

# The Loudon Ledger

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## YOUR SUPPORT IS CRUCIAL!

Several months ago, the Communications Council published an urgent request for volunteers. We were richly rewarded when a number of our friends and neighbors answered the call, agreeing to join the Council and to serve on its Board of Directors. Now, we need your help again! Without additional operating funds in the form of advertising revenues, individual contributions or public support, we may have no choice but to suspend publication of the *Ledger* before the end of the fiscal year (June 30).

Some folks have suggested that we forget about distributing a monthly newspaper and cut costs by publishing the *Ledger* on-line only. That certainly would eliminate the costs of printing and bulk mailing. However, we still would need to pay a coordinator to gather, organize, and produce content, and we still would need to pay someone commissions to sell advertising and manage advertising accounts. It also would mean compromising a core principle of our mission to communicate important information every month with every resident in Loudon, including those who do not have, do not want, or cannot afford internet access in their homes. Others have suggested that we might cut costs by mailing papers to only those households that specifically request printed copies of the *Ledger*. In actuality, that would increase costs as well. We still would need a professional mailing service to prepare and mail the *Ledger* every month, and we would be paying first class rather than bulk mail rates. We also would need a staff person to create and continually update a mailing list.

Last fiscal year, it cost \$31,152 to produce, publish, and distribute the *Ledger*. We received \$12,000 in public funding

and we brought in \$12,671 in advertising revenues to defray the costs of operation. Sadly, that left us with a deficit of \$6,481. We have been able to survive growing annual deficits since Fiscal Year 2013, but our financial reserves are now almost completely depleted. Although we will ask voters at this year's Town Meeting for an increase in public funding, the amount requested will not completely cover anticipated deficits, and those funds, if approved, will not be available until July. As always, we will strive to increase advertising revenues, and we will continue to hold deposits in reserve to reimburse advertisers who have purchased annual contracts should we be unable to publish ads for which payment has been received.

If you own a business, please consider advertising in the *Ledger*.

The *Ledger* provides a public service and meets a community need that has not, to date, been accomplished or even attempted by any other organization. It is our fervent hope that we can continue to carry out the Council's 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."

Individuals, organizations, and businesses can make a fully tax-deductible contribution to support the production of *The Loudon Ledger* by sending checks made payable to the Loudon Communications Council, PO Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. We look forward to hearing from you! ■



## Just In Time

A 2017 Mack plow truck was delivered on December 29, 2016 during a snowstorm, which was good timing! Shown here, from left to right: Mick Mounsey, Salesman for McDevitt Truck, Inc.; Mike Pickering, Loudon Highway Dept.; and Marcin Koszalka, Salesman for Donovan Equipment Co. ■

## 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.*

**Town of Loudon Office Hours**  
**Selectmen’s Office**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
*Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building.*  
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.  
Robert P. Krieger, Chairman (*term expires 2017*) [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Steven R. Ives (*term expires 2018*) [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Robert N. Fiske (*term expires 2019*) [selectmanfiske@comcast.net](mailto:selectmanfiske@comcast.net)

**Town Clerk**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542 • [townclerk@loudonnh.org](mailto:townclerk@loudonnh.org)  
Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–8:45 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Planning/Zoning Board**

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • [planning-zoning@loudonnh.org](mailto:planning-zoning@loudonnh.org)  
*The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.*  
Mon. through Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 9 a.m.–4 p.m. & 5–9 p.m.

**Tax Collector**

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • [taxcollector@loudonnh.org](mailto:taxcollector@loudonnh.org)  
Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Police Department: Emergencies: 911**

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521 • [www.loudonpolice.com](http://www.loudonpolice.com)  
Mon.–Thur.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

**Building/Code Enforcement**

PO Box 7032 • 798-5584 • 8 Cooper St., Fire Dept.  
[codeoffice@loudonfire.com](mailto:codeoffice@loudonfire.com) • Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

**Fire Department: Emergencies: 911**

PO Box 7032 • 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 Street. Permits are available between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. 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)→Fire Department→Links→Online Fire Permit.*

**Loudon Elementary School**

7039 School Street • 783-4400  
*The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15 p.m. Call the Superintendent’s Office for meeting location.*

**Transfer Station**

783-0170 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)  
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.  
*Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.*

**Highway Department**

783-4568 • [selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org](mailto:selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org)  
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

**Maxfield Public Library**

Library Director: Deborah Gadway-Lambert • 798-5153 • [maxlib@comcast.net](mailto:maxlib@comcast.net)  
Mon.: 2–7:30 p.m. • Tues.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Wed.: 2–7:30 p.m.  
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–7:30 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.  
*The Library Trustees meet at 5 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.*

**John O. Cate 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 the month at 2 p.m. at their facility at the Transfer Station.

**Loudon Food Pantry**

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon  
Intake Hours: Tuesday–Thursday by appointment only. Office hours and donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–1 p.m. and 3–6 p.m. Closed Fridays. For more information or to see if you qualify for services, call Sue at 724-9731 or email [info@loudonfoodpantry.org](mailto:info@loudonfoodpantry.org)

**Loudon Representatives**  
**REPRESENTATIVES — U.S.**

U.S. Sen. Maggie Hassan. (603) 622-2204. [www.maggiehassan.com](http://www.maggiehassan.com)  
U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen. (603) 647-7500. [Shaheen.senate.gov](http://Shaheen.senate.gov)  
U.S. Rep. Carol Shea-Porter. (603) 251-9653. [info@shea-porter.com](mailto:info@shea-porter.com)  
U.S. Rep. Ann M. Kuster. (603) 226-1002. [Kuster.house.gov](http://Kuster.house.gov)

**REPRESENTATIVE STATE SENATE (DISTRICT 17)**

State Sen. John Reagan. (603) 463-5945. [John.reagan111@gmail.com](mailto:John.reagan111@gmail.com)

**REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 9)**

State Rep. Howard M. Moffett. (603)783-4993. [Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us)  
State Rep. Michael Moffett. (603)491-0553. [Michael.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:Michael.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us)

**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 elucidate but not advocate.”

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to [debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.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. ■

**ALL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY AND PAYMENT IS DUE WHEN PICKED UP. COLOR ADS MAY BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS AND ARE SUBJECT TO UP-CHARGES. ADS NOT CAMERA READY WILL BE SUBJECT TO A 10% SURCHARGE.**

**“The Loudon Ledger” 2017 Schedule**

January 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 12/19

February 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 1/23

March 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 2/20

April 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 3/20

May 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 4/17

June 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/19 Council Meeting: Mon. 5/22

July 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 6/19

August 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/21 Council Meeting: Mon. 7/24

September 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/18 Council Meeting: Mon. 8/21

October 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 9/18

November 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/20 Council Meeting: Mon. 10/23

December 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/17 Council Meeting: Mon. 11/20

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**TO ADVERTISE, CONTACT: Samantha French/738-0232**

**DISPLAY ADVERTISING RATES:**

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<b>1/8 Page</b>	4 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 3"H — or — 2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 6"H	\$50.00/issue
<b>1/4 Page</b>	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 3"H — or — 4 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 6"H	\$65.00/issue
<b>1/2 Page</b>	9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 6"H — or — 4 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub> "W x 11 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> "H	\$115.00/issue
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# Where to Worship in Loudon

## Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Senior Pastor • Pat Testerman, Associate Pastor  
334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbenh.org  
Office Hours: Mon.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.  
Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.)  
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. for all ages  
Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sundays 6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, meets at noon)  
FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.



## 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.



## Landmark Baptist Church

Independent, Biblical, Caring  
Pastor Paul J. Clow  
103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurchnh.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!



## Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Shirley Marcoft, Interim Minister  
433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307  
Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)  
Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.  
For information on upcoming events, please contact Gayle Doyle, Clerk at 603-435-0496 or email: gad022948@gmail.com. For other information, call Henry A. Welch, Head Trustee at 603-435-6510 (please leave a message if no answer).



## Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Moe Cornier  
7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • 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](http://www.cccusa.org)).



## New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. Joshua T. Johnson, Lead Pastor  
Rev. Dallas Tharp, Intergenerational Discipleship Pastor  
Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor  
33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–3, Tues.–Fri.  
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LBNazarene.org  
Sundays:  
Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants–3-year-olds.)  
Jr. Kids Church (3-year-olds–Kindergarteners.) Children’s Church (Grades 1–5)  
Discipleship Hour: 11:00 a.m. for all ages.  
Second Tuesdays: OASIS Potluck Luncheon (for folks 50+): 11 a.m.–1 p.m.  
Wednesdays: Teen Bible Quizzing Practice: 5:30 p.m. (for monthly Quiz Meets)  
Games, Food & Fellowship for Everyone: 6:30–7:00 p.m.  
Youth Groups (Grades 6–8 and 9–12): 7–8 p.m.  
Adult Bible Studies and Kids Time (PreK–Grade 5). 7–8 p.m.



To have your Church’s information added to this column,  
please email your information to [debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com)

# CHURCH NEWS

## New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene is hosting a **Dessert Auction and Spaghetti Dinner** to raise funds for our mission trip to Cuba in April. Whether you are looking for that perfect gift for Valentine’s Day or just want a delicious meal and a decadent dessert, come to New Beginnings at 33 Staniels Rd. in Loudon on **February 11th from 4:30–8 p.m.** We will have all kinds of desserts for auction, as well as a spaghetti dinner. The dinner is free, with a suggested donation of \$10 for adults and \$6 for children ages 6–12. All proceeds from the auction and dinner will be going for the trip cost. **Please RSVP by February 9th** to the church at 603-224-1311 or contact Pastor Dallas at [pastordallastharp@gmail.com](mailto:pastordallastharp@gmail.com). ■

## Faith Community Bible Church

Faith Community Bible Church will be hosting its annual Easter Sunrise Service at the Gazebo (Loudon Recreation Field), April 16th at 6 a.m. Questions can be directed to Alicen Twardosky (603) 783-4045  
A continental style breakfast will be served following the service at Faith Community Bible Church. ■



## Loudon Food Pantry News

### The LFP Challenge to Fight Hunger

**Starting Date: February 1, 2017 • Ending Date: April 30, 2017**  
To be part of this effort:  
• **Donate In-date Food** (It will be counted as \$1.00 per item).  
• **Donate In-date Meat or Produce** (It will be counted as \$1.00 per pound).  
• **Donate Funds** (It will be counted dollar for dollar).  
You must note your donation “LFP Challenge” if you want it included or just verbally let us know. Everything from our donation sites will be automatically included in the LFP Challenge. All food and funds stay within Loudon Food Pantry!  
**Our 2017 Goal is \$10,000 in food and funds**  
Please spread the word! With your help, we can feed households in need. Thank you in advance for your consideration! If you have any questions please call Sue at 724-9731.

**How can you donate?**  
You can mail or drop off donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307-0734. We have drop off locations at the following:

Canterbury	Elkins Library	Food
Chichester	Camping World	Food
Epsom	Care Pharmacy	Cash Bin
Loudon	106 Beanstalk	Cash Bin
Loudon	Egg Shell Restaurant	Cash Bin
Loudon	Loudon Station	Food & Cash Bin
Loudon	Loudon Village Country Store	Cash Bin

### Gift of Lights (NHMS Winter Wonderland)

This year we received 9,360.66 pounds of food and \$606 in cash from the Gift of Lights. Due to the generous donations from those that attended this year’s Gift of Lights, we are able to provide over 10,000 meals. We are very grateful for the help this provides to the communities we service.

### New Office Hours

Effective immediately our new hours are:

Monday	10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	3:00–6:00 p.m.
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	3:00–6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	Closed
Thursday	10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.	3:00–6:00 p.m.

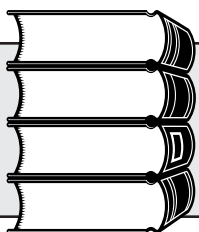
### Volunteer Hours

We have started posting available volunteer hours on LoudonFoodPantry.org. The hours are listed in the right hand column. ■



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## Maxfield Public Library News



Building snowmen.



Scenes from our "Frozen" party..

### Yoga

The library offers yoga classes on Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m., and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is offered Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and Thursdays at 11 a.m. The cost per session is \$5.00.

### Meditation

Join Fran Nash for some gentle stretching and guided meditation on Wednesday, February 1 at 6:00 p.m. Turn your attention away from distracting thoughts and take a peaceful journey, focusing on the present moment. The cost for the session is \$5.00.

### Winter Bingo

Winter bingo started last month and will continue through March 2. Come in to the library and get a bingo card along with your next book and participate in our winter reading incentive game! When you get bingo, bring in your card and earn tickets toward a raffle prize!

This contest is for all ages. Come in and check out the great prizes!

### Cooking Class

A cooking demonstration to tempt your taste buds will be hosted by Michelle Smith, MS, RDN, LD from the Concord Hospital's Center for Health Promotion. This cooking demo will provide the opportunity for you to try unique whole grains and vegetables and show you how to prepare and incorporate them into your diet.

Have you ever wondered what Amaranth or Freekeh tasted like? Join us Wednesday, February 15 at 6 p.m. and try it! You just might like it! (Samples and recipes will be provided.)

### Restorative Yoga Class

Join the Restorative Yoga Class on Wednesday, February 22 at 6 p.m. This class will help you center your breath and body — aligning the physical and mental by practicing stillness and gentle movement, assisted by props. The cost for this session is \$5.00.

### Sit 'n Stitch

Are you working on a knitting or crochet project? Do you want to learn how to knit or crochet? Would you just like to get out of the house and enjoy some conversation? We look forward to you joining us Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. in the children's room.

Coming in March — our next project will be a "casual Friday" handbag. Stop in to see a picture and pick up a materials list.

### Story Time

On February 7, Story Time takes a look at a couple of messy mice! After reading Laura Joffe Numeroff's *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and *Mouse Mess* by Linnea Riley, the children will make a furry mouse who will be quite neat.

On February 9 and 14, love is in the air in Felicia Bond's *The Day it Rained Hearts*. Even *A Crankenstein Valentine* by Samantha Berger will be able to find love. Story timers will string hearts into a necklace during the craft time to follow. Please stay after for a Valentine's Day Party!

On February 16, the children will hear *Wild Birds* by Joanne Ryder and Rita Gray's *Have You Heard the Nesting Bird?* The children will string some snacks to hang in the trees to help feed the winter birds that visit their backyard.

On February 21 and 23 we celebrate our past leaders by reading *Presidents Day* by Anne Rockwell and *I Am Abraham Lincoln* by Brad Meltzer. Since it was a child who encouraged Mr. Lincoln to grow a beard, the story timers will be encouraged to create a rendition of President Lincoln with his famous Shenandoah beard.

On February 28 and March 2 we will celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday by reading *There's a Wocket in my Pocket* and *Great Day for UP*. Each child will leave with a specially crafted Wocket for their pocket.

### School Vacation Special Event — GROSS!!

Looking for something different to do over February school vacation? Come in and get **GROSSED OUT** at the library, Wednesday, March 1 at 4 p.m.

Participate in ooey, gooey, and yucky experiments bound to make you go EEW! Please be sure to wear clothing that can get messy (for ages 7–12).

Registration is required!

### Snow Policy

Story Time will follow the Merrimack Valley School District with closings and delays. If school is cancelled for the day, there will be NO Story Time that day. If school has a delayed opening on Tuesday or Thursday, Story Time will start at 11:00 a.m.

You can check for delays or cancellations on Channel 9, the WMUR website, [Maxfieldlibrary.com](http://Maxfieldlibrary.com), the library's Facebook page or call the library at 798-5153.

### Movie Matinee for Adults

This month's movie is based on the book by M.L. Stedman, *A Light Between Oceans*. A lighthouse keeper and his wife live together in married bliss on a remote, rugged island off the coast of Australia. One day, a drifting lifeboat washes ashore with a crying baby in it. The dilemma the couple now faces will echo far beyond the island, engulfing and irrevocably impacting their world. Join us, Tuesday February 14 at 2:30 p.m., for this story of love, hope, and a fateful choice.

### Spiritual Living Discussion Group

Join us Tuesday, February 14 at 6 p.m. to explore the benefits of mindfulness.

### Tai Chi

Call the library for information about our Tai Chi classes.

### Book Club Mash-up

Our first movie showing will be Saturday, February 11 at 9 a.m. It is a 3-hour movie of our first book *Small Island* by Andrea Levy. Stop by the library if you would like a copy of the book to read now and/or see what our next book/movie combo will be.

### Book Group

The next book group meeting is Thursday, February 23 at 7 pm. Contact the library for more information.

### Holiday Hours

The library will be closed Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents Day.

### Library Hours

Mondays and Wednesdays	2–7:30 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays	10 a.m.–7:30 p.m.
Saturdays	9 a.m.–1 p.m. ■



Celebrating Christmas at the Library.





# News From American Legion Post 88

By Commander Shawn Jones



To my Legion Family,

At our meeting on December 21, 2016, we had 14 members in attendance. We voted to establish an account to help indigent members who wish to continue their membership in the post but are struggling financially. The Chaplain, membership chair, and I will decide on the need on a case-by-case basis for a period of up to two years. We seeded the account with some donations from members and moved some money from the Commanders Fund Raffle to the new account.

We will be upgrading our flag pole light to electrical power in the spring. It was discussed at this meeting that the current solar powered light is inadequate to properly light the flags. The solar light was worth trying but is not serving its intended purpose. Gary Tasker will work on running power out to the flag pole in the spring and we will purchase a new light fixture.

Our Commanders Fund Raffle winners for December were: \$50/Mary P., \$25/Dustin B., \$10/Judy D., \$10/Stan P., and \$5/Maureen T. Congratulations to our December winners.

At our January 18, 2017, we had 18 members in attendance, including one prospective new member along with two guest speakers from the Friends Program in Concord.

Our guests, Brian and Cindy of the Friends Program, spoke about their various programs where members could volunteer as little as one hour a month or one day a week. The Youth Mentoring program is in need of male mentors for the boys in their program. These boys need someone to look up to. Perhaps they may want to participate in one of your favorite hobbies. The Friends Program has several ways, other than mentoring boys and girls, people can volunteer. You could help drive someone to a medical appointment or help out at the Friendly Kitchen in Concord, as well as many other opportunities to find something rewarding. For more information on the Friends Program, go to [www.friendsprogram.org/](http://www.friendsprogram.org/) or call them at 228-1193.

I gave a report from the District 5 Winter Conference, held at Post 59 in Hillsboro, on January 14th. The district is looking for members who want to serve at the district level starting with the April election of officers. If you would like to serve in one of the many leadership positions, such as Vice Commander, Jr. Vice Commander, Adjutant, Chaplain, Historian, Sergeant-at-Arms, Service Officer, Judge Advocate, etc., please contact me at [www.nhpost88@gmail.com](mailto:www.nhpost88@gmail.com) or 496-0204 and I'll pass your name along. Your post will also be looking for members who want to serve at the post level as well, starting in April. We will be taking nominations in March. Our post is only as good as its members and those who want to help run it.

District 5 is going to be holding an upcoming raffle for a Bushmaster AR-

15 rifle. I will let you know when the tickets go on sale. The District needs to raise some money so that it, in turn, can make some charitable donations to the many organizations that are out there helping veterans.

The Mid-Winter Department Conference is going to be on January 28th at Post 7 in Rochester. I'll be going to this, along with any other members who want to attend. I'll give a brief report of the Conference in my next article.

Children & Youth Officer Mike Hart gave an update on the District Oratorical program that he has been hard at work trying to get students interested in competing in. Post 88 will be holding the contest this year for high school age students on February 4th and on March 11th for middle school age students. The winners of these two contests will go on to compete at the state level at Saint Anselm College in March and April. Mike had a lot of good ideas on how to better reach students in the public and private sector, as well as home schooled students that he will bring up at the Department committee meeting in January.

We did make our 100 percent membership goal for 2017 by the December 31st deadline. We actually exceeded that by five members. We have the highest overall score in the district at 107.46%. We currently now stand at 72 paid members for the 2017 year. Look for our 100% membership yellow streamer on our flag at the Memorial Day Parade. We cannot stop here with recruitment, as we want to grow our membership and do even more good for the community and our veterans. Our post all-time high membership level was 87 members. If we can continue to get new members or transfers from Post 200 or other posts, we can achieve this number. I'm not actively trying to get members from other posts to join ours, but if a Legionnaire moves into the Loudon area, we'd welcome them to switch their membership to our post. We really need to do a better job of bringing in new younger members as well as women veteran's. They will help our post to continue into the future and carry out our programs. If you think you want to join the Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons of The American Legion, please contact me for more information.

The Loudon Lions Club wants to use the post for its spring breakfast on April 15th. There were no objections to them using the post on this day. Keep your eyes out for the signs.

I presented Larry Hemphill with a Certificate of Appreciation that both he and I were presented with at the District 5 meeting. Larry did not attend that meeting so Department Commander Thomas Willey asked me to give Larry his. The certificates we received from the National Commander and Adjutant were for efforts in last year's District 5 revitalization efforts. Larry and I



Commander Jones reads the Certificate of Appreciation to Larry Hemphill before presenting it to him.

worked a phone bank calling prospective new members or to help get members transferred to a local post.

Our Commanders Fund Raffle winners for January were: \$50/Tony R.,

\$25/Beth B., \$10/Mike M., \$10/Garrett L., \$5/Bob S. Congratulations to our January winners.

That is all for this month. Enjoy the rest of our winter season. ■

## Upcoming Winter Farming Events

If you thought there was nothing farm-related going on over the winter months, think again. Here is a brief list of upcoming events.

### February 17–18, NH Farm and Forest Expo — Manchester

New Hampshire's Greatest Winter Fair. Lots of exhibitors with great information and workshops available both days. Check out [www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org](http://www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org) for more information.

### February 2, 7 p.m., Loudon Agriculture Commission monthly meeting

We are actively looking for new members to join our board. Stop by and learn more about what we do. We look forward to meeting you. Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at the Community Building behind the town office and across from the Police Department. Visit [www.loudonag.org](http://www.loudonag.org) for more information or to contact the board members.

### February 25, 1–3 p.m., Seed Saving Workshop

The Small and Beginner Farmers of New Hampshire Tri-Country group is hosting a Seed Saving workshop. Come meet with other farmers and gardeners to discuss when and which seeds to start indoors, soil testing ideas, crop rotation, and gardening techniques. All gardening topics are open for discussion. Plus, bulk-buy discussion and demonstration of some of our planting equipment. Non-members are welcome to attend, but you must be a current member to participate in the bulk-buy and rental equipment programs. Meeting will be held at Purely Wholesome Farm, 557 Lower Ridge Rd., Loudon, NH. Please email Cindy Shea at [purelywholesome@gmail.com](mailto:purelywholesome@gmail.com) to RSVP. Visit [www.sbfhn.org](http://www.sbfhn.org) for more information.

### March 25–26, Maple Producer's Weekend

This is the weekend all the maple producers have their open house and we have many maple syrup producers right here in Loudon. Stop by any open farm to learn how maple syrup is produced and the entire process from start to finish. Then buy a few bottles to bring home and enjoy. Check out [www.nhmapleproducers.com/](http://www.nhmapleproducers.com/) for more information.

### Saturdays through April 22, Winter Famers Market

At Cole Gardens, 430 Loudon Rd., Concord. Saturdays now through April 22, 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Vegetables, fruits, dairy, maple, baked goods, meat, fish, eggs, garlic, coffee, tea, pasta, chocolate, soap, and more. SNAP/EBT accepted. 229-0655, [charlie@colegardens.com](mailto:charlie@colegardens.com), [www.concordwintermarket.com](http://www.concordwintermarket.com).

Don't forget! We are updating our farm list for 2017. If you would like to be included, please contact Cindy Shea at [purelywholesome@gmail.com](mailto:purelywholesome@gmail.com) for more information. ■

# New Town Office Building Project Update

Photos and update by Bobby Fiske, Selectman

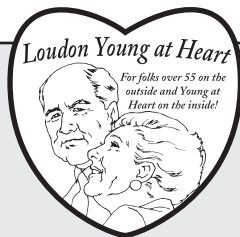
Work continues on the new Town Office building. Now that cold weather is here, work proceeds inside with the help of a temporary heater ducted into the back of the building. Without this, sheetrocking couldn't proceed.

As of this date:

- The roof is complete;
- The plumber has started the duct work;
- Rooms are partitioned.

Mark your calendars for the March 17 Open House!

*Editor's Note: Many thanks go out to Selectman Bobby Fiske for keeping us up-to-date on the ongoing Town Office building project. ■*



## Loudon Young at Heart

By Maureen Prescott

Thirty members of the Young at Heart met on January 10th at Charlie's Barn for their monthly meeting. It definitely was a chilly morning but the temps started to go up as the day progressed.

Letty Barton, President, began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by announcing the agendas for the next three meetings:

**Feb. 14th** — *Pizza and Bingo*

**Mar. 14th** — *VNA: Exploring Forgetfulness as We Age*

**Apr. 11th** — *Shaker Table*

The theme of this meeting was Show and Tell. Individuals brought in different items that they had made or found and presented them to the group. The following members participated:

**Stanley Prescott** — *Wooden bowl, Wood Turning*

**Janet Graves** — *Swedish Weaving*

**Dottie Mulkhey** — *The Edison Standard Phonograph*

**Carol O'Brien** — *Meteorite, Coral and other findings*

**Letty Barton** — *Autumn Stars Wall Hanging*

**Michaela Warren** — *Sugar Bears*

Upon the completion of Show and Tell, we preceded to play a game in which you would read a statement and then explain how it pertained to you. This brought out many good stories and lots of laughter. It was truly a great time.

The meeting concluded with a CAP lunch and visiting with friends.

The next meeting is February 14th and will be Bingo and Pizza. Hope to see you all there and, if possible, please bring a donation for the Food Pantry.

Until then, stay healthy and warm!!!! ■

## Dates to Note

**Wednesday, March 1. MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT.** 7 p.m. Community Building

**Tuesday, March 14. TOWN ELECTIONS**

8 a.m.–7 p.m. Town Hall, Clough Hill Road

**Friday, March 17. OPEN HOUSE AT NEW TOWN OFFICE BUILDING!** 10 a.m.–Noon / 4–6 p.m.

**Saturday, March 18. TOWN MEETING**

9 a.m. Loudon Elementary School

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# Loudon Girls Soccer — Purple Crush — U11 NHSL State Champs and U12 Indoor Soccer Champs!

By Dave Fortier

The girls U11 Loudon Freedom team went undefeated throughout the 2016 fall regular season, won the mid-season Capitol Cup Tournament (Concord, NH), then proceeded to the divisional playoffs in which they played tough competition in the semi-finals and finals. Both Playoff games went down to the wire (overtime/shootout) to win the U11 NHSL State Championship. The same team transitioned to the U12 indoor soccer session, which was quite an adjustment from the outdoor session, but with great teamwork, hustle, and determination these young athletes were able to battle through and prevail as the U12 Indoor Soccer champions (defeating Hopkinton, score 5-2).

*Players: Ella Mercer, Searra Andrews, Sierra Mercer, Hannah Verville, Ellie Andrews, Lexi Farr, Addison Twyon, Nolia LeBlanc, Nikola Longver, Natalie Paradie, Ashlyn Fortier, Grace Corliss, Colby Magoon. Coaches: Dave Fortier and Michael Longver.*

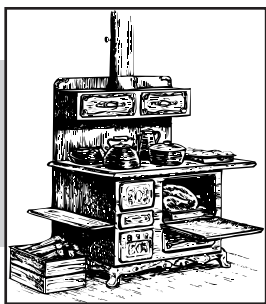


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## What's Cookin'?

### Home-made Chocolate Treats

By Jenn Pfeifer

Even if you don't have a Valentine you can have chocolate and if you ask me sometimes that's even better. Sweet chocolatey treats make my heart very happy, you should make one of these recipes and share it with someone you love.

My husband Nick only has a sweet tooth for sweet and sour, chewy, gummy candy but my son loves chocolate and more specifically chocolate and mint...so this recipe is for Alex.

#### HOMEMADE PEPPERMINT PATTIES — by shugarysweets.com

- 1 Jar (7 oz.) marshmallow cream (Fluff)
- 10 Tablespoons unsalted butter, softened
- 1½ Teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 Teaspoons peppermint extract
- 5½ Cup powdered sugar
- 1 Package (16 oz.) chocolate Candiquik (chocolate candy coating)

In a large mixing bowl, beat cream, butter, and extracts until fully combined. Add in powdered sugar and mix on medium speed until well blended (may take a couple minutes for it to come together). Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper. Using about 1 Tbsp. of filling, shape into a ball, then flatten it for the traditional shape. If wanting to make footballs, shape into a ball and then pinch the ends. Continue until all filling is used. Cover with saran wrap and freeze for about 2 hours (or overnight). Melt chocolate Candiquik according to package directions. Using a toothpick, dip frozen peppermints into the chocolate. Tap until all the excess has dripped off and place back on the parchment paper. Repeat until all peppermints have been coated. These should be set within minutes, because you are doing them while still cold. Store at room temperature in a covered container!

*I'm a chocolate and caramel girl so I guess this one is for me!*

#### SALTED CHOCOLATE CARAMELS — by epicurious.com

- 2 Cups heavy cream
- 10½ Ounces fine-quality bittersweet chocolate (no more than 60% cacao if marked), finely chopped
- 1¾ Cups sugar
- 1/2 Cup light corn syrup
- 1/4 Cup water
- 1/4 Teaspoon salt
- 3 Tablespoons unsalted butter, cut into tablespoon pieces
- 2 Teaspoons flaky sea salt such as Maldon
- Vegetable oil for greasing

Special equipment: parchment paper; a candy thermometer

Line bottom and sides of an 8-inch straight-sided square metal baking pan with two long sheets of crisscrossed parchment. Bring cream just to a boil in a 1-1½-quart heavy saucepan over moderately high heat, then reduce heat to low and add chocolate. Let stand 1 minute, then stir until chocolate is completely melted. Remove from heat. Bring sugar, corn syrup, water, and salt to a boil in a 5-6-quart heavy pot over moderate heat, stirring until sugar is dissolved. Boil, uncovered, without stirring but gently swirling pan occasionally, until sugar is deep golden, about 10 minutes. Tilt pan and carefully pour in chocolate mixture (mixture will bubble and steam vigorously). Continue to boil over moderate heat, stirring frequently, until mixture registers 255°F on thermometer, about 15 minutes. Add butter, stirring until completely melted, then immediately pour into lined baking pan (do not scrape any caramel clinging to bottom or side of saucepan). Let caramel stand 10 minutes, then sprinkle evenly with sea salt. Cool completely in pan on a rack, about 2 hours. Carefully invert caramel onto a clean, dry cutting board, then peel off parchment. Turn caramel salt side up. Lightly oil blade of a large heavy knife and cut into 1-inch squares.

#### CHOCOLATE AND RASPBERRY BROWNIE BARS — by kingarthurfLOUR.com

##### Brownies

- 4 Large eggs
- 1¼ Cups Dutch-process cocoa; we like King Arthur All-Purpose Baking Cocoa
- 1 Teaspoon salt
- 1 Teaspoon baking powder
- 2 Teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2¼ Cups sugar
- 1 Cup unsalted butter, melted

- 1½ Cups King Arthur Unbleached All-Purpose Flour
- 1 Cup chocolate chips
- 1 Cup Raspberry Jammy Bits
- 3 Tablespoons raspberry jam, seedless preferred
- 1 Tablespoon Chambord liqueur or water

##### Chocolate Ganache Glaze

- 1 Cup heavy cream
- 2 Tablespoons light corn syrup
- 2½ Cups semisweet or bittersweet chocolate, chopped
- 1 Tablespoon Chambord or liqueur of your choice; or vanilla extract, espresso powder, or another flavor, to taste

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly grease a 9" x 13" pan. To make very even bars, line the pan with aluminum foil before baking, leaving foil sticking up above the edges of the pan. Crack the 4 eggs into a bowl, and beat them with the cocoa, salt, baking powder, and vanilla until smooth. Add the sugar and melted butter, stirring until smooth. Add the flour, chips, and Jammy Bits, again stirring well.

Spoon the batter into the prepared pan. Bake the brownies for about 30 minutes, until a cake tester inserted into the center comes out clean, or with just a few moist crumbs clinging to it. The brownies should feel set on the edges, and the center should look moist, but not uncooked. Remove them from the oven. Heat the raspberry jam with the Chambord or water, and stir until smooth. Brush over the warm brownies. Set aside to cool for an hour or longer before topping with the ganache. To make the ganache, heat the cream and corn syrup until they begin to steam. Pour over the chopped chocolate in a bowl. Let sit for 5 minutes, add any flavorings, and whisk until smooth. Let cool for 15 minutes or so. Pour ganache over the brownies while it's still warm, but has begun to thicken — reheat if it thickens too much as you work. Allow several hours for the ganache to set up fully. You may refrigerate the brownies to hasten the setting of the ganache. Remove the brownies from the pan using the aluminum foil sling. Heat a knife in hot water, wipe dry and use to cut the brownies. Repeat with each cut.

#### FLOURLESS CHOCOLATE CAKE — by kingarthurfLOUR.com

##### Cake

- 1 Cup semisweet or bittersweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 Cup (8 tablespoons) unsalted butter
- 3/4 Cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 Teaspoon salt
- 1-2 Teaspoons espresso powder, optional
- 1 Teaspoon vanilla extract, optional
- 3 Large eggs
- 1/2 Cup unsweetened cocoa powder, Dutch-process cocoa preferred

##### Glaze

- 1 Cup semisweet or bittersweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 Cup heavy cream

Preheat the oven to 375°F. Lightly grease an 8" round cake pan; cut a piece of parchment or waxed paper to fit, grease it, and lay it in the bottom of the pan. To make the cake: Put the chocolate and butter in a microwave-safe bowl, and heat until the butter is melted and the chips are soft. Stir until the chips melt, reheating briefly if necessary. You can also do this over a burner set at very low heat. Transfer the melted chocolate/butter to a mixing bowl. Stir in the sugar, salt, espresso powder, and vanilla. Espresso enhances chocolate's flavor much as vanilla does; using 1 teaspoon will simply enhance the flavor, while 2 teaspoons will lend a hint of mocha to the cake. Add the eggs, beating briefly until smooth. Add the cocoa powder, and mix just to combine. Spoon the batter into the prepared pan. Bake the cake for 25 minutes; the top will have formed a thin crust, and it should register at least 200°F on an instant-read thermometer inserted into its center. Remove it from the oven, and cool it in the pan for 5 minutes. Loosen the edges of the pan with a table knife or nylon spreader, and turn it out onto a serving plate. The top will now be on the bottom; that's fine. Also, the edges will crumble a bit, which is also fine. Allow the cake to cool completely before glazing. To make the glaze: Combine the chocolate and cream in a microwave-safe bowl, and heat until the cream is very hot, but not simmering. Remove from the microwave, and stir until the chocolate melts and the mixture is completely smooth. Spoon the glaze over the cake, spreading it to drip over the sides a bit. Allow the glaze to set for several hours before serving the cake. ■



## Congregational Church Offers New Services

The Loudon Congregational Church announces that it is now holding weekly prayer meetings on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We invite you to join us for this special time of praise and petition.

We also hold a monthly time of healing prayer on the third Sunday of each month, during our regular morning service at 9:30 a.m.

If you would like more information, please contact Pastor Moe Cormier via e-mail at [moe@thegreenbookcase.net](mailto:moe@thegreenbookcase.net), cell phone # 603-568-9371 or church phone 603-783-9478 (please leave a message if no answer).

The church is located at 7018 Church Street, Loudon, NH. Sunday services are at 9:30 A.M. Everyone is welcome. ■



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Loudon AG Commission meets the 1st Thursday of every month (Charlie's Barn behind Town Hall) at 7pm. If you wish to add your farm to our list please email Cindy at [purelywholesome@gmail.com](mailto:purelywholesome@gmail.com)



# Richard Brown House News and Events

By Lois Scribner

Residents at Richard Brown House were disappointed that some of the holiday events had to be canceled because of December snowstorms. A recent January storm caused the postponement of the presentation by Maxfield Library Director Deborah Gadwah-Lambert. This is postponed until after the current *Ledger* deadline, so will appear in the March paper. It has been very uplifting to receive phone calls from Loudon residents offering to come here and volunteer time, skills, and interests in the early spring. If anyone is interested, please call 798-3190 and leave a message for Lois Scribner, resident service coordinator.

Fortunately, the weather did not prevent Deputy Fire Chief William Lake from coming to speak. Below is a summary of his very thorough and informative presentation, written by Pat Grinnell.

On January 4th, Deputy Fire Chief William Lake visited the Richard Brown House and did a presentation on Safety Tips for the residents. The Loudon Fire department responded to 10 fire alarm activation calls in 2016. The Deputy Chief stated that per FEMA, people over 65 have a greater risk of being hurt in a kitchen fire than younger people, because of mobility issues, slower reaction time, and forgetfulness.

Some safety tips were not to wear loose sleeves when using the stove, never leave the stove unattended when cooking, clean the stove regularly, keep flammable material away from the stove (including wooden utensils), and never cook when tired.

In case of a small grease fire, it can be smothered out with either baking soda or flour. Call 911 always, turn the burner off, exit your apartment, and the building. NEVER USE WATER TO PUT OUT A KITCHEN FIRE!



Mr. Lake also explained that the sprinkler system is set up to cover the area where the heat has built up and will activate only the sprinkler in that area, and if the fire expands then the appropriate sprinklers will be activated. If the fire is in a common area it will send the alarm throughout the whole building, while if it is in an apartment, it will send out an alarm just for that apartment.

If anyone can't get out of their living space, call 911 and let them know and they will alert the fire department with those details. Also, go to a window because the Fire Chief does a walk around the perimeter looking for people who can't get out.

Always remember: WHEN IN DOUBT GET OUT! ■

## What To Do With The Glass Mountain?

By LeeAnn Childress, Loudon Recycling Committee

You probably have noticed the huge mountain of glass at the Transfer Station. It is a result of years of collecting recycled glass. The issue now is what are we going to do with it? Your opinion matters and we are asking for your help.

Information from the *New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Solid Waste, Report to the Legislature, 2007*, "Perhaps the best and easiest means to recycle glass and glass-like materials is to create Processed Glass Aggregate (PGA). PGA has a number of uses, including fill around water and sewer pipes, electric conduits and fiber optic lines, and as utility trench bedding. It can also be used as a substitute for gravel, sand, and crushed stone in a number of roadway applications and PGA used for drainage often works better than sand and gravel. Examples include: drainage fill behind retaining walls, in foundation drains, draining blankets, and in French drains."

And from the same article, "Certainly, there is not a lucrative market for glass containers at this time but, by using cost avoidance of tipping fees for disposal and by not having to purchase gravel, towns can save a considerable amount of money. One side benefit is that research carried out in the Cold Regions Research Laboratory in Hanover, NH has found that when glass aggregates are used as road base, the roads display a very low susceptibility to frost heave, primarily because PGA does not hold water like gravel." (Source: Henry, K.S. and Morin, S.H., "Frost sus-

ceptibility of crushed glass used as construction aggregate," *Journal of Cold Regions Engineering*, Vol. 11, 1997, pp326-33.)

Another good source of information about PGA is on the Northeast Resource Recovery Association's website, <http://www.nrra.net/>. Scroll down to *Everything You Need to Know About PGA: Processed Glass Aggregate* video.

The New Hampshire Road Agents Association president, Mr. Richard Lee, said that "Here in New London we have been using crushed glass in Public Works projects for about 25 years. We have used it mixed and plain for different projects. We have mixed it with gravel at a rate of half and half for rebuilding roads and for the gravel on sidewalk projects. We have used it straight in a couple of sidewalk projects that were funded with State and Federal funds. This was installed about 12" deep and then paved over with 2" of pavement. Last fall, we used it on a footpath for the Conservation Commission in Town, installed about 4" deep and then covered it with crushed gravel. This saved us about \$4,000.00 for gravel. Another project we are doing is some work at our closed wastewater plant. We had to upgrade about ½ a mile of driveway for trucks to travel on. We used crushed glass mixed with crushed pavement, mixed half and half, which saved us about \$10,000.00 for gravel. In Town, Colby Sawyer College added on to their dining hall a few years ago. An emergency driveway was built across a field and glass mixed with sand for backfill was used around and inside the building, for the driveway they used it mixed with crushed gravel.

If the Transfer Station were to get that glass mountain crushed into Processed Glass Aggregate, do you have any suggestions what businesses could utilize that material?

You can contact us at: [loudonrecycles@comcast.net](mailto:loudonrecycles@comcast.net), subject line, PGA or leave a message on the Loudon Recycling Committee Facebook page.

**Editor's Note:** For another viewpoint on recycling glass here in Loudon, please read the *Selectmen's Meeting Minutes from January 10, 2017*. The minutes begin on page 20 but the discussion about the glass pile at the Transfer Station begins in the first column on page 21. ■

### Include Your Family Tree In The Loudon Town History!



The Loudon Historical Society is looking to have a Loudon Town History written. We will be asking for help in different areas and one of those areas will be a genealogy of each family in town and sending us your family tree. Write your genealogy in Word using Times New Roman 12 point font and send it to The Loudon Historical Society's e-mail address:

[loudonhistory@gmail.com](mailto:loudonhistory@gmail.com).

Be on the lookout for more information and other ways to help.

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## Annual Town Employees Breakfast Hosted by LFD



The Loudon Fire Department day crew hosted a Christmas Eve breakfast for all town employees. As always, they cooked and served a delicious breakfast and it was much appreciated! ■

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## Remember When: St

In February, we think of snowstorms and Valentine's Day. Valentine's Day brings up thoughts of romance. Along that vein we thought it would be appropriate to profile a local couple whose romance has stood the test of time.

Dorothy (Dottie) and Melvin (Mickey) Mulkhey were married 63 years ago this March and have lived in Loudon ever since. They say they knew each other around town but it was when Mickey followed Dottie home from a basketball game in Pittsfield in 1954 that the romance took off.

Their first official date was attending a youth fellowship meeting at the Congregational Church. While "courting," the two enjoyed motorcycle riding, swimming at Loon Pond, going to fairs, and dancing. A favorite place to dance was Ye Old Barn in Deerfield where they recalled a group of Navy guys getting into a fistfight one night.

Mickey liked Dottie's eyes and how easy she was to get along with. (He said this with a twinkle in his eyes.) She was attracted to him by his long eyelashes, pretty eyes, and the fact that he was fun to be with.

It wasn't a long romance as they "just decided to get married." Neither one proposed to the other. So they were married March 12, 1955 at the Congregational



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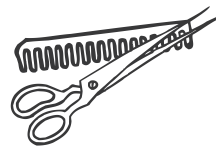
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# Stories from Loudon in Yesteryears

By Letty Barton

Church in Pittsfield. Dottie walked down the aisle wearing a ballerina length white gown and a shoulder-length veil.

This amiable couple doesn't go the route of flowers and dinner out when it comes time to celebrate Valentine's Day. Instead they exchange cards and occasionally Mickey buys Dottie chocolates. He often brought her wildflowers, which he liked as a kid and they both enjoy. Their secret to a long marriage: be opposites and don't interfere with each other's goals.

A very family-oriented couple, they have four children, ten grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. One of their greatest joys is having a lot of family at their camp (which Mickey and friends built) on Badger Point Island on Lake Winnepesaukee. They also recalled with fondness the six-week cross-country trip they took in 1989.

Dottie, a friendly and outgoing gal, stayed home while they were bringing up the four children but later she worked in a couple of local banks and was Loudon's tax collector for over twenty years. Mickey worked cutting down trees for Barton Lumber as a young man. He was also known to ride his bike backward! He could also run backward faster than some of the other kids could run forward. Mickey went on

to work for the state of New Hampshire as foreman of the highway department for Division 3, based here in Loudon.

In a fast-paced world, here we have a couple who are now enjoying each other at a slower pace, not particularly concerned about age. When talking about age, Mickey corrects Dottie and says "I don't want you to be older than you are." Now that sounds romantic!! Happy Valentine's Day. ■



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### February Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinics on February 28 at the VOANNE Senior Housing from 9 a.m. until noon. If you need a ride in Loudon, please call 783-9502. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-40123 or (800) 1224-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment.

### Walk-In Immunization Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers a monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinic for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle. This month's clinic will be held Monday, Feb. 6, from 1-4 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815. ■



## Don't Go Overboard With Home Renovations

Jack Prendiville  
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Home improvement projects can be exciting to take on, but they can also become overwhelming if they're not thoroughly thought out. Use these tips to plan renovations without going overboard.

**Consult a local real estate professional:** Discuss your plans with a real estate professional who knows how certain improvements can affect your home's value. Even if you don't plan to move soon, an agent can offer perspective on long-term consequences and estimate how much of the cost you can expect to recoup when you sell.

**Complete renovations over time:** Planning too many improvement projects at once can turn into a financial risk if something doesn't go according to plan. Completing projects over time will space out expenses and keep your plans in check.

**Don't be afraid to modify plans:** Many people don't know they've gone too far until renovations have started. If this happens to you, talk to the contractor about reducing costs. Sometimes the solution can be as simple as swapping a pricier material for something less expensive. Buying a home is a huge investment, and renovations should enhance that investment not hinder it. Be careful not to go overboard as you plan your next project. ■

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## Time To Start Thinking About Old Home Day

The Loudon Old Home Day Committee has started planning for another fun-filled event. This year's theme is "Animals of the World." We are always looking for fresh ideas and new energy. If you would like to become involved in planning this year's event, contact Terri Barton at 608-7248 or Aimee Zarges at 568-2613. You can also forward your ideas to PO Box 7050, Loudon, NH 03307. Please consider becoming part of this year's committee. ■

## Town Clerk's Notice

The NH DMV will be closed on Monday, February 20 and Tuesday February 21, 2017 (they are preparing a new program). They will be back up and running on Wednesday, February 22, 2017. The Loudon Town Clerk's office will be closed on Monday, February 20th for Presidents Day; however, we will be open from 3 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday for anything other than registration. Marriage licenses, birth and death certificates, etc. will be available during that time frame, as well as Town-portion-only on registration, but no state work will be available on Tuesday.

## OBITUARIES

### LYNNE M. (PIMENTEL) FAHY

Lynne M. (Pimentel) Fahy, 58, of Loudon, formerly of Ashland, MA, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Saturday, Dec. 24, 2016, after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was the loving wife of Mark Fahy for 24 years and daughter of Josephine (Ceccaroni) Pimentel and the late William Pimentel. In addition to her husband she leaves behind her two sons, James Cisneros and fiancé, Dawn Kohler of Auburn, Mass. and Shawn Cisneros and his wife, Elizabeth of Clinton, Mass.; and seven grandchildren. ■

### RUSSELL "CHIP" COCHRAN, JR.

Russell "Chip" Cochran, Jr., 70, of Loudon died Saturday, Dec. 31, 2016. Chip was born in Concord, NH on June 23, 1946. He was the son of Russell and Mildred (Gill) Cochran. He was a graduate of Concord High School class of 1965. Chip retired from the National Guard after many years of faithful service.

Chip found great joy in living in the Loudon Community. He worked at Kloeckner Metals for 51 years as a materials crew leader. A few of Chip's favorite things were fishing, Monarch Hockey games, state fairs, and the White Mountains. In addition to spending time with his grandchildren, he enjoyed Friday night dinners with the gang, and coffee at the Loudon Village Country Store, where he had a special table called Chip's Table.

Chip was predeceased by his father, Russell A. Cochran, Sr.

His family members include his mother, Mildred (Gill) Cochran of Penacook; daughters, Jennifer Cochran of Loudon and Deborah Boynton of Bow; sons, Kevin Maguire and his wife, Janet of Loudon, and John Cochran and his wife, Sharon of Charlotte, NC; sisters, Terri-Lee Cronin of Billerica, MA, Jill Engel of Pembroke, Cheryl Clattenburg and husband, Mark of Pittsfield, Kathy Beaudoin and her husband, Keith of Concord, and Kelli Lord and her husband, Scott of Broadview Heights, OH; beloved grandchildren, Tyler Simard Cochran, Trenton Holland, Russell Holland, Lacey Holland and Emma Holland all of Loudon, Alicia Boynton-Fernald of Concord, Brooke Boynton of Bow, Kate Lynne Cochran, Justin Cochran, Joseph Cochran; great-grandchildren, Jacob Fernald, Marshall Boynton-Simonton, Addison Boynton-Fernald; many nieces and nephews and special friends John Storrs, Wade Holland, George Koromilas, and Eddie Dockham.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Healthy Heart Veterinary Clinic, 7140 Oak Hill Rd., Loudon, N.H. ■

### JACK E. EARLE

Jack E. Earle of Loudon, passed away Friday, Jan. 6, 2017, following a long illness. He was born on Dec. 9, 1938, to Charles Earle and Lois (Merrill) Earle of Dunbarton.



**Obituaries — cont. from 14**

Mr. Earle worked in real estate for many years and truly enjoyed helping people find homes in his community. He was loved and respected by the many families he helped and was well-known around the Concord and Bow area, easily identified by his distinctive handlebar mustache. He also ran a small auto shop at his home in Bow for many years, mainly to help friends and neighbors.

An avid hunter, Mr. Earle volunteered for the New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game for 50 years, promoting safety in the woods. He was active in community and church events and served as a scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts of America. He was a running enthusiast during his years as a Realtor, participating in numerous road races and running groups, and he loved outdoor activities ranging from snowmobiling to tending a small farm at his home in Bow.

After retiring to Loudon, he refused to slow down. A Christmas tree farm he planted several years ago now provides trees for the Loudon community, with proceeds going to charity.

Mr. Earle leaves his wife of 47 years, Fran; his beloved son, Adam, also of Loudon; and his granddaughters, Laura and Katherine. He also leaves his brother and sister-in-law, Robert and Brenda Earle, of Tucson, Ariz.; and his sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Ronald Dulude, of Abilene, Texas. He was predeceased by his sister, Merrilyn Earle, also of Tucson. He also leaves many cousins, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers please forward donations to the charity of ones choice. ■

**GWENDOLYN HERRECK**

Gwendolyn Harreck, age 78, of Clough Hill Road, passed away on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at her home.

She was born in York, PA the daughter of the late William and Gwendolyn Alice Miller. At middle age, she received her human services associates degree from NHTI, Cum Laude.

**Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — December 5, 2016**

Molly Ashland called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., seconded by Carrie James.

**In Attendance:**

Trustees Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson, Carrie James, Alternate Herb Huckins, Dianne Miller, and Library Director Deborah Gadwah-Lambert

**Acceptance of minutes:**

The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the November and September meetings. *Molly moved to accept as proposed; seconded by Alice. All were in favor.*

The trustees reviewed the Director's Report, which consisted of the following:

- The Budget has been adjusted to reflect the pay increases for Fran and Cheryl for completion of the Paralibrarian Program. Each Level of the program will net a 1% pay increase.
- Deborah attended a NHLTA Workshop on 11/30, which covered Performance Reviews and other HR issues.
- Employee performance reviews are going to be scheduled and will include reviews of job duties. More duties will be added for certain staff members to free up Deborah for her duties.
- Alice will rewrite the personnel policies to reflect a change in policy. Employees who work over 20 hours per week will be paid time they were scheduled but unable to work due to an observed holiday or when the Library is closed due to weather.
- Deborah will touch base with the new road agent regarding the plowing of the parking lot.

The trustees approved the Directors request of time off between Christmas and New Year.

Molly has agreed to go to the bank to purchase gift cards for employee Christmas bonuses.

A staff meeting has been scheduled for 12/8/16.

**Programs:**

Guest Mike Okrant has been rescheduled for May 30th, 2017 and has proposed the starting of a writing club.

Coming in 2017, so far: Curb Your Cravings; Try It, You Might Like It; Beating Fatigue

Winter reading incentive — Bingo

Other ideas: Masterpiece Book and Film Club, which will entail reading and then watching a movie based on each book.

**Building Repairs and Changes:**

Heat in main library stopped working and Huckleberry was called. Despite many repair attempts the problem is still not fixed, possible electrical issue. Deborah will find out what it would take to overhaul entire heat system and wiring including replacement of 3 old furnaces.

**Other Business:**

Deborah will be utilizing Google Drive to make documents accessible from all computers for employee use.

The trustees have approved the placement of a block table for children to use while parents browse in adult fiction section.

Our library will be participating in a program from the NH Astronomical Society, which will give us access to a loan-able telescope for our patrons. We will look into a possible astronomer to facilitate a program or club.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for 1/9/2017 at 5 p.m.

**Adjournment:**

Molly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m., seconded by Carrie. All were in favor.

In upper management, Gwen worked at Sprague Electric for over 30 years, as a manager and supervisor, and developed longtime colleague friends.

Gwenie enjoyed all flowers, especially spring flowers, all animals, especially horses and birdwatching, particularly the Chickadees' songs.

She and her husband Gene were well loved and known for hosting and helping students with college and many other needs. Of particular interest, over the years, were their home made holiday gifts of fancy handmade candies, decorations, and enchanting themes.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her husband Gene Harreck, and older brother Robert Miller.

She is survived by a brother William Miller of Franklin, nieces and nephews, Jonathan Miller, Lena "Dutch" Miller of Loudon, Aaron, Zachary, Ariel, and Alia Miller all of Franklin.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to NHTI Human Services Department 31 College Drive, Concord, N.H. 03301. ■

**Selectmen's Budget Work Session Minutes — December 6, 2016**

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Krieger explained that they would discuss Cost of Living raises after meeting with all departments.

The Board met with Brenda Pearl, Office Manager to discuss the Selectmen's office budget. They decided that most lines will be level funded.

**Selectmen's Office**

The Selectmen's Mileage line will be decreased from \$500 to \$400.

The Selectmen's Publications line will be decreased by \$250 to 0.

Landfill testing will be increased to \$6,200 from \$5,000.

**The Town Clerk**

Data Processing will be decreased from \$8,000 to \$6,000.

Assistant Clerk's Salary line will be zeroed out.

The Assistant Clerk's Salary will be added to the Deputy Town Clerk's Wages.

**Election:**

Due to fewer elections the budget was cut as follows:

Salaries from \$9,000 to \$3,500

Printing from \$3,500 to \$1,500

Postage from \$4,230 to \$350.

Expenses from \$7,575 to \$3,500

Advertising from \$500 to \$200.

**Assessment/Maps:**

Tax Map Preparation — \$5,100.

Assessments — from \$90,800 to \$43,300 — Due to the revaluation being completed.

The Tax Collector Printing line will be decreased from \$1,000 to \$800.

The Legal Services line will be decreased from \$40,000 to \$30,000.

**Planning Board:**

Secretary Wages decreased from \$14,462 to \$7,500 due to position becoming part-time.

CNHRPC membership fees increased from \$5,913 to \$5,926 (this is a per capita fixed price).

**Zoning Board:**

Secretary wages decreased from \$14,462 to \$7,500 due to position becoming part-time.

Health/Dental Insurance increased from \$392,000 to \$395,000.

Unemployment decreased from \$1,250 to \$857.

Workers' Comp. decreased from \$53,500 to \$49,576.

Property-Liability Insurance increased from \$44,500 to \$47,773.

Loudon Communications Council increased from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.

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Maxfield Public Library: **www.maxfieldlibrary.com**

Loudon Food Pantry: **www.loudonfoodpantry.org**

## Selectmen's Budget Work Session Minutes — December 9, 2016

**Present:** Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Chairman Krieger explained that they would discuss Cost of Living raises after meeting with all departments.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle and Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles regarding Landfill/Solid Waste. Most lines were level-funded.

The Electronics & Lightbulb Disposal line was decreased from \$7,000 to \$5,000.

Mr. Houle discussed the need for cameras at the transfer station. He originally thought the cost would be \$5,000; however he has learned since it would be closer to \$7,000. Mr. Bowles suggested that because it is a one-time cost rather than a budget item it should be taken out of the Landfill Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund.

Chairman Krieger said that the Recycling Committee would like to have their own budget line. Mr. Bowles said there is a line in the Landfill budget for committee expenses that can be used if they want to go to seminars. Chairman Krieger explained that he appreciates all that they do as well as other committees but they can't fund all of the volunteer committees or they'd be in trouble. Selectman Ives said he doesn't have a problem with them using money from that line but it has to be approved by the Road Agent. He said this is an advisory committee.

Mr. Bowles explained that when they received the NH The Beautiful Grant for the skid-steer it was part of the agreement that a letter be put in the town report that describes

the process. The Board agreed that the letter will be put into the report.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle regarding the Highway Department. Most lines were level-funded.

Mr. Houle asked for an increase to the telephone line because the telephone and internet are combined, he also now has an alarm system and a cell phone. The line is increased from \$1,750 to \$2,950.

The Board discussed the gas and oil line. Selectman Ives suggested decreasing it from \$45,000 to \$40,000.

Mr. Houle explained that the block grant money is anticipated to be \$172,515.

Mr. Houle discussed the drainage issues on S. Village Road. He said there are issues near Wales Bridge Road, Volunteers of America, the Country Store, and the Town Office he'd like to take care of those. He said he'd like to get S. Village Road ground and re-paved. Mr. Houle said he can use impact fee money for drainage.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright to discuss the Fire Budget — Most lines were level-funded.

Chief Wright said he increased the dispatch line by 3%. He explained that the 2017 bill increased by 3.8%.

Chief Wright said he increased the medical supply line by \$1,500. He explained that this is for supplies that the hospital doesn't supply them with.

Chief Wright said that the price of gas and oil seems to be staying down so he reduced that line from \$16,500 to \$15,000.

Chief Wright said he reduced the Hazmat line from \$1,500 to \$1,000.

The Board discussed the Compliance Budget with Chief Wright. All line items were level-funded with the exception of Compliance/Code Asst. Wages which was increased to cover the current salaries. Chief Wright explained that he, the Deputy and Donna have started looking over updating the permit fee schedule. He said he will bring it to the Selectmen once they have completed their review.

Chief Wright said the Emergency Management Budget will remain at \$1,500.

Chief Wright said the Forest Fire Budget will remain level-funded \$2,478.

The Board discussed the Ambulance Budget with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said they have fallen behind on the part-time wages. He explained that it is for the per-diem people that work when the full-timers are not there during the day. He said Deputy Lake spends half of his time doing code stuff, which is 24 hours out of his 48. Chief Wright explained that during special trainings or fire prevention things they used to have volunteers cover the ambulance but they don't have that anymore. Selectman Ives asked if the rate of pay is increasing or just the number of hours. Chief Wright said the number of hours, he said the only increase would be if there is a COLA increase. Chief Wright said the next line is standby. He explained that they are having a very hard time covering the ambulance at night. Chairman Krieger asked what the answer is. Chief Wright suggested that the part-time line be increased so they have ambulance coverage. Chief Wright said they also need to look at updating the ambulance

rate. Chairman Krieger asked Chief Wright if he has figured out what it would cost to hire more part-timers. Chief Wright suggested that they take out the standby line completely and hire 2 per-diem part-time people, seven days a week, 52 weeks per year, it would be \$146,00. If he adds the two lines together it is \$102,626. Chief Wright said it would be a lot more money to hire full-timers with all the benefits. Chairman Krieger asked what the hours would be. Chief Wright explained that the day crew works 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. so the nighttime crew would work 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Selectman Fiske asked how many EMT's the State mandates to be on the ambulance. Chief Wright said there has to be two. Chairman Krieger said they will think about and discuss it further. Selectman Ives told Chief Wright he appreciates him taking the time to look at it from all angles to figure out what is the best for the town budget and safety wise.

Chief Wright said he increased the billing fee line by 7% from \$12,500 to \$13,375 because the average fees have gone up about 7%.

Chief Wright said the overtime wages for Fire Fighters/EMTS and Paramedic Service remains level funded.

Chief Wright said the Health Department Budget will remain level-funded \$3,850.

Meeting adjourned.

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 13, 2016

**Present:** Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

**Also present was:** Road Agent Lance Houle, Police Chief Kris Burgess and Fire Chief Rick Wright

Selectman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 6, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle said the public hearing for Bert Lane is scheduled for January 10th.

Mr. Houle said they didn't have any breakdowns during this last storm.

Mr. Houle said they moved more furniture from People's Bank to the Town Hall today. Mr. Houle said a call was received from the church that uses the hall and they are having a gathering Saturday; he said they have stacked the furniture as best as they can. Mr. Houle said they still have more furniture to get.

Selectman Fiske asked about Gues Meadow and Lower Ridge Road. Mr. Houle said they need some delineator posts. Chairman Krieger explained that they are talking about the snowmobile bridge on Lower Ridge Road.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted a revised ambulance transport report for the Board to review. He said Loudon hasn't revised their charges in a while; he said the way they charge now is a base rate, mileage, and intervention. Chief Wright said pretty much everyone now does a bundle. Selectman

Fiske asked why his proposed rate is higher than Concord's rates. Chief Wright explained that being so close to the hospital Concord doesn't charge mileage. Selectman Ives said he thinks they definitely need to update the amount and would like to take this under advisement.

Chief Wright asked the Board if they have any questions regarding the SOG for the Body Armor that he gave them last week. The Board all agree they are good with it.

Chief Wright said that Deputy Lake did a CPR/AED class at The Villages of Loudon. They gave the Fire Department Association a donation.

Chief Wright said EMT/Firefighter Brooks and Maltais taught a CPR/AED First Aid class for Pleasant View Garden employees recently.

Chief Wright said the Fire Department Association purchased and installed a Smoky Bear sign at Station 1. Selectman Fiske asked who did the stone work and said they did a nice job. Chief Wright said the work was done by Tom Blanchette, Jon Leonard, Jim Leonard, Jeff Leonard, Nate Phillips, Todd Nicholson, and Ben Carter.

Chairman Krieger explained that the town received a \$15 Dunkin Donuts gift certificate from someone that rented out the barn. He would like the Fire Department to use the gift certificate for the employee breakfast that the Fire Department does.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess said he received a two-week notice from Officer Emerson. She has taken a job with the State of NH. Chief Burgess said she would like to remain with

Loudon part-time. He said she is a great asset and would like to keep her part-time. Chairman Krieger said he doesn't have a problem with that as long as she realizes that she will be getting the part-time wage. Officer Emerson's last day will December 27th. Chief Burgess said he would like to advertise the full-time position immediately. Selectman Ives said he is happy for her but sad for the town. Chief Burgess agreed saying that she is taking a job in parole/probation that she has really wanted.

Chief Burgess said car #2 is currently at Grappone Auto due to a recall.

Chairman Krieger explained that last week Karen Minery came in about an accident on School Street; he asked Chief Burgess to explained what happened. Chief Burgess said he was on his way into work, the time was 0641, he heard over the radio that they called Officer Nye who didn't respond so he took the call. Chief Burgess explained that they said a vehicle was off the road on School Street at the School, he said they can see that in the dispatch log. He said he took a right onto N. Village Road, slight right onto Oak Hill Road when he got to the intersection he looked left and right and did not see the vehicle. Chief Burgess said that the vehicle was found later about 200' away near the Colby residence. He took a left onto School Street, there was no vehicle on School Street near the school so he assumed it got unstuck. Chief Burgess said the dispatch log indicated no PI. He said shortly thereafter he received a call about a vehicle off the road on Chichester Road. Chief Burgess said he went to that location and found that vehicle. Chief Burgess said that morning was slippery and

there were vehicles off the road all over the place not just in Loudon. Chief Burgess said he did not see the vehicle when he was at the intersection of School Street and Oak Hill. Chief Burgess explained that after he left the accident on Chichester Road dispatch notified him that the daughter from the School Street accident was being taken to the hospital so he drove back to the scene. Chief Wright said he called E911 and they listened to the tape for the call. He said they said it was a male caller that described the car that was in an accident, he said it was banged up and it was on School Street by the School. He said the 911 dispatcher asked if there were any injuries the caller said no. Chief Wright said 911 received one call for this accident and it was from a second party caller. He explained that since the caller said there were no injuries, 911 contacted Loudon Police dispatch only; they weren't notified of any injuries. Chief Burgess said there was only one call made and that was by an anonymous caller that was passing by; at no time did they or Merrimack County Dispatch receive a call from the driver or the driver's father. Chief Wright said one of his guys was headed to work in Boscawen; he stopped to ask if everyone was alright they told him that they were sick of waiting and were going to take her in themselves. Chief Wright said he offered to call it in but they were going to do it themselves.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a resignation letter from Conservation Chair Julie Robinson. Ms. Robinson's resignation is effective Jan-



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uary 1, 2017. Chairman Krieger said that Julie has done a lot for the town for a long time and will be truly missed. Selectman Ives read that she will continue on with Conservation just not as Chair. He said she did an excellent job and true to her nature she has set up the next Chairman. Rob Buzzell will be the Chairman he has been on the commission for a long time and has done a good job.

The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District December bill in the amount of \$712,499.64.

The Board received the Eversource Annual Utility Maintenance Notification. A copy will be forwarded to the department heads.

The Board received the Cellular/Wireless Communication Properties Appraisal Report from George Sansoucy.

The Board received the Maxfield Library Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2016.

The Board received a proclamation request regarding the National School Choice Week. Chairman Krieger said he would like this run by the Loudon School principal before the proclamation is made.

The Board recognized Bill Palmer.

Chairman Krieger explained that this is a continuation of a discussion that was started a few weeks ago, regarding a snowmobile bridge on Wiggins Road. Mr. Palmer said the deadline to complete the project is November 30, 2017. He explained that they are going to install a temporary bridge this weekend. Selectman Fiske asked what the status is on the existing bridge. Mr. Palmer said they don't want to use it; it will be taken out eventually. He said for now it should be blocked off. Chairman Krieger asked who the bridge belongs to. Mr. Palmer said the bridge belongs to them however the Selectmen allowed the Merrimack Valley Trailriders to deck it and with the decking the snowmobiles will fall off it and it will hold snow and make it too heavy. Selectman Ives said he agrees that this bridge should be blocked off when the temporary bridge is installed. Selectman Fiske asked how they propose the bridge gets blocked off. Mr. Palmer said he has concrete blocks but they are too heavy for him to move. He suggested that the blocks be put in place but located so that people can still walk across the bridge. Road Agent Lance Houle suggested that if the bridge isn't going to be used it be removed so that any liability will be removed. Chairman Krieger

and Selectman Fiske agreed with the Road Agent. Selectman Ives asked if someone can get to it to remove it. Selectman Fiske said in his opinion the bridge belongs to the club they should remove it not the town. Mr. Palmer said they can't remove it now because it's winter. Chairman Krieger asked how it can be safely blocked off. Mr. Palmer said it could be blocked off on each end with a 6' concrete waste block and on top of those a 3' waste block. He suggested that the face of the blocks could be painted orange so people can see them. Chairman Krieger asked how the blocks would get put there. Mr. Palmer said he doesn't have the means to do it; it needs to be done with a dump truck. Selectman Ives suggested that the highway department move them. He said that over the years the snowmobile club has been good to the town; they keep their eyes on things. Selectman Ives said he would have no problem asking the highway guys to bring the blocks down and set them in place. He explained that this isn't just for the Bee Hole Beavers; it's a state trail. Chairman Krieger suggested that the Bureau of Trails be contacted for advice on how to close the bridge down; he said there might be a statute regarding it. Selectman Fiske agreed that would be a good idea. Mr. Palmer said maybe they can pull the bridge; he will talk to NHDES about it. Chairman Krieger said that would be the safest thing to do; he wouldn't want someone running into the concrete blocks. Chairman Krieger said he will contact Bureau of Trails and discuss the proper way to shut down the old bridge, the club will install the temporary bridge and nothing will happen with the old bridge until he gets answers from Bureau of Trails.

The Board recognized Paul Johnson and Alan Cushing.

Mr. Johnson said they are in to discuss the process for a road to get accepted by the town. Mr. Cushing said it's Shaker Brook Industrial Park, it was built to town specs, and has never been turned over to the town. He explained that the properties on it generate a lot in taxes and have the potential to generate quite a bit more. Mr. Cushing said he has maintained the road for 20 years. Selectman Ives asked how many lots are on the road. Mr. Johnson said there are three. Chairman Krieger asked if Gilbert Block has anything to do with it anymore. Mr. Johnson said yes. Mr. Cushing said the main issue for asking the town to accept it is to un-complicate who is responsible for it; if it became a town road it would make things simple. Chairman Krieger said they'll start with asking the road agent to take a look at it. Selectman Ives said they'd probably want the town engineer to take a look at it.

Chairman Krieger opened the Board of Permit Meeting. Present in addition to the three Selectmen, Fire Chief Wright and Police Chief Burgess were Ned Lizotte from the Zoning Board and Stan Prescott from the Planning Board. Chairman Krieger stated that they are looking at a Letter of Intent from the NH Motor Speedway. He said the intent is to host a Live Nation Country Music Festival on either July 28-30 or August 4-6, 2017 in Parking Lot S6. David McGrath, General Manager of NH Motor Speedway explained that as with any event they hold at the speedway they submitted a Letter of Intent with the intention of talking about public safety and making plans for what they believe will be another world class event that they bring to the track and Town of Loudon. He explained that they intent to host a concert in the S6 parking area or camping area as they call it. Mr. McGrath said that the other camping and parking areas will be used as they do for race events. Chairman Krieger asked how this fits in with the settlement agreement. Mr. McGrath read the following from the settlement agreement that was signed in 1989: *"New Hampshire Speedway covenants that it shall not permit any musical concerts of any type or description to be held on the premises currently known as New Hampshire International Speedway ('premises') except in conjunction with racing events."* Mr. McGrath said the key word is currently, he explained that when the agreement was signed currently represented the physical speedway itself it did not represent any parcels of land that they had not yet acquired. Mr. McGrath said they didn't acquire the parcel of land that includes S6 until eight years later. He explained that they strongly believe that the agreement does not apply to hosting an event outside the physical track. Mr. Lizotte said that not knowing what was coming down the road when the agreement was signed isn't the speedway, generally speaking, the property in total not just the race track. Mr. McGrath said, no, the language clearly states currently; otherwise it would have been written into the agreement and it wasn't. Mr. Prescott suggested that the town attorney be contacted. He said that the Planning Board's stand has been that until such time that you go to court and get this removed they would not entertain anything like this. Mr. Prescott said this would go to the Planning Board because of the nature of the event. Mr. McGrath said they currently use that area for camping, parking, they build stages on it for other events; he said this would be using a parcel of land that they currently use so what would make this event any different than what they currently use it for. Select-

man Fiske asked if Mr. Prescott is referring to a change of use. Mr. Prescott said yes. Mr. McGrath said it is commercial/recreation zoned. Mr. Prescott said they'd be changing what they do. Chairman Krieger agreed with Mr. Prescott that the Town Attorney look at it to be sure the town is protected. Selectman Ives said he wants to get it out that it is not them against the track, both were named as defendants in the case, he wants the town attorney to look at it to be sure everyone is on the same page. He also agrees with Mr. Prescott about the change of use. Selectman Ives said it's a change of use for that lot and he thinks the Planning Board should review it. Chairman Krieger suggested that the track's attorney contact the town attorney who will advise the Selectmen on what they need to do. Mr. McGrath asked if there were any other questions. Selectman Ives said the Letter of Intent states that the concerts will end at 10:45 p.m., he said they usually like to see a 10:00 p.m. curfew. Mr. McGrath said they looked at the town ordinance and there isn't one; he said the promotor wanted 11:00 p.m. Mr. McGrath said they will have to discuss this as they get further into the plan. Selectman Fiske said there is no zoning ordinance for that but there is a state statute that covers it. Mr. McGrath said he understands and will work with the Selectman for a time that makes sense for everyone.

Chairman Krieger said they received an email this afternoon regarding the easement deed on Clough Pond Road. Ronald Magoon was present and explained that he proposed new language for section six of the deed that he thinks still meets the spirit and intent of what the Selectmen are trying to do. The Board agreed that they are okay with it as long as the Town Attorney is good with it. It will be forwarded to the Town Attorney for review.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, December 15th at 6:30 p.m. is a School Board meeting.

Friday, December 16th at 8:00 is Budget meetings.

Thursday, December 22nd 8-11:30 a.m. will be distribution of the Holiday Food Baskets at the Fire Station.

Friday, December 23rd at 8:30 a.m. is the employee breakfast at the Fire Station.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn 7:06 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Robert P. Krieger, Chairman*

*Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

*Robert N. Fiske, Selectman*

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## Selectmen's Budget Work Session Minutes — Dec. 16, 2016

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

The Board met with Maxfield Public Library Librarian Deborah Gadwah-Lambert and Trustee Alice Tuson. Chairman Krieger explained that they would discuss Cost of Living raises after meeting with all departments.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert explained that they have a change to the budget that they originally submitted that doesn't change the bottom line. She explained that both Cheryl and Fran are going through Para-Librarian Certification. Ms. Gadwah-Lambert is asking for 1% increase for each of them for obtaining steps to the certificate. Fran is going for step 1 and Cheryl has enough credentials for step 2. Ms. Gadwah-Lambert explained that she added \$351 to the Children's Librarian line, \$40 to the retirement line and decreased the part-time wages by \$391.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert said the telephone line never goes above \$2,600 so they decreased it from \$2,800.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert said they don't use \$400 in postage so they decreased that to \$300.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert explained she took \$2,000 out of the technology line. She put \$1,000 of that in the book line and \$1,000 in supplies.

The cleaning service was discussed. Ms. Gadwah-Lambert said she has looked into that. She explained that one issue was that

some services don't take care of the trash like the one they have now does. The Board suggested that the highway department can pick it up if necessary.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert said they reduced the building maintenance by \$1,000. Chairman Krieger suggested it be dropped another \$1,000 because it was increased a couple of years ago, due to door and sidewalk issues as well as leaks in the basement. Ms. Gadwah-Lambert agreed to reduce it \$13,000.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert said she decreased the equipment-repair line from \$3,500 to \$1,500.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert explained that periodicals line increased from \$1,250 to \$1,400.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert increased the Passes line from \$1,700 to \$2,000. She explained that this includes passes to things such as Canterbury Shaker Village, SEE Science Center, Wright Museum, Indian Museum, Strawberry Banke, and Christa McAuliffe Planetarium. She said these are very popular and used often. Ms. Tuson explained that this gives families free passes or reduced admission. Selectman Ives said this is a good thing for big families or families that can't afford to take their children to these places.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert suggested reducing the Library Collection Capital Reserve Fund from \$7,000 to \$5,000. She explained that this money is used when she updates a certain section of the books.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert increased the supply line from \$6,000 to \$7,000.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert decreased the technology line from \$8,000 to \$6,000.

Ms. Gadwah-Lambert decreased the preservation line from \$400 to \$200.

Selectman Ives said he appreciates them keeping track of each line so that they know exactly where to increase or decrease a particular line. Chairman Krieger expressed his appreciation as well, saying the library has worked well with them since he has been a selectman.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess regarding the Police Department. Most lines were level-funded. Chairman Krieger explained that they would discuss Cost of Living raises after meeting with all departments.

Chairman Krieger said the part-time secretary wages have gone up from \$1,648 to \$7,300. Chief Burgess said he's put a lot of time and thought into this line and has decided to keep it at \$1,648; he sees no reason to increase it. Chairman Krieger cautioned that if the secretary takes vacation they would need to be able to cover her. After consideration; they agreed to raise the amount from \$1,648 to \$2,700 to cover the office for vacations.

Chief Burgess said county is anticipating a 5% increase so that line is increased from \$22,750 to \$24,928. Chairman Krieger explained that the increase is due to County getting a new 1+ million-dollar radio system.

Chief Burgess explained that Prosecution decreased from \$33,864 to \$33,152.

Chief Burgess explained that he doesn't have a member of the special ops unit so that line is decreased from \$3,500 to \$3,000.

Chief Burgess explained that they increased the office supply line from \$2,000 to \$2,500 due to things such as ink cartridges that are continually going up.

Chief Burgess said he would like to purchase a cruiser this year; they didn't purchase one last year. He explained that he received a price for a sedan and a price for an SUV. Chief Burgess said the SUV isn't a lot more money. He said the advantages would be that it has more room, he could move the speed trailer and the mobile command center with it. Selectman Fiske asked if a radio can be pulled off an old car. Chief Burgess said he'd look into it. Chief Burgess will review the cost of the cruiser and get back to the Selectmen.

Selectman Ives asked about the training line. Chief Burgess explained that they increased it last year because there were issues with the police academy; however those issues have been taken care of and a lot of the trainings will be free again. The training line will be decreased from \$9,500 to \$4,500.

Meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman  
Steven R. Ives, Selectman  
Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 20, 2016

**Present:** Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

**Also present was:** Road Agent Lance Houle and Fire Chief Rick Wright

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 13, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle explained that he would like to give Randy Cicchetto a \$.50 increase per hour. He explained that Mr. Cicchetto has proven himself and he would hate to lose him; he's done a lot of mechanical work, and he picked right up on the plowing and sanding. Selectman Ives asked how long he has been with the town. Mr. Houle said two months. Chairman Krieger said he's supposed to be here six months; that's what they've done in the past. Selectman Fiske asked what the chances are that he is going

to stay with the town. Mr. Houle said he is the only Loudon resident who works for the town. Mr. Houle explained that he has been fixing things such as the mower, the sanders, etc. He said Mr. Cicchetto looks for things to do; doesn't just stand around. Mr. Houle said he has the money in his budget. The Board agreed that a \$.50 raise can be given; effective January 1, 2017.

Mr. Houle said at the entrance to Soucook Lane and Lovering Ave., off Route 106, on the right side are hemlocks that are shading the road so it's hard to keep it clear. He explained that the Town owns the property between the road and State Shed. Mr. Houle said he would like to thin the trees, not clear cut it, so the sun can get through and heat up the road. Selectman Fiske said he'd like to look at it and take some pictures. Selectman Ives agreed that he would like to drive by and look at it as well.

Mr. Houle said that the information that he gave them regarding the paving of South Village Road included line striping that he will be taking out of his regular budget as

well as drainage that he will be paying for from impact fees. He explained that both of these would reduce the warrant article to \$215,135, \$115,135 to be raised by taxes and \$100,000 to come out of the Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund.

Mr. Houle explained that the Backhoe he would like to purchase is \$102,900, he would like to take that money out of the Highway Equipment Expendable Fund and not raise any by taxes.

Selectman Fiske said he was approached by someone about the cracks up on the Ridge; they are getting wider and gravel or stone is coming up. Mr. Houle will take a look at it.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted a request for an ambulance transport abatement. He said most of it has been paid; there is \$110 remaining. Selectman Ives said he would like to investigate this a little before he makes a decision. The Board agreed it will be taken under advisement.

Chief Wright explained that he spoke to the town attorney about two ambulance transport rates. The Town Attorney explained that town residents could be charged a lower rate because they pay more than their fair share (buildings, ambulances, personnel, etc.), a rate discount is ethical, not illegal, and makes sense to him for residents of the Town. The Board discussed the rates and decided that the rates for the bundles would be BLS — \$600 (resident), \$700.00 (non-resident); ALS1 — \$800.00 (resident), \$1000.00 (non-resident); ALS2 — \$1,100.00 (resident), \$1,250.00 (non-resident); and Mileage \$15.00 (resident), \$20.00 (non-resident).

Chief Wright explained that they have three provider billings in place. Medicare/Medicaid, which is mandatory by law; Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, which dates back to 1998, and provides payment direct to the town rather than to the subscriber. Chief Wright said he'd like to keep that one and Premier Health Care Exchange,

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he said this one allows for a 20% discount on billing rates to a group of insurance companies that PHX represents. He explained that some of those companies are Cigna, Etna, and United Health Care. Chief Wright said if they keep the agreement with PHX they would continue to get faster payments but the amount they pay has to be accepted; any balance cannot be billed to the subscriber. He explained that if they don't have the agreement, Comstar can bill the subscriber for the balance. The Board agreed that PHX should be cancelled.

Chief Wright submitted his final ambulance department budget request. He explained that he increased the part-time line by \$15,000 to cover ambulance shifts; he left the night coverage the same and increased the billing fees due to an increase in more ambulance transports.

Chief Wright discussed the proposed false alarm procedure. He explained that alarm and/or sprinkler systems would be allowed 2 false alarms during a 12-month period at no charge. He explained that a false alarm is defined as an alarm activation or sprinkler activation due to a malfunction. After 2 false alarms, a charge of \$500 is assessed; after 5 false alarms, a charge of \$100 is assessed. If an owner doesn't pay a bill, the tax collector will add it to the tax bill. Chairman Krieger asked, is there is a list of these people so they can be notified of this? Chief Wright said there is. The Board agreed to the procedure.

Chief Wright said the superintendent from R.H. White, that is working on the pipeline, called today and said they plan on pressure testing the new gas pipe starting Thursday morning, all day and night into Friday morning. He explained that it takes 10 hours to pump it up and 8 hours to test it; if that goes well it will be followed by what they call the blow down period. They will be working in the area of Staniels Road. He explained that they are going to try and avoid doing this on Shaker Road due to the noise the test makes but it is possible that they will have to. Chief Wright said the noise could be between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. Friday morning due to their schedule.

The Board met with Transfer Station Manager Dustin Bowles.

Mr. Bowles explained that he went to the Co-op meeting, where they discussed tipping fees for the trash that goes over to Wheelabrator. He gave them copies of the 2017 Budget Summary for the Co-op. He explained that the estimated tipping fees are \$67.50 per ton; up slightly. Mr. Bowles said the Town will be receiving a check in the amount of \$43,387 from the Co-op. If the Board would like the check before July 1,

2017, a letter has to be written requesting that. Selectman Ives suggested that if they wait until after July 1st it would be anticipated money and could be earmarked for something specific. If they get it before July 1st it goes into the general fund and to the unreserved fund balance for this year. The Board will take this under advisement.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from the Canterbury Planning Board regarding the lights at LEF Greenhouse. They would like to be invited to the next Planning Board meeting. The Planning Board has been notified.

The Board received the CNHRPC 2019-2028 Regional Transportation Improvement Program project nomination form.

The Board received a letter from the Office of State Fire Marshall regarding fire-works in the town. The Board will not respond; leaving it up to the Fire Chief.

The Board received the CIP Application from the Planning Board.

The Board received the ESMI Self-report for October and November 2016.

The Board received the Xfinity Municipal Emergency Reporting Procedure.

The Board received an email from a resident regarding noticing procedures.

The Board received a memo from the Office Manager regarding the Town Report.

The Board received a memo from the Office Manager regarding budget and warrant articles.

The Board discussed an easement deed for Clough Pond Road. The Town Attorney does not recommend the change in wording proposed by Mr. Magoon's attorney. Chairman Krieger said he will not go against the Town Attorney's recommendations. The Board agreed that Mr. Magoon will be notified that his attorney can contact the town attorney to discuss it.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, December 22nd, 8–11:00 a.m. will be distribution of the Holiday Food Baskets at the Fire Station.

Friday, December 23rd at 8:30 a.m. is the employee breakfast at the Fire Station.

Monday, December 26th the Town Offices are closed due to the holiday.

Tuesday, December 27th the Selectmen's meeting is cancelled.

*Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn 7:03 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Robert P. Krieger, Chairman*

*Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

*Robert N. Fiske, Selectman*

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 3, 2017

**Present:** Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, December 20, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Budget Work Session Minutes of Tuesday, December 6, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Budget Work Session Minutes of Friday, December 9, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Work Session Minutes of Friday, December 16, 2016 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with members of the Loudon Communication Council.

Mary Ann Steele explained that when they came to the Board in June to discuss insurance issues they mentioned that they needed to do something about the website. Ms. Steele explained that they spoke to a number of consulting firms. She said based on price and what they provide they selected Virtual Towns and Schools. Ms. Steele said they are known specifically for doing this kind of work. They would design and build a website, train users from all departments and provide support. The cost to build the website would be \$6,000, subsequent years would cost \$1,500 for support. Ms. Steele said the \$1,500 would become part of the operating budget the \$6,000 would be a warrant article. Chairman Krieger asked if they will be prepared to answer questions at Town Meeting. Ms. Steele said she won't but they will have technical people there that will. Katie Ambrose, Vice President of the Communications Council explained that she is familiar with Virtual Towns and Schools through her employment. She said the program and their customer service is great. Chairman Krieger said he has no problem supporting the warrant article, Selectman Fiske agreed. Selectman Ives said he has no problem supporting the article but he would like to review all the information.

The Board signed a letter to the Co-op requesting a refund check in the amount of approximately \$43,387. This was discussed at last week's meeting with the Mr. Bowles the Transfer Station Manager.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter from the Merrimack Valley School District with revised payment information. The January payment from Loudon to the school district will be \$768,605.44. Chairman Krieger explained that this is the amount that goes to the school monthly.

The Board received a letter from George Sansoucy regarding PSNH and NHEC appeals. Selectman Ives explained that Mr. Sansoucy does the towns utility assessments.

The Board received a receipt and check in the amount of \$217.14 from Northwood Auto Salvage. Chairman Krieger said this is an example of recycling paying off.

The Board received a check from the State for Meals & Rooms in the amount of \$280,265.46.

The Board received a letter from the Town of Pittsburg Board Selectmen regarding Local Control of Municipal Roads.

The Board received a letter from NHDRA regarding a request for Hardy Road Village District information.

The Board received a memo from CDFA regarding the Notice of Grant Application Deadlines. This information will be forwarded to the Planning Board.

The Board received notification from UNH that Road Agent Lance Houle has achieved the status of Roads Scholar Two.

Due to a problem with the tape recorder the beginning of the conversation with regarding LEF Greenhouses was not recorded. The recording begins at this point.

Mr. Huntington explained that 80% of the lighting used to grow their project is sunlight with only 20% being supplemental. He explained that their product is grown in bright white gutters, at this time they have product in only about half the gutters and the way it works they have to have all the gutters in. The empty gutters reflect light. Mr. Huntington said within a month or two they hope to have the greenhouse filled with product which will reduce the light. He explained that they have been very careful to avoid lighting the greenhouses in the evening hours, trying not to turn them on before 12 a.m. Mr. Huntington explained that one thing that has made a significant difference is that they are taking the CO<sub>2</sub> from the boilers that are heating the greenhouses and pump it into the greenhouses to make the plants grow. He explained that this has reduced the need for lights by up to six hours. Mr. Huntington said that as the days get longer they will need less supplemental light. Dennis Jakubowski asked about the blackout shades that were discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Huntington said that seeing how much light they are losing they intend to add blackout curtains. He explained that they can't do it while the greenhouse is in operation but when they expand they plan to add them. George Saunderson asked when they hope to expand. Mr. Huntington said they are hoping in 1–2 years. A gentleman from Currier Road asked if there were any impact studies done on lighting or property values. Selectman Ives explained that the Planning Board approved the operation; they are the ones that can answer those questions. He said he's not placing fault, no one anticipated the light. Angela Andrews from Bumfagon Road asked if the curtains will be tested. Mr. Huntington said they are being used in other places and will be effective. A gentleman from Shaker Road said he's never had to use his shades before and now he does. He said he can't sleep at night it's like a flashlight being shined in his bedroom window at night. Wes Jones from Pleasant Street said he has attended the Planning Board meetings over the years regarding the greenhouses on Pleasant Street, Henry has been cooperative with him. Mr. Jones said he is surprised the Planning Board didn't address the lighting situation. Mr. Jones explained that in 2005 when they did an addition on Pleasant Street he wrote a letter to the Planning Board and to Henry and the issues he had were taken care of. Mr. Jones said that in 2013 he went to more Planning Board meetings when the small greenhouses out back were being replaced. He feels the Planning Board didn't do their homework

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on this one. Bob Phillips had a prepared statement that he asked to read. Chairman Krieger asked him to give them an overview and submit his statement. Mr. Phillips full statement follows: My name is Bob Phillips and I live at 972 Route 106 North. I, as do many in Loudon, have serious concerns regarding the new greenhouse located on Route 106. We wonder: Will this intrusion of light onto neighboring and distant properties get worse or better? What if Mr. Huntington's attempt to reduce the amount of light leaving the property doesn't work? Can we count on the town to make sure there is a plan in place that will work? Initially I was excited to see this type of business in town but I am certainly having second thoughts. One concern I have is that Mr. Huntington will make an effort to reduce the amount of light leaving the property but in the end will not be very successful and will still be allowed to continue expanding the business. Essentially, we will be silently told, in not so many words, to suck it up and live with it. I read in the minutes of the November 1st Selectmen's meeting that some feel that we can "trust" Mr. Huntington's verbal statements that he will make the necessary changes to reduce the light leaving the property. I'm not that trusting. In July of 2015, when Mr. Huntington came before the Planning Board, he asked for a waiver for a lighting plan and a waiver was granted. To be sure, it can be argued that the light that is leaving the property from within the greenhouse itself is not traditional lighting. Nevertheless, I am quite certain that Mr. Huntington, having been in the greenhouse business for 40 years, knew that there would be a substantial amount of light that could cause people in the surrounding area to complain. Also at the November 1st Selectmen's meeting Mr. Huntington stated that he was surprised as well at how much light the greenhouses gave off. I do not believe for one instant that he was surprised. Sections 206.6, section D, of the Zoning Ordinance reads as follow. "Operations on the premise shall not generate any noise, glare, smoke, dust or odors noticeable on abutting properties or detrimental to the neighborhood." I believe that the word "Glare" sufficiently addresses the issue of light. It is probably time to update the ordinance, as many towns and cities in NH have done, to include the word "light". Section 206.6, section G, states that "No businesses or commercial venture shall be permitted which could cause any undue hazard to health, safety or property values." There are residences directly across the street as well as within a short distance that could arguably have their property values negatively affected by the volume of light leaving the lettuce farm. Mr. Huntington likes to talk about being a good neighbor and he mentioned it numerous times during the November 1st Selectmen's meeting. It is a fact that neighbors in the area surrounding

the Pleasant View operation have complained many times about excessive noise and light and yet they still continue to expand. If the lighting issue is not addressed, and corrected, prior to the 2nd phase being started, I believe that it will never be corrected. The only way to make this a priority for Mr. Huntington is to allow the 2nd phase to go ahead only after successfully mitigating the problem. That would be the best incentive. With the following 3 points I conclude. 1. The permit to operate this business should be revisited under section 206.6 of the Town Ordinance that addresses Glare. Due to the fact that it is a violation of the Ordinance, Code Enforcement should probably be involved as well 2. The second phase of the project should not be permitted until the problem is resolved to the reasonable satisfaction of the Planning Board with substantial input of Loudon residents. 3. I am also convinced that with as many times as Mr. Huntington comes before the Planning and Zoning Boards for approvals for his business that it is an obvious and serious conflict of interest for him to sit on the Planning Board. Perception of those watching is everything and it appears to more than just myself that there is a real conflict of interest here.

Mary Ann Steele from Lower Ridge Road said she can see the greenhouse light at her house. She asked if there is a reason that the shades can't be put up while the greenhouse is in operation. Mr. Huntington explained that they can't be installed over the crop. Ms. Steele asked if the greenhouses aren't fully planted can the crop be shifted so shades can be installed. Mr. Huntington said no because of the way the operation works. Mr. Jakubowski said he has no reason to doubt that Mr. Huntington is trying to do the right thing. He asked how they can get LEF to say unequivocally that when they expand they will adequately shade the existing and future greenhouses. Mr. Jakubowski said this light affects thousands of people as well as moth, insects, wildlife and maybe some long term environmental impact. Mr. Huntington said that by the time moths and insects are flying the lights will be off. Mr. Huntington said as he said at the last meeting, at the greenhouse when Mr. Jakubowski toured it and again tonight he gives his word that they will put up blackout curtains in any expansion and in the existing greenhouse. Chairman Krieger explained that they received a letter from an abutting town saying that they will be attending the January Planning Board meeting regarding this. The meeting will be the third Thursday of the month. Selectman Ives explained that the Selectmen have no authority over the elected Boards in town. He explained the Zoning Board is the Board of Appeal; a decision made by another Board can be appealed through them. Someone said there are three members of the Canterbury Planning Board at this meeting because they have problems with this as well.

The Board received the following reminder: Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at

9:30 a.m. in the Barn is a Capital Improvements Program Meeting.

Chairman Krieger said they received a hardship application for an ambulance bill. The Board discussed it and decided that the bill should go to collections.

Chairman Krieger said that last week the Road Agent mentioned cutting trees on Soucook Lane. Selectman Fiske said he looked at them, he would like to talk to the Road Agent about it. He feels that sand and salt would take care of the issue without cutting trees. Selectman Ives will take a look at them this week. The Board will dis-

cuss it with the Road Agent at next week's meeting.

Chairman Krieger said the budget hearing will be at the barn on Tuesday, January 17th at 6:30 p.m.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn 7:16 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 10, 2017

**Present:** Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

**Also, Present:** Fire Chief Rick Wright, Police Chief Kris Burgess and Road Agent Lance Houle.

Chairman Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 3, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Krieger explained that the Board of Permit scheduled for this evening is canceled because there was nothing on the agenda.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle said they have had a busy month plowing and treating the roads.

Mr. Houle said they took a sander out of one of the trucks to clean it and found a bearing that needed to be replaced.

Mr. Houle explained he has a truck down getting a clutch replaced.

Mr. Houle said they have someone coming on Friday to look at their radios.

Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Houle if he looked at Bert Lane and the inspection report by Nobis Engineering. Mr. Houle said he did and everything was done.

Chairman Krieger explained that Selectman Fiske took pictures of the trees on Lovering Ave. Selectman Fiske explained his pictures and told Mr. Houle that he is concerned about the landowners on the road and he doesn't see where the road is hampered. Selectman Ives agreed; he said he thinks the homeowners might get upset if they see too much of the state shed. Mr.

Houle said the road freezes up and a little sunshine would help that.

Selectman Ives asked if the new truck is on line. Mr. Houle said it is and is working out well.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said he spoke to the ambulance billing company about how to handle the resident and non-resident billing. He explained that the ambulance bill will go to the insurance company, when they get notification of the patients balance due they can waive that balance if it is a resident. Selectman Ives agreed. He wants to be sure there is a system in place so that it done consistently. The Board agreed with the plan.

Chief Wright explained that based on what the NH Municipal Association Attorney said, in order to establish the false alarm ordinance a vote at Town Meeting is required. The Board agreed that Chief Wright should write the warrant article and it will be included at Town Meeting.

Chief Wright said he met with Director Plummer and his staff about three projects identified as high priority for Loudon. 1) an update of the Local Emergency Operations Plan 2) an update of the Local Emergency Operations Center 3) develop a NASCAR Operational Plan. He explained that these would be funded with a Homeland/Emergency Management Grant. The Board agreed that Chief Wright should proceed with this.

Chief Wright said that Deputy Lake recently spent time at the Richard Brown House talking to the residents about fire safety.

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Chief Wright said a new dry hydrant has been installed on Currier Road.

Chief Wright thanked the Road Agent and Deputy Lake for their quick response in getting a long driveway plowed out so they could get an ambulance down it during a snowstorm.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess explained that he has a potential part-time employee. He thinks he will be a great asset to the town, he is the Chief of Police in Pittsfield. Chief Burgess said he would bring many things to Loudon. He is a firearms instructor, Taser instructor, he's been through command school for the SWAT team, and has 20 years of experience in law enforcement. Selectman Fiske said he would like to take this under advisement. Chairman Krieger said they'll have an answer next week.

Chief Burgess said he has 15 baretas he would like to sell. He received 3 quotes; the highest is for \$3,000, \$200 apiece from Martels Bait Shop. Chairman Krieger said he thinks they should be sold. Selectman Ives said he'd want them to go to a licensed entity. Chief Burgess said Martels is. The Board agreed they can be sold.

Chairman Krieger recognized Barbara Burr from the recycling committee. Ms. Burr asked if the Board has made a decision about crushing the glass or if they will continue shipping it off site. Ms. Burr said if they haven't made a decision it could go out for a vote at Town Meeting. She said the recommendation from the recycling committee is that it be crushed and used for town applications. Ms. Burr said the committee is also exploring uses for it. Ms. Burr said it will cost a lot of money to haul off the 20-ton pile that they have. Mr. Houle said the intention isn't to haul off the pile that has accumulated, it is to haul off what is being recycled presently so the pile doesn't get any bigger. Ms. Burr said the pile is a hazard and should be crushed. Selectman Fiske asked if it is premature to crush it if they don't have a use for it. Selectman Ives said they have a plan in place to take glass to New London as it comes in. He said until they have a definite plan and use for the glass he would rather leave it as is in the pile instead of investing \$20,000. Chairman Krieger said he doesn't want to spend \$20,000 and then there being a chance that they don't find a use for it and it still needs to be hauled off or it just sits there. Ms. Burr said she is talking to concrete companies about using it. Chairman Krieger said he supports everything the committee does but until they have a definite use for the glass he won't support spending \$20,000 to crush it.

Chairman Krieger read the following: **PUBLIC NOTICE, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold a Public Hearing, Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. at the Loudon Community Building, located behind the Town Office to consider a petition from Dan Aversa to accept Bert**

**Lane as a Town Road. Signed: Robert P. Krieger, Chairman, Steven R. Ives, Selectman, Robert N. Fiske, Selectman.** Chairman Krieger asked for Jim Griffin; Mr. Griffin was not present. Mr. Aversa had submitted a letter saying the Mr. Griffin would represent him at the public hearing. Chairman Krieger read information from the Road Agent stating that cracks have been sealed, culverts have been cleaned, grates were raised and cleaned from vegetation, headers were sealed. Mr. Houle said everything the town engineer asked for has been taken care of. Selectman Fiske has some questions about a deed and how it coincides with the road plan. He asked Stan Prescott to look at it. Selectman Fiske said his concern is that the plan showing the road to the back properties doesn't have any measurements so he is wondering how the deed to the Town can be written. Mr. Prescott looked at the Bert Road as built plan and said the Planning Board has the full set of approved plans. Selectman Ives said the Planning Board approved it so it had to have been surveyed. Chairman Krieger suggested that this be tabled until next week's meeting so they can get clarification. *Selectman Ives made a motion to table this petition until next week so they can get clarification on the deed. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:43 P.M.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to come out of non-public session at 7:07 P.M.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries.*

*Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 7:08 P.M.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to come out of non-public session at 7:25 P.M.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Krieger moved to seal the minutes for five years; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Fiske — yes.*

The Board recognized Stan Prescott.

Mr. Prescott submitted a petitioned warrant article signed by 36 people. He explained that the petition is to exempt solar power from taxation.

Mr. Prescott said he will go to the Planning Board office and research the Bert Lane issue for next week. The Board thanked him.

Mr. Prescott explained that the town took over the cemetery at the last town meeting. He said he received a phone call from someone looking for a lot. Mr. Prescott said he doesn't mind taking care of it but he needs something from the town

saying he represents the town. He suggested he could be appointed something like cemetery superintendent, he would then take calls, sell lots, collect lot money and turn it over to the town. Dustin Bowles asked if there is any RSA about this. Mr. Prescott said he believes the Town can appoint someone to take care of the cemetery. Chairman Krieger said they will look into and have an answer next week. In the meantime, Mr. Prescott, will take care of the person that called him. Selectman Fiske thanked Mr. Prescott.

Chairman Krieger read the following: **BIDS WANTED, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon are requesting bids for the printing of the Annual Town Report. Specifications may be obtained from the Selectmen's Office, 29 S. Village Road, PO Box 7837, Loudon, NH 03307 or by email to selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org. Sealed bids, clearly marked "Town Report Bid" are due at the Selectmen's Office no later than 4:00 P.M. Tuesday January 10, 2017. Bids will be opened during the next regular Selectmen's Meeting. The Board of Selectmen reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Robert P. Krieger, Chairman, Steven R. Ives, Selectman, Robert N. Fiske, Selectman.**

Chairman Krieger opened the following bids:

Deb K. Graphics for layout and design of the report in the amount of \$1,100.

Evans Printing for printing 800 copies with 100 pages in the amount of \$2,130.18.

RAM Companies for printing \$2,967.28 90 pages plus \$75 per hours for typesetting, \$10 each for scans, \$75 each for Aa's, \$10 per page for alteration proofs.

R.C. Brayshaw & Co., Inc. for layout in the amount of \$1,800 and for printing in the amount of \$2,195, 800 copies with 100 pages.

Selectman Ives said the Evans and Brayshaw quoted on the same number of pages, RAM Co. quoted on less pages. He said Deb and Evans have the best price and they did it last year. *Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the proposals from Deb K Graphics and Evans printing. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a Letter from NHDRA regarding their 2016 Sale monitoring.

The Board received a letter from the Canterbury Planning Board regarding the possibility of a Country Music Festival at NHMS. Chairman Krieger explained that the Town has advised the racetrack that the wording on the document needs to be explained and signed by a Justice. He said the track has been made aware of that. Chairman Krieger said that the track attorney and the town attorney have made contact and at this point it is in the hands of the track.

The Board received a letter and pictures from Jamie Goddard, President of Villages at Loudon regarding snowmobile concerns.

Chief Burgess said he also received this information. He explained that the Villages spoke to Fish and Game who gave them some ideas about what to do about the snowmobiles. Chairman Krieger asked Chief Burgess to have his officers drive through once in a while.

The Board received a request from the Town Clerk to return a registration fee to a woman in town that turned her plates in early because she sold the vehicle. Selectman Fiske said denied. Selectman Ives said he is leaning towards returning it. Chairman Krieger said his concern is that if he sells his truck eleven months after he registers it he could come back and ask for his money because of this he agrees with Selectman Fiske.

The Board received an invoice from Capitol Alarm. The Board would like to check other prices before this is paid. The highway garage got a good price from a different company when their system was recently installed so the town might be able to get a better bundle price.

The Board received the Loudon Agriculture Commission Minutes of December 1, 2016.

The Board received a letter from M. Harris with concerns about the racetrack.

The Board received the NHRS 2016 Statutory Provisions.

The Board received the following reminders:

Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. is a Joint Loss Management Committee at the Library.

Monday, January 16, 2017 is a Holiday so the Town Office is closed.

Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. is the Budget Hearing in the barn.

Wednesday, January 25 through Friday, February 3, 2017 filing for candidacy is open.

Chairman Krieger said he has been working on the annual leave policy. He gave a copy to each of the Selectmen and asked them to review it so they can discuss it next week.

Chairman Krieger recognized Janice Morin from the audience. Ms. Morin handed each of the Selectmen and Chief Burgess a letter. Chairman Krieger said this has to do with compensation so if Ms. Morin would like to go into non-public session they can. Ms. Morin said she has no problem with it being public. Ms. Morin said she has been an employee for almost 33 years, it has been several years since she has seen an increase other than COLA and she has done research in other municipalities. Ms. Morin said the Chief told her several months ago, that he would address it, a couple weeks ago, he told her he wouldn't pursue it. Chief Burgess said that he and Ms. Morin have had this conversation numerous times. He said as he told her he has a hard time justifying it. He explained that like anything he brings to the Selectmen's table he has to justify why. Chief Burgess said yes, she has been there for 33 years and if a raise is given it would be on

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longevity not on justification. Chairman Krieger asked him to explain. Chief Burgess said if she receives the raise she is asking for she will be making more money than half his patrolmen that work nights and weekends and put their lives in harm. He explained that she works Monday through Friday 8–4 and gets to go home at night, his officers don't have the ability to do that. Chief Burgess said he can't compare apples to apples but that is the way he feels and when he took over as Chief he said he would do what is best for the town. Selectman Ives said he was thinking about suggesting they take it under advisement but after hearing what Chief Burgess said he agrees with Chief Burgess that it will be a longevity raise if they gave it and at this point in time according to this letter the duties have been cut quite a bit when code, health and building went over to the fire department. He said those were duties of this position when this job was created and she no longer has those duties. Selectman Ives said a COLA is more money in her pocket so he considers it a raise so she has been getting raises right along. He said she is getting compensated well enough for what she is doing and he would not go along with a raise. Selectman Fiske said he doesn't agree with Selectman Ives. He said her duties before they went to the fire department, there was someone doing 20–24 hours per week doing police work at

the same time. Selectman Fiske said anyone looking from the outside might say her duties have lessened a lot but that is not so. He said since he's been sitting here they have given out something like 8 raises, even to new people, he can't remember the last time Janice Morin had a raise, clearly, she has received the COLA's but she hasn't received a raise in he doesn't know how long. Chairman Krieger said he is taking Selectman Ives first thought and taking it under advisement for a week. He asked that the Chief and Janice meet and try to come up with a solution to this.

Selectman Fiske submitted a 91-A request. He explained that this is for the legal expenses and agreement about the property taxes with NHMS. Chairman Krieger said this will be forwarded to the Town Attorney.

Dustin Bowles said the school budget hearing will be Tuesday, January 31st at 7:00 p.m. at the high school. Selectman Ives said he went to the collaborative meeting with the School Board and Selectmen from the other towns. He said the new superintendent is really looking at ways to keep the school budget down.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn 8:08 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Robert P. Krieger, Chairman  
Steven R. Ives, Selectman  
Robert N. Fiske, Selectman*

and owner Mr. Huntington will attend this meeting to answer all questions.

**New Business:**  
None

**Report of the ZBA:**

There are two applications on the agenda for this month, one for a special exception for a 1,000-gallon propane tank and one for a reduced setback.

**Report of the Board of Permit:**

Vice Chairman Prescott reported NHMS would like to hold a country music festival. Currently there is a covenant that doesn't allow the track to hold concerts. NHMS would need to take care of this before the

town would be willing to discuss this. Vice Chairman Prescott also informed the board there was a CIP meeting on December 13 and the next one will be December 4th at 9:30 a.m. for anyone wishing to attend.

**Board Discussion:**  
None

**Adjournment:**

*Mr. Moore made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Bowles. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,  
Danielle Bosco  
Administrative Assistant*

## Zoning Workshop Meeting Minutes — December 8, 2016

6:30 p.m.

**Planning Board:** Tom Dow, Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Steve Ives, Tom Moore, George Saunderson, and Dustin Bowles.

**Zoning Board:** Ned Lizotte, Roy Merrill, Earl Tuson, Charlie Aznive, and Howard Pearl.

**Code Enforcement:** Bill Lake

**Residents:** Peter Parisey

Tom Dow asked the Zoning Board for their input on the new Amendment for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's) RSA 674:71&72. Mr. Merrill asked that they look about requiring the same lot size as a duplex for a single-family home that has an ADU attached. Mr. Prescott said the law requires they allow ADU's in any single-family zone. It will be required to apply for a special exception before adding an ADU. Mr. Prescott added they could require a larger lot size for a non-attached ADU, at this time they will not be allowing non-attached ADUs. Resident Peter Parisey is interested in having a detached ADU on his property for a family member. His garage is too far from his home to create an attached ADU. Mr. Saunderson said at this time the town is not going to allow detached units, this amendment is a good starting point and possibly in the future they could look into detached units.

Mr. Dow spoke about the proposed amendment on allowing bulk storage up to 1,000 gallons. Bill Lake said in the last year he has come across this issue many times and has sent in residents to apply for the special exception for bulk storage. Having the 1,000 gallon storage tanks has become more common and having this in the zoning ordinance will now allow it without having to complete the special exception application.

Mr. Dow spoke about the zoning amendment suggestion that was submitted by Conservation Commission to require a certified foundation plan/plot plan for all new constructions. Everyone agreed this was not needed in the ordinance.

Mr. Pearl spoke about the ordinance for bulk storage not allowing septic storage. Mr. Moore said it was covered under "all other tanks." Mr. Pearl thought it would be clearer to define septic storage. Mr. Prescott said that leaving this as is allows them to allow this on a case-by-case basis. Planning Board members were in agreement that the ordinance should stay as is and it is covered for septic under special exception.

*Adjourned at 7:20 p.m.*

*Submitted by  
Danielle Bosco  
Administrative Assistant*

## Planning Board Meeting Minutes — December 15, 2016

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Tom Dow.

**Attendance:**

Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stanley Prescott, Tom Moore, Bob Cole, George Saunderson, Henry Huntington and alternates Alice Tuson and Dustin Bowles. Conservation Commission: Rob Buzzell and Pauline Touzin

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

**November 17, 2016 Regular Meeting** — *Mrs. Tuson made a correction to the spelling of Mr. Bowles' name. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the minutes with this correction; seconded by Mr. Cole. All were in favor.*

**November 17, 2016 CNHRPC Meeting** — *Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Saunderson. Vice Chairman Prescott recused himself; all others were in favor. Motion carried.*

**Discussion:**

Joe Bowie and Mark Plantier approached the board to discuss a subdivision

they would like to complete that requires building a town road and brought in maps to show the members. Chairman Dow explained the narrow strip of land can't count as road frontage and the required 400 feet of road frontage needs to start at the end of narrow opening. Mr. Moore asked if the road would have to be accepted and be named. Mr. Prescott said it can be named and still be a private road that will not be accepted by the town. Mr. Bowie passed out additional maps of a road proposal. The board agreed this would still not meet the required road frontage of 400 feet.

Mike Harris approached the board to discuss the LEF greenhouses. Mr. Huntington recused himself from the board. Mr. Harris is upset up the illumination that is caused by the greenhouses. Mr. Harris has had time to look at the file on the greenhouses and questioned the lighting and landscape plan. Vice Chairman Prescott said the building is still in process and they are working on landscape. Chairman Dow said there will be a Selectmen's meeting on January 3rd at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the lighting

**ALL MINUTES ARE PRINTED IN FULL AS SUBMITTED AND DO NOT REFLECT THE OPINION OF THE LOUDON COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES HAVE BEEN APPROVED.**

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## Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — December 22, 2016

### Present:

Chairman Ned Lizotte, Vice Chairman Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill, Charlie Aznive, and alternate George Saunderson. Chairman Lizotte appointed George Saunderson a voting member in the absence of Earl Tuson.

### Minutes:

**Regular Hearing** — *Mr. Pearl made a motion to accept the minutes of November 28, 2016 as written; seconded by Mr. Merrill. All were in favor.*

### Discussions:

**Peter Parisey** — Mr. Parisey approached the board to discuss applying for a variance to subdivide his land. Mr. Parisey's property is 9 acres with 695 feet of road frontage in the AFP district. The requirements for a subdivision are 400 feet of road frontage and 5 acres per lot. Mr. Parisey is looking to have a family friend live on his property and had originally been interested in turning his garage into an ADU. Mr. Parisey said the layout of his property doesn't allow him to build an attached ADU and the garage is not attached and that will not be allowed. The land on either side of Mr. Parisey is lacking road frontage but he could potentially buy land and frontage to create a sub dividable lot. Mr. Pearl said it would be best to speak with a land surveyor and see if he can make this lot large enough. Chairman Lizotte stated he could apply for a variance but they are hard to get approved. Mr. Merrill said an attached ADU is still an option. Mr. Parisey would like to have the family friend not living attached to him. Mr. Parisey will look into purchasing land to create a lot that can be subdivided.

### Public Hearings:

**Application #Z-16-20, Alichia & Michael Kingsbury** — Mrs. Kingsbury came to the board to discuss a special exception for a reduced setback for a garage in the RR district map 60, Lot 7. Ruth Murray, an abutter, was present in the audience. Mrs. Kingsbury is looking to build a garage with a reduced front setback of 30 feet and side setback of 14 feet. Chairman Lizotte read the application while Mrs. Kingsbury answered questions from application. Chairman Lizotte asked Mr. Saunderson if the board should do a site walk. All members of the board agreed there wasn't a need for a site walk. *Mr. Saunderson made a motion to approve the application. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes, George Saunderson-yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Application #Z-16-21, Dave & Denise Cossette** — Mr. Cossette approached the

board to discuss having a 1,000 gallon propane tank on his property. Chairman Lizotte read the application while Mr. Cossette answered the questions from application. Mr. Pearl said he felt comfortable approving this application as the board has approved several others recently. *Mr. Saunderson made a motion to approve the application. Mr. Aznive seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive-yes, Ned Lizotte-yes, Roy Merrill-yes, Howard Pearl-yes, George Saunderson-yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

### Board Discussion:

Mr. Tuson had sent board members some changes to the rules of procedure prior to the meeting. Mr. Pearl inserted these corrections into the board's rules of procedure. Mr. Pearl spoke about the change from 144 hours to 5 business days. Mr. Lizotte said putting days into hours does make sense. Mr. Pearl said the only issue he saw with Mr. Tuson's changes was removing the alternates while the board makes a decision. Mr. Merrill said they should just remove that line. Mr. Lizotte said he did write up his version of changes to rules of procedure and they are included in the member's packets. Mr. Lizotte said in absence of members, the board should still be able to vote in alternates. Mr. Pearl said the issue of alternates that was addressed was actually an alternate voting when not appointed a voting member. Mr. Pearl said Mr. Tuson's issue that brought this up was in the October meeting an alternate voted. Mr. Lizotte said he had appointed that particular alternate a voting member at the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Pearl said there should be something added in the event a chairperson is no longer able to serve their term. Mr. Lizotte said his write-up the procedure changes covers this. Mr. Lizotte asked the board if they should vote at the beginning of the meeting for the chair or at the end. Mr. Aznive said he believes it should be voted on at the end of the meeting during board discussion. Mr. Pearl said in Mr. Tuson's changes there is a clear sentence explaining when a member is vacant. There was confusion on which changes to use, Mr. Lizotte's or Mr. Tuson's. Mr. Pearl is going to update changes and email to Mrs. Bosco to distribute.

### Adjournment:

*Mr. Pearl moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Aznive. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,  
Danielle Bosco  
Administrative Assistant*

## March in Loudon

MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONTACT THE GROUP IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR TO CONFIRM MEETING TIMES AND LOCATIONS. IF YOUR INFO IS WRONG, PLEASE CONTACT US SO WE CAN FIX IT!

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### 2nd Sunday of the month

2-4pm•Loudon Historical Society Museum Open

### 1st Monday of the month

5pm•Library Trustees Meeting  
6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com. Bldg.  
6pm•Yoga @ Library

### 1st Tuesday of the month

9am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
6:30pm•Prayer Meeting @ Cong. Church  
7pm•Lions Club @ Library

### 1st Wednesday of the month

2-4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village Arts @ Library  
6pm•Meditation @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library  
7pm•Village Arts Group @ Library  
7pm•Historical Society @ Museum

### 1st Thursday of the month

10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
10:30am•Meditation @ Library  
11am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
3:30pm•LEGO Club @ Library  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
6:30•PTA @ LES  
7pm•Agriculture Commission @ Com. Bldg.

### 2nd Monday of the month

6pm•Yoga @ Library  
7:15pm•MVSD School Board

### 2nd Tuesday of the month

9am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen, Board of Permit @ Com. Bldg.  
6:30pm•Prayer Meeting @ Cong. Church

### 2nd Wednesday of the month

2-4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village Arts @ Library  
6pm•Meditation @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library

### 2nd Saturday of the month

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

### 3rd Monday of the month

6pm•Yoga @ Library

### 3rd Tuesday of the month

9am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
6:30pm•Prayer Meeting @ Cong. Church  
7pm•Lions Club @ Library

### 3rd Wednesday of the month

2-4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village Arts @ Library  
6pm•Meditation @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library  
7pm•Legion & Auxilliary @ Post 88

### 3rd Thursday of the month

10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
10:30am•Meditation @ Library  
11am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
3:30pm•LEGO Club @ Library  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
7pm•Planning Board @ CB

### 3rd Saturday of the month

5:30pm•Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Fellowship Supper

### 3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am•Loudon Congregational Church Healing Prayer Time

### 4th Tuesday of the month

9am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
1pm•Yoga @ Library  
6pm•Selectmen @ CB  
6:30pm•Prayer Meeting @ Cong. Church  
7pm•LYAA @ Library

### 4th Wednesday of the month

2-4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village Arts @ Library  
6pm•Meditation @ Library  
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library  
6:30pm•Recreation Committee @ Library

### 4th Thursday of the month

10:30am•Story Time @ Library  
10:30am•Meditation @ Library  
11am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library  
3:30pm•LEGO Club @ Library  
6pm•Yoga@Library  
7pm•Zoning Board @ CB

### EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

#### Feb. 1

6pm•Meditation @ Library  
7pm•MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT @ Com. Bldg.

#### Feb. 11

9am•Book Club Mash-Up Movie @ Library  
4:30-8pm•Dessert Auction and Spaghetti Dinner @ New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

#### Feb. 14•VALENTINE'S DAY

2:30pm•Movie Matinee for Adults @ Library  
6pm•Spiritual Living Discussion Group @ Library

#### Feb. 15

6pm•Cooking Class @ Library

#### Feb. 17•LEDGER DEADLINE

#### Feb. 20•PRESIDENT'S DAY

#### Feb. 22

6pm•Restorative Yoga @ Library

#### Feb. 23

7pm•Book Group @ Library

#### Feb. 28-March 3•SCHOOL VACATION

#### Feb. 28

9-Noon•VNA Clinic @ Richard Brown House

#### March 1

•4pm•Grossed Out! @ Library

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