Our Community Newsletter

Town Administrator’s Monthly Report

Ladd Hill Phase 3

Ladd Hill Phase 3 construction will begin mid-July. The project has been awarded to Busby Construction and a pre-construction meeting was held on May 22nd at which time the timing of the project was established; we anticipate the project to begin by mid-July. This is the final phase of this project and we appreciate everyone’s patience over the past three years while we undertook this project. Over the course of the next few months the Board of Selectmen will be reviewing the Road Assessment Plan prepared in 2007 for updates. Stay tuned to our discussions by following us on Facebook and our website at www.belmontnh.org.

Sargent Park

We have been very busy during the past month cleaning up Sargent Park, moving some of the children’s playground equipment, landscaping in the vicinity of the new bathhouse and removing the Skate Board Park. There is still a bit of work to be finished, including removal of the old barbecue pit, redirecting some of the drainage in the Police Department parking lot and expanding the lot to add a few more spaces. We would like to thank the Public Works Department and Building and Grounds for their efforts – great job!

Department of Public Works

A and a sincere thank you to the Town’s Mechanic Eric Jewell; his efforts on behalf of the Town have saved the taxpayers a significant amount of money. Eric, in conjunction with other department staff have rebuilt the body of Truck #3 and provided much needed maintenance on the equipment lift at the Highway Garage. Here are just a few pictures of the work as it has progressed; we will be certain to post pictures of the final product.

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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Thank you to all who participated in Beautify Belmont Day. Your efforts on behalf of the community are greatly appreciated and the litter collection efforts were a success.

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 new website at http://lrpa.org.
Thanks for supporting our 3rd annual spring yard sale! Fabulous turnout on May 13.

Free Concert Memorial Day Weekend
Sunday, May 28 at 6 pm on the Bandstand

Annie & the Orphans

1st 2017 Belmont Summer Farmers Market
Sunday, June 25 featuring a blacksmith demonstration by Christian and Colton Workman

At Belmont Park & Ride on Route 106
Offering space to farmers, crafters, prepared food and product specialists, and other small businesses to enhance the health and well-being of our local economy.

Any questions, please call Gretta Olson-Wilder at 603-998-3525.
BELMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY

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EVENTS

Book Group
* The Lobster Chronicles
* June 16 10:30am

Coffee and Conversation
* June 19 10:30am

Senior Center Book Group
* The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime
* June 28 12:30pm

Integrative Pest Management
* Corner Meeting House
* June 29 6pm

Check our online calendar for a complete listing of events.

SUMMER READING STARTS JUNE 19

Everybody is welcome to participate in “building a better world”. Summer Reading Bingo Cards are available at the library for kids, teens, and adults.

Summer Program Highlights

6/29 6:00 pm - Integrated Pest Management with Jeremy DeLisle from UNH Cooperative Extension (Corner Meeting House)

7/6 1-4pm - Comics Workshop with author Marek Bennett (8+)

7/19 6:00 pm - The Buzz about Honeybees with Local Beekeeper Heather Achilles (Corner Meeting House)

8/8 10:00 am - Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them with Oral Historian and Storyteller Jo Radner funded with support from the NH Humanities Council (Belmont Senior Center)

* Pick up a summer reading brochure for the complete schedule!

Integrative Pest Management

Jeremy DeLisle from UNH Cooperative Extension

Corner Meeting House
* June 29 6pm

Reduced or free admission to Squam Lakes Science Center, SEE Science Center in Manchester, and the Wright Museum of WWII in Wolfeboro with your library card.

June is National Audiobooks Month. Give them a try!

Belmont Middle School Summer Reading is available now.
Linda Greenlaw, author of The Lobster Chronicles

Book Group June 16 10:30am

After 17 years at sea, Linda Greenlaw decided it was time to take a break from being a swordboat captain, the career that would earn her a prominent role in Sebastian Junger’s The Perfect Storm and a portrayal in the subsequent film. Greenlaw decided to move back home, to a tiny island seven miles off the Maine coast. There, she would pursue a simpler life as a lobsterman, find a husband, and settle down.

But all doesn’t go as planned. The lobsters refuse to crawl out from under their rocks and into the traps she and her father have painstakingly set. Fellow islanders draw her into bizarre intrigues, and the eligible bachelors prove even more elusive than the lobsters. But just when she thinks things can’t get worse, something happens that forces her to reevaluate everything she thought she knew about life, luck, and

MOST POPULAR LAST MONTH
All By Myself Alone Mary Higgins Clark
The Black Book James Patterson and David Ellis
The Burial Hour Jeffrey Deaver
The Cutthroat Clive Cussler and Justin Scott
Dangerous Games Danielle Steel
The Devil’s Triangle Catherine Coulter and J.T. Ellison
If Not For You Debbie Macomber
A Million Little Things Susan Mallery
Rescue Me Susan May Warren
The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane Lisa See
Vicious Circle C.J. Box

LOOK FOR THIS IN JUNE
The Child Fiona Barton 6/27
The Café by the Sea Jenny Colgan 6/27
Dangerous Minds Janet Evanovich 6/20
The Switch Joseph Finder 6/13
Seven Stones to Stand or Fall Diana Gabaldon 6/27
Camino Island John Grisham 6/6
The Identicals Elin Hilderbrand 6/13
The Love Story Karen Kingsbury 6/6
The Silent Corner Dean Koontz 6/20
Murder Games James Patterson 6/26
The Duchess Danielle Steel 6/27
Use of Force Brad Thor 6/27
Indecent Exposure Stuart Woods 6/6
Reserve online or at the library.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Eileen: Watched HBO’s Big Little Lies? The latest from that author, this book follows life-long friends Clementine and Erika and their husbands, who accept a last minute invitation to a Sunday afternoon barbecue in Sydney, Australia.

Katherine: This is a graphic novel memoir, a companion to Smile (which was hugely popular), but definitely stands alone. Despite a target audience of girls 10-13, this is a quality book that is enjoyable by anyone.

Sarah: I loved this book for the sense of place it imparted, I felt that I could see, smell, and taste everything that Kostova was describing. Elizabeth Kostova is a master of the historical fiction genre and has a new release out, The Shadow Land (which we have and is receiving excellent reviews)!

See the rest of our picks (and Ann’s and Elizabeth’s too!) on the blog https://belmontpubliclibraryblog.wordpress.com/.
Planning and Zoning News
June, 2017
National Zoo & Aquarium Month

Applications

Application Review Committee

- Patricia Turgeon: Request for Site Plan review for Service Business (Upholstery Shop), 24 Concord Street.
- Jeff & Sharon Dietrich: Request for Boundary Line Adjustment review to demolish an existing single-story single-family detached condominium dwelling and reconstruct and reorient as a two-story single-family detached condominium dwelling capturing adjusted limited common area, 84 Sunset Drive.
- William Nutter Trust: Request for Earth Excavation Reclamation plan review, 41 Stone Road.
- William Nutter Trust: Request for Site Plan review for Contractor’s Yard (Dumpster Storage), 41 Stone Road.
- Parent Sand & Gravel, LLC: Request for Earth Excavation amendment review for changes in reclamation elevation and addition of an accessory storage building and off-site sign, 98 Wareing Road.

Planning Board

- Frank Dalton: Approval of Earth Excavation Compliance Hearing for active excavation, 136 Shaker Road.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

- Joseph & Cheryl Ann Barrett for Winnisquam Beach Campground Association: Requests for Variances to replace an RV and enclosed living space closer to the property line Grey Rocks Road than allowed, 1 Bershire Drive.

Other Land Use News

Development Projects:

- Dollar General continues construction and should open within the next 30 days.
- Winnisquam Marine has received their DES AoT permit and should shortly commence groundwork at their Laconia Road site.
- Vault Motor Storage has received their DES AoT permit and anxious to break ground off Higgins Drive.
- Tioga Ridge, the residential subdivision off Wild Acres Road and Grimstone Drive, has new owners who have begun construction on the next home in the development and plan to continue as the market supports.
- Northland Development will shortly begin interior renovations and a future exterior site facelift for their proposed self-storage facility and business operations center for their numerous company branches at 73 Daniel Webster Highway.

Visit www.belmontnh.org or contact LandUse@BelmontNH.org or 267-8300 x 119 for assistance!
June, the month for summer living…

We welcome the warmer, sunnier weather with open arms!

Your Property Tax Bill

It is that time of year again! The first issue property tax bills were mailed out in May, these bills cover the time period from April 1st through September 30th. The amount of the first issue tax bill is one half of the total taxes paid in the previous year (2016). The taxes are due July 10, 2017. You can mail your check in with your payment stub, stop by the office with your payment, or pay on our town website, www.belmontnh.org using either your checking account or a credit card. Please keep in mind that there are extra fees associated with using the online option as well as if you use a credit card. We will assume that you consider your returned check your receipt unless you bring in the top portion of your bill for us to stamp “PAID” in the office. If you are mailing in your payment and want a stamped receipt, please include the top half of your bill and a self-addressed stamped envelope, we will stamp the top half “PAID” and return it to you.

Water & Sewer

Residents with town water and sewer service can also look toward the mailbox for the 2017 second issue bills to be mailed out in June and due in July. The second issue bills cover the time period of March, April and May.

License Your Dog

Dog licenses are due to be renewed by April 30th every year. Sometimes this task is overlooked so we send out reminder postcards the first week of May in case it slipped your mind. In the month of June, a letter will be sent out to owners of unlicensed dogs by the Belmont Police Department mandating that we apply a $25.00 civil forfeiture fee to each dog license that has not been renewed, per NH State law (RSA 466:13). There is also a late fee of one dollar per month (starting in June) that is added to the cost of the license. You can mail in your payment along with a self-addressed stamped envelope, stop by the office, or renew the license on our town website www.belmontnh.org. Let’s get those dogs licensed as soon as possible!

Marriage License Application

For those of you who are planning a summer wedding, we at the Town Clerk’s office can provide your marriage license. The license costs $50.00 and is valid for 90 days. Both parties must be present at the time of application. If either party has been married previously, you must provide the official, sealed document pertaining to how the marriage ended (divorce decree, death certificate, etc.) as well as your state issued identification. Couples also have the option of pre-paying for the marriage certificate, which is used to change your name, insurance paperwork, etc. The cost of the certificate is an additional $15.00 and when we receive the completed marriage license back, we will print out the certificate and mail it to you. If you have any questions, feel free to call our office.

Welcome back summertime! We’ve missed you!!
Lyme and Other Tickborne Diseases

Lyme and other tickborne diseases are spread to humans and animals by the bite of an infected tick. In New Hampshire, and across the United States, Lyme disease is the most commonly reported tickborne disease. Anaplasmosis, babesiosis and Powassan virus are other tickborne diseases that have been documented in New Hampshire, while ehrlichiosis, tularemia and Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever are tickborne diseases that may be encountered in travel to other parts of the country, including other New England states.

Lyme disease, anaplasmosis, babesiosis and Powassan virus are transmitted by the bite of the black-legged tick (*Ixodes scapularis*), formerly known as the deer tick. Black-legged ticks have four life stages: eggs, larvae, nymphs and adults. The black-legged tick nymphs are most active in the late spring through summer months (usually May through August) and are the most likely to infect humans with tickborne diseases.

The NH Department of Health and Human Services (NH DHHS) has published a "State of New Hampshire Tick-borne Disease Prevention Plan". This document provides additional background information about the tickborne diseases documented in NH and is a resource for anyone seeking more information about how to begin modifying their behavior and physical landscape to reduce the risk of tickborne disease.

Tickborne diseases can be serious illnesses and can affect people of any age. The best way to prevent being infected with a tickborne disease is to take precautions to avoid being bitten by a tick. However, if you are bitten by a tick, remove that tick as soon and as safely as possible. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about a tick bite, contact your healthcare provider(s).

Information on tickborne disease educational materials and data are available from the NH Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) and can be found on the Lyme and Other Tickborne Diseases Publications and Data page.

The New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food offers free tick identification to New Hampshire residents. The intent is to monitor the distribution of tick species in NH. To submit your sample, complete the Tick Submission Form and mail the tick and form as described. Ticks submitted will not be tested for disease-causing pathogens.

NH DHHS issues guidance to healthcare providers on tickborne disease diagnosis, treatment, and prevention as well as prophylaxis for tick bites. NH DHHS guidance is based upon the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA) guidelines, which are the best available synthesis of the medical literature on the diagnosis and treatment of Lyme disease. The IDSA guidelines were issued in 2006 and confirmed by an independent panel in 2010. IDSA is currently in the process of developing updated guidelines in conjunction with several medical societies and scientific organizations.

In 2015, the New Hampshire state legislature passed legislation (House Bill 363) requiring DHHS to post a link to the International Lyme and Associated Diseases Society (ILADS) on its Internet website. NH DHHS neither endorses nor supports the position of ILADS.

**Fact Sheets**

- [Tick Bite Fact Sheet](#)
- [Lyme Disease Fact Sheet](#)
- [Anaplasmosis Fact Sheet](#)
- [Babesiosis Fact Sheet](#)
- [Powassan Virus Fact Sheet](#)
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