



# TOWN OF CONCORD

*Office of the Town Manager*

## Operational Status Reports and Departmental Updates For the week ending October 27, 2023

### Town Manager's Office

#### **2229 Main Street**

On Oct. 25, the EPA hosted an information session regarding the NMI/Starmet site which was well attended both in person and on-line. The 2229 Advisory Task Force is holding a public forum on November 9, 2023 to review the charge of the committee, outline considerations for possible reuse, and solicit ideas regarding the NMI/Starmet superfund site. The task force will develop a recommendation to the Select Board on the site.

#### **Nanae-Concord Sister City Connection**

A delegation from Nanae Japan is in Concord this week as part of the Nanae-Concord Sister City program. The delegation and their host families came to the Town House on Sunday to celebrate twenty-five years of partnership with a signing ceremony. The Minuteman escorted the delegation to the Town House, where they were joined by the Mayor of Nanae, family, friends, and other officials from Japan on Zoom. The ceremony ended with a toast and cake. The younger members of the delegation will be attending middle and high school this week in addition to other cultural events, including Trick-or-Treat.

2229 Main Street Advisory Taskforce

Join us for a hybrid public forum

TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF THE NMI/STARMET SITE

- Participate and share ideas on the future of the 46 acre property
- Find out what the Select Board has asked the Task Force to do
- Hear about the Task Force members and their work
- Learn about issues being considered in making recommendations to the Select Board

November 9, 2023  
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM  
Concord Town House or via Zoom  
22 Monument Square

Get engaged in this important community conversation

<https://www.concordma.gov/2229main> ← For meeting info → SCAN ME



### Police Department

#### **Activity Log:**

- Log items: 642
- Traffic enforcements: 39
- Motor vehicle stops: 37.
- Motor vehicle crashes and/or paper exchanges: 11
- Arrests: 2

#### **Community:**

- Officers assisted the Umbrella Arts Center with the Brandi Carlisle concert which had Governor Maura Healey in attendance.
- Officers assisted with events at Concord Academy's Open House, West Concord Day, and security at Temple Kerem Shalom.

- Chief Mulcahy and Lieutenant Landers attended the acclaimed bluegrass musical, Nefesh Mountain, at Temple Kerem Shalom.
- Lieutenant Landers and Lieutenant Goldman, along with staff from the Concord Fire Department and neighboring agencies attended a training session put on by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) in preparation for the upcoming 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration.
- Lieutenant Landers, Lieutenant Monahan, and Lieutenant Goldman attended the quarterly Central Middlesex Police Partnership (CMPP) meeting which held a presentation on the new Mental Health Court which will be operating as a function out of Concord District Court.

## Public Works

- **Nagog Pond Watershed Inspection:** Representatives of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (Department or MassDEP) conducted an inspection of the Nagog Pond watershed, intake, disinfection processes, and files on October 17, 2023. This



- inspection is a requirement of the Massachusetts Drinking Water Regulations for systems with a filtration waiver. It is noted that Concord is one of a few surface water systems to maintain this waiver – issued over 30 years ago. The watershed inspection, in conjunction with the Watershed Protection Control Program and the disinfection process, are interrelated preventive strategies that ensure adequate control of water quality. The inspections ensure maximum utilization of the multi-barrier approach to source water protection. No significant deficiencies were identified.
- **Future Water Operators:** On October 26<sup>th</sup>, operations personnel provided a tour of the Deaconess Water Treatment Facility to Senior class members of Minuteman’s Environmental Science Program. The water supply industry is increasingly challenged with attracting the next generation of operators and technicians. Concord Water has a long history of offering such tours to surrounding schools, increasing awareness and exposure to the important work that we do and related and varied career opportunities that exist.
  - **Commonwealth Avenue Road Improvement:** Bradford Street, Winthrop Street and Commonwealth Avenue between Laws Brook Road and Church Street will be milled, and structures raised from October 30, 2023, to November 2, 2023. Bradford Street and Winthrop Street will remain open, with alternating one-way traffic. Commonwealth Ave. will remain open to one-way traffic, and there will be no on-street parking while the detour is operating and a significant reduction to parking during structure raising. Alternative parking will be in the Municipal portion of the MBTA Parking Lot. Traffic will be detoured through Laws Brook Road, Conant Street, Main Street, and Church Street. For more details on the project see the dedicated project webpage: <https://concordma.gov/3132/Commonwealth-Avenue-Improvements-Church>.

## Library

### Community Read-a-Loud



Public Health Director Melanie Dineen volunteered to be a guest reader during the Fowler Library's Community Helper story hour