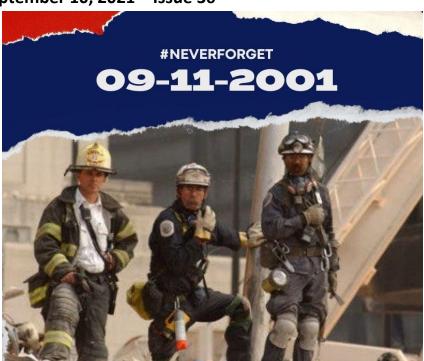
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Beach Water Quality Updates Can Be Viewed Here

Barnstable Harbor Remains Closed to Shellfishing Until Further Notice

After three rounds of water quality sampling conducted by Division of Marine Fisheries, Barnstable Harbor remains CLOSED TO SHELLFISHING until further notice. All areas previously in open status prior to the September 2, 2021 closure have been re-opened to shellfishing.

9/11 Observances on the 20th Anniversary – Saturday, September 11, 2021

Hyannis Fire Department Remembrance Ceremony Hyannis Firefighters and EMTs invite residents to remember Rick Knowlton, Tom Kenney and all 9/11 first responders at a brief ceremony at the Firefighters Memorial at their station, 95 High School Road Extension, Hyannis on Saturday at 9:45 AM. We share this link to <u>an interview</u> Capt. Tom Kenney did with CBS News Anchor Dan Rather on September 13, 2001. Channel 18 will be Live on Facebook to broadcast the event on the <u>Town of Barnstable's Facebook Page</u>.

West Barnstable Fire Department The West Barnstable Fire Department will set up Engine 292 at the 1717 Meetinghouse at 2049 Meetinghouse Way at 8:30 AM, where bells will toll at 8:46 AM as part of a short

ceremony. The engine will then return to the fire station at 2160 Meetinghouse Way, where at least two firefighters at a time will stand vigil from 8:46 AM to 10:28 AM. At 10 AM, the stations bell will toll.

Cotuit Fire Department The Cotuit Fire Department will begin at 9 AM after firefighters assemble at 8:30 AM outside the fire station at 64 High Street. The ceremony will include moments of silence, a prayer and the Firefighters Prayer, two time of ringing four set of five bell chimes, and a lowering and raising of the flag.

Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills (COMM) Fire Department Remembrance Ceremony The Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills Fire Department will hold a remembrance at Station 1, 1875 Falmouth Road (Route 28) at 9:45 AM in front of the department's 9/11 memorial, which includes a piece of steel from Tower 2 of the World Trade Center.

Barnstable Fire Department and St. Mary's Episcopal Church The Barnstable Fire Department is again partnering with St. Mary's Episcopal Church for a morning ceremony starting at the Barnstable Village Fire Station, 3249 Main Street (Route 6A) at 9:55 AM, followed by a service of remembrance set to start at 10:40 AM. Barnstable Fire Department Chief Frank Pulsifer and Barnstable Police Chief Matthew Sonnabend will preside over the station's traditional ringing of the bells in honor of the fallen first responders, the BPD Honor Guard and Cub Scouts Honor Guard from Pack 54 presentation of colors, and a duet performance by Alayna Rooney and Dulce Romilus. Immediately following this brief ceremony is a procession up Main Street led by Dave Knauer on bagpipes to St. Mary's, where a prayer service will be held in the gardens. Co-Keynote speakers are former U.S. Sen. Paul Kirk and the Rev. Dr. Libby Gibson-Catania. The theme: "What 9/11/01 taught us about trauma, resiliency and the power of community." State Rep. Tim Whelan will introduce the speakers. Marc Howard is the featured soloist. The service will also include patriotic music and readings, followed by a light reception in the gardens.

Model School Resource Officer MOU Commission Public Input Sought

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) in partnership with Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) are co-chairing the School Resource Officer (SRO) Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) Commission. The Commission is tasked with updating its 2018 model MOU to be used as a template for local communities to adapt to meet their needs. This Commission is seeking public input on the types of information that should be included in the MOU. Please take approximately ten (10) minutes to complete the survey to help the Commission hear public feedback. Survey participants are encouraged to respond to all questions; however all are optional if there is a preference not to respond to a specific question. Public comments can be submitted in addition to survey responses, and will also help inform the Commission in the development of the MOU. All feedback is voluntary and anonymous.

COMMUNITY NOTICE – Main Street Hyannis Barrier Removal Starts September 15th

The Town of Barnstable will be removing the barriers on Hyannis Main Street starting Wednesday, September

15 and continuing Thursday, September 16. The work will occur at night, weather permitting. Businesses and restaurants with expanded outdoor dining or outdoor business areas should remove any personal property to allow the Department of Public Works to have access to clear the area. Restaurants that had outdoor dining areas prior to the COVID-19 State of Emergency may revert to using the previously permitted footprints. For questions regarding outdoor dining areas, please contact the Licensing Division. Thank you very much for your cooperation and efforts to



make Hyannis Main Street a fun, safe, and welcoming place for residents and visitors to enjoy! If you have

questions, please direct them to Elizabeth Jenkins, AICP, Director of Planning & Development, at Elizabeth.Jenkins@town.barnstable.ma.us or call 508-862-4678.

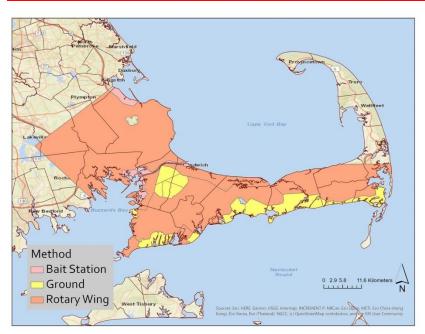
<u>School Committee Meeting – Wednesday, September 1, 2021</u>

The September 1st School Committee meeting coincided with the first day of school for Barnstable Public School students in grades 1-12. Superintendent Meg Mayo-Brown stated she visited 8 of the 9 schools (Enoch Cobb Early Learning Center and kindergarten students first day was September 7th). She said it was a smooth opening and it was great to see all the students and staff excited to be back at school. At the beginning of the meeting, the Superintendent introduced the new administrators to the district including:

- Tyler Arlington Assistant Principal at Barnstable Intermediate School
- Dylan Bissonnette Assistant Principal at West Villages and Barnstable-West Barnstable Elementary (he serves as part-time Assistant Principal at West Villages last year)
- Alicia Bryant Director of Health Services (she served part time in this position last year and moved to full time this year)
- Carina Da Silva Director of ESL (English as a Second Language)
- Katie Turner Executive Directive of Social Emotional Learning and Student Support Services
- Julie Williams-Tinkham Wellness Department Head for Elementary Schools

Assistant Superintendent Kristen Harmon spoke about the Acceleration Academies in literacy and math that took place in August. 37 students entering grades 1-3, with representation from all five elementary schools, participated in the literacy program. 17 students in grades 4 and 5 participated in the math program. The School Committee decided that students at the high school and intermediate school would participate in a survey to pick the new RedHawks' mascot logo. The Superintendent Search Subcommittee is looking for stakeholders (staff, parents, and community members) who are interested in serving on the Subcommittee. If you are interested, please contact the School Committee members serving on the Subcommittee: Kathy Bent (bent kathleen@mybps.us) or Joe Nystrom (Nystrom joseph@mybps.us) by Friday, September 24th. In your email, let them know about who you are and why you are interested in serving on the Superintendent Search Subcommittee.

Oral Rabies Vaccine Baits to be Distributed Beginning Monday, September 13th



Beginning next week, oral rabies vaccine (ORV) baits for wildlife will be distributed throughout southern Plymouth County and Mainland Barnstable County. Once that has been completed, operations will be shifted to the Upper-, Mid-, and Lower-Cape in efforts to prevent the spread of terrestrial rabies across the Cape once again. On the map to the left, the orange area will be treated with two black and red USDA helicopters beginning Monday, September 13th. The exact finish date is weather dependent. Due to areas of high human density, the portion noted in yellow will be treated by vehicles and foot beginning Friday,

September 17th. Bait stations in selected areas will be filled this coming Monday as well. The ground-based distribution is expected to last between 1 and 2 weeks. During this time frame, you will see two low-flying helicopters, as well as several town, county, and federal vehicles, distributing baits. We ask that you keep your dogs on leash, obeying your town's leash laws. While the baits are generally safe for your pets, the fishmeal coating may cause your pet to experience an upset stomach. Additionally, every bait that a dog consumes is one that is considered a lost dose that could have gone to an unvaccinated raccoon. This expanded campaign is in response to the first case of terrestrial rabies on the Cape in over 8 years. In May, a raccoon from Hyannis tested positive for the virus. Follow Cape Cod & Southeast Massachusetts Rabies Task Force on social media for updates!

Sandy Neck Beach CoastSweep 2021 – Sunday, September 19th





Where: Sandy Neck Beach Park – 425 Sandy Neck Rd. West Barnstable, MA 02668

When: Sunday, September 19th from 9 am to Noon

Help us keep our beach beautiful!

For more information contact: Donna Bragg 508-362-8300

Old King's Highway Historic District Committee: Membership Vacancy

The Old King's Highway Historic District Committee (OKH) is looking for a new member to fill a vacancy that will occur at the end of this year. The Town would like to thank Carrie Bearse, the current Clerk for OKH, for her time and dedication to the Committee over the last nineteen years!

Background:

The Old King's Highway Regional Historic District was established in 1973 and is the largest historic district in the nation. The district is designated as the area north of Route 6 (the Mid Cape Highway) from Sandwich to Orleans. The Town of Barnstable's Old King's Highway Historic District Committee reviews applications for any change in the exterior of buildings and structures, fences and signs, as well as new construction and demolition. The Committee considers the historical value and significance of existing buildings, and all applications are reviewed for general design, proportion of building elements, texture, materials, color and overall aesthetic appropriateness to the historic integrity of the district, neighborhood and setting. Meetings occur twice

monthly on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month and commence at 6:30 PM. The membership will be for the duration of a 4-year term. All members must be registered to vote in the Town of Barnstable. For more information about the Committee, please visit the Old King's Highway webpage. Under the resources tab, the Old King's Highway Regional Historic District Commission Bulletin establishes the rules and regulations as well as guidelines for the Committee.

Contact:

We ask that anyone who is interested in running for this election correspond with the Assistant Director of Planning and Development, Kate Maldonado, via email: kaitlyn.maldonado@town.barnstable.ma.us or by phone: 508-862-4791. A nomination paper is required to be completed in order to run for this election. The deadline for obtaining a nomination paper is Monday, October 18, 2021. All completed nomination papers are due by Friday October 29, 2021.

Bismore Welcome Center - New Hours Beginning September 13th

Beginning September 13th, 2021 the Bismore Welcome Center will be **closed on Mondays and Tuesdays**. Thank you!

Town of Barnstable Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Notice of Fund Availability (NOFA)

The Town of Barnstable Planning and Development Department is accepting proposals for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. CDBG is a federally funded program from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that provides affordable housing, economic opportunities, and a suitable living environment to low and moderate-income residents.

The Town is anticipating funds for the 2021 CDBG program year (7/1/2021 - 6/30/2022) in the amount of \$279,381.20 and \$181,767.44 in unexpended funds from the 2020 CDBG program year.

Projects must address at least one of the 2020-2025 5-Year Consolidated Plan goals and either:

- Create or preserve decent, affordable housing units for rent or homeownership;
- Create or retain jobs or economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons;
- Create public improvements to facilities or infrastructure and other public improvements; or
- Provide services to low and moderate-income persons and special needs populations.

Preferences may be given to the following:

- Activities to assist in the recovery efforts following COVID-19
- Public services assisting in COVID-19 recovery and serving a limited clientele population, including children, the elderly, the homeless, and other vulnerable populations.
- Micro-enterprise or small business assistance to retain or create jobs, or economic opportunities for low and moderate-income persons.
- Services to support the downtown Hyannis Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA).
- Activities, projects, or organizations addressing critical needs reported by Barnstable County Health and Human Services, the Barnstable Human Services Committee, the Council on Aging, local hospitals, and others entities serving low-income, vulnerable, and underserved populations.
- Applicants that agree to and demonstrate an ability to collect/maintain income documentation when applicable
- Applicants that demonstrate the ability to meet timely expenditure requirements and regular reporting requirements per HUD regulations.

^{*}Please note that the Town of Barnstable is not covering administrative costs for awarded applicants, only program-related costs.

Submission Instructions: The CDBG Pre-Application and Guidebook are available on the Town website: www.townofbarnstable.us/CDBG. Please complete and submit the pre-application by 5pm on September 30, 2021. Please complete the pre-application before the CDBG application. If you are having trouble accessing the pre-application, please email our office.

Contact Information: Elizabeth Jenkins, Director of Planning & Development: <u>elizabeth.jenkins@town.barnstable.ma.us</u>, 508-862-4678.

Mid-Cape Cultural Council Seeks Funding Proposals

Proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs due October 15.

The Mid -Cape Cultural Council is pleased to announce the opening of the 2022 Grant Cycle. The Council has set an October 15 deadline for organizations, schools, and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community. With this grant cycle, the Council has elected to award direct grants to recipients. For more information, visit https://massculturalcouncil.org/communities/local-cultural-council- program/. The Mid-Cape Cultural Council promotes and supports the arts, humanities and interpretive sciences to benefit people in the towns of Barnstable and Yarmouth. These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities - including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, or performances in schools, workshops, and lectures. The Mid-Cape Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils (LCC) serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community. This year, the Mid-Cape Cultural Council will distribute about \$18,000 in grants. Previously funded projects include the HyArts Discovery Walk, Marguerite E. Small Elementary School After School Program, and Cape Cod Maritime Museum. For local guidelines and complete information on the Mid-Cape Cultural Council, contact Sarah Thornington or Margeaux Weber, Cochairs, at midcapecouncil2@gmail.com. Application forms and more information about the Local Cultural Council Program are available online at www.mass-culture.org.

Cape Cod Healthcare Expands Access to COVID-19 Community Testing

Safe, effective and accessible COVID-19 testing is available at Cape Cod Healthcare.

Drive-through community testing

COVID-19 testing is available by appointment at two convenient drive-through testing sites on our hospital campuses:

Cape Cod Hospital campus, Hyannis

Hours: Daily from 7:30 - 11:00 AM and 3:30 - 6:00 PM

Falmouth Hospital campus, Falmouth

Hours: Sunday-Thursday, 7:30 - 9:30 AM

Please note:

Drive through community testing is available to everyone, whether experiencing symptoms or not.

The testing method utilized is an RT-PCR test, considered the gold standard for accurately detecting active COVID-19 virus in a collected specimen and is accepted by all governments and agencies.

Test results are currently available within 24 hrs.

Schedule a COVID-19 Test

To schedule a COVID-19 test, please call the Cape Cod Healthcare Community Testing Line at:

508-534-7103

Barnstable County COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics





WEEKLY
COVID-19
VACCINE
CLINICS

EVERY THURSDAY FROM 10AM - 2PM

HARBORVIEW CONFERENCE ROOM | BARNSTABLE COUNTY COMPLEX (OLD JAIL BUILDING)
3195 Main Street. Rte 6a Barnstable Village

Sign up for an appointment at www.barnstablecountyhealth.com or just walk in!

Pfizer will be offered to anyone 12+, and Johson & Johnson to anyone 18+

Barnstable County COVID-19 Testing

FREE COVID-19 Drive-Through Testing to Resume at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds!

Who:

Anyone who suspects they have been is exposed to COVID-19 is strongly urged to pursue testing.

What:

FREE COVID-19 PCR testing is now available at the Barnstable County Fairgrounds! Results available within 24-48hrs.

When:

Drive-through testing will take place every Thursday and Sunday from 4pm to 6pm beginning Thursday, August 26th.

Where

East gate of the Barnstable County Faigrounds (off Route 151 near Ashumet Road).

Why:

Testing saves lives! A positive test for COVID-19 alerts an individual that they have the infection. Not only can they get treated faster, they can take steps to minimize the virus and stop it from spreading to others.

How:

Schedule an appointment at www.barnstablecountyhealth.org. Walk-ins are welcome!



https://www.barnstablecountyhealth.org



MassNotify

By enabling MassNotify in your phone's settings, you can be quickly notified if you've been exposed to COVID-19 by another MassNotify user. For more information, please visit https://www.mass.gov/info-details/enable-massnotify-on-your-smartphone.



Cyanobacteria Notice



The Town continues cyanobacteria monitoring and reporting. Here are some tips to identify cyanobacteria blooms, what to do if you suspect a bloom, and who to contact.

Identifying Cyanobacteria Blooms

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has provided examples of cyanobacteria blooms with scums and without scums. https://www.mass.gov/service-details/identifying-cyanobacterial-blooms-and-scums-photographs-of-blooms-and-scums

How do I know if there is a harmful algal bloom in the water?

Cyanobacteria can cause the water to appear slightly discolored, cloudy, or resemble pea soup or paint. They are usually blue or green but can also be brown or red. They can also give the water a bad odor. The cyanobacteria in some blooms are dispersed throughout the water, while in other blooms they are concentrated in a scum or mat, either on the surface of the water or in sediment along the shoreline.

What if you Suspect a Cyanobacteria Bloom? WHEN IN DOUBT, STAY OUT!

If you see a possible cyanobacteria bloom, avoid contact with the water.

Contact the Health Department at 508-862-4644 or email health@town.barnstable.ma.us, if the bloom is at a recreational waterbody.

Want to Learn More About Cyanobacteria?

https://www.mass.gov/info-details/harmful-algae-blooms-in-freshwater-bodies

https://www.epa.gov/cyanohabs

https://www.who.int/publications/m/item/toxic-cyanobacteria-in-water---second-edition

Sign Up for Cyanobacteria Alerts

The Town of Barnstable contracted with the Association to Preserve Cape Cod (APCC) to conduct routine monitoring and reporting of Cyanobacteria in Barnstable's Lakes and Ponds. If you are interested in receiving an email notification, when a potentially toxic bloom is identified by APCC, you <u>must opt-in</u> to the APCC toxic alerts. In order to receive email notification for toxic alerts, click this link: https://apcc.org/our-work/science/cyanobacteria/cyanobacteria-alert/ This link will bring you to a webpage where you <u>must enter your email</u> in order to receive toxic alerts. You can also check out the cyanoMAP at https://apcc.org/our-work/science/community-science/cyanobacteria/ to see the recent cyanobacteria monitoring results from APCC.

Be Proactive Against Mosquitos in Your Backyard

Avoid mosquito bites by using EPA approved repellents, appropriate clothing and avoiding peak mosquito activity between dusk and dawn. Remove standing water by emptying containers and tarps. Check your risk levels throughout the season by visiting the State interactive website at:

https://www.mass.gov/infodetails/massachusetts-arbovirus-update

Please review the 2021 MDPH Surveillance and Response Plan for updates to risk levels and risk messaging. https://www.mass.gov/doc/2021-arbovirus-surveillance-and-response-plan/download

Establish good mosquito avoidance habits now:

- Teach children to be aware of mosquito activity around them and avoid it
- Pick a repellent with an EPA-approved active ingredient
- Use long sleeves to cover up when possible
- Remove standing water to help reduce mosquito populations
- Repair screens

If you should have any questions, please call us at the Health Division Office at 508 862-4644.



Vineyard Wind Public Information Sessions



Offseason Transient Dockage Information from Harbormaster's Office

The rates for residents and non-residents are reduced at two of our busiest town marinas. Barnstable Harbor and Prince Cove. These offseason reduced rates run from September 15th to October 27th and are a great way for the public to enjoy transient dockage at a reduced rate. Slip availability is subject to change. Individuals looking to book offseason transient dockage can contact the dockmasters on the numbers provided below or to find out the rate/cost.

Barnstable Harbor – 508-326-1836 **Prince Cove Marina** – 508-420-3267



Our Village Libraries are more than just books.

You can check out all of the activities are our Libraries here:

Sturgis Library (Barnstable Village)

Centerville Public Library

Cotuit Library

Hyannis Public Library

Marstons Mills Public Library

Osterville Village Library

Whelden Memorial Library (West Barnstable)

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

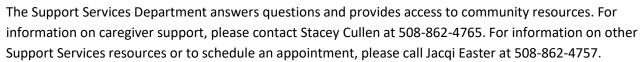
The Barnstable Adult Community Center is extremely pleased to announce that our doors are open again. We are excited to welcome you back, and ask that you please bear with us as we work to get our in-person programs and activities up and running. The BACC building is open Monday-Friday, from 8:30am-4:30pm. Below you'll find some of the activities and offerings that are coming up.

NEW PROGRAMS AND CLASS SESSIONS ARE ENROLLING NOW

You'll find a complete listing of offerings in the September/October issue of Thrive magazine. It's available at the BACC or online at

www.townofbarnstable.us/coa/thrive/Thrive.pdf

SUPPORT SERVICES



CAREGIVER AND SUPPORT SERVICES COMING TO A LIBRARY NEAR YOU!

Caregiver/Support Services Coordinator Stacey Cullen is now available at your local library to assist with information for caregivers and Barnstable residents age 60+. This new service provides resources and educational programs that benefit our community. Stacey is available from 10am-12pm on the days listed below. Appointments are not necessary and walk-ins are welcome. Please contact Stacey at 508-862-4765 for more information.

Caregiver/Support Services Library Schedule

Centerville Public Library, 585 Main Street, Centerville, 4th Wednesday

Cotuit Library, 871 Main Street, Cotuit, 2nd Tuesday

Hyannis Public Library, 401 Main Street, Hyannis, 3rd Thursday

Marstons Mills Library, 260 Main Street, Marstons Mills, 4th Tuesday

Osterville Village Library, 43 Wianno Avenue, Osterville. 4th Thursday

Sturgis Library, 3090 Main Street, Barnstable, 3rd Tuesday

Whelden Memorial Library, 2401 Meetinghouse Lane, West Barnstable 2nd Thursday

CLUBS AND GROUPS STARTING UP

The following groups have begun meeting again:

Artists Fridays, 9 AM-12 PM

Bridge Fridays, 12:15-3:45 PM

Circle of Sistas Thursday-Call for dates. Discussions on diverse literature open to all but focusing on women of color.

Council on Aging Board Meetings Third Wednesday of each month

Cribbage Wednesdays, 1 PM

Friday Flix Frida, 1 PM

Haiku First or Second Wednesday of each month, 10 AM

Mah Jong Mondays, 9 AM-12 PM

Pinochle Thursday, 1-3 PM

Sunshine Crafters Fridays, 1 PM and Tuesdays, 10 AM

Stay Informed

To find helpful updates and links as well as entertainment and resources to stay engaged and informed, please "like" and follow us on the Barnstable Adult Community Center Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/barnstableadultcommunitycenter

The Barnstable Council on Aging's bi-monthly magazine, Thrive, is available in our lobby area, and can also be found under the "Newsletter" tab on our website:

<u>www.townofbarnstable.us/coa<http://www.townofbarnstable.us/coa</u>> Our E-newsletter is sent weekly, and contains news, resources and information for the older adult community and others. If you'd like to receive it, please email: <u>judith.reppucci@town.barnstable.ma.us</u>.



OPEN EVERY DAY

Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanties

HARBOR OVERLOOK & BISMORE PARK open from 11 AM • May-Oct + events in Nov/Dec artists frequently open early and stay late

Welcome Center • BISMORE PARK Memorial Day to Columbus day stop by for maps, menus, transportation schedules, Discover Barnstable Fun Packs, and more

Hyannis Trolley

MAIN STREET TO HYANNIS HARBOR

10:30 AM-9:00 PM • late June through Labor Day loop runs every 45 mins, catch it anywhere on the route Just give it a wave and hop on board!

Kennedy Legacy Trail

MAIN STREET TO HYANNIS HARBOR self-guided tour • ArtsBarnstable.com















Hyannis Main Street.com Arts Barnstable.com

Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan 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 Strawberry Hill Rd Sewer Expansion Project

The project is the first significant construction project for the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP). The new gravity sewer will be installed in portions of Craigville Beach Road, Strawberry Hill Road, Wequaquet Lane and Phinney's Lane as shown on the locus map included with this update. Additionally, a new submersible pump station will be installed on a Town easement at the intersection of Strawberry Hill Road and Craigville Beach Road. Please note that within the project area outlined above, and during the same construction timeline, Vineyard Wind will be installing a duct bank and associated utility relocations as part of their offshore wind energy project. Upon the completion of both projects, Vineyard Wind will resurface disturbed roadways within the project area. The Town's Contractor for the project, C.C. Construction, will mobilize after Labor Day, with groundbreaking scheduled September 20th. Prior to the start of construction, utility mark outs will occur within the right of way. The edges of the Town owned right of way will also be staked and flagged to delineate the limit of work for the project. Test pit excavations to confirm locations of existing utilities are scheduled along the project route from September 7th thru 10th. In addition, preliminary tree pruning will occur along Craigville Beach Road and Strawberry Hill Road. The tree pruning is necessary to allow for excavation equipment to safely perform the work. The tree pruning work will be coordinated with the Town of Barnstable's Tree Warden, who is a certified arborist. Normal work hours will be between 7:00AM and 3:30PM, Monday thru Friday. Traffic impacts are anticipated throughout the project, with road closures and detours being necessary. Police details will be on site to direct traffic as needed. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work. Weekly progress and traffic updates will provided via ENews and the project update list.

Town of Barnstable is focused on outreach leading up to the September construction start for Strawberry Hill Road Sewer Expansion

With sewer construction set to begin this fall, the Town of Barnstable is stepping up efforts to inform Centerville property owners and visitors about the Strawberry Hill Road sewer expansion project. Detailed information has been mailed to roughly 300 property owners along the Strawberry Hill Road sewer route. The mailing explains what to expect during construction and requests owners' input on siting the sewer connection to their property. In the coming weeks, Department of Public Works staff will walk door to door along the sewer route to distribute project information and answer questions. The Town is inviting interested property owners along the sewer route to participate in an email alert system for updates on construction schedules and detours. Construction schedules, detours and other project information will be posted on the Town's BarnstableWaterResources.com website and will be broadcast on Channel 18 and the Town of Barnstable and Police Department Facebook pages. Construction will be coordinated with the Vineyard Wind cable project to minimize disruptions and save costs. The Strawberry Hill Road project is part of Barnstable's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan to ensure the health of coastal waters, ponds and drinking water. Town officials have held more than 100 community meetings about sewer expansion plans. Anyone with a question about the project may contact Senior Project Manager Paul Ruszala at paul.ruszala@town.barnstable.ma.us or 508-790-6400.



Pictured above Construction Inspector Stephen Porter and Senior Project Manager Paul Ruszala, P.E. who are working on the Strawberry Hill Road Sewer Extension project.

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.

NEW National Grid New Customer Hookups

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 Neuco crews will install 5 new gas services on Pearl Street, Hyannis. 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 two 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.

CONTINUES Bridge Barrier Replacement Project, Rt. 149 over Rt. 6 EB, WB

SPS New England Inc., acting through MassDOT, will be replacing the barriers at the existing Rt. 149 bridge that crosses over Rt. 6. The project includes the Installation of temporary construction signage, selective clearing and thinning, staged removal and replacement of bridge barrier and end posts, bridge pavement micromilling and Superpave Waterproofing Surface Course placement, pavement markings and incidental items necessary to complete the work. Weather pending, construction will be on-going, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM until completion of the work. Work within Route 149 is anticipated to start on September 13, 2021 and construction duration is anticipated to be 22-months. The construction will be staged with lane shifts, and two-way traffic will be maintained throughout construction. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas, and follow posted safety and detour signs. For questions, please contact the District 5 Construction Office at 508-884-4281.

UPDATED Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills

Drainage and pavement improvements on Wheeler Road in Marstons Mills are currently on-going and will continue during the week of September 13, 2021. The remaining work will include completion of punchlist items. Please use caution and safe speeds when traveling on Wheeler Road during construction operations.

UPDATED Town Wide Drainage Improvements

The Town's contractor, Tasco Construction, will continue drainage improvements along Hinckley Circle in Osterville the week of September 13, 2021. The work includes installation of new drainage systems, repairs to existing drainage systems, adjustment of drainage structure castings, and restoration of any areas disturbed during construction. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout construction. Any lane closures will be supported with police details to direct traffic. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work.

UPDATED Roadway Improvements on Winter Street in Hyannis

Curb, sidewalk, drainage and roadway pavement improvements on Winter Street have resumed and will continue through mid-November, 2021. New granite curb and paved sidewalks will be installed on both sides of the street between North Street and Barnstable Road. Drainage improvements will also be made along with milling and paving of the roadway surface. Police details will be on site to direct traffic as needed. Please seek alternate routes to avoid delays during construction and use caution when traveling through work zones.

UPDATED Roadway Improvements on Dunn's Pond Road in Hyannis and Oceanview Avenue & Poponessett Road in Cotuit

Roadway improvements are planned on the publicly-owned portions of Dunn's Pond Road in Hyannis and Oceanview Avenue and Poponessett Road in Cotuit. Dunn's Pond Road will receive full-depth reconstruction and a new pavement surface. Oceanview Avenue will be milled & overlaid with sidewalk modifications at the northern intersection with Main Street. Poponessett Road will be milled and overlaid east of Rushy Marsh Road with full-depth reconstruction and a new pavement surface on the section of the road east of Santuit Road. Work is expected to begin during the week of September 20th and continue until mid-November, 2021. Police details will be on site to direct traffic as needed. Please seek alternate routes to avoid delays during construction and use caution when traveling through the work zones.

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

Work is scheduled during the week of September 13, 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes loaming and seeding shoulders, placing milling mulch under guardrails, and addressing other punch list items. The bridge will remain open to traffic during this work. There will be temporary single-lane closures with signs and police officers to direct traffic past the work zone.

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You will always find people who are helping."

~ Fred Rogers

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