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Meetings this week:

Planning Board, June 28, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, June 28, 2016, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

Friday, June 24, 2016



Gundalow makes final port of call

In the photo above, crews lower the gundalow Capt. Edward H. Adams into its new home at Henry Law Park early Friday morning. The gundalow will be a permanent addition to the park, which is undergoing significant improvements. The park and playground improvements project is expected to be complete late summer.

The gundalow made its final nautical voyage to Dover from Portsmouth last October and was stored at a site off River Street. While there, the gundalow underwent some restoration work and painting before making its way to the park on June 24, 2016.

Before arriving in Dover for its final port of call, the replica gundalow was used as an exhibit at Strawberry Banke in the 1980s and later by the Gundalow Company as a dockside classroom at locations across the new Hampshire and Maine seacoast. It was decommissioned in 2013. After funds were raised by a group of residents to move the gundalow to Dover, the City Council voted to accept the vessel as a gift from The Gundalow Company.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dnty.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the [meeting calendar page](#).



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City Hall hours:

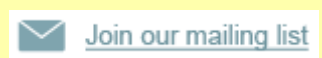
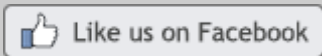
Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Recycling Center hours:

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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The gundalow's namesake, Edward Adams, lived and operated a gundalow in Dover in the early 1900s.



Silver Street work continues

Work on Silver Street, including paving, will continue through June 30, 2016.

While this work is under way, traffic patterns will be affected as follows:

- Silver Street will be open to one-way traffic eastbound, from Arch Street to Central Avenue, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.;
- Alternating traffic will be permitted between the Spaulding Turnpike and the Arch Street and Towle Avenue;
- Delays should be expected at the Arch Street and Towle Avenue intersection with Silver Street;
- During paving operations, the intersections at Lexington, Rutland, Cushing, Belknap, Atkinson, and Elm streets will be closed.

For more information about this project, contact Community Services at 516-6450 or visit the [Silver Street Reconstruction Project web page here](#).

Nelson Street construction begins week of July 4

Construction work on Nelson Street and the upper part of Atkinson Street is expected to begin the week of July 4. Work will include roadway and sidewalk reconstruction, as well as upgrades to underground utilities throughout the neighborhood.

For more information about this project, contact Assistant City Engineer Gretchen Young at 516-6450.

Hourly on-street parking rates increase 25 cents July 1

Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr. announces that meter rates for on-street spaces will increase from 75 cents to \$1 per hour starting Friday, July 1, 2016. The

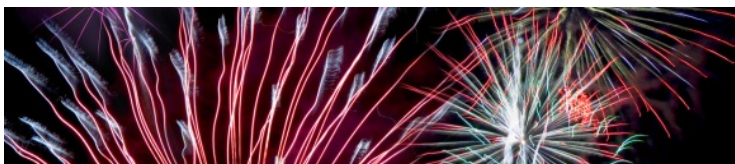
increase was authorized by Dover City Council as part of the recently adopted fiscal year budget and fee schedule.

Meter rates will not change for the parking garage and surface parking lots. In addition, there are no changes to the rates for all-day parking on River Street or at the Transportation Center.

The last meter rate increase was in 2009 when the Orchard Street and Belknap Street lots, and Henry Law Avenue, were the only metered locations. The remainder of the downtown was metered in 2011.

"This increase was recommended by the Parking Commission several months ago based on a recognition and belief in the importance to the City of a vibrant active central business district, which in large part depends on adequate and convenient parking," Colarusso said. "The additional parking capacity provided in the new parking garage is an important advancement, but it became important to carefully manage our parking capacity to assure maximum benefit."

For more information, contact the Parking Bureau at 516-6132.



City to celebrate 4th of July with music and fireworks

The City of Dover's annual 4th of July fireworks display will be held on Monday, July 4, 2016. Fireworks begin at 9:15 p.m.

Henry Law Park and the surrounding downtown areas are the best locations to view the fireworks.

The fireworks display will be preceded by a performance of the 39th Army Band at the Rotary Arts Pavilion, from 7 to 9 p.m. Food and novelty vendors will be available at Henry Law Park.

The rain date for the fireworks display is Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

For more information, contact Recreation Director Gary Bannon at 603-516-6401.

Public safety officials stress safety and the law

In the following public service announcement, Dover Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr., and Fire Chief Eric Hagman discuss fireworks, safety and the law.



Founding Fathers return to Dover for the reading of the Declaration of Independence

Dover kicks off Independence Day with its annual reading of the Declaration of Independence. Garrison Players Arts Center performers Don Briand as John Adams, Tom Dunnington as Benjamin Franklin and Rich Salvati as Thomas Jefferson will read the Declaration at 9 a.m. on the steps of Dover City Hall (288 Central Ave). Mayor Karen Weston will also speak.

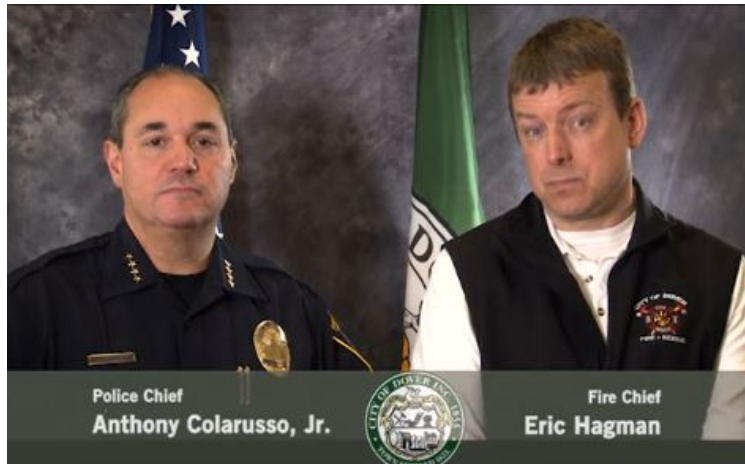
This is the 16th year the Garrison Players have been a part of the Dover Independence Day celebration.

Garrison Players Arts Center (GPAC) is a nonprofit, volunteer-based community theatre group dedicated to enriching the cultural life of the area by presenting high-quality theatrical performances geared for family audiences. Established in 1953, the players encourage people of all ages to enjoy and participate in the many facets of the performing arts, and to help maintain the Garrison Players Arts Center.

For more information about auditions, shows or GPAC, visit the website at www.garrisonplayers.org.

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Click the image above to view a video about the work under way

Online survey to help with new chapter of City's Master Plan

The City of Dover is now developing a new chapter of the Master Plan, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter. This new chapter will bring together a range of resources and issues considered critical components of what helps make Dover a unique place.

Specifically, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter will address the following: energy, natural resources, historic and cultural resources, coastal management, natural hazards and social capital.

The City of Dover completed a comprehensive, community-wide visioning process as part of its master planning process in 2012. Dover's Master Plan can be found [online here](#). The topics to be addressed in the new Stewardship of Resources Chapter were identified during the visioning process. The topics were considered to be of such importance that they are found across five of the eight overarching vision themes upon which the Vision Chapter is based. These themes are:

- 1.0 People and Community
- 2.0 Downtown

- 4.0 Municipal Government and School Services
- 5.0 Open Space and Recreation
- 7.0 Sustainability

The Stewardship of Resources Steering Committee is seeking input from the community. As part of the outreach plan, a survey has been prepared to allow citizens, business leaders, and other stakeholders in the community a chance to provide input. The survey can be found on the Master Plan page linked above or [here](#).

The Dover Master Plan is a critical community resource. Participation in the survey will help develop a strong new chapter of the Plan.

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.

Summer reading programs under way at Dover Public Library

Are you ready for a summer full of fun and games?

Special events planned throughout Library's summer reading program include:

- **Saturday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.:** Snap Circuit Fun! The Dover Shockwave Robotics Team members will be on hand to help kids build projects with Snap Circuits. This is a great way to introduce kids to electrical circuits while having fun.
- **Tuesday, June 28, at 1:30 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: We will learn about "The Wonderful World of Bats". After the presentation, kids will make their own bat T-Shirt.
- **Thursday, June 30, at 2 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Don't miss the amazing magician Norman Ng. His show will truly astound all members of the family.
- **Wednesday, July 6, from 6 to 8 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Join us for a MarioKart Tournament. This event is for kids going into fifth grade and above, and registration is required. Pizza and refreshments will be served.
- **Monday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Storyteller Simon Brooks will entertain us with folktales, myths, and legends.
- **Tuesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will bring their program "Amazing Adventures: Healthy Minds Spark Makers" to the library.
- **Wednesday, July 20, from 2 to 4 p.m.** on the front lawn of the McConnell Center: Come and climb our 24-foot portable climbing wall. This event is for children four years and older. A parent must sign a release form provided by Vertical Dreams.

- **Wednesday, July 27, at 10 a.m.** at the Seymour Osman Community Center: Ilze Luneau, who has performed on national shows and at professional and college sporting events, will demonstrate her trick basketball skills.
- **Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.:** Celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday! Pass through Platform 9 3/4 then be sorted into wizarding house. Participate in magical classes including Wand Making, Herbology, Potions, and Care of Magical Creatures. Snacks will be provided in the Great Hall (Library Lecture Hall) and students are welcome to test their flying skills with a friendly game of Quidditch on the McConnell Center's front lawn. Participants will also compete in a Horcrux Scavenger Hunt and trivia contest for Harry Potter prizes.
- **Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m.** on the front lawn: We will wrap up our summer reading program with our final celebration. TJ Wheeler will entertain us with his family-friendly blues music. Traditional lawn games and food will also be part of this fun-filled evening.

But wait, that's not all. Every week there will be a new sports-themed craft at our Creation Station. Stop in anytime to make and take your creation. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., there will be a drop-in Family Storytime featuring books, songs, fingerplays, and games. Friday mornings are for our youngest patrons. "Mother Goose on the Loose", a special program for infants through two years olds with a caregiver, will begin at 10 a.m. From 10:30-11 a.m. we will offer "Toddler Exploration Time" featuring sensory activities. Our popular "Music with benji" program at 11 a.m. will get the whole family singing and dancing. Every Saturday during the summer reading program is a "LEGO Saturday". Come in anytime between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to build with our Legos and Duplos.

On Fridays, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., the program will be at the Seymour Osman Community Center. Participants in the summer reading program will be able to report their reading time, get prizes, and return and check out books. There will also be a storytime with crafts and activities.

And for teens?

The Library will host a Teen Summer Reading Program. Sign-up beginning for your chance to win amazing prizes including tickets to Canobie Lake Park, Water Country, and The Works, plus lessons at Indoor Ascent, merchandise from Red Alert Skate Shop, Kindle Fires, and free pizzas from Weeksie's, Kendall Pond, and La Festa. The program is simple: earn raffle tickets for reading, the more you read the better chance you have of winning a prize. Choose which of our eight prize packs you'll put your raffle tickets in. Please join us for the MarioKart Tournament on Wednesday, July 6, the Climbing Wall on Wednesday, July 20, Harry Potter's birthday celebration on July 30, and the "end of program" party with entertainment by TJ Wheeler on Aug. 2 at 6 p.m. Find more details on our website at library.dover.nh.gov or call the Library at 516-6050 for more

information.

How about adults?

Join our Summer Reading Program to "Exercise your Mind-Read" this summer and have some fun. After all, why should kids be the only ones excited about Summer Reading Programs? If you want to be eligible for prizes, be sure to fill out a review slip, either online through our website under "Summer Reading/Adult", or in person at the library. This will be your entry to win weekly prizes. We'll compile the list of what everyone has read and share it anonymously so you can discover some new titles for your to-read list! The theme this year emphasizes fitness and wellness. The program continues through Aug. 2. The grand prize will be a new Fitbit Flex. To be eligible for the grand prize, participants must read at least five books and fill our review slip for each.

City seeks Energy Commission volunteers

The Dover Energy Commission is now seeking new members to help guide the City's energy use and sustainable practices. Both regular-member and alternate-(non-voting) member seats are available. Members serve a three-year term.

The Energy Commission was created to advise other boards and committees regarding energy plans and sustainable practices, such as energy conservation, efficiency, generation, and zoning practices. In addition, the committee assists in advising how sustainability principles may be incorporated, whenever possible, into planning, policymaking, and municipal practices.

A major project now under way is the development of one or more solar photovoltaic arrays on City-owned properties. In partnership with Ameresco, Inc., the Commission is screening a number of City-owned sites and buildings for their solar electricity generation potential. A final proposal will be presented to the City Council in the next few months.

Other goals for 2016 include revising the 2008 Energy Action Plan and considering adoption of the C-PACE program, which facilitates private investment in energy efficiency on commercial properties. The Commission welcomes new members with experience or interest in the energy and sustainability fields who wish to serve the City of Dover by promoting greater efficiency and stewardship of resources. The Commission holds a regular meeting once per month, on the third Wednesday of the month, at 5:30 p.m. in the second-floor conference room of City Hall.

Interested residents should complete a [Public Body Member Application](#), [available here](#), or in person at City

Hall. The form must be returned to the City Clerk's office.

For more information, contact the Energy Commission's staff liaison, Assistant City Planner Elena Piekut, at e.piekut@dover.nh.gov or 516- 6008.



Please Save the Date for our
100th Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser!

Saturday, July 23, 2016
6:00pm

Under the tent at the Woodman Museum
182 Central Avenue, Dover, NH

Click the image above or [here](#) for more information



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library,

Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm>.



June 27, 1656 - James Rollins was presented for neglecting to attend meeting, and was admonished and ordered to pay the fees of the court, 2 shillings and 6 pence.



June 28, 1723 - Men were impressed for scouting and cutting a road from "Winnipishoky" pond to Dover, and the Treasurer was directed to supply them with provision and ammunition, and that no sons under age or servants be admitted to take up any of their wages, without their parents or masters consent.



June 24, 1832 - At a public town meeting the selectmen and physicians of the town were constituted a Board of Health and authorized to adopt measures necessary for the public safety from the Asiatic cholera, then alarmingly prevalent in the country.



June 30, 1842 -The cars of the Boston & Maine Railroad crossed the Cochecho for the first time, arriving at the new Depot on Franklin Square at 10 o'clock, which with the bridge across the river was completed a few days previously.



June 24, 1853 - Died, Miss Elisabeth Coffin, aged 68. She was a lineal descendant of Peter Coffin and the last retaining the family name in Dover. She lived and died on lands originally owned by her ancestor, and which had remained in the family for 200 years.

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

The City of Dover is now hiring the following positions:

- **Public Welfare Technician III**
- **Facilities Project Manager**
- **Custodians**
- **Engineering Document Manager**
- **Operator I, Wastewater Treatment Plant**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker - Utilities**
- **Lifeguards**
- **Swim instructor**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

Your City needs you!

City boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future.

For more information about the important role of the City's boards and commissions, please view the video below. Click on the image to view.



Robert Carrier
Deputy Mayor
City of Dover Boards and Commissions

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, [click here](#).

To download an application for board and commissions, [click here](#). Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? [Sign up now](#) to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, [click here](#). An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, [click here](#).

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit www.dovernh.viebit.com to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail [here](#).

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