



# TOWN OF CONCORD

## Town Manager's Report

Week of: June 20, 2016

### Concord Public Works -Bicycle Giveaway for Concord Residents

Contact: (978) 318-3240

There has been strong initial interest in the bike giveaway to be held from 4:00 PM – 7:30 PM on Wednesday, June 22nd at the Public Works facility located at 133 Keyes Rd. Many residents have contacted Concord Public Works beginning on the morning of June 6th, the day passes became available, to make arrangements to obtain a pass. An official, no cost pass is required to receive a bike, with a two-bike per family limit - on a first come, first choose basis on the day of the event. Residents may pre-register and obtain a limited availability pass to attend the event beforehand by contacting Concord Public Works at (978) 318-3240.

Given the high interest in the bike giveaway, CPW urges residents to obtain their pass early as passes are limited to the existing inventory.

### Paid Summer Internship Opportunity

Contact: (978) 318-3025

The Town of Concord is seeking a paid summer intern to work with our Social Services Division and the Department of Planning and Land Management to assist with a variety of projects. Candidates must have a general knowledge of Microsoft Windows (Word, Excel and Access) and related software, as well as digital cameras/photography.

Candidates must be able to organize information in spreadsheets and perform research and field work as needed. Good communication skills, a positive attitude, excellent verbal and written skills and the ability to work unsupervised are also required. A general understanding of good graphic design is a plus. More information is available on the Town's website on the left-hand side under 'Job Opportunities'. Applications are being accepted until June 20th, or until the right candidate is selected.

### Concord Public Works

Contact: 978-318-3206

**Walden Street Compost Site - Brush, Logs, and Wood Chip Disposal** - During this past week, contractor, J.D. Raymond Transport processed and disposed of the brush, logs, and wood chips that are collected and stored at the Compost Site on Walden Street. This annual operation allows the Town to maintain adequate space for residents to dispose of brush as well as providing an area for CPW Grounds Division to store logs and wood chips from their tree removal operations.

### Roadway Crack Sealing Project Advisory (06/20-6/23)

- Please be advised that the contractor for the Town-wide roadway crack sealing project will continue construction June 20th through June 23rd. Work will be conducted on Main Street (Route 2 to Old Stow Road), Cottage St., Main St. (Monument Square to Sudbury Road), Sudbury Rd. (Main St to Thoreau St), and Walden St. Alternating lane traffic will be utilized during the work. Please proceed with caution through this work zone. Expect delays and seek alternate routes, if possible. For more information please contact the CPW- Engineering Division 978-318-3210.

### Energy Futures Task Force Public Meeting on June 22

Contact: (978) 318-3000

The Energy Futures Task Force will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, June 22 at 7pm at the Harvey Wheeler Community Center, 1276 Main Street.

The purpose of this public meeting is to gather input from citizens as the Task Force begins its work to create a framework for an energy plan and goals for Concord's future.

### Commonwealth Connect

Report potholes and other problems to your town on the go!



See something in the community that could use some fixing? Maybe it's a pesky pothole or a street light that's out. Let us know via SeeClickFix/ Commonwealth Connect on the web or on your mobile phone!



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**Planning Division**

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**MassHousing Partnership Housing Institute and Heroes award:** Senior Planner Lara Kritzer attended this year's MHP Housing Institute to hear the latest about affordable housing development in the Commonwealth. Additionally, the Town of Concord was recognized by MHP as a "Housing Hero" for its ongoing effort to create and maintain affordable housing in the community.

**Bruce Freeman Rail Trail:** Easement and construction plans were submitted to the MBTA on Monday to begin the 30-day 'canvas' by the MBTA. Director Rasmussen and GPI Engineering consultant met with representatives from MassDOT and MBTA on site on Thursday to review the location of the MBTA easements and extent of proposed work. Town Counsel has begun a review of the work to be done relative to easements over two Town-owned parcels and preparation of easements over private property. The appraisers are working on appraisals for thirteen of the sixteen properties.

**Comprehensive Long Range Plan Committee (CLRPC) meeting of June 15th:** Select Board member Jane Hotchkiss led the inaugural meeting of the CLRPC. Gary Kleiman and Elise Woodward were elected as Co-chairs (pending acceptance of the role by E. Woodward) and John Boynton was elected Clerk. The Committee agreed to meet the 2nd and 4th Friday morning each month, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 24.

**Community Preservation Committee meeting on June 14th:** Finance Director Tony Logalbo met with the CPC to discuss the possibility of changing the Town's local CPA surcharge amount and other allowed financial options under the Act, including bonding. Mr. Logalbo presented the amount of funds over time that Concord has received with its 1.5% surcharge, and what it could expect to raise if the Town voted to raise the surcharge to 3%. Mr. Logalbo also explained the process and impact that bonding would have on the amount of CPA funds available annually and the Town's other bonding activities. In addition, the CPC met with Concord Carlisle at Play representative John Boynton for a full update on the project and the projected scope and timeline for Phases III and IV. Members also began looking at the annual Community Preservation Plan update and discussed the summer schedule.

**Historic Districts Commission meeting on June 16th:** The HDC reviewed three continued, and one new, application for changes within the historic districts. The Commission approved the installation of new paving and paint colors at 414 Main Street; the creation of a new driveway and installation of new lighting and paving materials at 25 Barnes Hill Road; and the addition of a ramp, replacement door, and accessibility improvements to the side entrance of the Wright Tavern at 2 Lexington Road. In addition, the Commission discussed a letter received from 55 Estabrook Road concerning the new property lines for the site and determined that the small portion of the new stone wall that remains under the HDC's review is not visible from any public way.

**Building Inspections Division**

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**The Old Manse/Trustees of Reservations:** The Building Inspections Division issued a building permit last week to allow the construction of a temporary public art exhibit on the Old Manse property at 269 Monument Street. The public art exhibit will take the form of a canopied structure to hold summer outdoor events. This art project is called "The Meeting House" and is designed by the artist Sam Durant. The new structure will be constructed in the North Field adjacent to the Old Manse. The use of the new canopied structure will focus on the African presence in colonial and post-revolutionary Concord. The structure will be removed after four months. road construction has already begun on the site.



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**Natural Resources Commission meeting of June 15th:** The NRC heard the following matters - the continued Notice of Intent (NOI) hearing for Mill Brook Tarry to construct a market and expand the parking lot; an NOI for MassDOT to install stormwater management features along Route 2; and an NOI for 253 Sudbury Road to reconstruct a retaining wall and landscape. Orders of Conditions were issued for all three projects, as well as for a septic system repair at 75 Ayrshire Lane. A three-year Extension was issued to Wedgewood Common to repave the parking lot and install drainage. An Emergency Certification was also issued to siphon down Crosby's Pond and remove beaver debris.

**Conservation Crew:** Andrew Carlson joined Sean Joyce this week to serve on the Conservation Crew this summer. They will be working over the next ten weeks on trail maintenance, invasive species removal, mowing conservation lands, and other land management projects.

**Health Division**

Contact: (978) 318-3275

**Summer Camp Season is Here:** Public Health Inspector Gabrielle White has been busy conducting pre-opening inspections this week. Several camps were found to be non-compliant and will require re-inspection before a permit can be issued.

**Health Services to Lincoln:** The inter-municipal contract with the Town of Lincoln is currently being updated for fiscal year 2017. A draft will be sent out for review shortly.