



TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

Week of September 9th, 2019

Closing of Outdoor Public Space in Concord Due to EEE Threat 6pm to 6am

The threat of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) has been in the news and, as many people are aware, its presence is increasing throughout Massachusetts and our neighboring communities. In order to ensure the safety of our community members, the Town of Concord is taking precautionary measures to help citizens avoid unnecessary contact with mosquitoes in public outdoor facilities.

Out of an abundance of caution, the Town is following the guidance of Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) and will be closing public parks, playing fields, and all other outdoor recreation areas from 6:00PM to 6:00AM. These closures began September 9, 2019 and will remain in effect until further notice.

Town Officials are advising private organizations to consider canceling any outdoor evening activities and encourage everyone to remain vigilant when it comes to the spread of Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE).

The MDPH recommends that people should limit their exposure to the outdoors when possible and practical, and to wear protective and covering clothing as well as insect repellent which contains DEET if being outside is necessary.

Information about EEE and ways to avoid insect borne diseases, specifically EEE, can be found on the MA Department of Public Health website pages at <https://www.mass.gov/guides/eee-in-massachusetts>.

Town Manager Reception

Please join the Select Board in welcoming the new Town Manager, Stephen Crane, with an informal meet and greet on September 26th.

3:00pm-4:30pm at the COA at the Harvey Wheeler Community Center

5:00pm-6:30pm at the Town House Hearing Room



Welcome

TO OUR NEW TOWN MANAGER

Join us for a meet and greet reception with Town Manager Stephen Crane

September 26th

- Harvey Wheeler Community Center 3:00pm-4:30pm
- Concord Town House 5:00pm-6:30pm

Sponsored by the Concord Select Board

Gas Leak at 53 Church Street

A gas leak occurred on September 3rd at 53 Church Street when a private contractor working on the building punctured an underground pipe. The gas leaked into the atmosphere and did not effect the nearby buildings. The schools and childcare centers in direct proximity evacuated out of precaution and after-school was diverted away from the Harvey Wheeler Community Center, which shares a parking lot.

Concord Police, Fire, and EMS responded in standard protocol and the gas leak was stopped shortly after.



DESIGNING A SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE WORKSHOP SERIES



Join us for a series of workshops on sustainable approaches to designing, constructing and maintaining your yard. Topics will include:

- Analyzing your space
- Designing with nature
- Identifying lawn alternatives
- Using native plants
- Reducing water use
- Maintaining without chemicals



Workshop 1: Designing Your Space

Thurs, Sept 19 from 5:30-8:00pm | Concord-Carlisle High School

Workshop 2: Constructing Your Project

Tues, Oct 8 from 9:00-11:00am | Concord Police/Fire Station

Workshop 3: Maintaining Your Yard

Sat, Oct 26 from 9:00-11:00am | Harvey Wheeler Community Center



To RSVP visit:
concordma.gov/greenscapes

Organized by the Town of Concord Sustainability
Division and Concord Public Works

