



Town of Concord

Weekly Operations Report

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General Administration

Town Manager's Office

MCI-Concord

The Department of Corrections announced that all prisoners are now relocated from the site. The wastewater treatment facility is still in operation to support the Farm and other ancillary operations.

The bill pertaining to MCI-Concord, H4800, was approved by house senate conference committee for the FY25 state budget and sent to the Governor for approval. She has until July 29th to review it. She can veto it, approve it, or do line-item vetoes but she can't add anything to it.

The budget bill includes \$475,000 to the Town of Concord for planning and reuse of MCI Concord. We expect to contract with the Office of Economic Development to receive the funds later this fall.

The legislation also directs DCAMM to have at least three public hearings and meet with stakeholders over a period of about 18 months to produce a report to the legislature with a reuse plan.

Staff and officials are working on a scope for public outreach with DCAMM - and hope to partner with DCAMM to host the first public outreach meeting in September.

Human Resources

Personnel News

Malyssa Simard has been promoted to the position of Benefits Manager effective Monday, July 22nd. While Malyssa will officially be part of the Human Resources department as of this date, we have worked out a transition plan with the Finance Department to have

Malyssa continue to be the primary payroll preparer until October 25th, to allow the Finance team time to secure her replacement.

The HR team is very excited to formally welcome Malyssa to the HR team. Malyssa's strong customer service experience will be an asset in providing guidance and assistance to our employees with benefits questions. Malyssa will also be working closely with our new partners at MIIA to develop some wellness programming.

Please join me in congratulating Malyssa on her promotion!

Police Department

Calls for Service

Thursday, July 11th - Wednesday, July 17th, 2024

- Log items: **663**
- Traffic enforcement: **46**
- Motor vehicle stops: **105**
- Motor vehicle crashes and/or paper exchanges: **6**
- Arrests: **0**

- **07/11/2024** - Captain Goldman, Lieutenant Landers and Sergeant Bordenca attended the 250th Transportation Sub-Committee meeting to discuss parking and transportation routes with the other communities involved in the planning of the event.
- **07/13/2024** - Officers assisted with the Thoreau Society International Gathering on Elm Street, monitoring the area for any parking or traffic issues.
- **07/17/2024** - Officers assisted with detouring traffic due to a water main break on Liberty Street.

Fire Department

FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Chief Thomas Judge is pleased to share that the Concord Fire Department received a \$948,266 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) courtesy of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

On July 12, FEMA awarded \$324 million in Assistance to Firefighters Grants to municipalities nationwide to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters against fire-related deaths and hazards. The primary goal of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant is to meet the firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and non-affiliated emergency medical service organizations

According to [FEMA](#), 2,300 people died in home fires in the United States in 2023, including 85 firefighters. Through the AFG grants, recipients will be able to fund critically needed resources to better equip and train emergency response personnel, enhance operational efficiencies, foster communications interoperability between emergency responders and support community risk reduction and resilience.

Technology

Cybersecurity Grant

The town has been awarded a share of a state grant for cyber security. In February 2024, the Healey-Driscoll administration announced that grant funds were available through two programs, the FY24 Municipal Local Cybersecurity Grant Program and FY24 State Share Cybersecurity Grant Program, to help local governments and state agencies undertake priority cybersecurity enhancements. The programs awarded \$6,820,897.57 in federal funding to support cybersecurity initiatives across the state. Seven state agencies received a combined \$359,063.07 and 125 local agencies and municipalities received grants totaling \$6,461,834.50.

The \$9,950 grant will allow the Town of Concord to implement a comprehensive risk register and significantly enhance our tracking, budgeting and management of risk. It includes funding for the training of staff, for software, and for assistance in documenting and categorizing current risks, whether they be physical, financial, reputational or cyber risk.
