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The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource (<u>www.barnstablehealth.com</u>) on March 16, 2020 to keep you up-to-date with the latest information as it relates to reducing the spread of COVID-19 and the working of Barnstable Town government. Visit and bookmark <u>www.barnstablehealth.com</u>.

Massachusetts COVID Vaccination Plan

The Massachusetts COVID Vaccination Plan was announced and conforms to the phases and prioritized populations identified by the Centers for Disease Control. <u>When can I get the COVID-19 vaccine?</u> <u>Mass.gov</u> As of this date, local health departments do not have any vaccines onsite for distribution or vaccinations.

Barnstable County Clarifies COVID-19 Vaccination Process

Barnstable County Government seeks to clarify that although residents seventy-five years and older will be the next group eligible (Phase 2) to receive a COVID-19 vaccination beginning Monday, February 1, most will not find an available appointment immediately on Cape Cod. The reasons for the delay in the timeline are twofold: we are still in the process of vaccinating the initial eligible groups in Phase 1, and we do not yet have an adequate supply of the vaccine. Barnstable County and all 15 local boards of health are committed to vaccinating our residents as soon as we receive the vaccine. Our policy is to register eligible candidates when we have their dose in-hand. Therefore, we will not immediately be making appointments for our residents ages 75 and up. When that time comes within the first few weeks of February, residents can search locations and register for their initial dose of vaccine on mass.gov/COVIDVaccineMap. The number of vaccinations we have for our eligible residents depends on several variables, including the availability of doses from the federal government and how quickly the state distributes that vaccine across Massachusetts. There are multiple vaccination sites planned for Phase 2 residents to receive the vaccine on Cape Cod, including five regional sites coordinated by Barnstable County. These are anticipated to be operational in the first or second week of February. Pharmacies and grocery stores have partnered with the Commonwealth and will begin distributing Phase 2 vaccine as well. These sites' ability to announce clinics or schedule appointments depends on whether the vaccine is in hand. If the vaccine has not yet been received or replenished, providers are not able to offer appointments. It is important to note that we are still in the process of addressing the remainder of our Phase 1 eligible workers, which includes emergency responders, COVID-facing healthcare workers, workers and residents in congregate care settings, and non-COVID-facing healthcare workers. The vaccines we were given for this first group were rapidly administered during clinics held at the Orleans DPW. Some eligible workers were unable to get their vaccines due to a lack of supply that we are still trying to replenish. We will be holding additional Phase I clinics as soon as we have the vaccine to do so. "We urge Cape Codders to do three things - to pay attention to where they fit into the phases and sub-phases, expect that there be delays in availability of appointments and operating clinics due to shortages in the vaccine, and to be patient," Director of Barnstable County Health and Environment Sean O'Brien said. "We will make every effort to keep you informed." A common question among Phase 2 residents on Cape Cod is where they can get on a waitlist for the vaccine. "By the end of Tuesday, the Barnstable County COVID-19 Helpline received a total of 7,500 phone calls since its inception on January 19, and those were largely from senior residents under the impression that they could register for a vaccine on Cape Cod right away," said Bethany Traverse, Health Communications Project Specialist. "We want residents to know that our clinics have been planned and staff is ready to assist our most vulnerable residents – those 75 and older – in getting their much-needed vaccine. However, because vaccine allocation is so limited, and because Barnstable County does not know when or how many vaccines will be received, we cannot register anyone yet. We are also unable to keep a waitlist. We assure you, as soon as we have the vaccine in hand, we'll let our eligible residents know by every means possible". A map displaying locations where a resident can get vaccinations is accessible at mass.gov/COVIDVaccineMap and linked at www.barnstablecountyhealth.org. The map will be updated frequently, with more sites coming online in our region. So far, visitors to these webpages will see that several CVS, Walgreens, and Stop & Shop locations, as well as the Orleans DPW site (designated for Phase 1 eligible candidates only), have been added with links to register. Keep in mind that if a given site does not have the vaccine, registration will not be open. Barnstable County would also like to remind residents across Cape Cod that as appointments become available for our senior citizens, help those who need it navigate the online vaccine registration process. If a senior in your life does not use the Internet, such as a parent, grandparent, neighbor, or friend, please reach out to assist them. When

registration is open for our County clinics, our COVID-19 Helpline staff will be available at (774) 330-3001 to help anyone who needs it. As vaccine supply becomes steadier and we embark on vaccinating those most vulnerable to this virus in Phase 2, please also remember to continue taking precautions to inhibit community spread. Visit <u>www.barnstablecountyhealth.org</u> for regular updates. Barnstable County and our 15 local boards of health are working hard every day to get our residents vaccinated as quickly and efficiently as possible. We are eager to receive the vaccine from the State of Massachusetts so that we can put months of planning and coordination to work for you. We are all in this together.

Barnstable County Announces Region-wide Helpline to Address COVID-19-Related Questions

15 Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers prepare to begin taking calls next Tuesday The Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment announced the launch of a regionwide helpline to respond to COVID-19 related questions . 15 Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) volunteers have been trained to answer questions about COVID-19, such as how to get a COVID-19 test or how to help someone navigate the three-phased approach to vaccination. The MRC helpline team can also walk residents through more complex questions, directing them to the right resources in their local communities and in other state government departments. Volunteers cannot provide individual clinical advice or a diagnosis through the helpline. If you believe you have been exposed to COVID-19 and are symptomatic, call your health care provider. **The helpline will be taking calls beginning next Tuesday, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM at 1-774-330-3001.** Barnstable County wants to ensure residents that a coordinated response is taking place in our region. We remain committed to encouraging all citizens to wear a mask, maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet, and wash hands for at least 20 seconds. For more information, COVID-19 case counts, testing, and vaccine information visit <u>http://www.barnstablecountyhealth.org</u> or <u>http://www.mass.gov</u>

MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is a great resource for COVID-19 testing locations with its <u>COVID-19 Test Site Locator</u>. The map provides an easy way to locate a COVID-19 test site near you. All of those experiencing symptoms or those who have been in close contact recently with a COVID positive individual should seek testing. There are different filters you can choose, such as free testing for residents, test children, referral not required, drive thru services, etc.

Town of Barnstable Reaches Significant Milestone with Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan

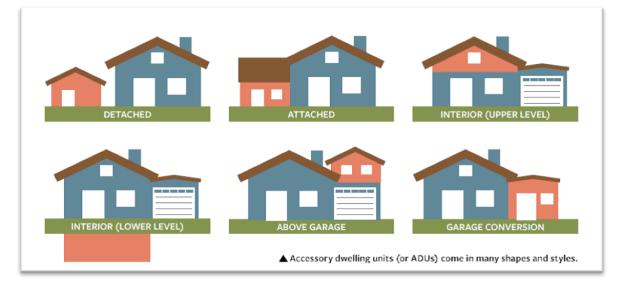
The Town of Barnstable reached another significant milestone in efforts to clean up its inland and coastal waters by successfully completing state environmental review of the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP). The Certificate of completion issued late last month by the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs Kathleen Theoharides states that the Town's CWMP "adequately and properly complies with Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act's (MEPA) and its implementing regulations." In sharing the news with the Barnstable Town Council, Daniel Santos, Department of Public Works Director, said, "The Certificate from Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs is no small matter. The fact that the regulatory agencies, and there are many that participate in this review, were very satisfied with our project is a major accomplishment and will do us well in the implementation phase." Barnstable Town Manager Mark Ells spoke to the work called for in

the CWMP that has been done and will take place in Barnstable in the future, "The Town of Barnstable has made substantial strides toward improving water quality in its inland and coastal waters. The Town already has invested more than \$30 million to reduce nutrient levels in its estuaries, and this plan dramatically speeds up the timeline on major projects, including extending sewer service to nearly 12,000 properties, while managing costs for taxpayers and limiting construction disruptions for residents, businesses and visitors." The next and final step in the approval of the CWMP is for the Town to petition the Cape Cod Commission for a Consistency Determination with the *208 Area Wide Water Quality Management Plan*, the regional framework to restore embayment water quality on Cape Cod mandated under the federal Clean Water Act. The 208 Consistency Determination ensures that the CWMP is consistent with a watershed-based approach to reduce or eliminate excess nitrogen reaching coastal waters.

You can view the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan <u>here</u>. You can view the Massachusetts Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs certification <u>here</u>.

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Update

Staff with the Town of Barnstable's <u>Planning & Development Department</u>, together with the Planning Board, conducted a robust public input session that offered a comprehensive outline of the background and current status of the considerations around allowing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). Residents and other community members offered comments and questions. The meeting was recorded and can be found <u>here</u>. A copy of the staff presentation, supporting materials and an opportunity to provide your input can be found on the <u>Planning</u> & <u>Development Department's ADU web page</u>. A draft of an ordinance reflecting the initial policy discussions at the Zoning & Regulatory Committee can be <u>found here</u>.



Free Grocery Delivery Service for Barnstable County Seniors and Residents at Higher Risk

The <u>Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps' Delivery Service</u> will help people who should stay home receive groceries and critical household goods.

See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options <u>here</u>. Slowing the spread of COVID-19 is essential for "flattening the curve" of infections, which will curb the outbreak, prevent hospitals from getting overwhelmed with patients seeking treatment, and ultimately reduce the number of deaths. For current information on the novel coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), please visit the Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment's website: <u>barnstablecountyhealth.org</u>. If you have questions or concerns, please email <u>COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org</u>.

Drive-Thru Food Distribution at Hyannis Transportation Center in January

The U.S. Farmers to Families Food Box program continues to be available on the Mid-Cape. The new location is at the Hyannis Transportation Center, <u>1 Transportation Ave, Hyannis (Barnstable), MA</u> <u>02601.</u> PRIOR registration is required for ALL locations (see the link after each location to register and read instructions carefully, as each site varies slightly).

Hyannis Patriot Farms Food Boxes - Hyannis Transportation Center – <u>1 Transportation Ave, Hyannis</u> (Barnstable), MA 02601.

****See New Location - Enter site from Route 28 across from Mary Dunn Way*****

• January 30 – 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM Click Here to Register.

Student Meals for Barnstable Public School Students



To continue to support our Barnstable students and their families, Barnstable Public Schools Food Service is adding a new more convenient day for families to retrieve free meals.

SATURDAYS 10:00 am - 1:00 pm Hyannis West Elementary 549 West Main Street, Hyannis

Beginning Saturday, January 9, 2021

Meals will increase from 5 days of meals to 7 days of meals. Both Breakfast and Lunch will be frozen bulk meals, cooked at home and will be items like; liquid eggs, home fries, a fruit and Chicken Dinners (with all the fixings) and 1/2 gallons of milk.

No ID required and parents can pick up meals, students do not need to be present.

NOTE: Limited supply of meals available. First come first serve



Meals include 7 days worth of food!

This program runs each Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY BUS STOP SCHEDULE

Centerville Plaza – 1660 Rt. 28, Centerville 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cromwell Court – 168 Barnstable Road, Hyannis 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Village Green Apts. – 767 Independence Drive, Hyannis 12:45 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

NOTE: Limited supply of meals available. First come first serve

Keep Active and Thrive with the BACC on Channel 18

The Barnstable Adult Community Center (BACC) and Channel 18 have teamed up to provide dedicated BACC programming hours on Comcast CH18. Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 8:00 AM and Tuesdays and Thursday at 5:00 PM you can tune to Comcast CH18 and view an hour of programming specifically geared to residents in our community who appreciate the wide range of activities provided at the BACC. The dedicated staff at the Council on Aging and Channel 18 have created programs including chair exercise classes, yoga, music programming, and updates on programs and activities. *Keep Active and Thrive with the Barnstable Adult Community Center*!

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

New! Special Registry of Motor Vehicle Hours for Older Adults

The RMV has designated Wednesdays in February and March to serve customers aged 75 and older. The South Yarmouth and Plymouth RMV centers are included in this group. Please note that a reservation is required. The options for making an appointment are listed below:

- If you are a AAA member, you may make a reservation now to renew your driver's license/ID or registration at a AAA location. Visit <u>www.aaa.com/appointments</u> to schedule your visit.
- If you are not a AAA member, visit Mass.Gov/RMV to make a reservation to visit an RMV Service Center. Select the "Senior Transaction" option on the "Make/Cancel a Reservation" transaction.
- Email the RMV for assistance at <u>MassDOTRMVSeniors@dot.state.ma</u> Call the RMV at 857-368-8005.

Silver Alert

The Silver Alert provides police with vital information about potential at-risk residents who may wander or who have the risk of getting lost. The Barnstable program is a partnership between the Barnstable Police Department and the Barnstable Council on Aging. To participate, the registration form and a current photo of the resident is entered into a confidential database which is used in a recovery plan should that individual go missing. Applications may be obtained at either the Barnstable Police Record Department at 1200 Phinney's Lane, Hyannis, or at the Barnstable Council on Aging, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis. If you'd like more information or need assistance, please call Jacqi Easter at 508-862-4757.

Savvy Caregiver Program

The Savvy Caregiver Program is a free six-session training for family and friends who are active caregivers for those living with Alzheimer's disease or related dementias. There are still several openings for the next session, which will be conducted online via Zoom, and runs January 27-March 3, from 10-11:30am. For more information or to register, please call Stacey Cullen at 508-862-4765 or email her at stacey.cullen@town.barnstable.ma.us.

Barnstable Connects Dementia-Friendly Programs

The Barnstable Council on Aging invites caregivers and members of our community to join Barnstable Connects. Barnstable Connects is a dementia-friendly program that provides engaging programs for members of our community with memory impairments. The program focuses on keeping our bodies in motion, cognitive exercises and of course a little fun. Well-trained dementia friendly leaders lead the programs. For more information, please contact Stacey Cullen at 508-862-4765 or email: stacey.cullen@town.barnstable.ma.us

Are you feeling lonely? Join a Circle of Friends!

Stay connected! The most common concern we hear from the community is that so many of us miss socializing with others. While it's still important to be safe and maintain that six-foot physical distance, there are other ways that we can keep up our important social connections. Let us know, and you can be part of a circle of friends. Please call Jacqi Easter at 508-862-4757 for more information, or to sign up. There is no need to be bored or lonely – call today.

Grab & Go Grocery Bags

If you're running low on food or are unable to get to the grocery store, the BCOA can help. A large array of shelf-stable foods and other grocery items are available, and we can load a bag to your car. If you don't have a means of transportation, we can also deliver a bag to you. In need of a bag? Please call Jacqi Easter at 508-862-4757.

Weekly Drive thru Grab & Go

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM Swing by the BACC parking lot to pick up a healthy and delicious Grab & Go bag lunch for Barnstable residents over the age of 60. We'll be happy to see you, and will bring the food items right to your car. Masks and proper social distancing practices are always in place. This program is free, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging. Questions? Call Stacey at 508-862-4765.

The Barnstable Council on Aging's E-newsletter is sent at least once a week, and contains lots of information and resources for the older adult community. If you'd like to have it sent to you, please email: judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us</u>. You'll also want to "like" and follow us on the

Barnstable Adult Community Center Facebook page, where you'll find helpful updates and links as well as entertainment and resources to stay engaged and informed.

Abstract Art Class - An Artful Blend Barnstable Town Hall ARTIST SPOTLIGHT –VIRTUAL GALLERY

Now through March 2021

The "Artist Spotlight "program displays the works of local artists on meeting room walls in Barnstable Town Hall. Artwork by Pam Abrams-Warnick, Ruth Ann Kane, Mellissa Morris, and Liz Dodds Trimbach are featured in the James H. Crocker, Jr. Hearing Room and Selectmen's Conference Room in Barnstable Town Hall, now through March 2021.

At this time, artwork may be viewed on the artsbarnstable.com website:

https://artsbarnstable.com/artist/mellissa-morris/.

Mellissa Morris has been teaching an abstract art class for over 10 years. This exhibit features the works of Mellissa and her students, Pam Abrams-Warnick, Ruth Ann Kane, and Liz Dodds Trimbach who have studied with Mellissa for many years. Mellissa says of her students, "They have honed their individual voices using paint and mixed media to communicate inner emotions, outer impressions and fantastical configurations. I guide these students through the elements and principles of art and provide assignments that stretch their understanding of the process of making art. Often these particular students have a funny way of teaching me how to be vulnerable, how to push one's own boundaries, and how to be present in the moment. I am honored to exhibit with these brilliant ladies... the colors, mark making, shapes, and materials are sure to entice the imaginations and curiosities of onlookers." Mellissa is an expressive abstract artist working with painting, collage, drawing, and printmaking techniques. Currently Mellissa is the Artist-In-Residence at Studio 46 on the Hyannis HyArts Campus in the Town of Barnstable. She has lived her whole life on Cape Cod. The eldest daughter of seven children, Mellissa is a graduate of The University of Massachusetts, with a Masters in Fine Arts Painting, a licensed practitioner of Yoga, and a Reiki Master.

ABOUT THE ARTWORK SPOTLIGHT PROGRAM:

Artwork is displayed in the James H. Crocker, Jr. Hearing Room and the Selectmen's Conference Room, 2nd floor in Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis.

Artwork may be viewed virtually at artsbarnstable.com

For more information on this program email <u>melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> 508-862-4767 l <u>www.ArtsBarnstable.com</u>

ARTIST STATEMENT (third artist featured): MELLISSA MORRIS: <u>www.Mellissamorris.com</u>

"I was a sensitive kid crying at the rain and mad at the cracks in the road. My favorite hiding place was at the top of a tree, at the end of the road, where I was able to nestle between branches, stare off into space, and watch the clouds change. I don't know if it was my upbringing or my New England accent, but my mouth always had a hard time wrapping itself around words that expressed my experiences. When I discovered paint and other media I finally felt like I could express all of my sensitivities and deep connections with Nature, Energy, and Magic. My work is a cacophony of mixed media materials, evocative marks, torn papers, splashes, drips, and scrapes. I



enjoy working on a variety of papers, from time to time my work will show up on canvas or hard

wooden boards. I like simplifying and inventing my own painterly abstracted landscapes. I don't always adhere to a strict Horizon line, Earth, and Sky schematic; in fact, I will often allow those elements to be reversed and/or non-existent in my painted worlds. I collect natural items like rocks, seashells, leaves, sticks, and seaweed and will use those objects in the process of painting by dragging elements through the paint, tracing around the things, or as inspirations for lines and drawings within a painting."

Vineyard Wind Completes Technical Review, Requests BOEM to Continue Federal Permitting Process

Review Confirms No Changes to the COP are Necessary and the Federal Permitting Process Can Be Completed

Vineyard Wind, a joint venture between Avangrid Renewables, a subsidiary of AVANGRID, Inc. (NYSE: AGR), and Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP), today notified the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) that the company is rescinding its December 2020 request to withdraw the Construction and Operations Plan (COP) for Vineyard Wind 1, allowing the federal permitting process to resume. "We have completed our final review and determined that no changes to the COP are necessary as a consequence of selecting the GE Haliade-X Turbine for the project." said Lars T. Pedersen, CEO of Vineyard Wind. "Since there are no changes required to the COP, we expect that BOEM can finalize their review based on the extensive analysis and studies of the project over the last three years. We look forward to completing the permitting phase of the project and to finalizing the engineering, contracting and financing of the first utility scale offshore windfarm in the US." In December, Vineyard Wind announced the selection of GE Renewable Energy's industry leading Haliade-X wind turbine generators, the most powerful turbine currently available to developers. With this selection, GE Renewable Energy is poised to play a pivotal role in the development of offshore wind power in the U.S., which will be a major source of investments and job creation up and down the supply chain in communities across the region. As a part of reaching this important milestone, Vineyard Wind decided to temporarily withdraw its COP from further review by BOEM in order to conduct a final technical review associated with including the Haliade-X in the final project design, work that has now concluded. Vineyard Wind still expects to reach financial close in the second half of 2021 and to begin delivering clean energy to Massachusetts in 2023. Vineyard Wind 1 is an 800-megawatt (MW) project located 15 miles off the coast of Martha's Vineyard and is slated to become the first large-scale offshore wind farm in the United States. The project will generate cost-competitive electricity for more than 400,000 homes and businesses in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, create 3,600 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) job hours and is expected to reduce carbon emissions by more than 1.6 million tons per year. **About Vineyard Wind**

Vineyard Wind LLC is an offshore wind development company seeking to build the first large-scale offshore wind energy project in the U.S., to be located 15 miles south of Martha's Vineyard. Vineyard Wind, based in New Bedford, Massachusetts, is 50 percent owned by funds of Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP) and 50 percent by Avangrid Renewables, a subsidiary of AVANGRID. For more information, visit <u>www.vineyardwind.com</u>.

Barnstable residents can find more information here: <u>https://www.vineyardwind.com/barnstable</u>.

VINEYARD WIND

Virtual Information Session

Paving the Way in Barnstable

RSVP Today: vineyardwind.com/barnstable

Join us for a presentation and Q&A about Vineyard Wind's offshore wind projects and plans in Barnstable, Massachusetts.

February 10 • 4:00pm March 9 • 12:00pm

ROAD WORK UPDATES

As always please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas and follow posted safety and detour signs.

CONTINUES Drainage Improvements on Long Beach Road in Centerville

Drainage structure installations on Long Beach Road in Osterville will be ongoing during the week of January 25, 2021. New drainage system structures and castings will be installed within the roadway between house #'s 153 and 177 for collection of stormwater. The disturbed section of the roadway will then be repaved and any areas disturbed during construction will be restored. This work is expected to take up to two weeks, weather permitting. Police details will be on site to assist traffic through the construction zone.

CONTINUES Renovations to Oyster Harbor Bridge

The Town of Barnstable's contractor, MAS Building and Bridge, Inc. (MAS), is under contract to complete a rehabilitation project to the Oyster Harbors Bridge. The project will involve structural and safety repairs to the bridge, including replacement of steel stringers, replacement of abutment joints, repairs to columns supporting the bridge tender's house, and replacement of safety railings on the machine platform. To complete the improvements, one-lane of traffic will need to be closed for the duration of the project. Temporary traffic signals will be installed to manage traffic during this time. The project is scheduled to be completed by May 1, 2021. Once the lane closure begins, the draw-bridge will not be able to be opened for marine vessels passing under the bridge, until the completion of construction. Vessels that would require the draw bridge to be opened to pass under will need to seek an alternate route. Vessels that do not require the draw bridge to be opened will be able to continue to pass under the bridge. Marine vessels operating in the area should monitor the Notice to Mariners for updates and further detail relative to this project. Typical work hours will be Monday through Friday, 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM, though work during weekends may be necessary. Traffic will be impacted as a result of the lane closure and residents are encouraged to plan accordingly when traveling in this area. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through or near construction areas, and follow posted safety signs.

UPDATED MassDOT Schedules Waterline Improvements at 691 Yarmouth

Road

MassDOT's contractor, Robert B. Our, will be working within Yarmouth Road to install a new 8" waterline crossing. Work is scheduled to be performed on January 26th and January 27st, between the hours of 7:00 pm and 5:00 am. Traffic will be limited to hospital and local business traffic in the southbound lane only. This section of roadway will closed to northbound traffic. All other traffic will be detoured via Camp St. Message boards directing traffic will be provided, as well as Police details/flaggers as needed. Visit <u>www.mass511.com</u>, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions. Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions. Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

CONTINUES Sewer Construction on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue

Robert B. Our Co., Inc. will be performing construction on a privately funded sewer extension on Hyannis Avenue and Marstons Avenue from 10 Hyannis Avenue to Nob Hill Road. The work will consist of the installation of approximately 1,250 feet of new sewers which, upon completion of the work, will become part of the municipal sewer system, and allow for adjacent properties to connect to the municipal sewer system. The disturbed roadways will be trench patched (temporary pavement) for the remainder of the winter. In the spring, the disturbed roadways will be milled and paved for the full road width. Weather pending, work is scheduled to begin on December 21st and the work is anticipated to take six (6) weeks to complete. Work will be performed from 7 AM to 5 PM, Monday through Friday. Temporary detours will be necessary during the work. Police details and signage will direct motorists around the construction crews. Drivers are advised to seek alternate routes. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the construction area, and follow posted safety signs.

CONTINUES Water Works Construction on Longview Drive in Hyannis

The water works construction project is ongoing on Longview Drive in Hyannis. This project will install approximately 500 feet of 8 inch water main and move the temporary interconnection with the (Cenerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills) COMM Water System to a vacant lot on Longview Drive. The metal container will be enclosed in a building appropriate for the neighborhood. Normal works hours will be between 8:00 AM and 4:40 PM.

CONTINUES MassDOT Schedules Intersection Improvements at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road

MassDOT Construction operations on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road will continue through to April 2021. The road has been redesigned to include exclusive left turn lanes and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodation as part of the proposed safety improvement work. The work to be done consists of furnishing and installing of new traffic signal equipment at the intersection including emergency vehicle pre-emption system, bicycle and vehicles loop detectors, construction of ADA compliant wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, and driveways, box widening, pavement milling and resurfacing, new pavement markings and signs, drainage improvements, water distribution modifications, existing utility pole relocations, installation of granite curbing, loam and seeding. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. Traffic control will include all required signage, channeling devices for lane shifts and alternating one-way traffic as required. Police details/ flaggers will be used as needed. Visit <u>www.mass511.com</u>, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions. Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions. Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

CONTINUES Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in Centerville/Main Street in Osterville

Work on the bridge is scheduled to continue through mid-May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 5:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work will include improving riprap at bridge abutments, bridge deck repairs, improving endblocks and guardrail connections, and concrete repairs. The contractor is expected to deploy their construction craft from McCarthy's Landing (aka Hayward Landing) at 40 Hayward Road in Centerville. This may create brief delays for other users when the contractor is using the landing. The ramp will still be available for public access. The contractor is responsible for maintaining small vessel navigational access under the bridge at all times during construction. Mariners are urged to use caution and go slow when approaching and moving through the work area. Divers may be in the water at times during construction operations. Mariners are required to maintain proper distance from Dive and Alpha flags based on Maritime law. The bridge will remain open to traffic throughout construction. During this work there may be temporary single-lane closures with signs and police officers to direct traffic past the work zone.

CONTINUES Sidewalk, Traffic Signal, Water Distribution, and Associated Improvements on Independence Drive in Hyannis and Barnstable Village, and on Portions of Mary Dunn Road, Kidd's Hill Road, and Attucks Lane in Barnstable Village

Construction is scheduled to end in May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will include a new sidewalk and additional drainage systems the full length of Independence Drive, on Mary Dunn Road a short distance south of Independence Drive, on Kidd's Hill Road from Independence Drive to Merchants Way, and on Attucks Lane from Independence Drive to Wilkens Lane. The work will also include a new traffic signal system at the intersection of Attucks Lane & Wilkens Lane; a watermain extension on portions of Attucks Lane and Independence Drive; and additional street lights on portions of Independence Drive and Kidd's Hill Road. During active construction there will be lane closures with signs, cones/construction barrels, and police details or flaggers if necessary to direct traffic past the work zones.

CONTINUES Roadway Improvements on Portions of Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village

Construction is scheduled to continue into spring 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes utility line transfers and pole removals in a few locations (by utility companies); constructing a sidewalk from Main Street to the County Complex parking lot east end; installing street lights; refurbishing traffic signals; and other associated work. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

CONTINUES National Grid New Customer Hookups

Monday, February 01, 2021 through Friday, February 5, 2021 Neuco crews will be working on gas services on North Street, Hyannis; Harbor Road, Hyannis and Scudder Avenue, Hyannis. Work will be ongoing for six weeks. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. This project should take about five days to complete. Visit ngrid.com/service line to view a YouTube video explaining the replacement

of the service pipe to customer homes. Operations will start promptly at 7:00 AM and run until 3:00 PM. Reduce speed, and use caution. All scheduled work is dependent on weather and/or may be impacted due to an emergency situation.



Are You on the Town's Emergency Notification System?

The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system has been used to provide information during the ongoing COVID-19 event and for the recent COMM Water District issue. Did you know that only landlines are part of the federal and state Reverse 911 system and you must register cell phones which are not public records? Make sure you are on our list. Sign up <u>here</u> today. **What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?** CodeRED is an emergency notification service by which town officials can notify Barnstable residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about time-sensitive emergency situations or important community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire town. Only authorized officials are allowed access to use the system. Frequently asked questions can be reviewed <u>here</u>. Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

Working with Barnstable Town Hall

Public access to Town Hall Offices and 200 Main Street is now by appointment only. Information on how you can work remotely with Town Offices is available on the Town of Barnstable's website (<u>www.townofbarnstable.us</u>) and <u>www.BarnstableHealth.com</u>. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Treasurer/Collector's Office will be accepting payments either through mail or payments may be placed in the drop box located outside Town Hall next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. **No cash is to be mailed or left in the drop box.**

For **Tax Title Account information** please call Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656. Payments for liened parcels that are in Tax Title may be mailed to:

Town of Barnstable, Treasurer's Office, 230 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601 Tax Collector's Office is open to the public by appointment only. Please call the office at 508-862-4054 or email <u>taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> to make an appointment or for any questions regarding real estate and personal property taxes, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes and sewer utility bill payments. Payment options for Treasurer/Collector's office:

- Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
- Online through the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online

- Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall, or by appointment.
- Please do not leave any cash in the drop box.

The Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on July 1st. The first quarter was due on August 3, 2020 and the second quarter is due on November 2, 2020.

Assessor's Office

Abatement Applications

Abatement forms are available on the town's website at

https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/

Completed forms can be mailed to Town of Barnstable Assessor, 367 Main. St. Hyannis, MA 02601. Property Information

Inquiries regarding property values can be requested by email to <u>assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

All other forms are available at https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

A drop off location for paper applications has been established to the left of the front door at 367 Main Street. If your request does not need immediate attention, please use the drop off location for nomination papers, birth, death, and marriage certificates established in the front vestibule at 367 Main Street. Please submit your request in the lock box and call us on 508-862-4044.

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call 508-862-4044. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

200 MAIN STREET

Instructions for Dropping Off Permit Applications

- Include a contact name, and telephone number and/or e-mail address.
- DO NOT submit payment with the application. It will be collected at a later time.
- There will be a minimum 48 hour delay between the time an application is dropped off and when it is officially received.
- A staff member will contact you to confirm receipt of the application and with comments and/or instructions and to arrange payment of fees.

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