



Town of Concord

Weekly Operations Report

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General Administration

Town Clerk

Vote by Mail ballots have been mailed to those who requested them specifically for the State Primary or for all elections this year.

Track my ballot: <https://www.sec.state.ma.us/WhereDoIVoteMA/TrackMyBallot>

Vote by Mail Postcard Applications have been mailed by the State Elections Division to voters who may still be considering the option to vote by mail or those who selected all elections this year but did not specify a party ballot and are currently not enrolled in a party (unenrolled or independent voters).

Important Deadlines for the September 3rd Primary:

- Voter Registration Deadline: 5:00 pm on Saturday, August 24th
- Vote by Mail Application Deadline: 5:00 pm on Monday, August 26th
- In Person Absentee Voting Deadline: 5:00 pm on Friday, August 30th

Early In-Person Voting at the Town House for the September 3rd Primary:

Saturday, August 24th: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Monday, August 26th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Tuesday, August 27th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Wednesday, August 28th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Thursday, August 29th: 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Friday, August 30th: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Voting on Election Day, September 3, 2024:

Polls will be open from 7:00 am until 8:00 pm

Precinct 1: 141 Keyes Road – Planning & Land Management Building

Precinct 2: 1276 Main Street – Harvey Wheeler Community Center

Precinct 3: 1276 Main Street – Harvey Wheeler Community Center

Precinct 4: 90 Stow Street – **back at Hunt Recreation Center**

Precinct 5: 90 Stow Street – **back at Hunt Recreation Center**

Find my election information:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/WhereDoIVoteMA/WhereDoIVote>

Human Resources

Congratulations to our June **GEM** Lottery Award winner Sara Dempster from the Library!

For **G**oing the **E**xtra **M**ile, Sara will receive a \$25.00 gift certificate to a local business to enjoy! Follow this link to learn more about the GEM Program:

[Town of Concord \(concordma.gov\)](https://www.concordma.gov)

If you know someone who has gone the extra mile and deserves recognition,

nominate them at [GEM-Form \(concordma.gov\)](https://www.concordma.gov). Completed forms can be submitted to Magnolia Begley at Human Resources: mbegley@concordma.gov.



Fire Department

Calls for Service

Monday, July 15 - Sunday, July 28, 2024

During the two-week period between July 15 and July 28, the Concord Fire Department responded to 181 calls for service including a kitchen fire that had self-extinguished and was discovered by contractors starting work for the day. There was extensive damage and there were no injuries.

Training

Crews have been training on forcible entry using a new prop that the department purchased. Designed to simulate several types of door and lock configurations, as well as a cutting station to learn the method of cutting different materials safely.

Fire Prevention

Real estate transaction inspections have been up lately; each time a residential real estate transaction occurs, a fire department inspection is required to verify a code compliant fire alarm system. Additionally, fire prevention has been busy with quarterly inspections of hotels, plan reviews and permitting.



Police Department

Calls for Service

Thursday, July 18 - Wednesday, July 24, 2024

- Log items: **703**
- Traffic enforcement: **44**
- Motor vehicle stops: **100**
- Motor vehicle crashes and/or paper exchanges: **11**
- Arrests: **3**

On July 17th, Detective Timothy McGonagle was temporarily assigned to the role of acting sergeant.

Officers were assigned to monitor traffic and pedestrian concerns at both White Pond and Walden Pond from July 20th-21st.

Officers assisted with traffic control on July 20th at a wedding and reception located at 675 Sudbury Road.

Council On Aging

Hiking

Bob White, Concord Trail Leader (pictured far right) led a group of Concord senior residents at October Farm, where William Brewster, who was first president of the Massachusetts Audubon Society, once had a sanctuary and famously made many bird observations. The group hiked and observed for 90 minutes following the Concord River then around Holden Hills and up Dakin Hill.



BBQ Lunch

Thanks to the blazin' hands of the Concord Fire Department, nearly 100 senior residents enjoyed a drive-through BBQ Lunch at the Council on Aging on Wednesday. Thank you to Chief Thomas Judge organizer Sean Murphy of The Concord Firefighters Association for their continued support and interest in our Town's vibrant senior community. Special thanks to the good folks at Twin Seafood for the loan of the grill.





All under control by able hands...

COA volunteer Jane Haynes was happy to pull up for her grilled BBQ delights



The COA's Chris Choate keeps things moving and in order...



Delicious...

Community Services

Back-to-School Backpack Drive

The town's annual Backpack Drive has begun! This summer marks the 10th year that Concord's Community Services will be distributing donated backpacks and school supplies to low-income Concord families struggling to pay rent and feed their children. Students and their parents are invited to the Community Services office to choose a backpack for the new school year. Donations come from Concord residents, town employees, and local businesses. Many families participate in the Backpack Drive each year!
