the next two-year landfill report, which will summarize the monitoring results and other activities performed at the landfill in 2016 & 2017. The next two-year report will be submitted to MassDEP in February 2018. MassDEP requires two-year reports for all MA closed landfills in addition to one-year landfill inspection reports.