



Town of Concord

Weekly Operations Report

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Public Works

Engineering

MassDOT Fair Share Act Grant – The Town has received \$344,261 identified as Concord’s Fair Share apportionment for FY24 which is Concord’s share of the additional \$100 million appropriated by the Commonwealth to support local infrastructure. This is being administered under Chapter 90 and will be put towards road and sidewalk improvements townwide.

Main Street Paving – The section of Main Street from its intersection with Sudbury Rd to the intersection with Thoreau St has been paved with the first course of asphalt. It is being prepared for the top course expected later this week. The next section of Main Street to be addressed starting next week is between Thoreau St and Elm St.

General Administration

Backpack Drive

The town’s Backpack Drive for Concord families in need begins this week! I expect to see approximately 50 students come into my office to choose a backpack for the new school year. Many thanks to those of you who have donated to the drive! If you are still considering doing so, donation boxes are located at Town Hall, 55 Church Street, Beede, and the



Main Library downtown. Donations are accepted right up until the first day of school on August 28th!

Human Resources

Gem Program

Congratulations to our July **GEM** Lottery Award winner Walter Latta from Fire! Asst. Chief Latta ran an incredible safety preparedness training at the library. It was fun and information packed! For **G**oing the **E**xtra **M**ile, Walter 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

Personnel News

Erin McMorrow joins the Town of Concord team as Assistant HR Director. Erin most recently worked for the Davis Companies, where she focused on worker's compensation, benefits, compliance, onboarding, training/professional, and employee engagement. She is based at the 55 Church Street location. Please extend Erin a warm welcome, and if you find yourself in West Concord, stop by and say hello.

Fire Department

Calls for Service

Friday, August 9 - Thursday, August 15, 2024

During the one-week period of August 9 to August 15, the Fire Department responded to 80 calls for service. Responses included a vehicle that struck a utility pole at the intersection of Brown Street and Westvale Road, causing the utility pole to be displaced into the intersection. Concord Police and CMLP also responded to manage traffic and secure the utility pole and communication wires.

During the severe weather and thunderstorms that passed through the area on Thursday, August 15, Assistant Chief Latta responded to a second alarm fire in Sudbury where he assisted with incident management responsibilities. No other Concord companies were available to respond to the fire as they were committed to storm related emergencies in Concord.



FEMA Response

Assistant Chief Latta completed his recent FEMA deployment where he coordinated the logistical needs of the Fairfax County VA, Virginia Beach, and South Carolina Task Force's operations in the greater Berkeley County, SC area. That area had numerous water rescues, evacuations, and dam compromises due to the hurricane and heavy rains. Assistant Chief Latta returned home to Massachusetts on Monday, August 12.

Training

A property scheduled for demolition on Butternut Circle has been available to the fire department for training activities. Crews conducted numerous training evolutions, including RIT drills (rapid intervention training). These evolutions were focused on the skills required for firefighting crews to respond to and rescue trapped or injured firefighters.

Fire Prevention

In addition to weekly meetings and site visits of ongoing projects in town, activities also included:

- Inspections: 15
- Permits issued: 8

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- Plan reviews: 4

New Employee

Firefighter Derek O'Rourke completed his initial training and orientation period and his first shift assignment is on the ambulance in West Concord with Group 4 beginning this Saturday, August 17, 2024.

Police Department

Calls for Service

Thursday, August 8 - Wednesday, August 14, 2024

- LOG ITEMS: **633**
- TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT: **50**
- MOTOR VEHICLE STOPS: **75**
- MOTOR VEHICLE CRASHES AND/OR PAPER EXCHANGES: **8**
- ARRESTS: **2**

Community

08/6/2024 - Officers Mailloux and Brady responded to the Town of Natick for a NEMLEC motorcycle unit callout.

08/11/2024 - Officers assisted with the 250th picnic and parade at the Concord Museum.

Training

08/08/2024 - Officers Simpson and Burman attended Human Trafficking Indicators training at MPTC Boylston