



TOWN OF CONCORD

Town Manager's Report

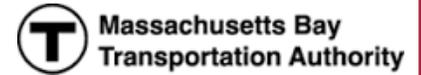
Week of October 28th, 2019

755 Walden Street Compost Site Open for Fall Leaf Drop Off for Storm Water Quality Protection

Activity has been brisk at the Compost Site this fall with residents dropping off leaves, grass clippings, and brush. Last week alone, residents made 707 visits to the Compost Site. This is in addition to the many loads of leaves delivered by Concord Public Works.

These efforts help to keep storm drains clear to prevent localized flooding while also preventing the leaching of pollutants in to the Town's waterways.

The Compost Site is open to Concord residents Saturdays 9:00AM – 3:00PM and Wednesdays 3:00PM – 6:00PM. The Compost Site will remain open through Saturday, December 21st, weather permitting. The Paint Shed is closed for the season and will reopen the first Saturday in April.



CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY

Due to Emergency Repairs, the Commonwealth Avenue Railroad Grade Crossing will be closed Friday November 8th until Sunday November 10th. It is anticipated that the crossing will be closed to thru traffic beginning at 8 PM on Friday and re-opening on Sunday afternoon.

Please seek alternate routes of travel. Traffic details and detour signage will be in place. Businesses can maintain normal business hours while the crossing is closed.

This work is vital to the Public / Rider Safety and will also be an improvement to the grade crossing.

EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE WORKSHOP

FOR CONCORD'S COMMITTEE AND BOARD VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, November 2, 2019
Town House
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Session 1

OPEN MEETING AND PUBLIC RECORDS

Presented by
Kaari Tari
Town Clerk

Session 2

TOWN MEETING

Presented by
Carmin Reiss
Town Moderator

Session 3

EFFECTIVE MEETING MANAGEMENT

Presented by
Mike Lawson
Select Board, Chair



Pollinator Meadow Establishment

Two new pollinator meadows are on their way! Volunteers and Natural Resources staff planted over two hundred plugs of native plants in a demonstration pollinator garden at Heywood Meadow.

Over the past several years, the approach to meadow management has been to mow in the late fall to allow late flowering plants like asters and goldenrod to set seed, providing seed sources for following years, with the hope of an ever growing base of native plants on the meadow.

These efforts help to counteract the staggering losses of familiar songbirds – over 3 billion in the past 20 years – from continued decline, and also provide important food and cover for native pollinators.

FREE RIDE & DRIVE EVent!



Emergency Shelter Public Awareness Event, October 30, 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm

An open house and educational awareness event will be held Wednesday, October 30th from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 pm at the Town's emergency shelter located at the Harvey Wheeler Community Center, 1276 Main St. West Concord. Residents of all ages are encouraged to attend to learn more about how to prepare for emergencies of all types and to better understand the shelter services the Town may offer in the event of an emergency. Come see the shelter setup, learn more about important supplies to bring to a shelter, what to expect when you're there, pets in shelters, and how to prepare for sheltering at home. The shelter awareness event is being hosted by the Concord Emergency Management Team in conjunction with the Concord Health Division and Council on Aging.

Where do you go in an emergency? What do you do?

Join us to learn how to prepare and the shelter services offered by the Town of Concord



Harvey Wheeler
Community Center



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