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City Manager unveils FY19 proposed budget

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. presented the proposed fiscal year 2019 budget to the City Council on Wednesday, March 28. The budget presentation was the first of several weeks of City Council budget meetings, workshops, and public hearings, before the City Council adopts a budget.

A special page devoted to the fiscal year 2019 budget,

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Community Calendar

Discover Dover with Peek at the Week

Meetings this week:

City Council, April 4, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a budget workshop on Wednesday, April 4, 2018, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

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

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit dovernh.viebit.com.

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



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Dover, NH 03820
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City Hall hours:
Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

which is updated throughout the budget process, [can be found here](#) at the City's [Budget Revealed online resource](#).

The remaining budget meeting schedule is as follows:

- **April 4, 7 p.m.:** Workshop, Review of School, Executive, Finance, Planning, Library and Welfare budgets;
- **April 11, 7 p.m.:** Regular meeting, School budget public hearing;
- **April 18, 7 p.m.:** Workshop, Review of Police, Fire and Recreation budgets;
- **April 25, 6 p.m.:** Workshop, Community Services and general budget discussion;
- **April 25, 7 p.m.:** Regular meeting, City budget public hearing;
- **May 2, 7 p.m.:** Workshop, General budget discussion, followed by a Special Meeting for budget adoption;
- **May 9, 7 p.m.:** Regular meeting, fallback date for budget adoption.



Want to stay up to date on the budget process? Sign up for the [Budget Revealed newsletter here](#).

Proposed changes to zoning aim to boost affordable housing

In early 2018, both the City Council and Planning Board held goal-setting sessions. At these sessions, both groups identified the need for affordable housing as a priority for the community. Planning and Community Development staff have been working over the past few months to review options, and presented amendments to the Planning Board on March 27.


At the meeting, the Planning Board began reviewing the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance which would allow it to grant increased density on a lot if used for smaller, more affordable homes. These homes would be limited to 1,400 square feet in total living area, which is finished, usable space. The goal is to encourage smaller square footage, which should have a lower price point and be more affordable for buyers.

According to Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker, AICP, who oversees planning activities in Dover, "Staff

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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reviewed listings for homes for sale over the past year and noticed that the average new home price in Dover was between \$375,000 and \$525,000, and tend to be larger homes."

With this in mind, staff then had conversations with builders, realtors and market analysts. This review assisted staff in understanding some of the elements that drive the costs of homes.

"Certainly there are many variables, but a large component is the market demand for home size and the higher cost of land in Dover," Parker said.

Planning staff confirmed that density drives the ultimate cost, as the more units that can be built, the more site and land costs can be spread over the total project and reduce individual home costs. Additionally it became clear that a smaller home – 1,400 square feet as opposed to 2,000 – was a desirable size for younger, new homeowners, and those looking to downsize.

With all this in mind, staff drafted an amendment to the City's existing Transfer of Development Rights ordinance to allow builders to purchase density from the City with the requirement that this additional density is used to create smaller, affordable homes. These homes are to be sold, not rented and are limited on their expandability. Staff determined that limiting the size of homes was the best way to create an incentive, but not create bureaucracy for annual reviews or create new enforcement issues.

"We believe in letting the market work in Dover, and through this process, feel that if a developer or builder wants to create smaller more affordable homes we should support that," Parker said. "Dover has a reputation as a family friendly community and we want to encourage that to continue."

The proceeds from the sale would be placed into the Conservation Fund, which will then be used by the Open Lands Committee and Conservation Commission to continue their work to preserve land in Dover.

"This is an added bonus, where we can calculate the cost per acre preserved and then use that fee to sell density," Parker said. "The fee will then continue to fund conservation efforts in Dover."

Planning Board Chair Kirt Schuman is looking forward to the review and consideration of the regulations.

"I think the Planning Board is always supportive of considering innovative land use regulations," Schuman said. "We were the first community in New Hampshire to adopt form-based code for our downtown, and we should be on the forefront of implementing ways to encourage

affordable housing as well."

Schuman does caution that these regulations have a ways to go.

"We just saw the amendments for the first time," he said. "We need to be complete in our review and make sure the amendment has public discussion and consideration before we vote on it. There is no need to rush the review."

The language is part of a larger package reviewed by the Planning Board and will be part of a larger public review and consideration process. In Dover, the Planning Board drafts and adopts zoning amendments, after holding public hearings and deliberations. If an amendment is adopted the City Council will then review the amendment after holding its own workshop and public hearings. Amendments typically take three to four months for review and consideration. Parker expects the first public hearing to be at the April 24 Planning Board meeting.

The amendments are available for review in the Planning Department office and online at the [Planning Department's web page](#).

For more information, please email dover-planning@dover.nh.gov or call 516-6008.



New traffic restrictions begin April 2 for Robbins block demolition

As the demolition of the Robbins block on Washington Street continues, new traffic restrictions begin April 2.

On Monday, April 2, demolition of the portion of the building nearest Washington Street will ramp up. As the walls of certain sections of the structure become relatively unstable during the demolition process, safety clearance zones around the structure are required. The width of the clearance zone is based in part on the height of the structure. To accommodate the work, the following additional traffic restrictions are required:

- Beginning Monday, April 2, travel lanes will be altered on Washington Street, between Chestnut Street and Central Avenue. Washington Street will remain open to two-way traffic, but only a single lane in each direction will be available. This condition will remain in effect around the clock for a period of approximately 2-3 weeks.
- Effective April 2, Locust Street will be closed at the intersection of Washington Street during the demolition of the northeast corner of the property. This restriction will remain in effect around the clock for approximately three to four days. Northbound traffic on Locust Street will be diverted onto Chestnut Street, or through the Belknap municipal metered parking lot. The traffic direction in the Belknap Lot, which is normally one way westerly, will be reversed during this period. Locust Street will reopen as soon as the northeast portion of the structure has been effectively removed.
- Effective the following week, from April 9 to 13, Chestnut Street will be closed on the south side of the Washington Street intersection to accommodate the demolition of the northwest corner. This closure will remain in effect around the clock for about three days. Northbound traffic on Locust Street will be required to remain on Locust Street, except for local traffic bound for Saint Thomas Street or Citizens Bank. Southbound traffic on Chestnut Street will be diverted east or west on Washington Street.
- All pedestrian traffic is restricted on the southerly side of Washington Street, between Chestnut and Locust Streets.

For more information about traffic restrictions, contact the Dover Police Department Traffic Bureau at 742-4646.



Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee appoints new member, reappoints four more

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory

Committee (CWDAC) recently made some changes to the committee's membership.

CWDAC welcomed newly appointed member Samia Touma. The Dover Housing Authority Commissioners appointed Touma on Jan. 23 to take the place of Carla Goodknight, who resigned after moving out of Dover. Touma has a strong background in architectural design and project management, and earned her master's degree in architecture from Laval University in Quebec City. Dana Lynch, CWDAC Chair commented, "As CWDAC moves forward with the review of project design plans and oversight of the development process, Samia's participation will be invaluable."

Additionally, four current members of CWDAC were reappointed to another three-year term by the Dover Housing Authority Commissioners. The terms of Norm Fracassa, Dane Drasher, Kyle Pimental and Dennis Ciotti now last until March 30, 2021.

Lastly, at their March 20 meeting, CWDAC conducted their annual election and voted for new officers for 2018. Dana Lynch was elected as the Chair of the Committee and Norm Fracassa accepted the position of Vice Chair.

The mission of CWDAC is to provide a vibrant waterfront with public gathering places and access to the water, a place for people to live, meet, relax, encounter nature, conduct business and learn of Dover's past.

Want to stay up to date on the waterfront development project? Sign up for the [project newsletter here](#).

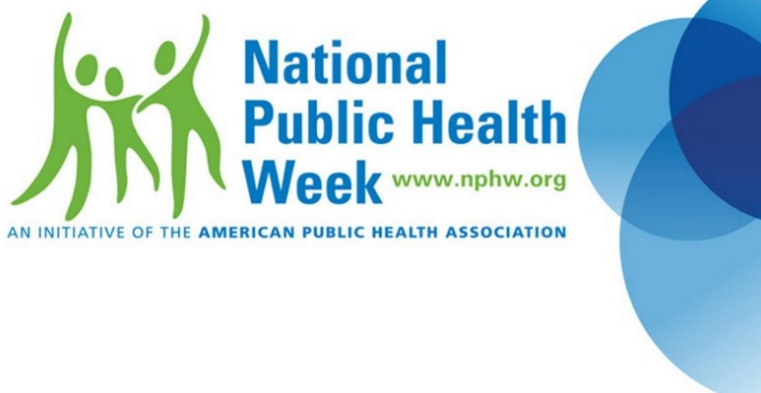
For more information about CWDAC, call the Planning Department at 516-6008 or e-mail Steve Bird at s.bird@dover.nh.gov.

Citywide winter parking ban ends early

The citywide winter parking ban concluded early, on Monday, March 26. The citywide winter parking ban typically concludes April 1, but a favorable weather pattern with warmer temperatures prompted Dover Police and Community Services to lift the ban early.

The winter parking ban prohibits all vehicles from parking on any City street or sidewalk between the hours of 1 and 6 a.m.

For more information, contact the Parking Bureau at 516-6132 or parking@dover.nh.gov.



Dover events celebrate National Public Health Awareness Week

Good nutrition, the dangers of vaping and tanning, and women's self-defense are just a few of the featured classes being held in Dover, April 2-6, in celebration of National Public Health Week. This awareness week brings communities together to highlight issues that are important to building healthier communities and improving our nation's health.

Strafford County Public Health Network has coordinated a variety of daily events for all different sectors and age groups. Events will be held in various locations throughout the city and registration may be required. For more information, please use the contact name associated with each listing:

Monday, April 2, 2018

6:30-7:30 p.m.: Nutrition Course at Dover Public Library

Are your healthy habits being pushed to the wayside because of a busy lifestyle? Having trouble finding nutritious snacks for the picky eater in your life? This nutritious class will focus on incorporating healthy habits such as what "health" actually means, reading nutrition facts labels, healthy food on a budget, avoiding fad diets, helpful phone apps, and mindfulness of balance. For more information and to attend, contact Aimee Lockhardt at a.lockhardt@dover.nh.gov

Tuesday, April 3, 2018:

5:30-8:30 p.m.: Education Event for Parents: Dangers of Vaping and Tanning

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital will be hosting an educational event for Dover parents or caregivers on the dangers of vaping and tanning. For more information on this event and to RSVP, contact Tammy Badger at 603-516-6706.

7-8 p.m.: Meditation Class at Dover Public Library

Jacqueline Finnerty from Blissful Soul Studio will be facilitating a meditation class at Dover Public Library from 7-8 p.m. Please contact Aimee Lockhardt at 603-516-6050 for more information.

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

7-8 p.m.: Women's Self- Defense at Dover Public Library

Learn basic skills necessary to empower and protect yourself. Instructors include Peter Hebert and Zoila Urbani of Great Karate in Dover. 14 years and older can attend. Class held at Dover Public Library. For more information, contact Aimee Lockhardt at a.lockhardt@dover.nh.gov

Thursday, April 5, 2018

6:30-8:30 p.m.: Seacoast Outright at Dover Teen Center

Seacoast Outright is partnering with the Dover Teen Center and the Strafford County Public Health Network to bring youth meetings to Strafford County. All LGBTQ youth under 21 and allies are welcome to attend.

Friday, April 6, 2018

8-10:30 a.m.: Therapeutic Community at Strafford County Jail

This program is a substance abuse treatment program within the Strafford County Jail. The program follows a segregated "Therapeutic Community" model where participants receive drug and alcohol counseling, cognitive behavior change programming and peer support activities to promote recovery from substance abuse addiction. Separate programs are offered for men and women. Reach out to Jake Collins with questions at jcollins@co.strafford.nh.us.

For a complete listing of local activities, visit [Strafford County Public Health Network](#).

Join the Senior Center to see the Red Sox and Toronto Blue Jays

Join the Dover Community Senior Center for a visit to Fenway Park to see the "Red Sox vs. Blue Jays" on Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

The bus will depart at 11 a.m. from the Dover Arena Park & Ride, Portland Avenue, on a luxury Silver Fox Coach Bus en route to Boston.

You'll arrive at Fenway Park about an hour and a half prior to the 1:05 p.m. game time, allowing you time to view pre-game warm ups. Enjoy all the action from third base side

Grandstand seats as you watch the Red Sox battle the Blue Jays. The bus will arrive home back in Dover at approximately 5:30 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$105 for members and \$110 for not-yet-members. Trip includes round-trip transportation, driver tip and admission to the game.

For more information, contact Linda Jarvis at 603-516-6437.

Reconstruction of Hanson Street expected to begin mid-April

As part of the City of Dover's Capital Improvements Program, reconstruction of Hanson Street is expected to begin mid-April and will continue through the 2018 construction season. The project will consist of upgrades to existing water, sewer, and drainage systems, and reconstruction of the roadway and sidewalks.

To sign up for project updates, [click here](#) and select "Dover Community Services, Hanson Street Reconstruction."

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

Dover Chamber to host State of the City April 17

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will host the annual state of the city on Tuesday, April 17, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., at the McConnell Center Cafe.

Hear city leaders discuss their vision for the future and priorities for the upcoming year. This year's speakers are City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Harbron, Chief of Police Anthony Colarusso, Jr. and Assistant City Manager Christopher Parker.

A question-and-answer session will follow the remarks.

The cost of the event is \$15 and is open to the public.

The Chamber encourages those interested in attending to register in advance at www.dovernh.org/economy. Registration is required.

The program is sponsored by Eversource.

For more information, contact the Chamber at 603-742-

SEED Lighting the Way to Learning campaign receives \$10,000

The Seacoast Educational Endowment of Dover (SEED), a nonprofit organization dedicated to lifting academic excellence in Dover schools by granting scholarships to public educators, is pleased to announce it has received \$10,000 in donations toward its Lighting the Way To Learning appeal, an intense effort by SEED's entirely volunteer-led organization to establish a \$500,000 endowment fund.

Recently named Dover's Small Non Profit of the Year by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, SEED has funded more than \$100,000 in education grants for programs, practices, and resources for students across all grades in Dover public schools. As part of the Lighting the Way to Learning campaign, SEED is seeking just 50 donations of \$500 to offset initial account set up.

The first wave of donors include: Elaine and Ken Plante, Dr. William Harbron, David and Maureen Staples, Eric and Carolyn Decker, Air Vacuum Corporation, Kelly and Doug Glennon, Carolyn Mebert, Donna and Bruce McAdam, Abraham Burtman Charity Trust, Jim and Carleen Duffy, Finola and Matt Cox, Bruce MacIntyre, Angela and Matt Carter, Jan Nedelka, Anna and Brian Frankenfield, Paul Cox Trust, Verna Boudreau, Harbour Capital Corp and McDonnell & Roberts, PA.

Donations made to SEED are tax deductible and a 501C3 number can be provided. For more information about the campaign, to become a sponsor or donate, please visit www.doverseed.org.

Formed in 2011, SEED is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization working to promote academic excellence, champion technology and reward educator innovation in Dover's public schools. SEED support is not intended to replace appropriate municipal funding. SEED raises private philanthropic dollars and provides grant funds, on a competitive basis, to educators who submit formal applications. SEED's overarching goals are to create a legacy for educational excellence in Dover Public Schools and to advocate the value of education in the community. SEED welcomes donations of time, talent, and resources. To get involved, please contact info@DoverSeed.org.

Dover Chamber accepting
scholarship applications, educator
of year nominations

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce is now accepting applications for its Student Scholarship program which will award one area student \$1,000 to be used towards post-secondary education costs. The Chamber is also collecting nominations for their annual Educator of the Year award which includes \$1,000 to be used towards classroom expenses. Both programs are organized by the Chamber's Business and Education Partnership and sponsored by Measured Progress, Inc.

The Student Scholarship is awarded to a local student either entering or continuing a post-secondary education who demonstrates a commitment to their community through volunteerism while maintaining a good academic record. All applications must be submitted to the Chamber no later than 5 p.m. on April 30. The recipient's name is announced in late May/early June. Last year's scholarship winner was a homeschooled student, Turner Jennings of Madbury.

The Educator of the Year award recognizes a local education professional who employs innovative education strategies, demonstrates on-going leadership and cooperation and makes a lasting impact on their community and students. Educator of the Year nominations can be submitted by students, parents, colleagues or community members and must be received by the Chamber prior to 5 p.m. on May 11. The Educator of the Year will be announced in early June. The 2017 winner was Garrison School physical education teacher Sarah Loranger.

"On behalf of Measured Progress, it is our pleasure to continue sponsorship of this program that acknowledges excellence in educational practices from both the student and educator perspectives," said Jeanne Supple, Executive Assistant at Measured Progress. "Each year the candidate pool for each award is impressive. I look forward to reviewing this year's applications and presenting each of the awards."

Scholarship applications and Educator of the Year nomination forms can be picked up at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, 550 Central Ave., or found online at www.dovernh.org/scholarship.

Dover Indoor Pool to host Easter Egg Hunt Saturday

The Dover Indoor Pool will host its first Easter Egg Hunt in the pool on Saturday, March 31, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.



Bring your family and friends to help scour the pool 10 eggs each, one of which may contain a prize.

Additional games, activities and music are scheduled from 2:30-5 p.m.

The Dover Indoor Pool is located at 9 Henry Law Ave.

For more information, call 603-516-6441 or visit the Indoor Pool's [Facebook page](#).



"A Search for Justice" performance at Dover Library April 9

The Friends of the Dover Public Library are delighted to present a one-man show, "A Search for Justice", featuring actor Stephen Collins, on Monday evening April 9, 2018 at 7 p.m.

In this performance piece, the audience will hear the words of Abolitionist editor William Lloyd Garrison, and John Brown will tell you why he resorted to violence. Abraham Lincoln will deliver his oration at Gettysburg, and Thomas Hardy and other writers will comment on war and religion.

These historical figures will examine timely issues of social, political, and religious justice. Can justice ever be defined or is it just an abstract concept? What is Truth? How do leaders, both political and religious, use language to motivate or dissuade people? Is violent action ever justified when all else fails? Is there ever be a "just war" or is conflict inherently unjust?

Stephen Collins currently performs eight one-man shows. Receiving rave reviews for over a decade, Mr. Collins's shows deliver not just the poetry and plays, but bring poets and playwrights to life on the stage. His shows also convey an understanding of the impact and the reactions of the characters to their respective times, giving the audience

not just a performance, but an experience. This is the first of three shows Stephen Collins will present at the Dover Public Library: in May 2018 he will perform as the poet Walt Whitman and in November as the renowned American artist James McNeill Whistler.

This program is free and open to all.

For more information, please call the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.

Join the StoryWalk in Downtown Dover April 7 and 14

The Dover Public Library and Dover's Economic Development Office are sponsoring a child-friendly StoryWalk on two Saturdays, April 7 and 14, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the downtown. The self-guided walk, featuring the book "We're Going on a Bear Hunt" by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury, will begin at Franklin Plaza and continue on down Central Avenue. After completing the walk, enjoy all the great shops and restaurants Dover has to offer, then come to the Children's Room at the Library to make a fun craft related to the story.

StoryWalk is an innovative and delightful way for children - and adults! - to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time. Laminated pages from this popular children's book will be attached to wooden stakes installed along an outdoor path. As you stroll down the street, you'll be directed to the next page in the story. StoryWalk was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, Vt. and developed with the help of Rachel Senechal at the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. To read more about the history of StoryWalk, visit <http://www.kellogghubbard.org/storywalk>. Be sure to join the walk on either of the first two Saturdays in April.

For more information, call the Dover Public Library's Children's Room at 603-516-6052.



Still time to get your Peeps together for annual Library contest

The Dover Public Library is looking for creative Dover residents, Dover students, or Dover Public Library cardholders to enter our annual "Peeps Show" Contest this April.

Here's how it works: Build a diorama using Peeps of any color or species in a standard size shoe box. The theme is anything literary; recreate a scene from your favorite book, play, or poem. The first 100 entries will receive a free plush Peep bunny or chick.

Those 17 or older are invited to compete in the Adult Division, while peeps, er, people 11 to 16 may enter the Teen Division. Children ages two to six are invited to enter the Kids Division, and ages seven to 10 may enter in the Youth Division. On the back of your standard size shoe box, please include your name, address, phone number, and title of your "Peeps Show". All Peeps displays may be dropped off at the Dover Public Library beginning Monday, March 19 through Saturday, March 31.

The Peeps will be displayed in the library for all to enjoy. The winner of each division will receive a \$25 Target gift card, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Prizes will be awarded on Monday afternoon, April 2.

Peeps should be picked up by 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 7. All Peeps not picked up by the deadline will be discarded or eaten.

For more information, call the Dover Public Library at 516-6050.



This week in DOVER HISTORY



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 here](#).



April 5, 1661 - Captain Richard Waldron and Mr. Edward Hilton were chosen "Associates for the Court," and Elder Nutter, William Pomfret and John Dam, senior, "Commissioners for small cases." Other town officers were chosen and Thomas Hanson and Thomas Humphreys took the oath of fidelity. The following inhabitants had right of commonage to the ox pasture and calves pasture on Dover Neck, where they were land owners, though all of them did not live there: Thomas Kimball, Job Clements, Thomas Downes, Thomas Roberts, The Minister's House, Charles Buckner, William Pomfret, Thomas Beard, John Tuttle, Senior Deacon John Hall, Thomas Leighton, John Dam, Senior Lt. Ralph Hall, Elder Nutter, Joseph Austin, Philip Cromwell, William Furber, Jeremiah Tebets, Humphrey Varney, James Nute, Richard Pinkham, Thomas Canney, John Roberts, Thomas Roberts, Jr., Jedediah Andrews, Henry Tebets, Thomas Nock.



April 2, 1666 - The selectmen were requested to "take any opportunity to treat with the selectmen of Portsmouth about the affairs of the country, and what they shall see useful for us, to present at the next town meeting." The selectmen with a committee of citizens were also requested to "draw up something in writing to present at the next town meeting concerning the right of commonage and other things concerning the town affairs." William Pomfret was requested to give Rev. Mr. Rayner an order for the rents due from the mills towards his salary, and also to Elder Wentworth an order for "15 pounds for his pains at Cochecho the last winter."



April 3, 1695 - The inhabitants of Dover and Oyster river having been at the charge of subsisting the soldiers sent from Massachusetts for the protection of the frontiers, the Provincial Council directed the Treasurer to give orders to the respective constables of those places to forbear

collecting taxes from such persons as had been thus charged.



April 5, 1852 - Nearly a foot of snow, much drifted, detaining the cars on the railroad four hours. It was nearly six months between the first and last snow of this winter - one of the longest and severest ever remembered.

How to contact your elected representatives

The City of Dover makes it easy to reach out to your local, state, county and federal elected officials by providing contact information for City Councilors, state representatives and the New Hampshire congressional delegation.



Visit the City's online resource, [Find My Representative](#), for a complete list of local, county, state and federal elected officials, including contact information.

Want to contact your City Councilor, or wondering which councilor represents your ward? You can find out [more information about the City Council here](#).

Wondering what ward you live in? Access the City of [Dover's interactive ward map](#). The map also includes polling locations.

A list of School Board members and contact information can be found [here](#).

Time to renew dog licenses

Dog licenses for 2018 are now available. All dogs must be licensed by April 30 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering.

Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or [online](#).

In addition to online licensing, rabies information can also be updated online and the certificate mailed to the City Clerk's office. A checking account is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, [click here](#).

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

Dover schools to hold kindergarten, first-grade registration

Dover public schools will soon hold kindergarten and first-grade registration for children as follows:

- Children five years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering kindergarten;
- Children six years old by Sept. 30, 2018, entering first grade (if not currently in Dover public kindergarten).

Horne Street School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Morton at 516-6756 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Woodman Park Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Rouillard at 516-6700 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Garrison Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Lilakos at 516-6752 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 6, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 7, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 8, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

As part of the registration process, parents registering children for kindergarten are asked to select a half-hour slot for an early screening skills check of their child.

These sessions will be held at the three elementary schools on the following dates:

- **Garrison Elementary:** Tuesday, April 3; Wednesday, April 4; and Thursday, April 5.
- **Horne Street and Woodman Park schools:** Tuesday, April 17; Wednesday, April 18; and Thursday, April 19.

For more information, contact the schools at the phone numbers above.

Applications for "All Veterans" tax credit due by April 15

Veterans who qualify for the newly adopted All Veterans' Tax Credit must complete an application by April 15. The Dover City Council adopted the All Veterans' Tax Credit on Nov. 8, 2017, following a revision to state law that allows municipalities to extend tax credits to all veterans who have served at least 90 days and honorably discharged from the military.

According to the law, "A person shall qualify for the all veterans' tax credit if the person is a resident of this state who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from service; or the spouse or surviving spouse of such resident, provided that Title 10 training for active duty by a member of a national guard or reserve shall be included as service under this paragraph; provided however that the person is not eligible for and is not receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. "

The All Veterans' Tax Credit will be phased in over a period of three years to match the existing veterans' credit of \$500. For veterans who qualify for the All Veterans' Tax Credit, but didn't previously qualify for the existing veterans' credit because they didn't serve during a designated timeframe for a qualifying war or armed conflict, the credit will be phased in over a period of three years.

For 2018 the credit will be \$167. The 2019 credit will be \$333. The 2020 credit will be for the full amount of \$500.

The tax credit will be subtracted each year from the property tax on a qualifying veteran's residential property.

An application for the All Veterans' credit must be made prior to April 15 during the current tax year.

For more information, contact the City Assessor's Office at 516-6014 or visit <http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/finance/tax-assessment/applications/index.html>.



Support the Dover Veterans Park with engraved brick donation

A new City park to honor all veterans is expected to be constructed and open this fall, in time for Veterans Day. The park will be located on the front lawn of the McConnell Center.

To help fund the construction and maintenance of the Dover Veterans Park, park organizers have launched a brick donation campaign. The bricks will be installed on the entrance walkway and engraved with the name, military rank and branch and years of service for individual service members. Bricks can be purchased by anyone wishing to honor a veteran who has served our country. A red 4-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$50. A larger 8-inch by 8-inch brick costs \$100.

Brick donations can be made [online here](#).

The Dover Veterans Park was first proposed by a committee consisting of Mayor Karen Weston, City Councilor John O'Connor, City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr., and Recreation Director Gary Bannon. The City Council subsequently included some funding for the park in the annual Capital Improvements Program. The McConnell Center was chosen as an ideal location because it is near some of the City's memorial monuments and named after Capt. Joseph McConnell, a Dover native, Korean War Veteran, and the first Triple Jet Ace.

The Dover Veterans Park is intended to recognize all veterans.

For more information about brick donations, visit www.dover.nh.gov or call the Dover Recreation Department at 516-6410.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

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 seeking applications the following positions:

- **Custodian**
- **Playground supervisor**
- **Playground counselor**
- **Summer day camp counselor**
- **Summer camp supervisor**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Seasonal maintenance worker**

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

CITY OF DOVER SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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 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.

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](#).
