Our Community Newsletter

Town Administrator’s Monthly Report

Property Revaluation and 1st Issue Tax Bills

Just a reminder that KRT Appraisals staff is in the community conducting a measure and list of residential and commercial property. Their staff have identification badges and carry letters from the Town explaining the Measure and List project. Any questions regarding the process can be directed to Alicia Jipson, Assistant Town Administrator/Assessing Administrator at 267-8300 Ext. 118.

The first issue tax bill is due July 2, 2018. As a reminder the bills are a prepayment based on the prior year’s tax rate and in most instances the prior year’s assessed value. We did add value this spring for new construction so if you have any questions regarding your property assessment, please be certain to stop by Town Hall and request a copy of your Assessment Record Card.

Upcoming

Work will begin soon on updating the Town’s Capital Improvement Program document; each year we update the prior year’s expenditure information and revenues prior to the documents submission to the Planning Board for discussion. Requests are sent out to all Department Heads for their anticipated present and future capital needs. This process begins our annual budget preparation. Budget worksheets for the 2019 operating budget will be distributed to Department Heads in late July/early August.

My office and the Board of Selectmen have been working closely with the Commissioners of the Sunray Shores Water District to correct a procedural defect in how the district was created. The Board of Selectmen will hold a Special Town Meeting on August 6th at 5:30 p.m. for the registered voters residing in the district to vote to reaffirm the district’s creation. Nothing will change in how the district is managed; the action is only to confirm how they have operated for many years.

The Board of Selectmen have also been working with the Westview Meadows Association to apply for a Community Development Block Grant to assist them with their water system. A public hearing on the grant process will be held on July 16, 2018 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Corner Meeting House.

At the July 2nd meeting of the Board of Selectmen, the Board will review bids received for work on Hurricane Road.

Job Opening

The Town of Belmont is seeking a qualified individual for the position of Highway Department Truck Driver/Laborer reporting to the Public Works Director. The successful candidate will perform a variety of routine skilled and unskilled manual laboring duties. The position requires a NH CDL “B” license with airbrake endorsement. The individual chosen for this position must possess a willingness to work with others including the general public. High School Diploma or equivalent is required; experience with the operation of heavy trucks necessary. Driver’s License and Criminal record check required, mandatory participation in the department’s Drug/Alcohol Screening Program as required by federal law. This is a full-time Union position subject to a 6-month probationary period.

Applications and a copy of the complete job description are available at the Belmont Town Hall, or send a resume and letter of interest to DPW Director, PO Box 310, Belmont, New Hampshire 03220. The position will remain open until filled. The Town of Belmont is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
**Household Hazardous Waste Day**

Just a reminder that this year’s Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held on Saturday, July 28th at the Belmont Fire Department. Please see more detailed information about the event later in this month’s newsletter.

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**What’s Flushable or Not**

We continue to stress the importance of the “Not everything is flushable”, please check out the “Do Not Flush!” list to protect your sewer and septic system. A “Flushable” label does not mean it is SAFE for your septic system or the Town’s sewer. Please read the brochure we have included on the Town’s website at [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org). We need your help to insure our sewers keep flowing.

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**IT is the LAW! (RSA 466:31 II (c))**

Our message to all Dog Owners is to remind you of the importance of picking up your dog’s waste from property not your own. The town installed at three different locations, dog waste stations where you can obtain a plastic bag to pick up the waste and deposit it in the numerous garbage cans located in the Village.

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**Selectmen’s Meeting Schedule**

Our meeting agendas are posted on the Town’s website at [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org), and on Facebook. We encourage you to attend our meetings or watch us live on [https://livestream.com/belmontnh](https://livestream.com/belmontnh).

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Just a reminder that the Town of Belmont is an active member of Lakes Region Public Access Television which can be seen locally on Metrocast Channels 24, 25, and 26. If you are a camera buff and you have an interest in producing a show to be shown on LRPA, please contact the station at 528-3070 to discuss your idea. LRPA has made significant strides to improve programming this past year and its presence in the Lakes Region; we urge you to check out their website at [http://lrpa.org](http://lrpa.org).

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We would like to urge you to encourage your friends and family to sign up for the Town’s monthly newsletter by sending your contact information to [townhall@belmontnh.org](mailto:townhall@belmontnh.org). Your help in spreading the word about our newsletter would be greatly appreciated.
The summer months are here!! Longer days, sunny skies, and of course the first issue tax bills are due. The tax bills are due Monday, July 2, 2018. The first issue tax bill is the estimated tax bill and amounts to half of the total taxes paid the previous year. When the tax rate is set by the State in the fall, we will send out the actual bill which will make up the difference owed for the year. The first issue bill covers the months from April 1st through September 30th.

Water/Sewer bills are due July 10, 2018. These bills cover the months of March, April and May.

To make either of these payments you can mail in the payment stub with a check, stop by the office with your payment, or pay using our town’s website, www.belmontnh.org. If you pay on the website, please keep in mind that there is an extra charge levied by the company that gives us the ability to accept this form of payment. If you use a credit card for payment there will be an additional 2.79% convenience fee added to the total amount you are paying whether making the payment in person or on the website.

Dog licenses were due to be renewed by April 30th. The month of May is given as a grace period. We also sent out reminder postcards in May to nudge the memory. If you failed to act at that time, you have received a letter from the Belmont Police Department making you aware that a $25.00 Civil Forfeiture fee has been added to the cost of getting your dog licensed. RSA 466:13 mandates that dogs be licensed and the $25.00 fee paid within 15 days of the notice. If you have moved or your dog has passed away, please contact our office and we will take care of it right away.

Hazardous waste day is being held at the Belmont Fire Department on Saturday, July 28th 8:30am until 12 Noon. Please reference our town website, www.belmontnh.org or the Lakes Region Planning Commission’s website at www.lakesrpc.org for details.

**Town Hall will be closed WEDNESDAY July 4th we will re-open Thursday July 5th at 7:30am to 4:00pm.**

We hope everyone gets the opportunity to get outside and enjoy the summer weather here in the beautiful Lakes Region!!
Police Department News

Summer Holiday Safety - FIREWORKS

Captain Mann

The safest way to enjoy fireworks this summer is to attend a public fireworks show put on by professionals. Stay at least 500 feet away from the show. If someone is setting fireworks off at home, they should follow basic safety steps. Always seek the property owner’s permission to use fireworks on private property. You and the property owner will be civilly liable for any damage resulting to surrounding property, structures or vehicles.

Never give fireworks to small children, and always follow the instructions on the packaging. Burns are very common with children who want to touch the end of the sparkler. Most sparklers burn at a temperature between 1800° and 2000° Fahrenheit which is more than enough to cause permanent injury. Do not allow small children to wander around the outside of a home with a sparkler. There have been serious injuries and fatalities when children dropped or placed the sparkler on top of tanks of combustible home heating gases and BBQ tanks.

Designate someone that has a cell phone in your party to be the 911 caller if needed. Keep a supply of water or a fire extinguisher close by as a precaution. Make sure the person lighting fireworks wears eye protection. Light only one firework at a time and never attempt to relight "a dud." Store fireworks in a cool, dry place away from children, open flame and pets. Never throw or point a firework toward people, animals, vehicles, structures, roads, highways, or flammable materials. Leave any area immediately where untrained amateurs or drunk people are using fireworks.

Always use a high degree of care and caution when burning “empty” fireworks boxes in your campfire check the box twice just to make sure you did not miss a pack of something that will ignite. Never throw a dud firework into an open fire. We would like to pass along some common questions we get to help you make sound decisions this summer holiday season.

Are fireworks legal in New Hampshire for consumer use?

Yes, only Class C, Consumer fireworks excluding firecrackers, bottle rockets and any device that produces solely smoke. You must be 21 years of age in order to purchase and possess fireworks.

What fireworks are illegal in New Hampshire?

Any type of Firecracker, Bottle Rocket, Missile, Sky Rocket, hand held Fountains and any device that produces solely smoke.

Can my town prohibit the sale, possession, or display of Permissible Fireworks?

Yes. NH RSA 160-C does give towns, cities, or local municipalities the ability to adopt local ordinances that restrict, or prohibit the use, possession and display of Permissible Fireworks. The Town of Belmont has a noise ordinance which prohibits fireworks from being discharged after 1000 pm.

How old do I have to be to purchase and possess fireworks?

You must be at least 21 years of age to purchase and possess fireworks.

Are M-80’s, Cherry Bombs, Quarter Sticks legal in New Hampshire?

No, the United States Government has banned the production, sale, possession and display of items like these.

If you have questions that were not answered here please feel free to call the Belmont Police at 267-8350 or the NH State Fire Marshal’s Office at (603) 223-4289.
June 28, 2018 marks the day that our temporary firefighter, Firefighter John Bowler, said goodbye to the Belmont Fire Department to start his fulltime career in fire service. Firefighter Bowler started with us in 2015 as a live-in student while he attended the Lakes Region Community College’s Fire Science Program. We said goodbye to, then student Bowler, last May, when he graduated the program. We were very excited to welcome him back in January as a temporary firefighter while one of our fulltime members was on military leave. Once again, it is time to say goodbye to Firefighter Bowler, as he ventures out to become a fulltime firefighter. We will miss him and wish him nothing but the best! His new department is very lucky to have him.
Fire Department News (cont.)

FEMA Reimbursements

Remember that March storm back in the winter of 2017 that reeked havoc on the Town of Belmont? Members from the Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works Department worked to pull as much information as they could to possibly recover some of those expended funds from FEMA. After many hours of hard work, we are happy to announce that the Town of Belmont was able to recover **$20,026.31**!

It wasn’t too long after Storm Stella that Belmont was hit with yet another damaging storm on October 29, 2017. With roughly 20 road closures, residents once again faced power outages for days, Some were trapped in their homes until the utility companies and Public Works Department were able to come remove downed trees and repair downed power lines. Members of the Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works Department are once again pulling as much information from departments as possible to possibly recover some of those expended funds. Stay tuned for updates in the future!
Contractor to be Selected for Facility Space and Feasibility Study

At the July 2nd Select Board meeting, the Belmont Facility Strategy Committee will recommend a top firm to contract for the Town Facility Space and Feasibility Study. Eight well-qualified architecture and engineering firms responded to the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) on May 21st. The Committee initially chose three firms to interview and one additional firm was added at the Board of Selectmen’s request. On June 18th the Committee and Select Board interviewed these four firms. The Committee also did reference checks on these four firms to get some feedback on their performance on similar projects with past employers.

Based on the interviews and reference checks, the Facility Strategy Committee has identified a firm that appears to be the best match for our needs. Final decision for selecting the contractor rests with the Select Board. Next steps after selection will be to prepare materials (copies of past building studies and reports, building plans, etc.) for the contractor and to set up a schedule and specific tasks and expectations. Our goal is to complete the Space Needs portion of the study first and then work with the contractor to assess existing buildings and develop some options for future use of Town buildings. Existing Municipal Facilities Reserve Funds will be used to conduct the Space and Feasibility Study.

For more information on the Belmont Town Facility Strategy, contact dhepp3@gmail.com. Committee members include: Tom Garfield, Donna Hepp, Carmen Lorentz, and Pret Tuthill.
Conservation Committee News

Be a Hero and Stop the Spread of Invasive Plant Species

In the quest to make improvements to our landscapes, we often find ourselves browsing through selections of bushes and plants both online and in stores. However, when doing this, it is important to remember to avoid purchasing invasive plant species. While some of these plants may look exotic and appealing, the purchase of them is not only illegal, but incredibly detrimental to New Hampshire’s ecosystems.

Purple Loosestrife

Invasive plant species are species that possess traits that give them a biological advantage over native plant species. These traits include the ability to produce many offspring, early and rapid development, adaptability and tolerance of a broad range of environmental conditions and the lack of natural controls to keep the species contained. These traits allow invasive species to become dominant in the New Hampshire landscape. Invasive species’ traits often enable them to out-compete native species, which results in the loss of flora and fauna native to New Hampshire.

Japanese Knotweed

The New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food maintains the New Hampshire Prohibited Invasive Plant Species List. While there are 35 species of plants on the list, the plants most commonly misused in New Hampshire landscaping are the Norway maple, Japanese barberry and burning bush. These species all possess unique traits that allow them to withstand a variety of conditions, including drought, sunlight exposure, deep shade, varying soil conditions and exposure to road salts.

Many people may wonder, “What difference is it going to make if I just plant invasive species in MY yard?” Believe it or not, invasive species in your backyard can affect the state of New Hampshire as a whole, because invasive species have the ability to spread rapidly. For instance, both the Japanese bayberry and the burning bush contain seeds that are attractive to birds and mammals as food, meaning that they are spread very easily when eaten. Therefore, there is a very small chance that an invasive plant will remain in just your backyard.

Glossy Buckthorn

Furthermore, invasive species have the ability to prevent the growth of native plants. For instance, the Norway maple produces a chemical that inhibits the growth of other native species that try to germinate or become established under its canopy.

Invasive species have a severely negative impact on New Hampshire’s environmental health and ecosystems. They have the ability to degrade water quality, reduce biodiversity, imperil rare species, and reduce forest and farm crop production, according to the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension. The introduction of invasive plant species to an ecosystem can even reduce wildlife habitat by eliminating native foods that animals eat, which can affect animal populations.
If you find yourself feeling disappointed that you are unable to plant these invasive species outside your home, the good news is, there are many alternatives that are just as beautiful. In fact, UNH Cooperative Extension maintains a list of alternatives to invasive landscape plants.

Have you tried any alternatives to invasive plant species? Tweet us at @NHDES to show us your beautiful gardens and how you contribute to the eradication of invasive plant species in New Hampshire.

Norway Maple

Japanese Barberry

Burning Bush

Phragmites—Common Reed
Planning and Zoning News

July, 2018

Amelia Earhart Day, July 24

Application Review Committee

Ward & Cynthia Peterson: Review for Subdivision to subdivide one lot into three lots (Minor Subdivision); Rural Zone, 661 Province Road, Tax Lot 226-074-000-000.

Mark A. Mooney Rev. Trust: Review for Subdivision to subdivide one lot into two lots (Minor Subdivision); Rural Zone, South Road, Tax Lot 244-026-000-000.

Brian Baxter: Review for Site Plan to sell prepared food and ice cream (Zoning Use-Retail Store) on lot occupied by Osborne’s Agway Farm & Garden Center; Commercial Zone, 304 Daniel Webster Highway, Tax Lot 102-007-000-000.

First Baptist Church of Belmont: Review for Food Pantry, Thrift Store & Youth Group meeting/drop in center (Zoning Uses-Service Business, Retail Store, Indoor Recreational Facilities); Residential Multi-Family Zone, 45 Church Street, Tax Lot 122-021-000-000.

Blue Sky Enterprises, Inc./White Mountain Land Co.: Review for Earth Excavation, 5-year compliance hearing (Zoning Use-Activity related to the removal of sand, gravel, loam or stone for commercial purposes); Rural Zone, 224 Hurricane Road, Tax Lot 231-014-000-000.

Jennifer Hicks: Review for Site Plan to expand existing dog grooming/doggie day care facility with two additional exterior enclosed dog play yards (Zoning Use-Veterinary Clinics, Boarding Kennels); Commercial Zone, 445 Laconia Road, Tax Lot 217-106-000-000.

Planning Board

Driveway Regulations: Approval of revised driveway regulations.

www.belmontnh.org/docs/ords&apps/drivewayregs.pdf

SK McDonald Co. LLC: Public Hearing continued to 6pm, July 23rd. Review of Subdivision Plan to subdivide one lot into ten single-family residential lots; Residential Single-Family Zone, Leavitt & Plummer Hill Roads, Tax Lot 211-006-000-000.

Barton & McDonald Company: Approval for Earth Excavation to reopen former gravel pit (Zoning Use-Activity related to the removal of sand, gravel, loam or stone for commercial purposes); Commercial Zone, Laconia Road, Tax Lots 122-076-000-000 and 125-047-000-000.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Marcel G. & Donna Marie Matte: Approval to remove and replace preexisting nonconforming single-story, single-family dwelling with a partial two-story dwelling: Special Exceptions for water and side property line setbacks and creating usable space; Residential Single-Family Zone, 30 Bayview Drive, Tax Lot 115-009-000-000.

Thomas & Mary Beth Grassi for Mallards Landing: Approval for Special Exception to create usable space (expand second story) and Equitable Waiver for open, unroofed, detached deck setback to water and unrelated structure; Residential Single-Family Zone, 70 Mallards Landing Road, Tax Lot 110-002-000-607.

Pike Industries, Inc.: Public Hearing continued to 6pm, July 25th. Request for a Variance for relief from requirement for 4’ separation to seasonal highwater table to deepen excavation within defined quarry footprint; Industrial & Rural Zones, 308 Depot Street, Tax Lots 235-058-000-000, 236-014-000-000, 232-031-000-000.
Pool Safety and Pool Permits – Have Fun & Be Safe!
Finally! Good Weather is Here!!

There's nothing more refreshing than a dip in the pool. But please be aware of the safety and permitting requirements for pool ownership.

Every pool, spa, hot tub and whirlpool that requires a temporary or permanent electrical connection requires a permit from the Belmont Building Office. This includes those installed by others or purchased from a local department or discount store. It includes in-ground, above-ground, permanent, seasonal, hard and soft-sided units. Seasonal units are eligible for a one-time permit that allows the unit to be disassembled in the fall and re-erected each spring. Find important safety tips below:

For additional Land Use Information:
Visit www.belmontnh.org
Contact LandUse@BelmontNH.org
Call 267-8300 x 119 for assistance!

Public Works Department News

The Highway Department has been busy. We have completed line painting of the crosswalks, stop bars, parking spots and yellow dividing lines throughout town. Street sweeping and repair of winter damage has been completed. Dangerous tree removal has taken place throughout town with the help of Urban Tree Service. We continue getting a select few roads ready for asphalt shim and overlay, which will be conducted later in the construction season. Winter sand is currently being stockpiled at the yard in preparation for the upcoming season.

NEW HIRE! The Department would like to welcome Brian Waltos as the new Town Mechanic. Brian started with the Department on June 28th. He comes to us with 25 years of municipal equipment repair experience. We look forward to having him on board, he should be a great addition.

...Public Works continued on next page
Please be aware of the road construction and men working signs. Please! take appropriate caution to slow down when entering a work zone. Thank You.

New driveway regulations have been adopted by the Planning Department. They can be reviewed on the Town's website.

Remember Driveway Permits can be obtained at the town offices or online at www.belmontnh.org

Before you dig, remember to call DigSafe. Not only is it safe, IT’S THE LAW!

We would like to thank the NH Department of Corrections and Officer Johnson again for the work they have been doing in town. They have been involved in the pickup of roadside trash, efforts with the new Spur Trail bridge and general cleaning and painting at the highway garage. The C-2 inmates involved in this give back community effort are in the process of making positive changes in their lives. We as a department, along with Parks and Recreation, feel giving them the opportunity to do the right thing teaches them life skills that will be helpful in the future. Again, thank you!
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Family Drum Time
Wednesday July 11
10:30am
Courtesy of
the Downtown Gym
Laconia

Magic, Music, Readin’ and Rockin’
Thursday July 19
10:30am
Create your own magic show workshop
July 19 pm ages 6-12 Please register.
Courtesy of the Kids, Books and the Arts Grant

Jazz First
90th anniversary concert on the Belmont Bandstand
Wednesday
July 25 5:30pm
Jazz is suggested to the music of Belmont

Book giveaway Thursday August 2
CLIF children’s literacy foundation

You’re invited to a
Dance Party
Celebrating our 90th birthday
Saturday August 4 11:30am
Supported by Shaw’s Belmont, Brookside Pizza, and Belmont Village Store.

1928
Belmont Public
Library
90th Anniversary

Thanks to its sponsors and partners
Belmont Recreation Department
Belmont Village Store
Belmont Rotary
Brookside Pizza
Children’s Literacy Foundation
Downtown Gym (Laconia)
Kids, Books, and the Arts grant*
Shaw’s Supermarket (Belmont)
Town of Belmont

*Funding for the Kids, Books and the Arts event is provided by the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation, CATHS, Cogswell Benevolent Trust, and is supported in part by a grant from the NH State Council on the Arts & the National Endowment for the Arts as well as funds administered by the NH State Library and provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Check the Belmont Public Library calendar for more events, including crafts and storytimes.

Libraries Rock!
146 Main Street
Mon 10-7 Tues 10-5 Wed 10-7 Th 10-5 Fri 10-4 Sat 9-1
www.belmontpubliclibrary.org
(603) 267-8331
Belmont Senior Center Newsletter

All Seniors are WELCOME!!!

Come in and participate in any of our activities and have a delicious lunch. Also available are games, crafts, and our extensive library of books and puzzles for your use and enjoyment.

**Weekly Events**

**Every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday** — 11:30 am Lunch and great company! $2.00 donation

**Every Tuesday & Thursday** — 9:00-10:00am: Bone Builders Exercise Group taught by trained senior leaders to help build bone strength. Join the fun! ((Donation based)

**Every Tuesday** — 1:30-2:30pm: Beginner Guitar Lessons — call if interested. Free!

**July Special Events**

**Tuesday, July 3rd, 10:30—11:30pm:** Blood Pressure Clinic, sponsored by Franklin Visiting Nurses and Hospice Association.

**Wednesday, July 4th, Closed in Observance Independence Day**

**Thursday, July 5th 11:30—Picnic in the Tioga Park, Celebration of Independence Day.**

**Tuesday, July 10 & July 24th 10:30am:** Delicious Brunch! Great food, good company, Bring a friend!

**Wednesday, July 11th 9:00-11:30am BI-MONTHLY FOOT CARE CLINIC:** Advanced registration is required and a $15 donation is suggested. Please call the Belmont Senior Center at 267-9867 to register.

**Wednesday, July 18th, 11:30pm:** Birthday Celebration for our July celebrants!

**Thursday July 19th, 12:30pm:** Come join us for a Karaoke Sing A Long hosted by our own Jenny Lee.

**Tuesday, July 24, 10:30am:** Brunch II! Join us for round two of our twice monthly brunches.

**Wednesday July 25th 12:30pm “Christmas in July” Yankee Swap, bring a gift for old fashioned fun.**

**Thursday, July 26th 12:30pm** Celebrate National Ice Cream Month with delicious Sundaes.

**Tuesday, July 31, 10:30am:** BSC Bookworms Book Club Meeting, Sponsored by Belmont Library. This month’s book will be announced. Limited books available,

For more information or to reserve your spot, please call Linda Howard at (603) 277-9867 or lhoward@bm-cap.org

Elder Services—Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. 225-3295
Special Events News

Thanks to all who stopped by to try line dancing, balloon twisting, fly tying, karate & more during **Hobby/Demo Day on June 23**. It was rainy and cool, but we made the best of it! The fresh-popped popcorn helped.

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Free Concert Saturday, July 21 at 6:30 pm
Under the Tioga Pavilion
**B Street Bombers Band**

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**50th Running of the Belmont 10-Mile Road Race**

Our annual road race is 50 this year, and we would love to see participants from years past. It’s the oldest road race in NH still using the original course. Registration forms at Town Hall or [http://www.belmontnh.org/docs/Events/OHD/2018/RoadRaceRegForm.pdf](http://www.belmontnh.org/docs/Events/OHD/2018/RoadRaceRegForm.pdf)

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**Belmont Old Home Day 08/11/18**

If you are interested in sponsoring an ad in the program book, please contact Gretta Olson-Wilder at 603-998-3525. Vendor applications are still being accepted for day/evening spots.

Pancake Breakfast, Children’s Games, Live Entertainment, Parade, Fireworks, Etc. band, or just sit and listen to this band playing for 35+ years and still going strong!
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Bring Them In!

Each household is limited to 10 gallons or 50 pounds.

House
- Arts & craft supplies
- Drain opener
- Dry-cleaning fluids
- Epoxies & resins
- Floor cleaner & polish
- Metal polish
- Oven cleaner
- Roofing tar
- Spot remover
- Unbroken fluorescent bulbs (including CFLs)

Yard and Garden
- Cesspool cleaner
- Coal tar-based driveway sealer
- Muriatic acid
- Pesticides
- Herbicides & weed killers
- Pool chemicals
- Rust preventative

NO COMMERCIAL WASTE!

Garage
- Radiator cleaners
- Car wax & polish
- Carburetor cleaners & degreasers
- Gasoline & Diesel fuel
- Mixed motor oil
- Antifreeze

Workbench
- Paint stripper
- Paint thinner & solvents
- Oil-based paint
- Spray paint
- Stains & varnishes
- Wood preservative
- Sealants

PLEASE keep materials in original containers!

Participating Communities*

Alexandria  Freedom  New Hampton
Andover    Gilford   Northfield
Belmont    Gilmanton  Ossipee
Bridgewater Helbron  Sanbornton
Bristol    Hill      Sandwich
Center Harbor Holderness  Tamworth
Effingham  Laconia  Tilton
Franklin   Meredith  Tuftonboro
Moultonborough

* Open to residents and residential taxpayers of these communities. You may be asked to present proof of residency.

Collection Locations

July 28 (8:30am—12pm)
BELMONT: Fire Station (267-8300, 267-8333)
FRANKLIN: Public Works Garage (934-4103)
GILFORD: Public Works Garage (527-4778)
MEREDITH: Public Works Garage (279-6352 or 279-8480)

August 4 (8:30am—12pm)
BRISTOL: NH DOT Garage (744-2441)
LACONIA: Public Works Garage (Busson Ave) 528-6379
CENTER OSSIEPEE: Town Highway Garage (539-4121 or 539-4181)
MOULTONBOROUGH: Town Highway Garage (253-7445)

Bring your HHW to the site that is most convenient to you!
What is HHW?

Household hazardous wastes are substances that poison or contaminate the environment, and threaten the health of those in the local community. They may be flammable, corrosive, reactive, or toxic and should be disposed of properly so as not to harm people or damage the region’s soil and water resources.

Look on Product Labels For Words and Symbols...

! “DANGER” ! “POISON”

! “WARNING” ! “CAUTION”

For more information go to www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp or Call LRPC at 279-5334 or 279-5341.

Find us on Facebook at “Lakes Region Household Hazardous Waste - HHW”

What Do I Do With This?

Below are alternative disposal methods for the following unaccepted items.

Bring to Transfer Station:
- Latex paint (allow it to dry out)
- Alkaline batteries
- Empty/solidified oil-based paints
- Smoke detectors
- Household trash
- Tires

Other Items:
For explosives, ammunition, and fireworks, call local law enforcement office or State Police (271-3636) for safe disposal.

For radioactives, call NH Department of Public Health at 271-4585.

Why the Concern?

It is important to dispose of these hazardous products properly.

Environment

If these products are poured down the sink or storm drains, they can pollute our drinking water and soil, threatening wildlife and local ecosystems, as well as the health of the surrounding community. Municipal treatment plants and leach fields are incapable of processing these chemicals. Even landfill disposal can lead to polluting the groundwater.

Health and Safety

If HHW is disposed of together in the trash, it could react and produce toxic fumes, explosions, or fires which could cause injury. When continuously exposed to certain products, it can have adverse short and long-term affects on the body including cancer and birth defects.

Danger to Children

Improper storage of HHW can lead to accidental poisoning of children. Most common poisoning from HHW are personal care products and cleaning substances.

Donate Here:

Click on the donate button at www.lakesrpc.org/serviceshhw.asp
OR use the QR Code: