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## Author, Marty Kelley, Visits LES

On Thursday, February 18th, NH children's author, Marty Kelley, remotely visited our school. He made a series of highly engaging presentations to all of our students, both remote and in person. He provided students with a close look at how to create books and art. He showed students what goes into each of the books that he creates. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and learn about what inspires him to write and create illustrations. This event was organized by the LES Reading Room and funded by the LES PTA!



## LES Happenings

Fourth graders made the most of the season with snowshoe adventures. They explored animal habitats, identified tracks left in the snow and enjoyed the opportunity to get outside. For many of our students this was their first time on snowshoes and they did great!

## Mission Statement...

To provide a comprehensive source of information and education about business, government, and community organizations within Loudon in order to facilitate and encourage informed citizen participation.



During the month of February we celebrated our 100th day of school this year! We dressed the part, with remote and in person students participating. First graders had a hat parade!



Town of Loudon Office Hours

Selectmen’s Office

55 S. Village Rd., Ste.1 \* 798-4541 \* [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
**Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6PM at the Town Offices**  
Mon-Thurs: 8AM–4PM \* Tues. evenings: 5–9PM  
Stanley Prescott II (term expires 2021) [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Roger Maxfield (term expires 2022) [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Jeffery Miller (term expires 2023) [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)

Town Clerk

55 S. Village Rd., Ste.2 \* 798-4542 \* [townclerk@loudonnh.org](mailto:townclerk@loudonnh.org)  
Mon: 8AM–2PM \* Tues: 3PM-8:45PM \* Wed.-Thur.: 9AM-4PM

Planning/Zoning Board

55 S. Village Rd., Ste.4 \*798-4540 \* [planning-zoning@loudonnh.org](mailto:planning-zoning@loudonnh.org)  
*The Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7PM at the town offices.*  
*The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7PM at the town offices*  
Mon.-Thurs.: 8AM-4PM Tues. evenings 5AM-9PM

Tax Collector

55 S. Village Rd., Ste.3 \* 798-4543 \* [taxcollector@loudonnh.org](mailto:taxcollector@loudonnh.org)  
Tues.: 3-9PM \* Wed./Thurs.: 9AM-4PM

Police Department – Emergencies: 911

55 S. Village Rd. Ste.6 \* 798-5521 (administrative only)  
24-hour Dispatch: 228-1631  
Mon.-Thur.:8AM-4PM

Building/Code Enforcement

55 S. Village Rd., Ste.5 \* 798-5584 \* 8 Cooper St. Fire Dept.  
[codeoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:codeoffice@loudonnh.org) \* Mon.-Fri.: 8AM-4PM

Fire Department – Emergencies: 911

55 S. Village Rd. Ste.5 \* 798-5612 \* [chief@loudonfire.com](mailto:chief@loudonfire.com)  
*To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the Fire station at the Safety Complex on Cooper St. Permits are available between the hours of 6AM-6PM, 7 days a week unless we are out on an emergency or other Fire Department business. Permits can also be obtained online via the link on the town’s website [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) Departments ~ Fire Permit Information*

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School St \* 783-4400  
The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15PM  
Call the Superintendent’s Office for meeting location

Transfer Station

55 S. Village Rd. Ste.7 \* 783-0170 \* [roadagent@loudonnh.org](mailto:roadagent@loudonnh.org)  
YEAR-ROUND HOURS  
Tues:8AM-5PM ~ Thurs: 8AM-6PM, ~ Sat: 8AM-5PM  
*Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$5.00. See the attendant*

Highway Department

55 S. Village Rd. Ste.7 \* 783-4568 \* [roadagent@loudonnh.org](mailto:roadagent@loudonnh.org)  
Mon.-Fri.: 7AM-3:30PM

Maxfield Public Library

Library Director: Dena Norman \* 798-5153 \* [maxlib@comcast.net](mailto:maxlib@comcast.net)  
Sun./Mon.: Closed \* Tues.: 10AM-7PM \* Wed.: 10AM-5PM  
Thurs.: 10AM-7PM \* Fri.: 10AM-5PM \* Sat.: 10AM-2PM  
*The Library Trustees meet at 5PM on the first Monday of the month*

John O. Cates Memorial Van

Call 783-9502 at least a week in advance of your appointment to schedule a ride.  
The John O. Cate Van committee meets the last Thursday of each month at 2PM in their facility at the transfer station

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Rd. Unit D, Loudon  
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Loudon Representatives  
US REPRESENTATIVES

U.S. Sen. Maggie Hassan (603) 622-2024 [www.maggieshassan.com](http://www.maggieshassan.com)  
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U.S. Rep. Chris Pappas (603) 285-4300 [info@chrispappas.org](mailto:info@chrispappas.org)  
U.S. Rep. Ann M Kuster (603) 226-1002 [kusterhouse.gov](http://kusterhouse.gov)

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Representative to the General Court (District 26)

State Rep. Howard Pearl (603) 231-1482 [hpearlpsf@aol.com](mailto:hpearlpsf@aol.com)

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

All groups, organizations, individuals, etc are encouraged to submit articles to the Loudon Ledger. Special events, landmark anniversaries or birthdays, "attaboys" etc, are all welcome. Please note, however, that the Ledger will uphold its mission:

*To provide a comprehensive source of information and education about business, government, and community organizations within Loudon in order to facilitate and encourage informed citizen participation.*

We will also follow our *Articles of Agreement*, which are on file with the Secretary of State:

*The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any political party or candidate for public office, nor shall it sponsor or endorse any plan or proposition that does not facilitate or encourage informed citizen participation.*

In other words, any article submitted must present all sides of an issue in a factual, unbiased, manner so that the reader may form his/her own opinion based on the information presented. To paraphrase Eric Severard: " You should educate not advocate."

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to [ledgerarticles@gmail.com](mailto:ledgerarticles@gmail.com). From there, they will be forwarded to the council for review before they are inserted in the Loudon Ledger. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Mary Ann Steele, chairperson of the Council, 267-6509

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## Where to Worship in Loudon

### Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Patrick Testerman, Associate Pastor  
334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • (603) 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org  
Office Hours: Please check the website or call the office for hours.

Worship Services: Sundays 8:00 and 10:30 a.m.

No Junior Church or Nursery during 8:00 a.m. service.

Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 a.m. (must register ahead, nursery care)

Youth Group for Grades 6–12 Sunday evenings at 6:00.

(Subject to change. Please confirm on our website before planning to attend.)

FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.

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### Family Bible Church

“Where Everybody is Somebody and You Can Find Hope”

*Steve Ludwick, Lead Pastor*

676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577 or 267-8066

www.familybiblechurchofloudon.org • Email: PastorSteve@familybiblechurchofloudon.org

Pre-Service Prayer Time: Sunday 9–9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. A blend of hymns and contemporary songs.

Fellowship time provided following the morning service.

Monday Evening: Men’s Fellowship and Prayer Time 7–8:45 p.m.

Tuesday Morning: Ladies’ Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.

Home Life Groups: Wednesday Morning — Senior Ladies Group

Other adult groups meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings: call or email for details

FREE Monthly Community Dinners: 2nd Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

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### Landmark Baptist Church

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103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptist-churchnh.info

Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday Morning Worship Service (Jr. Church Provided): 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.

(Nursery provided for all services.)

Please visit our website for more information!

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### Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

*Rev. Shirley Marcroft, Pastor*

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7008, Loudon, NH 03307

Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact Pastor Shirley Marcroft (603) 968-7251 or Cindy Merrill, Deacon, at (603) 848-8690.

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### Loudon Congregational Church

*Rev. Moe Cornier*

7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478

info@loudoncongregational.org • www.loudoncongregational.org

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time

Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

Loudon Congregational is a member church of the

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).

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### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

*Rev. David Shaw, Pastor • Rev. Lynn Shaw, Pastor*

*Rev. Isabel Gillespie, Missional Outreach Pastor*

33 Staniels Rd., Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–3, Tues.–Fri.

office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LBNnazarene.org

Sundays:

9:30 a.m. — Worship: In Person and YouTube Live Streaming

We are unable to offer a Nursery or a Pre-School Church at this time,

but our “Kids Korner” (K–5th Grade) is now being offered

during the last half of the worship service.

11:00 a.m. — Discipleship Hour. Classes offered live for ages 3–93.

No livestream at this time, but Zoom for some classes.

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To have your Church’s information added to this column, please email your information to ledgerarticles@gmail.com

## Richard Brown House-April 2021

The residents at Richard Brown House are looking forward to enjoying Spring! As the weather gets nicer, many of our folks are getting out for refreshing walks around the neighborhood. In March, the residents received Maple Gift Baskets to celebrate Maple Month in NH... many thanks to Pearl & Sons Farm, Fuller’s Sugar House, and Ben’s Sugar Shack for the maple treats. Lindt & Sprungli donated some delicious chocolate for everyone too. Shamrock Shakes along with a McDonald’s lunch was enjoyed by all. Small St. Patty’s Day gifts were distributed to the residents, we congratulated the winners of the Springo Bingo Game, and several residents worked on or completed their “Make it. Give it.” blanket craft to give to a neighbor. In April, we are celebrating Easter with a fun Golden Easter Egg Game where every resident is a winner. An April Fool’s Day Contest will keep everyone guessing. Hearing Life from Concord will be coming to Richard Brown House to provide free hearing screenings for the residents. Lumber has been purchased to rebuild our outdoor raised garden bed to be ready to go for May gardening projects.

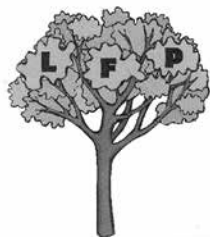
We are looking for community members to volunteer to come to Richard Brown House to lead or help out with some outdoor activities, starting soon. Do you have a special talent you could share? Would you be interested in helping out with some games? Some ideas are outdoor exercise programs, gardening, arts and crafts, informational talks, book clubs, musical presentations, storytelling, bible study, and outdoor games such as utilizing our cornhole platform and putting green for contests and challenges. All outdoor activities will be safely monitored following Covid-19 protocols. Please contact Torey Kortz, RSC, if you have some time to give or have an idea for an outdoor activity. As always, donations of Gift Cards to be used as prizes for games and contests are very much appreciated.

Feel free to reach out to me anytime with questions, ideas, or support for our residents. Torey.kortz@voanne.org 603-798-3190 ext. 202. Our Property Manager, Lucie Bilodeau, can be reached at lucie.bilodeau@voanne.org 603-798-3190 ext. 203.



A Richard Brown House resident displaying her maple basket





# Loudon Food Pantry

## Contact Information

Address: 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307

Phone: (603) 724-9731

Hours: Tue. 10 – 6, Wed. 10 – 1, Thu. 10 – 4 (Service by appointment only)

Website: [www.loudonfoodpantry.org](http://www.loudonfoodpantry.org)

Facebook: LoudonFP

February 2021 Meal Numbers - We gave out enough food to create 8,787 meals to 264 individuals. 100 of those were age 60 and older, 66 were age 18 or under and 98 were in between those ages.

We are free! - After thirteen years of renting vans and box trucks or trying to find volunteers with a vehicle that's available during working hours, we purchased a van!



That's right, we just purchased a Ford Transit 250 Van and picked up our USDA food shipment. It even fit all the extra food we requested! Now when we go to the NH Food Bank to get food, we can take advantage of all the food we never had room for before! And when we need to pick up food drives, we won't need to hustle to find vehicles and make several trips.

Do you live in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, or Loudon NH and need food? Call Sue at (603) 724-9731 to see if you qualify. The process is simple and if you have all your paperwork, you'll receive food the same day as your appointment!

## LOUDON STATE REPRESENTATIVES TO HOLD VIRTUAL "LISTENING SESSION" ON APRIL 10

Loudon's three state representatives -- Howard Pearl, Mike Moffett, and Jose Cambrils -- will conduct a virtual "Legislative Listening Session" on Saturday, April 10, from 9-11 a.m. or for as long as citizens have questions and want to discuss any bill or issue. The URL for the session if citizens want to reserve a spot is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84461212693>. Or if it is easier, just email one of the representatives and the link can be emailed to you for your convenience. Respective email addresses are [howard.pearl@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:howard.pearl@leg.state.nh.us), [michael.moffett@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:michael.moffett@leg.state.nh.us), and [jose4nh@comcast.net](mailto:jose4nh@comcast.net).

Citizens can also email questions or comments in advance to be addressed during "the show."

A special guest will be Rep. Tim Lang (Sanbornton) who is a member of the Governor's Reopening Task Force to share the latest regarding the COVID situation. Other special guests will be in attendance as well.

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# Loudon Historical Society

A Glimpse into the Historical Society  
by Liz LeBrun

Happy April! The calendar tells us there is a lot to celebrate this month. We have April Fool's Day, Easter, Earth Day, Arbor Day, Tax Day (oops how did that get in there?) and Black Women's History Month. It is fascinating that there are numerous unusual observances assigned to almost every day of the year. My particular favorites for April are April 2 National Ferret Day (who knew?), April 6 National Caramel Popcorn Day and April 7 National No Housework Day (you can bet I will observe that one). More seriously, April is National Volunteer Month. April 20 is Volunteer Recognition Day and even more specifically, April 22 is Girl Scout Leader's Day.

In 1912, Juliette Gordon Low organized the first Girl Scout meeting in Savannah Georgia. The Girl Scout organization grew from there with its aim to help girls develop confidence, courage and character. Today there are 1.8 million members and 800,000 adults participating. Girl Scout Leader's Day began April 22, 1982 when a flag honoring Girl Scout Leaders was flown over the Capitol Building in Washington. Recently, Jamie Caswell Young donated a plaque to the Historical Society awarded to Sandra Caswell for founding the Girl Scouts in Loudon in 1973. There have been many volunteer Girl Scout Leaders to thank since it began 48 years ago. The plaque will be displayed to remind generations to come who started it all here in Loudon and made a difference in the lives of many young girls.

The Historical Society Museum remains closed to the public but we can be reached at (603) 798-4541 or by e-mail at Loudonhistory@gmail.com.



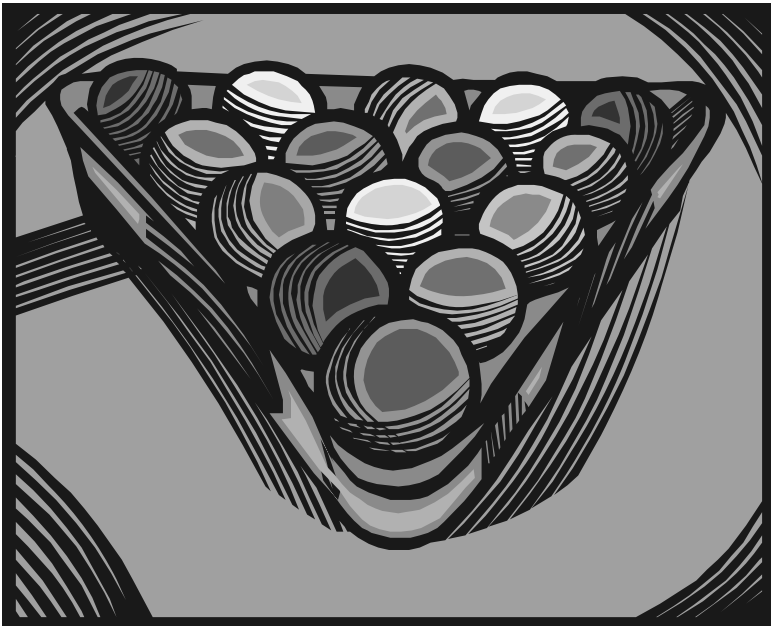
## HOW TO BUY IN A SELLERS MARKET

The housing market is considered a "sellers' market" when there are more home buyers than home sellers and less than 6 months of housing supply.

- Get Pre-Approved-not just prequalified
- Don't wait to make an offer
- Don't submit a lowball offer
- Submit an offer with few or no contingencies
- Put down a large earnest money deposit, show the seller that you are serious, submit EMD with right away don't wait
- Submit higher than asking price before others do
- Write a letter to the seller expressing your love for the house- the features etc
- Offer to close based on seller's needs, what they need for a timetable, allow them time to find another home if need be.
- Include an escalation clause in offer
- Work with an experienced agent Buying a home in a seller's market can be done if you know what to expect and how to proceed, we can help educate you on the process and soon you will be living in and enjoying your new home.

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# Maxfield Public Library

## MAXFIELD LIBRARY NEWS

**IN-PERSON LIBRARY SERVICES CONTINUE!** A maximum of 5 patrons may be on the main library floor at one time to browse our materials. Face coverings **MUST BE WORN** in all areas of the library by patrons age 5 and older. The Library will provide face coverings for patrons who do not have one. Hand sanitizer will be provided in all areas within of the Library. Staff will also ensure that social distancing measures are being followed.

Our hours have also expanded to include Tuesday evenings and every Saturday:

Tuesday: 10-7

Wednesday: 10-5

Thursday: 10-7

Friday: 10-5

Saturday: 10-2

Curbside pick-up is still available!

**THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY IS NOW OPEN WITH NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY!**

Please continue to follow us on Facebook, visit our website at [www.maxfieldlibya.com](http://www.maxfieldlibya.com), or check the Town of Loudon website at [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) for updated Library announcements.

## YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

With spring on the horizon, we have been having fun incorporating movement and outdoor fun into our craft kits, virtual story times and book bundles.

**TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS** In March craft kits have continued to be very popular. You have sent us awesome photos of your completed crafts and photos of you reading your favorite books. This makes us so happy! Keep it up! Please keep sharing these great moments with us. Please email us at [maxfieldlibya@gmail.com](mailto:maxfieldlibya@gmail.com) and send us photos of your completed crafts, photos of you reading your favorite book, or of you enjoying a book bundle so we can share them on our Facebook page! We have been continuing our early literacy craft packets and our weekly virtual story time! Our audience for both of these activities continues to grow! We love your participation!

**VIRTUAL STORY TIME** Our virtual story times will continue to be posted Thursdays at 10:30 am. We have been reading books about bears, goldfish, St. Patrick's Day, socks, and more! You all have really enjoyed our craft packs this month, especially the teddy bear crafts! We will have a Bunny themed story time on Thursday April 1st!

**THEMED BOOK BUNDLES** Book bundles have continued to be a great choice for patrons who know what kinds of books they like, but want to try something new! Email us at [maxfieldlibya@gmail.com](mailto:maxfieldlibya@gmail.com) and let us know what themes, genres, or topics you are

interested in. We are happy to put a bundle together just for you! Stories that are silly, are about animals, families, farms, bugs, and bravery are just some examples of possible topics for bundles. We really enjoy personalizing bundles for you!

**TEEN ADVISORY BOARD/TAKE AND MAKE CRAFTS** Our Teen Advisory Board has continued to meet both virtually and in person. In March, we made macrame wall hangings, played games, ordered new young adult books for our collection, and started reading those new books we ordered! We love being able to hear from you about what books you want in the library. Email us at [maxfieldlibya@gmail.com](mailto:maxfieldlibya@gmail.com) or call to find out more information about joining the Teen Advisory Board! We craft and talk about books!

**MUSIC AND MOVEMENT** Our Music and Movement is back! We post a new video every Tuesday on our Facebook page to help get you singing, dancing, and shaking with your little ones!

**ANIME CLUB** Do you love to read and watch anime? Are you between the ages of 13 and 18? Then this club is for you! We want to bring like-minded people together to enjoy some anime! We would also welcome suggestions for anime books in order to expand our collection. Email us at [maxfieldlibya@gmail.com](mailto:maxfieldlibya@gmail.com) or call to find out more information about attending this club!

## LIBRARY NEWS

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# Loudon Fire Department News



## Benefits Loudon Fire Department Saturday, April 24 4-7 PM

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Loudon Fire Department April 2021 Loudon Ledger Submittal

The fire department has been working on evaluating new equipment to be purchased for the new fire truck which is slated to be delivered later this summer. We have been evaluating new fire attack lines and nozzles, new mobile radios, and battery-operated smoke evacuation fans. We have had multiple vendors present the products they represent and provide pricing information. The membership has actively been evaluating the various equipment in training environments as well as the department developed specific evaluation processes to ensure we purchase the right equipment at the best price to serve the community's needs.

The department also completed construction of a new training prop at station 2. Under the direction of firefighters Theo Partington & Lt. Gary Brooks, we now have a forcible entry prop where members of the team can practice their skills at forcing open doors and manipulating door hardware to gain entry to a structure or interior spaces within a structure. They have also developed a maze system made out of movable wall panels to allow members to train with self-contained breathing apparatus and hose advancements in a configuration which can be changed multiple times. These two training props also can be integrated with another component which is a framed window opening that can be used to simulate entering a building from a ladder or executing a rescue of a victim from a window and down a ladder. The same training prop can be used

for firefighter "mayday" exercises when a firefighter may have to self-rescue or evacuate a building in a rapid manner to avoid injury or death. These three training props can and will be utilized on a regular basis to keep members of the team well trained and skills sharp.

Spring is upon us and the Forest Fire Wardens & Deputy Wardens have participated in their annual state required training and the department is well equipped and prepared for the upcoming forest fire season. With that being said we want to remind you that if there is not snow cover for 100 feet around your fire totally covering all vegetation you are required to obtain a fire permit. You can obtain a fire permit from a Forest Fire Warden or Deputy Forest Fire Warden at fire station 1 during normal business hours seven days a week if the crew is not on an emergency call or by purchasing a fire permit online by visiting the fire departments page on [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) and following the online permit link. The online permits are purchased through a State of New Hampshire vendor and they charge \$5.50 per permit. These funds do not go to the Town of Loudon or the State of New Hampshire. Seasonal Fire permits are issued but do require a bi-annual inspection by a Forest Fire Warden or Deputy Forest Fire Warden before being issued and cannot be purchased online.

A few safety tips to think about while you are planning your spring cleanup and greenup activities. Choose fire resistant building materials and limit the amount of flammable vegetation in the three home ignition zones including the **Immediate Zone** ( 0-5 feet immediately around the house), the **Intermediate Zone** (5-30 feet) and the **Extended Zone** (30 - 100 feet ). To reduce ember ignitions and fire spread, trim branches that overhang the home, porch and decks. Prune branches of large trees up to 6 to 10 feet in height from the ground. Remove plants and shrubs which contain natural resins, oils and waxes. Use crushed stone or gravel instead of flammable mulches in the immediate zone. Keep your landscaping in good condition and not in contact with your home. Remove any dead vegetation and debris from under decks and porches. Never store flammable materials underneath decks or porches. Clean gutters on a regular basis to remove light fuels such as pine needles and dried leaves which can be ignited easily from flying embers.





# BACKYARD COMPOSTING 101

Are you tired of storing smelly food waste in your house until trash day? Are you concerned that food in landfills contributes to climate change? Do you need to give your garden a boost with some nutrient-rich plant food? Then it sounds like you’re ready for backyard composting! Read through the steps below to learn how to set up your own at-home composting system.

## STEP 1: CHOOSE YOUR BIN:

**Two Bin System** This system is perfect for filling up one bin with food scraps and yard waste and then using the second bin to process your compost into a finished product and get ready for more food scraps. This system is easy to build and there are lots of online resources to guide you.

**Three Bin System:** This system has three bins so that one has food scraps, one has finished (or nearly finished) compost, and one is an empty bin to or from which compost is turned.

**Tumbler:** This system is perfect for the person who has limited outdoor space. Instead of using a pitchfork to turn the compost, you crank the tumbler. You can purchase a compost tumbler at a home or garden supply store or build one using a 50-gallon plastic drum.

## STEP 2: GET THE RIGHT MIXTURE:

Composting works through a natural chemical process. In order for your backyard compost to be successful, you will need two parts carbon and one part nitrogen. Nitrogen is found in fresh “green” materials, and carbon is found in dry “brown” materials. See below for examples of these materials. Each time you add new material to your bin, cover it with a layer of fresh brown materials to avoid odors

and pests.

**NITROGEN-RICH “GREEN” MATERIALS:** Food scraps, fresh leaves, plant cuttings, and weeds, grass clippings (though they will compost, they will also benefit your lawn if left to decompose on your yard) fruit and vegetable peels and parts, coffee grounds and tea bags.

**CARBON-RICH “BROWN” MATERIALS:** Dead weeds and dry leaves Clipped brush, wood chips, egg shells, sawdust, straw, soiled paper products (paper towels, napkins, shredded paper, and newspapers)

**MATERIALS TO KEEP OUT:** Meat, bones, grease, fats, oils, and dairy products (these materials can attract pests, and pathogens and pests can survive the composting process if the material does not get hot enough.) Disease or insect-infested plants, ashes from charcoal barbecues, fireplaces or wood stoves. Human and pet waste.

## STEP 3: KEEP COMPOST MOIST, BUT NOT WET:

The compost reaction works best when the material is a little moist. But if it becomes too wet, it will become anaerobic and start to smell. Your neighbors may not know what the word anaerobic means, but their nostrils will. So be sure to periodically wet your compost so that it stays moist but not wet.

## STEP 4: TURN YOUR COMPOST:

Compost also needs airflow. If you’re using a two or three bin system, use a pitchfork to turn the compost every 3-5 days. Turning is basically just mixing it all up. Once the compost looks mostly broken down, it can be moved to your second bin and you can start over in the first. If using a tumbler, just turn it once every few days.

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## New Hampshire Motor Speedway Races to Serve Community During Year of Pandemic

In the past year of the COVID-19 pandemic, New Hampshire Motor Speedway provided safe forms of entertainment and unique new services to the community.

LOUDON, N.H. – On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the spread of COVID-19 a global pandemic, and life as we knew it came to a stop. COVID-19 forced the entertainment industry, including New Hampshire Motor Speedway (NHMS), to reinvent itself. “The Magic Mile” responded with safe forms of entertainment and an expanded focus on serving local communities during a year of unprecedented challenges.

NHMS pivoted from its traditional July race week to host a limited number of fans for a COVID-safe race day on Aug. 2, 2020. Safety protocols ensured that New England’s first fan-attended major league sporting event since the onset of the pandemic, the NASCAR Cup Series Foxwoods Resort Casino 301, would pave the way for fans to return to other live sporting events.

“2020 tested us all in ways we never imagined,” said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of New Hampshire Motor Speedway. “It was stressful, unsettling and scary at times, but we worked closely with the state as well as NASCAR and local health officials to develop a plan to safely host New England race fans as well as utilize our property to serve the needs of the community.”

NHMS hosted the 10th annual Gift of Lights presented by Eastern

Propane & Oil from Nov. 26, 2020 through Jan. 3, 2021. The COVID-safe, socially-distant holiday drive-thru light show saw a dramatic increase in attendance as more than 29,000 vehicles cruised through the six-week event. A portion of the proceeds benefitted the New Hampshire Chapter of Speedway Children’s Charities, which resulted in a record \$91,188 supporting children in need throughout New England.

NHMS supported first responders by offering a home residence on the NHMS property to allow first responders to quarantine away from their homes as needed. If the pandemic interrupted the local fuel supply chain, NHMS also offered the town of Loudon the opportunity to utilize gasoline from the speedway’s Sunoco gas pumps for essential equipment and vehicles. The speedway donated 800 rain ponchos for public safety workers to use as hospital gowns to help alleviate a shortage of proper personal protective equipment while the State of New Hampshire Emergency Operations Center secured standby space at NHMS for an overflow care facility and mobile testing site.

On May 9, 2020, the New Hampshire Food Bank, with the help of the New Hampshire Army National Guard, brought a Mobile Food Pantry to NHMS and provided nearly nine tons of food for approximately 1,200 people in Loudon, Concord, Belmont and the surrounding areas. The drive-thru Mobile Food Pantry allowed families to remain in their vehicles while volunteers loaded about 52 pounds of perishables, non-perishables and meats in each car.

Merrimack Valley High School graduates literally and figuratively crossed the finish line of their high school careers at NHMS in a special graduation event. Seniors celebrated the milestone by driving on “The Magic Mile” and crossing the start/finish line – the famed Granite Stripe – to receive their diplomas on June 13, 2020.

Most recently, NHMS was the site of New Hampshire’s first vaccine super site. In partnership with the State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, nearly 12,000 Granite Staters were vaccinated with the Johnson & Johnson single-dose vaccine March 6-8. Additional vaccine super sites could be scheduled as vaccines become available.

“I am so proud of my team and what we were able to accomplish this past year in the most unusual of circumstances,” said McGrath. “It was inspiring to watch the checkered flag fly as the final vaccine was administered on March 8. We’re looking forward to continuing this momentum for a successful, healthy and entertaining 2021.”

Follow Us:

Keep track of all of New Hampshire Motor Speedway’s events by following on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Keep up with all the latest news and information on the speedway website and NHMS mobile app.

### Upcoming Events at Loudon Elementary

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# What’s Cookin’?

## Food, Food and More Food!

by Letty Barton

### April What’s Cooking

By now you may have noticed this column has a theme each month. This time it is cheese. Cheese is a universal food with lots of benefits. It provides protein, calcium, some vitamins and fat. Cheeses come in hard or soft form and bold or more mild flavors.

Ham, Potato and Cheese Soup

4 medium potatoes, peeled and cut up  
2-3 cups chicken broth  
2 medium onions  
1 lb. Velveeta cheese, cubed  
2 cups diced ham  
¼-1/3 cup instant mashed potatoes

Cook potatoes in broth until partially soft. Add ham and cheese and cook slowly, stirring often. You may need to add a cup of water. While soup is still very warm, stir in instant potatoes to thicken.

Cheese and Onion Bread Casserole

4 eggs  
3 large onions  
3 cups 1 % milk  
1/2 tsp. sugar  
¼ tsp. nutmeg  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1 loaf French bread, cubed (about 8 cups)  
¼ tsp. pepper  
2 T. olive oil  
2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese

Whisk together eggs, milk and nutmeg. Add bread and let stand 30 min, stirring once or twice. Heat oil in large pan. Add onion, sugar, salt and pepper. Cook over medium to low heat until onion is very soft. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Coat a 9x13 baking dish with spray. Spoon half of bread mixture into baking dish. Add half of onion. Repeat with remaining bread and onion. Sprinkle with cheese. Bake 45 minutes or until puffed and golden brown. Cool slightly before serving.

Swiss Vegetable Casserole

1 can cream of mushroom soup  
1 bag frozen vegetables (broccoli, cauliflower)  
1/3 cup sour cream  
1 can French’s fried onion rings, divided  
¼ tsp pepper  
½ cup shredded Swiss cheese, divided

Stir soup, sour cream, pepper, 2/3 cup onions and ¼ cup cheese in a 2-quart casserole. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Stir. Sprinkle remaining onions and cheese over vegetable mixture and bake 5 more minutes.

Sour Cream Smothered Chicken

4 T. butter, divided  
1 ½ lbs. chicken breasts (4 total)  
4 T. olive oil, divided  
1 cup chicken broth  
1 medium onion, sliced thin  
1 cup sour cream  
8 oz. mushrooms, sliced  
1/3 cup shredded mozzarella cheese  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
6 green onions, sliced

Sea salt and pepper to taste  
6 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled

Heat 2 T. oil and 2 T. butter in pan. Add onions, mushrooms, garlic and salt and pepper. Sauté until nice and caramelized – about 20 minutes. In a separate pan, heat remaining butter and oil. Sear chicken breasts and cook until cooked through and golden brown on both sides. Meanwhile add stock and sour cream to onion/mushroom mixture. Mix and bring to a slow boil. Reduce heat and allow to simmer until thickened, 15-20 minutes. Plate chicken and top with sauce, cheese, bacon and green onion.

Beef and Cheese Wedges

1 egg yolk, slightly beaten  
¼ tsp. pepper  
1 cup baking mix  
1 clove garlic, minced  
2 T. milk  
1 egg, slightly beaten  
1 ½ lbs. ground beef  
1 egg white, slightly beaten  
½ cup onion, chopped  
2 cups cream style cottage cheese  
½ tsp. salt  
½ cup shredded Swiss cheese  
½ tsp. Italian seasoning

Stir egg yolk, baking mix and milk together. Form into a ball and turn out onto a floured surface. Roll to 1/8-inch thickness and fit into a 9 in. pie plate. Flute edges. In a skillet combine the ground beef, onion, salt, Italian seasoning, pepper and garlic. Cook until beef is browned. Drain off excess fat and spoon meat mixture into pastry shell made above. Combine egg, egg white and cottage cheese. Spoon over meat mixture. Bake in 375-degree oven for 15 minutes. Top with Swiss cheese and bake another 10 minutes.

Two Cheese Apple Crisp

4 cups tart apples, peeled and cut in wedges  
1 ½ cups shredded Cheddar cheese  
2 T. lemon juice  
6 T. water  
1 cup sugar, divided  
1- 8 oz. package cream cheese  
¾ cup flour  
2 T. orange juice  
½ tsp. cinnamon  
1 tsp. orange rind  
1 tsp. sugar  
6 T. butter

Combine apples, lemon juice and ½ cup sugar and place in baking dish. Mix flour, cinnamon, salt, ½ cup sugar and Cheddar cheese in a bowl. Cut in the butter until mixture resembles coarse meal. Spread over apples. Bake 30 minutes or until apples are tender. Cool slightly. Whip together cream cheese, orange juice and rind and 1 tsp. sugar. Spoon on to garnish each serving.





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# Obituaries

## Clement A Lyon, Jr.



Clement A Lyon Jr. age 97 passed away March 3, 2021 at The Havenwood Healthcare Center. He was born Dec. 5, 1923 in Burlington, VT the son of Clement A. Lyon Sr. and Sarah (Muncy) Lyon.

Clem grew up in New Boston and graduated from New Boston High School in 1941. He served in the Navy during WWII with the famed "Little Beaver" destroyer squadron. After attending Green Mountain College and UNH Clem had

a career as a soil conservationist with the USDA. Upon retirement he was a partner in Retech, a land use consulting business, sold real estate, and ran a greenhouse business with his wife Ruth. Clem volunteered with the Boy Scouts and was a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award. While living in Gilford he was active in the Laconia Congregational Church (received the Churchman award along with Ruth) and the Gilford Rotary (Paul Harris award). In later years they moved to Loudon where he served on the town Planning Board.

Clem loved collecting old tools, woodworking, gardening, and traveling with his wife. He was a member of the Blazing Star/ Eureka Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, and the American Legion.

He was predeceased by his parents, a sister; Josephine Bodwell, and nephew; Art Bodwell.

He leaves his wife of 71 years Ruth (Hayes) Lyon. Daughters; Mary Brochu and husband Richard of North Hampton and Susan Jacques and husband David of Loudon. Sons; Robert of Loudon and William Sr. and wife Rose of Milford, MA. Nieces; Peggy Adams and Judith Mulholland. Sisters in law; Jane Brown and husband David and Ann Burnside and husband Dick. 8 Grandchildren; Michelle, Jennifer, William Jr., Michael, Beth Ann, Jamie, Jackie, and Rachel and 8 great grandchildren.

## Margaret Whittier



Margaret Whittier passed away peacefully at home on February 11, 2021. She was born August 31, 1922 in Concord, NH to Harold and Ruth (Bachelder) Chamberlin. In October 1946 Margaret married the love of her life, Bernard Scott Whittier. Together they raised three children Gretchen, Rebecca and Carl.

Margaret is predeceased by her husband of

62 years Bernard Whittier and her sister Mara Chamberlin and brothers William Chamberlin, John Chamberlin, David Chamberlin and Henry Chamberlin.

Margaret is survived by her daughters Rebecca Whittier of Concord and Gretchen Gaskell and her husband Jim of Norway, Maine and her son Carl Whittier of Penacook, NH, and grandchildren Christina Colbert of Somersworth, NH, Stephanie Gaskell Carlson and her husband Stephen of Eliot, Maine, Karyn Linchey and her husband Kevin of Portsmouth, NH, Justin Whittier of Allenstown, NH, Hannah Burdick and her husband Matt of Boscawen, NH, Amy Burdick and her husband Rob of Loudon, NH, Alexa Phinney and her husband Scott of New Hampton, NH, Jason Southwick and Wendy Workman of Concord, NH, and fifteen great grandchildren and eight great great grandchildren and her sister-in-law Miriam Chamberlin and several nieces and nephews.

## Olga F Robitaille

Olga F. Robitaille, 95, a lifelong resident of Franklin, NH died at Concord Hospital on Feb. 28, 2021.

She was born in Franklin on April 4, 1925 the daughter of Alex and Katherine (Joseph) Stavro.

Olga graduated from Franklin High School as a member of the class of 1943. She was the widow of Stephen J. Robitaille.

Olga was most proud of being a devoted wife and loving mother, she cherished the times that she spent with her family and friends. Olga enjoyed giving back to her community by volunteering her time at St. Mary School and at a variety of local charities and organizations.

Family members include her three children, Linda Lommen and husband Ronald of Concord, Rita Woodley and husband Thomas of Franklin, and Stephen J. Robitaille, Jr. of Stoneham, MA. Four grandchildren, Tracey Woodley of Windham, Tricia Legro of Pembroke, Dennis Lommen of Loudon, and Christopher Woodley of Ocean City, MD. Seven great grandchildren, and nieces, nephews and cousins.

Olga was predeceased by her husband, parents, and siblings, Pandora Metro, Soter Stavro, Nella Stavro, and Pandi Stavro, and her son's partner, Robert "Bobby" Falite.



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## Ralph Doe



Ralph Doe, age 91, passed away Friday, March 5, 2021 in his Andover home after a short period of declining health.

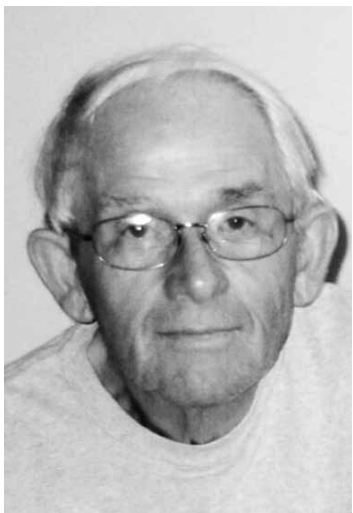
He was born in Malden, Massachusetts on Jan. 13, 1930, to Ralph and Sibyl (Page) Doe. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 67 years, Barbara A. W. Doe; his parents and his half-brother William Wright.

He is survived by his son, Donald A. Doe and his wife, Marilyn of Concord; his daughter, Cheryl D. Chartier and her husband Bruce of Loudon; his son, Brian R. Doe and his companion, Mena of Canterbury; and several nieces and nephews.

Donations may be made to the [charity of your choice](#). By Ralph's wishes, there will be no services.

## Robert "Bob" Joseph Byrne

Robert "Bob" Joseph Byrne, 77, died peacefully at home on March 11, 2021 after a rapid health decline resulting from lung disease. Born in Concord, NH on August 12, 1943 to Leo and Mary (Cate) Byrne, he was raised in Concord with his brother, Charles, who preceded him in death in February 2018.



Bob was a kind, gentle, quiet, hard-working and humble soul who would give you the shirt off his back and do anything to help another person. He grew up just up the street from White Park in Concord and spent a lot of time ice skating and sledding in the park during winter months, where he also took his own children to skate and sled when they were young. Bob and his brother had a two-man band, him on drums and his brother on accordion, from their pre-teen years into high school, where they played at

weddings, nursing homes and other community functions. After graduating from Concord High School in 1961, Bob enlisted in the United States Air Force and was stationed in Sacramento California, serving from 1961-1965 as a teletype operator; he was a proud veteran. In February 1965, he married Joellen Boyden and, together, they raised 4 children. After being discharged from the USAF, they moved back to the Concord area, eventually settling in Loudon in 1975. He worked for Universal Paper in Nashua and then went to work for the Richard D Brew Company in Concord until 1967 upon entering the electrical supply business. He worked for Evans Radio, both in Concord and Portsmouth, where he worked until they closed in the 1980's. At that time, he was hired by Seamans Electrical Supply in Portsmouth, where he continued to work until his retirement in 2006, despite the company being bought out and going through

2 names changes (CLS and Rexel Electrical Supply Co.). Bob enjoyed being outdoors, fishing, camping, vegetable gardening and hunting - something which he did every year with his son, Larry, from the time his son was about 11 years old and was an regular volunteer with both his sons' Boy Scout troops. He also enjoyed square dancing, craft projects and tinkering with things to make them work; he was the original McGyver and could fashion anything from anything, especially if it meant he didn't have to spend any money; he would tell you he was so cheap that he squeaked when he walked and he saved everything in case he might need it later. Bob liked people and talking with them once a conversation was started and, though not outgoing, could make fast friends with almost anyone.

He is survived by his wife, Joellen, and his children: Larry (Mary) Byrne of N. Stratford, NH; Marilyn (Paul) Nylén of Webster, NH; Kim (Ted) Souhrada of LeClaire, IA and his grandchildren: Sierra and Danielle Byrne of Winston-Salem, NC, Matthew and Kathleen Paquette of N. Stratford, NH, Rachael and Michael Souhrada of LeClaire, IA. He is also survived by sisters-in-law Peta Byrne and Jeanette Ball as well as many nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death are another beloved son, Tony - September 1993, his parents, his brother, Charlie, mother and father-in-law Curt & Ruby and his brother-in-law, Jay.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Loudon American Legion Post 88, [American Lung Association](#) or the Payson Cancer Center in Concord, NH.

## Robert (Bobby) A Bisson, Sr.

Boscawen-Robert (Bobby) A. Bisson Sr. of Baker Street, passed away on February 18, 2021 at Elliot Hospital in Manchester.

Born in Newark, NJ on March 30, 1955, he relocated to NH to be close with his father's family. He was the eldest son of the late Robert Leonard Bisson Sr. and Marie (Albanese) Bisson.

Bobby was a skilled Autobody Technician until his recent retirement. He loved to share his trade skills and mentor those around him. His favorite past times were gardening and listening to music with his son, Buddy. They would spend many nights talking about old cars and times spent with family and friends. Bobby was small of stature but big of heart.

He is survived by his son Robert (Buddy) A. Bisson Jr. of Boscawen; his daughter Tamera A. Bisson of Claremont; a granddaughter, Leila Tuttle of Claremont; his sister, Angelyn M. Borden of Loudon, and three brothers, Richard L. Bisson, Robert L. Bisson Jr. and Edwin A. Bisson all of Concord, 3 Nieces, and 4 Nephews, Grandnieces and Grandnephews.

The family will hold private Services followed by Internment at Blossom Hill Cemetery in Concord.

In Lieu of flowers donations may be made in Bobby's name to the NH [American Heart Association](#), 2 Wall Street #104, Manchester, NH 03101 or any [charity of your choice](#).



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### Maxfield Public Library

#### Trustee's meeting

**February 11, 2021**

In attendance: Trustees, Naquisha Bourget, LeeAnn Childress,  
Diane Miller

Library Director: Dena Norman

At 4:03 pm Diane called the meeting to order.

- **Dec. Meeting Minutes** - Diane moved to accept the January, 2021 meeting minutes. LeeAnn 2<sup>nd</sup> – all approved.
- **Financial Report** – reviewed, discussed and approved.
- **Policy Review Drafts** – We'll review and finalize any edits at our March meeting.
  - Community Room Policy
  - Safe Child Policy
  - Staff Guidelines for First Amendment Audits
- **Vacuum purchase** – Dena will research vacuum bag costs before the new vacuum will be purchased.
- **Library Trustee** – Still searching for a new Library Trustee. Diane will communicate with NHLTC about options if we don't get a candidate.
- **Credit Card**
  - TD Bank – Dena will finalize on an outstanding balance at TD Bank by sending a letter asking for invoice information.
  - Citizen Bank - Nikki will fax the letter application for a library debit/credit card with the trustee's signatures.
- Trustees will meet February 25, 2021 to review funds and will review another training film.
- Discussion on the possibility of a Spring Book sale. Dena is making plans to go through the current selection of books and weed out outdated materials.

Next meeting will be March 4, 2021 at 4:00pm.

LeeAnn moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 pm. Nikki 2<sup>nd</sup> it – all approved

Submitted – LeeAnn Childress

Arthur E. McNeil and Raymond C. Cummings Scholarship Applications are now posted on the town's website. Deadline for applications are May 6th for High School and May 20th for College. The D.A.R.E. Scholarship deadline is April 30th.



2021 Town of Loudon Election Results

In accordance with guidance provided by the New Hampshire Municipal Association regarding postponement of the 2021 Annual Town Meeting, and the instructions in EO#83 issued by Governor Sununu’s Office, “In the event of postponement, the terms of office of elected officials whose terms expire in 2021 shall continue until the completion of the postponed election and meeting.”

TOWN OF LOUDON – 2021 BALLOT ITEMS  
(514 TOTAL VOTERS)

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STANLEY H. PRESCOTT II 221	ROBERT PHILLIPS 263
JOHN STORRS 277	FORREST GREEN 275
	MARILYN WHITTEN 284
Write In	Write In
<b>Town Clerk 3 Year Term</b> Vote for One	<b>Zoning Board 3 Year Term</b> Vote for One
ASHLEY E. SIMONDS 484	PETER PITMAN SR 436
Write In	Write In
<b>Supervisor of Checklist 5 Year Term</b> Vote for One	<b>Zoning Board 1Year Term</b> Vote for One
LUCY GORDON 455	ALVIN SEE 418
Write In	Write In
<b>Library Trustee 3 Year Term</b> Vote for One	<b>Trustee of Trust Fund 3 Year Term</b> Vote for One
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Excerpted from www.cleanphl.org  
Posted on behalf of Loudon Recycling Committee

Two Fun Facts!

Copper and its alloys, such as brass, have long been popular materials for manufacturing door knobs. It turns out, this may not just because the metal’s hue makes it look nice. In fact, the material has been found to kill bacteria. According to one study from the National College of Kathmandu in Nepal, "the metal ions denature protein of the target cells by binding to reactive groups resulting in their precipitation and inactivation. The high affinity of cellular proteins for the metallic ions results in the death of the cells due to cumulative effects of the ion within the cells." In other words, brass sterilizes the bacteria that can build up from all those (potentially unwashed) hands that grip it.

Next time you are having trouble focusing, you might want to reach for a stick of gum. A 2013 study in the British Journal of Psychology found that those subjects who chewed gum while taking part in a memory challenge were able to stay focused for longer periods of time than those who did not chew gum.

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**Town of Loudon, NH**  
**Zoning Board of Adjustment**  
**Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2021**

Chairman Ned Lizotte called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Attendance roll call: Todd Phelps – Present; Peter Pitman – Present; Vice Chair Earl Tuson – Present; Chairman Ned Lizotte – Present; Charlie Aznive – Present; Alternate Alvin See – Present.

Acceptance of Minutes

Vice Chair Earl Tuson made a motion to accept the minutes with one amendment. On the first line at the top of page two, the words “Board Member Charlie Aznive” should be changed to read “Alternate Alvin See”. Charlie Aznive seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; Peter Pitman abstained from the vote, and Alternate Alvin See was not appointed as a voting member of the Board. Todd Phelps – Yes; Vice Chair Earl Tuson – Yes; Chairman Ned Lizotte – Yes; Charlie Aznive – Yes. Minutes approved with one amendment.

Discussion

Chris & Zach Lane – Map 50 Lot 8 – 717 Rte 106 N - Possible subdivision of land on a mixed-use property. Mr. Lane explained that he is exploring his options to subdivide part of the residentially zoned portion of his property on Route 106. Peter Pitman clarified with Mr. Lane that he was looking to subdivide off part of the rear portion of his lot. Charlie Aznive also asked for clarification about whether Mr. Lane was looking for guidance about where to set his new lot lines; Chris Lane agreed, adding that he was also looking for clarification about the possibility of using a shared driveway. Todd Phelps stated that in order for the subdivision to work, the house on this rear lot would need road frontage. The subdivided lot could not only contain land in the back field. Chairman Lizotte explained to Mr. Lane that a portion of the property with frontage on Route 106 would need to be subdivided off with the back lot in order to meet zoning requirements. Vice Chair Tuson stated that the Planning Board would be the municipal body to approve or disapprove this subdivision and that one of their primary concerns would be the possible gerrymandering of the lot shape. Several Board members used a copy of the relevant Loudon Tax Map to discuss possible lot shaping with Mr. Lane. Chairman Lizotte and Charlie Aznive discussed the necessity to maintain proper setbacks on the new lot, and Vice Chair Tuson mentioned the possible State driveway requirements that might be involved in creating this new lot. Several Board members agreed that the State most likely would not have reason to disapprove of a new curb cut and driveway for this subdivided property. Todd Phelps stated that at that point in the discussion, a shared driveway was essentially no longer an option. A shared driveway would cause the newly created lot to become completely land locked. Charlie Aznive and Chairman Lizotte suggested that Mr. Lane consult with either Surveyor Web Stout of Canterbury or Surveyor Jeff Green of Loudon to work on the engineering for this project. Chris Lane thanked the Board for their time.

Old Business

#20-20 – Tim & Alicen Twardosky – Map 49 Lot 34 – Special Exception for an Accessory Dwelling Unit – Rural Residential. Applicants Tim and Alicen Twardosky were present. Tim Twardosky distributed a new set of plans to the Board. Chairman Lizotte clarified with Mr. Twardosky that the new plans featured a doorway between the ADU and the second floor of the Primary Dwelling Unit. Mr. Twardosky agreed. Todd Phelps asked Mr. Twardosky whether this plan would be allowed by Code Enforcement and Mr. Twardosky replied in the



affirmative. The doorway opening into the second-floor bedroom would not alter the status of the bedroom. Ms. Twardosky also stated that the required door was going to be a third point of egress for the ADU. Mr. Twardosky explained that they had considered requesting a Variance for a duplex but decided to stay with their Special Exception application instead. Chairman Lizotte mentioned Code Enforcement's concern about the applicants signing a Private Road Agreement and their request that the agreement become a condition of their Zoning Board approval. Mr. Twardosky confirmed that he had spoken about the project with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette and Deputy Chief Bill Lake and that he would need to sign the road agreement when he applied for his Certificate of Occupancy. Charlie Aznive inquired about the usage of the term "rental" during this discussion; Vice Chair Tuson stated that whether the ADU was intended to be used as a rental was not a factor in the Board's decision. Chairman Lizotte and Tim Twardosky read through the application. Chairman Ned Lizotte made a motion to approve the application as presented. Vice Chair Earl Tuson seconded. There was discussion among the Board about adding an amendment to include the Private Road Agreement from Code Enforcement as a condition of approval. Chairman Lizotte informed the applicant of the inclusion of a condition for the Private Road Agreement. Vice Chair Tuson asked if the Chairman was amending his motion. Peter Pitman stated that the motion would need to be amended to include the condition. Chairman Lizotte amended his motion to include this condition but Vice Chair Tuson did not maintain his second. Vice Chair Tuson felt that the Zoning Ordinances were sufficiently met by the application and including the Private Road Agreement was going above and beyond. Todd Phelps agreed with Vice Chair Tuson, indicating that the agreement should be a condition of the Occupancy certification, not the Zoning Board approval. Peter Pitman requested that Chairman Lizotte withdraw his amendment. Chairman Lizotte withdrew his amendment and returned to his motion to approve the application as presented. Vice Chair Tuson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Charlie Aznive – yes; Chairman Ned Lizotte – yes; Vice Chair Tuson – yes; Peter Pitman – yes; Todd Phelps – yes. All in favor; application approved without conditions.

#### New Business

#Z21-02 – Eric Bailey & Jennifer McNeil – Map 49 Lot 69 – Special Exception for Reduced Setbacks – Commercial/Industrial. Applicants Eric Bailey and Jennifer McNeil were present. Abutter Gregory Fillmore was present. The applicants were requesting a reduced front setback of fifteen (15) feet in order to build a garage and a reduced rear setback of seven (7) feet in order to build a shed. Chairman Lizotte clarified the landmarks visible on a Google maps view of the lot and the map provided by the applicant, including a privacy fence set five (5) feet onto the rear abutter's property. The Board discussed the state of the road; Tote Road is a private road with a brief stretch of pavement at the turn-off from Route 106. At this time Chairman Lizotte called Abutter Gregory Fillmore forward to discuss his concerns. His stated concern was the fact that, as planned, vehicles would be on his property when entering the garage. As the owner of Tote Road, Mr. Fillmore was concerned that in order to pull up to the garage the applicant's car(s) would be in the road and therefore on his property. He requested that the garage be set farther back than fifteen (15) feet. Todd Phelps asked the applicant about the orientation of the garage in relation to the existing driveway. The applicant stated that they intended to keep the driveway as additional parking for their children while the applicants would park in the garage. Some

of the Board members discussed the location of the leach field for the dwelling's septic system. Chairman Lizotte redirected the Boards attention back to the fact that because Mr. Fillmore owns the private road, the applicant will need to meet Mr. Fillmore's requirements and suggested increasing the front setback to thirty (30) feet instead. Mr. Fillmore requested moving the garage back far enough that the front would be level with the front of the dwelling or the attached deck. Chairman Lizotte asked about the distance to the front of the deck; the applicant stated that it was likely about twenty two (22) feet to the front of the deck. Alternate Alvin See asked about building a garage twenty-four feet (24) deep instead of twenty eight (28) feet deep. The applicant explained that he wanted to put a work bench at the back of the garage; he was not opposed to moving the garage back on the lot but wished to maintain the planned dimensions. Chairman Lizotte stated that the reduced front setback was going to be changed to twenty five (25) feet instead of fifteen (15) feet. Todd Phelps then asked that the application description reflect the fact that two structures were involved; the application asked for reduced setbacks for both a shed and a garage. The Board then clarified that the verbiage regarding the setbacks, used on the first page of the application, should read as follows: "Front from 60' to 25' for a garage" and "Back from 40' to 7' for a shed." Chairman Lizotte and applicant Eric Bailey read through the application, including the above clarified verbiage. Vice Chair Earl Tuson made a motion to accept the application as presented. Peter Pitman seconded the motion. Vice Chair Tuson then asked about the wording of the motion, inquiring about whether the motion should be to "approve" rather than to "accept". Vice Chair Tuson amended his motion to approve the application and Peter Pitman amended his second. Roll call vote: Todd Phelps – yes; Peter Pitman – yes; Vice Chair Earl Tuson – yes; Chairman Ned Lizotte – yes; Charlie Aznive – yes. All in favor; application approved without conditions.

#### Board Discussion/Correspondence

Alternate Alvin See brought several House Bills to the attention of the Board. HB 132 would remove the minimum acreage requirement for homes served by communal or municipal sewage and water. The Board discussed whether this bill might be meant to apply to structures such as modular or tiny homes. Todd Phelps wondered how much this bill would affect Loudon, which does not provide any municipal water services. Charlie Aznive noted that several homes in the Loudon Village area likely still use a shared well system, making this bill applicable to the Town. Alternate See then brought up HB 154, which he described as a form of tax relief for community revitalization. He brought up HB 189, which would allow for up to 3 ADU's per single family dwelling. Chairman Lizotte referenced an email discussing this bill that was sent out by Code Enforcement. HB 586 would provide training for Planning Boards and Zoning Boards about affordable housing. Alternate See was unsure if this training was meant to become mandatory. Finally, HB 288 would repeal the 3-member State level appeals board that could override any local land use board decisions. Vice Chair Tuson stated that typically, appeals from a local land use board went to court. He then asked if the decisions of this State board were appealable. Alternate See stated that he did not know. Vice Chair Tuson thanked Alternate See for presenting these bills to the Board.

**Peter Pitman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chair Earl Tuson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.**

**Town of Loudon**  
**Loudon, New Hampshire**  
**Planning Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 18, 2021**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Rodney Phillips

**Attendance:**

Present- Katie Phelps, John Storrs, Jeremy Minery, Chairman Rodney Phillips, Vice Chair Alice Tuson, Ex-Officio Jeff Miller, Danielle Bosco, Alternate Dustin Bowles, and Alternate Bob Phillips.

Julie Robinson, Chairman of the Conservation Commission was in attendance

Alvin See, Alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment was in attendance

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

November 19, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes – Vice Chair Alice Tuson asked whether application #20-18 was incomplete, or if the property had sold as referenced in the Discussion/Correspondence section of the minutes. Chairman Phillips stated that the application was passed by the Board but that the property had sold, therefore the final plans were never recorded with the Registry and the application was never completed. Vice Chair Tuson also noted that there was no signature for submission of the minutes. Chairman Phillips agreed that there needed to be a signature. **Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the minutes with the addition of a signature for submission; seconded by Jeremy Minery. All in favor;** minutes approved.

December 17, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes – Quorum was not met and no meeting was opened. These minutes exist to record that fact. No vote taken to accept the minutes.

January 21, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes – **Jeremy Minery made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Alice Tuson. All in favor;** meeting minutes approved.

January 28, 2021 Zoning Amendment Hearing Minutes – Quorum was not met and no meeting was opened. These minutes exist to record that fact. No vote taken to accept the minutes.

**Discussion:**

Henry Huntington – Possible Workforce Housing for Lēf Farms – Mr. Huntington spoke with the Planning Board Administrative Assistant by phone late Tuesday afternoon (February 16<sup>th</sup>) requesting that his scheduled discussion be removed from the Planning and Zoning agendas. His plans were beginning to take a different direction and he no longer required a discussion with the Board.

Tim Towle – Map 9 Lot 9 – Potential subdivision on Upper City Road – Jeff Green of Jeffrey L. Green Land Surveying Services was present as the surveyor for the project. Property owner Tim Towle was present. Mr. Green explained that Mr. Towle was looking to subdivide off a twelve (12) acre lot from the lot that includes his corn field. A house would be built on this new lot for Mr. Towle's son. The issue for discussion involved shaping the proposed property line in such a way that it would preserve as much of the agricultural nature of the field as possible. The lot would meet the Agricultural/Forestry Preservation District acreage and frontage requirements, however, preserving the state of the cornfield would require the width of the lot to vary as it progressed away from the road. This raised the question of whether the shape of the lot was being gerrymandered. Chairman Phillips asked how much frontage would remain of the cornfield after the 400 feet of frontage for the house lot had been taken; Jeff Green replied that the field would retain approximately forty-five (45) to fifty (50) feet of frontage for access. Jeff Miller indicated that with the current "stepped" layout of

the lot the shape is being gerrymandered and suggested cutting in at a forty-five degree angle instead. Dustin Bowles expressed mild concern about the sloping grade of the lot but stated that the only real issue for discussion was the gerrymandered shape. He suggested removing one of the steps to smooth out the shape. When T. Towle and J. Green asked which step should be removed, Dustin Bowles replied that if the first step were removed then Mr. Towle would still lose some of his field, but the shape of the lot would be more acceptable. Chairman Phillips also mentioned keeping the cornfield frontage below fifty (50) feet to ensure that it would stay in agricultural use and could not, in the future, be used as a "Right of Way" for potential building lots. Deeded access to or use of the cornfield would also help to ensure Mr. Towle's continued use of the land for agricultural purposes. It was concluded by the Board that, given slight modifications to the shape of the lot, this proposed subdivision would be possible. Tim Towle thanked the Board for their input.

**Old Business:**

#20-03 – John Johnson – Map 2 Lot 21 – Site Plan Review for a proposed access road – Rural Residential. No abutters were present, Jeff Green was in attendance to represent the applicant. Mr. Green gave a brief history of both the Johnson application and the Hemphill Living Trust Subdivision (#19-08), which required this road in order to obtain the required amount of frontage. The engineering on the Johnson project had not been completed due to an impending real estate sale. The sale has not yet happened and likely will not be completed for some time; therefore, Mr. Green plans to complete the necessary engineering paperwork and submit these documents to the Town Engineer. This information included cross sections of the proposed road. He planned to renotify abutters and was looking to have all of the necessary information submitted for the April or May meeting. He asked the Board for a two (2) month continuance on the application. Chairman Phillips clarified that Mr. Green was looking for a continuation until April 15<sup>th</sup> and that he would be using the same application without any major alterations; Mr. Green agreed. **Jeremy Minery made a motion to continue the application until April; seconded by Jeff Miller. All in favor;** application #20-03 continued to the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#20-20 – Eric and Cameron Woodman – Map 11 Lot 47 – Site Plan for proposed automotive sales – Rural Residential. Applicant was mistakenly told that they needed to apply for a Site Plan when they actually needed to apply for a Variance. No paperwork has been filed with the Planning and Zoning Office, but the applicant has continually stated that they will be applying for the Variance. The Board has tabled this application at each meeting. **Jeff Miller made a motion to table the application; seconded by Danielle Bosco. All in favor;** application #20-20 tabled to the March meeting.

**New Business:**

None.

**Board Discussion and Correspondence:**

Julie Robinson brought the Conservation Commission's survey on priorities for conservation to the attention of the Board. The survey can be found on the website and on the Commission's social media sites. Hard copies are also available at locations throughout town.

Chairman Phillips indicated that a copy of the letter sent to Jeff Green, dated January 22, 2021, about the status of the Johnson application had been included in the Board member packets.

Two citizens (Henry Huntington and Bob Cole) from Loudon are currently on the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission but both are stepping down. The Commission is looking for the Planning Board to recommend candidates for these positions to the Selectmen and they would like for the Board to recommend Stephen Caine for one of these openings. Mr. Caine has been on the Economic Development Committee in Loudon for



several years and Jeff Miller voiced his support for this nomination. **Katie Phelps made a motion to recommend Stephen Caine to the Selectmen for one of the vacancies on the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission; seconded by Vice Chair Alice Tuson. All in favor;** Stephen Caine will be recommended to the Selectmen for this position of CNHRPC commissioner from the Town of Loudon.

Bob Phillips mentioned the November meeting discussion about CSD Power Equipment outside storage. Chairman Phillips stated that he had gone back through past Site Plan Review files for that location and found stipulations about outside storage. Those stipulations, however, were never brought forward into subsequent reviews and did not provide a basis for issuing a letter of enforcement.

Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment – Application #Z20-20 (Twardosky) returning and application #Z21-02 (Bailey/McNeil) as new business. Chairman Phillips mentioned a conversation with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette about legislation before the New Hampshire Legislature that would allow for up to four (4) Accessory Dwelling Units on a property. Alvin See, an Alternate on the Zoning Board of Adjustment, discussed six (6) bills with the Board that are going before the New Hampshire House of Representatives. Information on these bills was passed around to the Board members.

Report of the Board of Permit – Katie Phelps reported two events that came before the Board of Permit this month. New Hampshire Motor Speedway will be hosting an event February 27th-28<sup>th</sup>. This Ski-Doo static display will feature clothing sales but no demo rides. The second event is the Ragnar Run to the Beach 200-mile relay, taking place September 17-18. Runners will be coming through town some time after midnight.

Ex-Officio Jeff Miller mentioned a recent WMUR News 9 report about workforce housing laws, suggesting that the Planning Board should look into the current regulations and legislation. Taking these precautions will ensure that the Board will be knowledgeable about this topic when the issue comes before the Board.

Chairman Phillips asked Planning Board Administrative Assistant Kelly Pedersen to explain an issue that she had found with the Notice of Decision for the Hemphill Living Trust application (#19-08). She explained that in the conditions on the original Notice of Decision, the Map and Lot numbers for the proposed road (Johnson application #20-03) had been transposed. The original notice listed them as Map 21, Lot 2 when they should have been listed as Map 2, Lot 21. The date provided for the meeting at which the decision was made did not match throughout the notice as well. Administrative Assistant Pedersen then stated that she had created a corrected Notice of Decision which fixed these issues and provided for the signatures of Vice Chair Alice Tuson, who was the Planning Board Chairman at the time of decision, and current Chairman Phillips to show that it had been brought to the attention of them both.

Chairman Phillips also mentioned the recent Office of Strategic Initiatives webinar about Earth Excavation. He stated that the Board will soon need to consider how to handle fee scheduling for Earth Excavation permitting issues.

Chairman Phillips thanked John Storrs for his three years of service on the Board, and he thanked Vice Chair Alice Tuson for her seven years of service on the Board.

#### Adjournment:

**John Storrs made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Vice Chair Alice Tuson. All in favor;** meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

### Selectmen's Budget Public Hearing Minutes Wednesday, February 3, 2021

- I. Chairman Prescott called the public hearing to order on the proposed July 1, 2021 –to June 30, 2022 budget and warrant articles. Chairman Prescott took roll call attendance: Selectman Miller – Selectman Miller – present at the EOC with Chairman Prescott, Fire Chief Tom Blanchette and Office Manager Brenda Pearl, Selectman Maxfield – at home and alone.
- II. Chairman Prescott read through the budget section by section noting any increases or decreases in the previous year's budget.
  - a. Jeff Leonard of 68 Coaster Road asked why the Old Home Day budget line was down from \$10,000 to \$6,500. Chairman Prescott said that the budget line is down because Old Home Day was not held this past year and the Board was told that there were agreements made and put-on hold for 2021 Old Home Day. Mr. Leonard said that deposits were made but nothing was paid in full. The Board asked Mr. Leonard to find the dollar amount in deposits that were made for 2020 Loudon Old Home Day and they would revisit this subject at the end of the meeting.
  - b. Peter Barton of 384 Old Shaker Road asked how he could propose to remove a budget line. The Board said it would need to be petitioned on the floor at the second half of town meeting on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at the elementary school on School street. Mr. Barton said he would like to decrease the general fund budget line 01-41301-100-110 by 1%. Selectman Miller said there is confusion on whether Mr. Barton wanted to zero the budget line out or reduce it by 1% since the first question asked was how to remove a budget line.
- III. Selectman Maxfield read through the 2021 – 2022 estimated revenues. Selectman Maxfield said that the estimated revenues have not changed since the first budget hearing and the grand total estimated revenues are \$2,506,189 which will be used to offset the 2021-2022 town expenditures. Selectman Maxfield said that there are still six more months to gain more revenue as well.
- IV. Selectman Miller said that the legislative body votes in the tax rate and only about 10% of Loudon's population attends the business session of town meeting. Selectman Miller said that the budget and warrant are presented at the business session and it is the people who decides what is passed and what is not, the Selectmen do not decide that. Selectman Miller said that last year they were able to take what was voted on last year with revenues and other funds and increase the tax rate only one penny per thousand. Selectman Miller said that article 1 of the 2021 warrant will be voted on by ballot on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 from 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the polls at the Arthur Colby Safety Complex on Cooper Street. Selectman Miller said that articles 2-21 are scheduled to be taken up at the second session of town meeting on Saturday, March 13, 2021 however, the Moderator has determined that an emergency has occurred and therefore the second session of town meeting will take place on Saturday, May 15, 2021 at 9:00 A.M. at the Loudon Elementary School on School Street. Selectman Miller said that the Moderator was given the power by the Governors emergency order to move the date of the second session of town meeting. Selectman Miller read the 2021 warrant articles as follows:

**Article 01 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year**

	To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year	appropriate the sum of \$9,723 for the
Article 02	<b>To purchase a Dump Truck</b>  To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$198,000 for the purchase of a dump truck with plows and sander, with \$198,000 to be withdrawn from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. The Selectmen recommend this article (Majority vote required). No Tax Impact.	Purchasing Dispatch Live, an innovative technology – based computer program. Dispatch Live allows multi agency usage and enhances the ability to work closer with surrounding towns and agencies with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen to not recommend this article (majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.02.
Article 03	<b>To reclaim &amp; pave Loudon Ridge Road</b>  To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,000 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving approximately 1700’ of the section of Loudon Ridge Road known as River Hill and authorize the withdrawal of \$120,000 from the Roadway Improvement Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. The Selectmen recommend this article (Majority vote required). No Tax Impact.	Article 08 <b>Fire Dept. Code Enforcement Vehicle</b> To see if the town will vote to raise an appropriate the sum of \$60,000.00 for the purchase of a Fire Department Code Enforcement Vehicle and equipment with funds to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.
Article 04	<b>To reclaim &amp; pave Flagg Road</b>  To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,235 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving the existing paved portion of Flagg Road with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.22.	Article 09 <b>Fire Dept. Command Vehicle</b> To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purchase of a Fire Department Command Vehicle and equipment with funds to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.
Article 05	<b>To reclaim &amp; pave Piper Hill Road</b>  To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,145 for the purpose of reclaiming and base paving needed sections of Piper Hill Road with an overlay of pavement on entire road with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. The Selectmen do not recommend this article (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.27.	Article 10 <b>Exhaust System for Station 2</b>  To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 for the purchase and installation of an Air Flow Exhaust Removal System at Fire Station 2, with funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.06.
Article 06	<b>For equipment Storage Shed</b>  To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 for the purpose of building an equipment storage shed on the transfer station property for housing the grader, tractor, backhoe, wood chipper and other small equipment with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen do not recommend this article. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.22.	Article 11 <b>FD Communications</b> To see if the town will vote to establish a Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund for Communications under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required). Estimated tax impact is \$.11.
Article 07	<b>For Dispatch Live</b>  To see if the Town will vote to raise and	Article 12 <b>Firefighter Protective Clothing Extractor/Dryer</b>  To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000.00 for the purchase and installation of an Firefighter Protective Clothing Extractor / Dryer, with funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. The Selectmen recommend this article (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.04.
		Article 13 <b>Historical Society Museum CRF</b>



To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 31:19a, to be designated as the Loudon Historical Society and Museum at 29 South Village Road, for the purpose of demolishing the two-story wooden structure attached to the granite building and rebuilding a new one-story structure on the same footprint and to raise and appropriate \$25,000, to be placed in this fund, with this amount to be raised by taxes; further to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.05.

**Article 14     Solar on town office**  
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of #73,481 for the installation of solar on the town office building and authorize the withdrawal of \$66,000 from Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$7,481 is to come from general taxation. The Selectmen recommend this article (majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is \$.02.

**Article 15     Library Income**  
To see if the town will vote to permit the Maxfield Public Library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment. The Selectmen recommend this article. (majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

**Article 16     Audio/Visual System**  
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 for the purchase of an audio/visual system for the Town Office Meeting Room; capable of streaming and conference calls with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (majority vote required). Estimated tax impact \$.06.

**Article 17     To adopt RSA 41:14-a**  
To see if the town will vote to adopt RSA 41:14-a, to allow the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the planning board and to the conservation commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. This article will remain in effect until rescinded by majority vote. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required).

**Article 18     To raise and appropriate for established CRF**  
  
To see if the town of Loudon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$560,500 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds.  
Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000  
Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000  
Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund \$40,000

Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$125,000  
J.O. Cate Memorial Van Capital Reserve Fund \$2,500  
Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$63,000  
Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000  
Town History Capital Reserve Fund \$10,000  
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000  
Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000  
Town Garage Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000  
Safety Complex Upgrade Capital Reserve fund \$20,000  
The Selectmen recommend this article.  
(Majority vote required).  
Estimated tax impact is \$.98

**Article 19     To raise and appropriate for established ETF.**  
  
To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$122,000 to be placed in previously established Expendable Trust Funds.  
Recreation Facility Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$2,000  
Conservation Commission Land Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000  
Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000  
Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund \$50,000  
Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000  
The Selectmen recommend this article.  
(Majority vote required).  
Estimated tax impact is \$.21

**Article 20     For general municipal operations.**  
  
To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,110,258 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.” (Majority vote required). Estimate tax impact is \$8.90

**Article 21     To transact any other business**  
  
To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.  
Given under our hands and seal, this 5th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty one.

Chairman Prescott asked if there were any questions regarding the warrant articles. Peter Barton of 384 Old Shaker Road wanted to clarify that he only wants to remove the 1% increase from the Selectmen’s Wages line and not remove the line altogether. Peter Barton asked if the Selectmen are retired. Selectman Miller said he is not and holds three jobs. Chairman Prescott said he is retired but the time the Selectmen put in for this job they are paid next to nothing. Alichia Kingsbury of 293

Bear Hill Road said that she personally contacted all the towns in Merrimack County and found that the Loudon Selectmen were paid between 40-60% more than other towns. Selectman Miller asked Ms. Kingsbury how many of those towns had town managers or budget committees. Ms. Kingsbury said that most of the towns did not have town managers. Ms. Kingsbury offered to do a new study of this information. Selectman Miller said ultimately it will come down to the voters at town meeting. Jeff Leonard of 68 Coaster Road listed the amounts of deposits made for old home day and balances due as follows: American Thunder Fireworks – paid \$2,400 deposit with balance due of \$6,100, Christian Party Rentals – paid \$250 security deposit with balance due of \$1,126, EZ Bounce of New England – paid \$687.50 security deposit with balance due of \$1,787.50. Mr. Leonard said that there will be some things Old Home Day will need to pay again like the advertising and their mailings. Mr. Leonard said that it takes a lot of time and money to put Old Home Day on and he feels the budget line should be increased to \$10,000 as in years past. Chairman Prescott asked if Selectman Miller if he was in favor or not of removing the 1% increase to the Selectmen's wages budget line. Selectman Miller said he was in favor of removing the 1% increase. Selectman Maxfield said he was in favor of keeping the 1% increase to the Selectmen's wages budget line. Chairman Prescott said he was also in favor of keeping the 1% increase to the Selectmen's wages budget line. Chairman Prescott asked the Selectmen who would be in favor of increasing the Old Home Day budget line back to \$10,000 – Miller – in favor; Maxfield – in favor. Majority in favor, the Old Home Day Budget line will increase to \$10,000. Chairman Prescott said with the increase to the Old Home Day Budget Line the grand total budget amount will be \$5,110,258.00.

V. Selectman Miller said that the Zoning Amendments that were on the first draft of the 2021 warrant are not on the final draft because there was no public hearing to accept them. Chairman Prescott said that the original article submitted by Chief Burgess for the polygraph machine is not present on the final draft warrant because Chief Burgess withdrew the article.

VI. Jeff Leonard of 68 Coaster Road asked questions about the PB/ZBA administrative assistant wages budget lines.

VII. Selectman Miller made a motion to adopt the amended budget as discussed in the amount of \$5,110,258.00. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the 2021 Warrants as written with the general operations increase as discussed. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to adopt the 2021-2022 estimated revenues in the amount of \$2,506,189.00. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. Jeff Leonard asked some questions about warrant article 8 and 9.

IX. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to adjourn the final budget hearing at 7:56 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Thursday, February 4, 2021

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield & Selectman Miller

Also, Present: Road Agent Russ Pearl and Hoyle & Tanner Engineer Josif Bicja

I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. The Board reviewed the project document for the Transfer Station with Road Agent Russ Pearl and Engineer Josif Bicja. The Board spoke with Mr. Bicja about the liability insurance for the project. Chairman Prescott said he spoke with Primex and the town attorney and they said to do what the Board thinks is prudent but be sure to protect the town. The Board agreed to \$1,000,000 for umbrella liability insurance. The Board agreed to a 1-year warranty bond on the project from the contractor. The Board discussed other sections of the contract and suggested changes. The Board agreed to a bid starting date of Wednesday, February 10, 2021. Mr. Bicja said that there will be at least a 30-day window for bids to be submitted with a due date of Friday, March 12, 2021. Mr. Bicja said the bid opening date will be Friday, March 12, 2021 at 3:00 P.M. Chairman Prescott would be attending for the Board. The Board scheduled a meeting with Mr. Bicja on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 10: A.M. to review and decide on a bid.

III. Selectman Miller made a motion to adjourn at 7:17 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.



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**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 9, 2021**

- I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Prescott read the following notice: As Chair of the Select Board, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically. Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:
- Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means: We are utilizing the UberConference platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the Board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone # 802-210-4419 or by clicking on the following website address: [UberConference.com/townofloudon](https://UberConference.com/townofloudon)
  - Providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting: We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the meeting telephonically. Instructions have also been provided on the website of the town at: [loudonnh.org](http://loudonnh.org)
  - Providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access: If anybody has a problem, please call 798-4541 or email at: [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org).
  - Adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting: In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.  
Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.
- Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to-Know law.
- Roll call attendance: Selectman Miller – present at home and alone; Chairman Prescott – present at the EOC with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette; Selectman Maxfield – at home and alone; Police Chief Kris Burgess – in his office at the PD alone; Road Agent Russ Pearl – in his pick-up truck alone; Planning Board Member Katie Phelps – at home and alone; Zoning Board Chairman Ned Lizotte – at the town offices alone.
- II. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, February 2, 2021 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Wednesday, February 3, 2021 as written. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- IV. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Thursday, February 4, 2021 as written. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Selectman Miller said that this meeting

was with Hoyle & Tanner and the Road Agent in regards to the Transfer Station repairs. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

- V. Chairman Prescott opened Board of Permit.
- Chief Blanchette spoke with the Board about the Magna Run to the Beach event that has come through town in the past. Chief Blanchette said that last years event was cancelled due to COVID-19 but Mr. Dion said they are looking to hold the event on September 17<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup>. Chief Blanchette said that the run will be starting in the north country all the way to the seacoast and the runners will be going through Loudon in the middle of the night to early morning on the 18<sup>th</sup>. Chief Blanchette said that they have changed the route since the last race in 2019 because there were concerns about the runners being on Route 106. Chief Blanchette said that they will be filling out a special event permit application to fulfill the requirements of the permit. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign the Magna Run to the Beach event permit. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - Chief Blanchette spoke with the Board about an application that came in form NHMS to have a Ski Doo manufacturing static display and hawker event. Chief Blanchette said there will be no demo rides with this event and they are expecting less than 1,000 attendees. Selectman Miller said that after reviewing the special event application the track spelled out clearly the details of their event. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the special event license for NHMS. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- VI. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.
- Chief Burgess said they have one candidate for hire that passed the polygraph and they are currently working on their background check.
  - Chief Burgess said that this Thursday and Friday they will be assisting the elementary school with fire drills.
  - Chief Burgess said the PD will be taking advantage of an emergency pipeline event class online.
  - Chief Burgess asked the Board to meet in a nonpublic session for a personnel issue.
  - The Board thanked Chief Burgess for all he does for the town.
- VII. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
- Mr. Pearl said the highway department is actively plowing as he speaks and all the trucks are holding up, all their hard work preparing the trucks is paying off.
  - Selectman Miller thanked Mr. Pearl and his guys for all the hard work they are doing to keep the roads clear. Mr. Pearl said he has a great crew.
- VIII. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.
- Chief Blanchette said he is concerned with the cost of their phone and internet service. Chief Blanchette said the cost has seemed to jump dramatically in the past year and the phone budget line will run short. Chief Blanchette said he is currently speaking with other companies to get bundle prices to see if there is anything cheaper.
  - Chief Blanchette said that the state is now offering reim-



- bursement for the pay given to first responders of municipalities who are helping in the vaccination efforts for the state. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign the certificate of authorization allowing Chief Blanchette to act on behalf of the town for the reimbursement program. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Chief Blanchette congratulated EMT/FF Zachary Powell for receiving his ice water rescue certification this past weekend.
  - d. Chief Blanchette said he will be submitting a list of ambulance bills that should be considered for right off at next week's meeting.
  - e. Chief Blanchette said they currently have one member in quarantine who will be coming out at midnight Wednesday night.
  - f. The Board thanked Chief Blanchette for the work he does for the town.
- IX. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.
- a. The Board received a confidential envelope from Chief Burgess.
  - b. The Board received a letter from the State of New Hampshire Board of Tax and Land Appeals regarding Map 58 Lot 127.
  - c. The Board received a letter from Upton & Hatfield regarding the Franssen 2018 Revocable Trust.
  - d. The Board reviewed a statement from the NH Charitable Foundation regarding the Loudon Veteran's War Memorial/ Monument Maintenance Fund.
  - e. The Board reviewed a letter from Francine Clave regarding the installation of a locking mailbox. The Board said they would reach out to Mrs. Clave with a few questions.
  - f. The Board reviewed a letter from T.F. Bernier, Inc. regarding ABJEH Realty, LLC.
  - g. The Board reviewed a letter from Scott and Lee Carbonneau regarding broadband internet. Selectman Miller said he knows the Governors Office has been working on getting broadband internet in remote places ever since everything has gone remote and he knows there are a couple of house bills in the works for this issue. The Board agreed to sending a letter of support to the Governor's Office.
  - h. The Board reviewed a Planning Board notice of decision for Map 35, Lots 1 & 4.
  - i. The Board reviewed a Planning Board notice of decision for Map 13, Lots 6 & 7.
  - j. The Board reviewed a Planning Board notice of decision for Map 21, Lot 16
  - k. The Board reviewed a Zoning Board notice of decision for Map 43, Lot 7.
  - l. The Board reviewed a Zoning Board notice of decision for Map 38, Lot 37.
  - m. The Board reviewed the draft Planning Board meeting minutes for January 21, 2021.
  - n. The Board reviewed an employee evaluation for Jeffrey Cain.
  - o. The Board reviewed an employee evaluation for Juan Posada.
  - p. The Board reviewed and signed the 2021 Warrant.
  - q. The Board reviewed a letter to Tony Merullo regarding Creekwater Lane.
  - r. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.
- X. Chairman Prescott said there was a furnace issue at 29 South Village Road and there are some issues that need to be fixed. Chairman Prescott said that the furnace water gauge isn't working and a low water cutoff should be installed on the furnace incase there is a leak in the pipes and there is not water. Chairman Prescott said they had RC & Sons Heating and Cooling do the emergency work, who is familiar with the furnace and recommended repairs. The Board agreed to get a quote from RC & Sons for the repairs needed.
- XI. Chairman Prescott said to Creekwater Lane residents that the Board has signed a letter to Tony Merullo requesting he provide the bond documents requested by a specific date.
  - XII. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to enter into a non-public session with Police Chief Kris Burgess at 7:00 P.M. under RSA 91-A:3, II(c). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Selectman Miller said that this session was requested by Chief Burgess for a personnel issue. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to leave non-public session at 7:15 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - XIII. Jodie Russell of Creekwater Lane asked what the deadline date for the bond information was in the letter to Tony Merullo. Chairman Prescott said the deadline date is February 16, 2021.
  - XIV. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to adjourn at 7:18 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 16, 2021

- I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Prescott read the following notice: As Chair of the Select Board, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically. Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:
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Roll call attendance: Chairman Prescott – present at the EOC with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette, Office Manager Brenda Pearl and Selectman Jeffrey Miller; Selectman Maxfield – at home and alone; Road Agent Russ Pearl – at home and alone.

- II. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, February 9, 2021 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. Selectman Miller made a motion to amend the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, January 26, 2021, paragraph seven first line, Howard Moffett should be changed to Mike Moffett. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes; All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of January 26, 2021 with the amendment to paragraph seven. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
  - a. Mr. Pearl said that the freezing rain storm was difficult at some times and unfortunately, they had two trucks break down. Mr. Pearl said that one truck lost the spring on the rear axle and they had it towed to Donovan's Truck Center hoping they can get it back on the road before the next storm comes in on Thursday. Mr. Pearl said that the other truck has a sander and exhaust issue he thinks can be fixed in house.
  - b. Mr. Pearl said he met with Mulleavey Electric about getting a quote for moving a power line which will alleviate the issue of the power line over the construction area during the transfer station repairs.
  - c. Mr. Pearl said that the sand pile is holding up and he just put another order in for salt but he feels they are in good shape.
  - d. The Board thanked Mr. Pearl and his crew for working through the storms to keep everything moving in Loudon.
- V. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.
  - a. Chief Blanchette said that everyone is healthy and they have no members in quarantine at this time.

- b. Chief Blanchette said that they have members helping out at the state vaccination clinics and he is hoping to get the contract in to the state soon for reimbursement for those hours worked.

- VI. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.
  - a. The Board received a letter of resignation from a Loudon Police Officer.
  - b. The Board received a letter of resignation from the Deputy Town Clerk.
  - c. The Board reviewed the Maxfield Public Library Trustee Meeting Minutes of 1/14/2021.
  - d. The Board reviewed the draft Zoning Board meeting minutes of 1/28/2021.
  - e. The Board reviewed and signed a land use change tax warrant for map 60, lot 20.
  - f. The Board reviewed and signed a land use change tax bill for map 60, lot 20.
  - g. The Board reviewed an abatement request for map 29, lot 7-33. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to abate the amount of \$362.06 from map 29, lot 7-33. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Selectman Maxfield said that this abatement is based on the town assessor's evaluation of the property. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Abatement granted.
  - h. The board reviewed and signed a Veterans property tax credit for map 21, lot 64.
  - i. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.
- VII. Chairman Prescott said they did get a response from Tony Merullo regarding the road bond for Creekwater Lane and they are submitting his response to the town attorney and will wait for further direction and clarification.
- VIII. The Board spoke about a currier road property, map 40, lot 9. Chairman Prescott said that the property abuts the old town dump, and years back the town would dump debris over the embankment and over time tires and other debris have rolled on to abutting private property. Chairman Prescott said that the property owner is looking for the town to clean up the debris off of their property. Chairman Prescott said that himself and Road Agent Russ Pearl have walked the property line and have seen the debris. Chairman Prescott said that himself and Russ Pearl estimated they saw between 50-75 tires over the property line. Selectman Maxfield suggested that they wait until Spring to remove the tires since the ground is snow covered. Mr. Pearl said the issue he sees with warmer weather is the pond will not be frozen which will make it difficult to get to the tires. Mr. Pearl said it will not be possible to get any equipment down there to help so it will be manual labor and wading in the pond to remove as many as they can get too. Mr. Pearl said it will take some time and he doesn't want a time constraint on the removal. The Board agreed with the removal of what they could get too. The Board agreed to invite the property owner to call in to the next Selectmen's meeting to discuss what his expectations are.
- IX. Selectman Miller made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, February 23, 2021**

- I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Prescott read the following notice: As Chair of the Select Board, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically. Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:
- a. Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means: We are utilizing the UberConference platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the Board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone # 802-210-4419 or by clicking on the following website address: [UberConference.com/townofloudon](https://UberConference.com/townofloudon)
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- III. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.
- a. Chief Blanchette said he has one member in quarantine, not job related.
  - b. Chief Blanchette said they have three people progressing nicely in Level 1 at the Fire Academy.
  - c. Chief Blanchette said he will be attending a "Responding to Acts of Violence" webinar.
  - d. Chief Blanchette said he and Deputy Lake will attending a code compliance webinar.
  - e. Chief Blanchette said he tracked down three filter for the existing smoke evacuation units they have at the station.
- f. Chief Blanchette said the department was invited to participate in an active shooter class on April 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> in Manchester. He can send two people free of charge. Selectman Miller said any training that is free should be taken and this is an ideal class to take. Chairman Prescott agreed it is a great opportunity. Selectman Maxfield said it sounds like a worthwhile training.
- g. Chief Blanchette explained that there are new codes regarding fire protection of floors for contractors.
- h. Chief Blanchette explained that he would like to apply for a grant that would fund 2 career firefighter positions for three years. He explained that there is no cost share and no obligation to continue the positions after the three years. Chief Blanchette is going to get the Selectmen the grant packet for review. The deadline for grant submittal is March 12, 2021.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
- a. Mr. Pearl said they have had an active weather pattern lately; unfortunately, on the weekends which is hard on the families.
  - b. Mr. Pearl said they are using up the sand pile but thinks there is enough for the remainder of the winter.
  - c. Mr. Pearl said the trucks are holding up so far. He explained that tomorrow they will clean the trucks including under the hoods.
  - d. Mr. Pearl said they have a small issue with the excavator that they are working on.
  - e. The Board spoke with Mr. Pearl about getting two more quotes for the moving of the power line during the Transfer Station upgrades.
  - f. Mr. Pearl said he would like to have a nonpublic session with the Board regarding a personnel issue.
  - g. Selectman Maxfield said the highway crew is doing a good job. Selectman Miller said the roads are being taken care of well. Chairman Prescott agreed they are doing a good job.
- V. The Board spoke with Paul Schaefer regarding the debris on his property from the town dump that abuts the Transfer Station. Mr. Schaefer asked if there was a way to get something in writing from the town with a time frame on when the debris would be removed from his property. The Board told Mr. Schaefer to give them two weeks to speak with the Road Agent to get a time frame on when the debris could be removed.
- VI. The Board spoke with Paul Johnson about the possible closure of the septage lagoon at the Transfer Station. Mr. Johnson said he was told it was closing due to the fact that it was not being used much. Mr. Johnson said the only reason he has not been using the lagoon is because of the recent price increase. The Board said there has been talk for some time about closing the lagoon and they have received the documents from NHDES on the process for the closure. Mr. Johnson said that he has been involved with a number of lagoon closures in other towns and if they needed any guidance or help to let him know.
- VII. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.
- a. The Board reviewed a letter and employee information from the Road Agent.
  - b. The Board received an email from Chief Burgess regarding a new hire.
  - c. The Board reviewed the COVID-19 Vaccination Aid Agreement.
  - d. The Board reviewed a copy of an invoice that went to CTRC



from the Fire Department.

- e. The Board reviewed a letter from Matt Goodwin regarding website links.
  - f. The Board received a regional impact abutter notification from the Town of Gilford's Zoning Board of Adjustment.
  - g. The Board received a letter from a scholarship recipient.
  - h. The Board reviewed and signed the MS-636 proposed budget.
  - i. Selectman Miller made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign on behalf of the town the NESG PILOT agreement. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - j. Selectman Miller made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign on behalf of the town the HealthTrust COVID-19 Relief Election form. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - k. The Board reviewed and signed the Deputy Forest Fire Warden Appointment paper for Greg Treat.
  - l. Selectman Miller made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign on behalf of the town the CNHRPC Representative Appointment paper for Stephen Caine. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - m. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.
- VIII. The Board spoke about the road maintenance bond information for Creekwater Lane still needed from Tony Merullo. Chairman Prescott said that they have received feedback from town council and they are moving forward with the suggestions on obtaining the proper bond information.
- IX. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to contract R C & Sons to repair the gas furnace in the Stone building at 29 South Village Road in the amount of \$904.00. Further to take funds from Town Offices/Community Building Repairs budget line 01-41941-400-430 for service. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.
- X. Selectman Miller made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:48 pm. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- XI. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to allow the town attorney to sign on behalf of the Town of Loudon on the deposit of \$1,800 from the State of NH as just compensation for the taking of land for construction easements. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.
- XII. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

## April 2021 in Loudon

meetings are always subject to change. please contact the group if you have any questions and/or to confirm meeting times & locations. if your info is wrong, please contact us so we can fix it!

if your organization would like to get its meetings & events on this calendar, please send them to [loudonledgergraphics@gmail.com](mailto:loudonledgergraphics@gmail.com). let us know if it a recurring event so it will go in each month.

### 1st Monday of the Month

6pm\*Conservation Commission @ Community Building

### 1st Tuesday of the Month

7pm\*Lions Club @ the Library

### 1st Wednesday of the Month

1-3pm\*Loudon Historical Society Open  
5pm\*Library Trustees @ Library  
(Call first as day may change)  
6:30pm\*Historical Society @Museum (Museum Open)

### First Thursday of the Month

6:30pm PTA @ Loudon Elementary

### 2nd Monday of the Month

7:15pm \* MVSD School Board

### 2nd Tuesday of the Month

10:00am\*Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg

### 2nd Thursday of the Month

6:30pm\*Lion Pack @ the Library

### 2nd Saturday of the Month

4:30-6:00pm\*Family Bible Church  
Community Dinner

### 3rd Monday of the Month

6pm\*Communication Council@Community Building

### 3rd Tuesday of the Month

6:30pm\*Recycling Com @ Town Office  
(Subject to change, 396-4950)  
7pm Lions Club @ Library

### 3rd Wednesday of the Month

1-3pm\*Loudon Historical Society Open  
4:30 Alternative Energy Committee meeting@ Gazebo, Rec Field  
6pm\*Sit n' Stitch @ the Library  
6:30pm Gardeners Club @ Com. Bldg  
(Subject to change - 396-4950)  
6:30-7:30pm\*Scouts@LES  
7pm\*Legion & Auxiliary @ Post 88

### 3rd Thursday of the Month

7pm\*Planning Board@Town Offices

### 3rd Sunday of the Month

9:30am\*Loudon Congregational Church  
Healing Prayer Time

### 4th Monday of the Month

4pm\*Trails Subcommittee@Com. Bldg.  
5pm\*Economic Development Committee @ Town Offices  
7pm\*LYAA @ the Library

### 4th Wednesday of the Month

6:30pm\*Recreation Committee @ Library

### 4th Thursday of the Month

7pm\*Zoning Board @ the Town Offices

### Every Tuesday

10am\*Writers Group @ the Library  
10:30am\*Music&Movement@Library  
Storytime@Library  
5-7pm\*It Takes 2 Game Time @ the Library  
(Beginning March 18th)  
6pm\*Selectmen @ Town Offices  
6:30pm\*Prayer Meeting @ Congregational Church

### Every Wednesday

10:30am\*Chair Yoga@ the Library thru 3/25  
2pm\*Stitch N' Chat @ the Library  
6:30pm\*Cub Scouts @ LES

### Every Friday

10:30am\*Chair Yoga @ the Library thru 3-20  
2-4pm\*Art in the Afternoon @ the Library  
2:30pm\*Storytime @ the Library

### EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

Loudon Ledger Deadline - April 16th

The Loudon Alternative Energy Committee is meeting by zoom, the third Wednesday of the month at 4:30pm

**New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene at 33 Staniels Road, Loudon will hold their Resurrection Celebration Service on Sunday, April 4th starting at 10:30am. All are welcome!**

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, meetings and events may be subject to change, or may be held remotely. Before planning to attend in person, you may want to contact the related organization directly for information about how to participate.

Deadline for May Loudon Ledger is April 16th  
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Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7PM  
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