The Loudon Ledger

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Loudon Lions Ed Friedrich and Mike Moffett presented Lion checks totaling $460 to Concord VFW Post 1631 Commander Mason Bass to support the Marine Corps Reserve's "Toys for Tots" program. Friedrich and Moffett are former Marines and also members of Loudon's American Legion Post #88.







Members of the Loudon Fire Department pose with Santa just before the start of the parade





The Loudon Lions spread some holiday cheer with a $100 check presentation to Sue Houck at the Loudon Food Pantry. Presenters included (l-r) Ed Friedrich, Vince Giambalvo, Gerri Lange, and RoseMarie Giambalvo.





American Legion Post 88 Commander Ken Ward (left) accepts an award for Post 88 achieving 100 percent membership renewals in 2020 from District 5 Commander Todd Connor at a recent District 5 meeting.

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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.

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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.

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

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info@loudoncongregational.org • www.loudoncongregational.org
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Sundays:
9:30 a.m. — Worship: In Person and YouTube Live Streaming
We are unable to offer a Nursery or a Pre-School Church at this time,
but our "Kids Korner" (K–5th Grade) is now being offered
during the last half of the worship service.
11:00 a.m. — Discipleship Hour. Classes offered live for ages 3–93.
No livestream at this time, but Zoom for some classes.

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To have your Church's information added to this column,
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New Resident Coordinator at the Richard Brown House

My name is Torey Kortz and I'd like to introduce myself as the new Resident Service Coordinator at the Richard Brown House. I came on board in late November and starting this new position in the middle of a pandemic and during the holidays has certainly presented challenges, but I look forward to making many meaningful connections in this wonderful community of Loudon.

Even though Covid-19 has prevented many of the traditional activities and holiday celebrations, things have been festive at the Richard Brown House these past couple of months. In November, the residents enjoyed a delicious catered Thanksgiving meal donated by the Windmill Family Restaurant in Concord – thank you Kosmas Smirnioudis! We also would like to thank Kim Beatty & Brandon Raymond and the students at Loudon Elementary for providing creative handcrafted Thanksgiving cards and decorations. The residents enjoyed donations of squash and eggs from the family farm of Gary & Cat Morrisette and continue to enjoy the weekly bread & snacks donation delivered by Sandi Foster of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. In December, we decided to go Italian with a catered lasagna meal for each of the residents-Mangia! Fun Christmas gift bags filled with little surprises to help brighten the holidays of each resident were donated by the Christian Women's Association and a generous anonymous donor provided 2021 wall calendars for everyone. Our resident Christmas elves with the help of Property Manager, Lucie

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A Richard Brown House resident creating a nativity scene

Loudon Food Pantry

Contact Information

Address: Huckleberry Business Park, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307.
Phone: (6030 724-9731
Donation, Office, and Volunteer times: Tue. 10 – 6, Wed. 10 – 1, Thu. 10 – 4
Service hours: **By appointment only**. Tue. 10 – 6, Wed. 10 – 1, Thur. 10 – 4
Website: www.loudonfoodpantry.org **Facebook:** LoudonFP

Inventory Time (Closed Dates)

This year we will be closed and unavailable while doing inventory from January 1, 2021 until January 11, 2021. We will reopen for business on Tuesday January 12, 2021.

November 2020 Meal Numbers

In November 2020 we gave out enough food to create 8,862 meals to 308 individuals. 113 of those were age 60 and older, 90 were age 18 or under and 105 were in between those ages.

Thanksgiving Boxes

We gave out 55 Thanksgiving Boxes. We received apples from Meadow Ledge Farm and other companies and individuals were donating items on our needs list as quickly as we posted them. It was truly amazing! Thank you so much!

To My Volunteers

As the new year rolls in, I'd like to take a moment to say thank you to all the volunteers that have helped over the course of the year. It's the people behind the scenes that keep the gears moving smoothly. During this difficult year, your dedication and great attitudes have made it less stressful to fill the needs of people that come to us. No matter what I ask of you, you found a way to make it happen. You are the true stars! Thank you!

Happy New Year Everyone!

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





A Glimpse into the Historical Society

by Liz LeBrun

Happy New Year! Your goals for 2021 may be a lot simpler this year. Perhaps you want to visit a relative that you haven't seen for several months or perhaps you want to go to a concert, a movie or a museum. Today we have to weigh the consequences of doing those things and while the Historical Society feels that we can't safely open the museum to the public, we can offer you a glimpse of what's inside. This month our featured item has to do with the movies. We have a silent movie projector labelled as a Keystone Moviegraph Model 261W which is displayed with a catalogue and price book. It was originally made in Boston. The projector was donated to the museum by Bradley Stuart who tells us that it has the original 1910 lightbulb still working in it. The projector has a movie on the reels but it is not evident what that movie might be. The catalogue offers movies in 50 foot and 100 foot lengths with stars such as Charlie Chaplin, Douglas Fairbanks, William S. Hart, Jackie Coogan and Tom Mix. To purchase a movie, the 50 foot length was $4.00 and the 100 foot length was $8.00.

Silent movies were produced from the 1880's to the early 1930's. The early movie cameras could not record sound and when sound cameras were invented, the equipment was expensive. According to internet research, a total of 10,919 silent films were released by major studios but today 75% of those are lost. A study from the Library of Congress says, "The silent cinema was not a primitive style of filmmaking, waiting for better technology to appear, but an alternative form of storytelling, with artistic triumphs equivalent to or greater than those of the sound films that followed. Few art forms emerged as quickly, came to an end as suddenly or vanished more completely than the silent film." We are thankful to have this piece of entertainment history sitting on our shelf.

The next meeting of the Historical Society is scheduled for February 3 at 6:30 pm at the Museum. We welcome anyone to join at any time. For questions call the Historical Society at (603) 798-4541 or e-mail us at Loudonhistory@gmail.com.

Historical Society Meeting Minutes 11/04/20

Attendance: Lucy Gordon, Michelle York, Elizabeth Whitham, Stanley Prescott, Melissa Moore, and Liz LeBrun

The meeting was called to order at 6:33.
Stanley made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as written. Liz seconded. Motion passed.

Lucy reported that we spent $1118 for chair caning and the fee to keep the 501(c)3 status current. We discussed the need to purchase a dolly to move artifacts. Stanley volunteered to make the purchase. In the future we will need portable shelving for the stone house storage area.

Melissa reported her progress on the town history. She is working on churches. Her research is taking longer than anticipated because of COVID restrictions. She has discovered a book on the history of Loudon churches by a Mr. Woodbury. She has completed several interviews with Loudon residents. It was discussed that current-day churches should be mentioned.

Perry Brothers Monument Company has been contacted in regards to a Civil War plaque and they are working with a Vermont company.

Roger will decorate the Christmas tree and the annual tree lighting will take place without a ceremony.

We would like to acknowledge the passing of Peter Bartlett who was the original curator when the Historical Society first moved into Charlie's Barn. We are grateful for the time and knowledge he gave us.

It was discussed that Familysearch.org is a free site run by the Mormons for family history searches.

December 2 at 6:30 will be a Director's meeting. The next meeting of members will be February 3 at 6:30.

A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Melissa. Second by Stanley. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34.



LOUDON HELPING HANDS PROGRAM Janice J. Morin

I'd like to thank everyone involved in making this year's program a success.

In prior years, a few residents (2-4 depending on the year) would reach out to either Chief Fiske (retired) or myself to find a family in need. These individuals were adamant their identities would never be revealed to the recipients, to which we respected that wish.

After multiple individuals reached out to me looking to help some local families in need, this program was created.

A total of 11 local families were given a 'helping hand'. HUGE helping hands!! There were over 35 generous individuals who wanted to help support this program. I honestly stopped taking names as 11 applications were received. The emotions were overwhelming with the gratitude expressed when the recipients received their packages.

This program was dedicated to James 'Jim' McNeil in honor of his generosity of helping people, not only at Christmas time but anytime someone was in need.

May we continue to see the good in mankind, especially during these trying times. I know my heart is full of appreciation to each and every one of our supporters. Wishing you all very happy (and healthy) holidays and hoping 2021 will bring us renewed belief that better times are coming.

Loudon Man Graduates Boot Camp

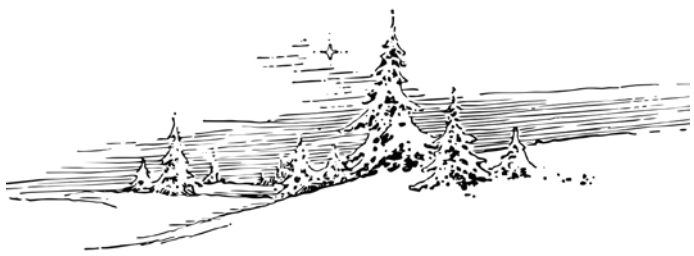
Private First Class Michael A. Ingerson, 26, of Loudon, NH, graduated from the United States Army boot camp on December 3, 2020. Pfc. Ingerson successfully completed 10 weeks of intensive basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. While in basic training Pfc. Ingerson qualified as a sharpshooter. Following a short leave at home he will report to the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center in Monterey, CA.

Proud parents are Kevin and Cheryl Ingerson of Loudon, NH.

All MVSD Schools To Switch To Remote Learning For The Week Of January 4-8

At the December meeting of the MV School Board (Monday, December 14, 2020), a decision was made for all MVSD schools to switch to a fully remote learning model for the week of January 4-8, 2021. The conversation that preceded this decision related to survey feedback from various stakeholder groups (to include families and MVSD employees) regarding upcoming holiday travel and gathering plans. While most are not traveling, a larger number of respondents indicated that they will/might be gathering with non-household friends and families during the upcoming holiday break. Going remote for the week after this break (January 4-8, 2021), allows folks to stay home and monitor health on the heels of any of these gatherings. Additionally, on the chance that anyone was inadvertently in close contact with a positive COVID-19 case during these gatherings, this provides time for any resulting quarantines. The hope is that this proactive measure will help preserve the subsequent hybrid learning model (that will resume on January 11, 2021 with in-person cohorts reporting to schools on Tuesday, January 12, 2021).





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Bilodeau, and Maintenance Specialist, Gary Morrisette, decorated the entire complex with Christmas spirit everywhere, and we were grateful to receive a special wreath from Mary & Barry Sartwell. A fun contest of "Find the Elf" kept the residents engaged and searching for that elusive elf.

How can the Loudon community help our residents during these difficult times?

Now that the holidays are over, it's time to think of some ways to help our residents get through the gray days of Winter. The 'dead of winter' months are generally a difficult time for senior citizens who tend to be more isolated January through March, but with the pandemic restrictions, this winter will be especially hard. The Richard Brown House is starting a community Pen Pal Program to help residents connect with others through the lost art of letter writing. Anyone in the community can participate to make a difference in the lives of our socially isolated seniors - older children, college students, business people, other seniors, or anyone else who wants to reach out. If you can commit to handwriting at least one letter or card per week, our residents would love to hear from you. Start with a simple introductory letter which tells a little about yourself and ask a few questions for the recipient on such topics as hobbies/leisure activities, favorite movie of all time, do they have grandchildren or great grandchildren, etc. (you get the idea… keep it light). As many of our residents are low-income and may have difficulty getting out in the Winter, please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope with your letters. Mail your first letter to: Torey Kortz, RSC Richard Brown House 142 S. Village Rd. Box 2 Loudon, NH 03307 and write Pen Pal Program in the lower left corner of the outside envelope. I will distribute these first letters to participating residents who will choose to write back with their name and direct address. We just ask that you commit to the Pen Pal Program weekly at least through the end of March as



Richard Brown House residents decorating the Christmas tree

the residents will be checking their mail often, eagerly awaiting your correspondence. "…***handwriting opens a window on the soul in a way that cyber communication can never do***." ~Charlotte Higgins

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



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https://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpride.org/district/home

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

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

Maxfield Public Library

MAXFIELD LIBRARY NEWS

LIBRARY SERVICES Since December 1st, Maxfield Public Library has provided curbside services only. This month, however, we will reevaluate our services plan with the help and guidance of local and state health officials. Please continue to follow us on Facebook and be sure to check our website at www.maxfieldlibrary.com for updates on any changes to our hours and available services! As always, you may still call us at 798-5153 or email us at maxlib@comcast.net to place orders. You can also reserve items yourself by using our online catalog (be sure to set up an account PIN with a staff member!).

YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

Here at Maxfield Public Library we are passionate about connecting patrons with safe and engaging activities this winter. With most of us stuck inside and outdoor experiences being limited due to the snow and frigid temperatures, what can one do? Craft! That's what.

TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS: At the library we are putting together craft kits that include a craft, coloring pages, songs with movement, and beginning sounds sheets...but that is not all! Our Winter Break Craft Packs came with 4 crafts and were very popular this past December! We hope that you were able to flex your creative muscles and had some fun over the break. Please email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com and send us your creations to be featured on our Facebook page! There is a new craft kit available this month! Keep an eye on our Facebook page for more information!

VIRTUAL STORY TIME: In addition to craft packs, we have also created a series of Virtual Story Time videos that will continue to be posted every Thursday at 10:30 am. The videos are read-aloud stories, sing and dance-along rhymes, and more! Take a dance break! Take some time to be silly!

LIBRARY NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to Collette Flanders for winning our Polar Express prize pack! We hope your family had a wonderful holiday season and enjoyed a fun family movie night together!

WINTER READING BINGO! If you love to read *and* you love a challenge, we encourage you to sign up for our Winter Reading Bingo challenge at Maxfield Public Library! From January 1 to March 19, **adult**, **teen**, and **child** readers can sign up to receive a bingo card. Each age group will receive a card with different activities on it such as: reading while drinking hot chocolate, reading to a stuffed animal, reading a memoir, or manga! When you get a bingo, submit your card for a chance to win a $50.00 gift card to Gibson's Bookstore in Concord. Bingo cards must be returned to the Library no later than March 19 to be entered. Only one card per patron, please!

INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE! Interlibrary loan services through the New Hampshire State Library have continued since September. Is there a book or a movie that Maxfield

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TOWN OF LOUDON OFFICE HOURS

Code Enforcement/Building Dept.
603-798-5584
Monday – Thursday 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
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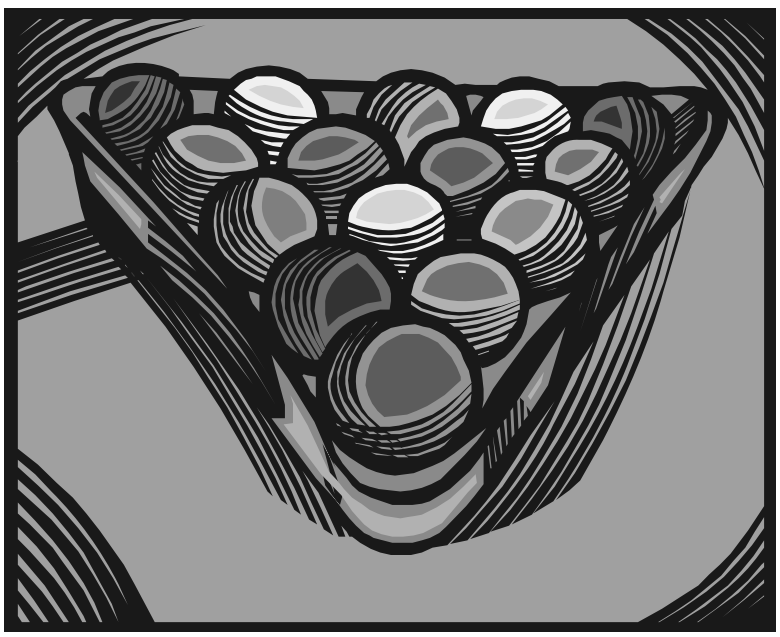
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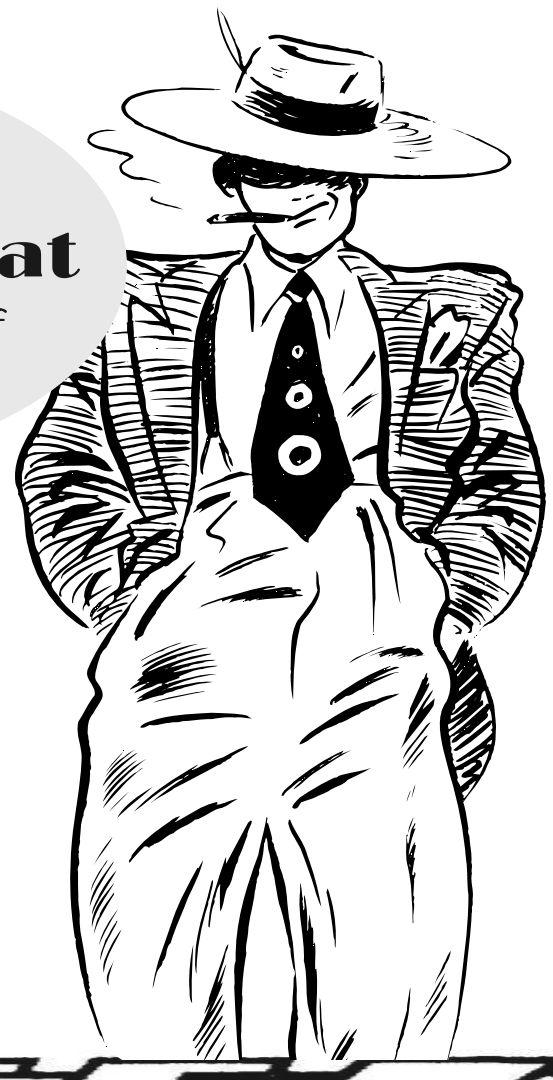
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Loudon Fire Department News

The Loudon Fire Department wants to congratulate Firefighter Lucas Hardy on successfully completing and passing his National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians Class. Firefighter Keith McNulty has also successfully obtained his NH EMS Providers License after transferring his credentials from the State of VT to NH. Both of these members will begin working on the ambulance and assisting with coverage and we appreciate their efforts. The department placed a new 2020 Dodge Ram 3500 into service in December to replace the 2004 Ford F350 which was damaged beyond repair at a brush fire in Pittsfield in August and was replaced by the town's insurance carrier PRIMEX. This new truck is equipped with a plow to assist in clearing both stations of snow and keeping our dry hydrants and water supplies accessible during the winter months. During the rest of the year, it is equipped with 2000' of 1 ½" forestry hose which can feed from a truck mounted 200-gallon water tank and a Honda powered WATERAX high pressure portable pump. The truck is also equipped with a full complement of forestry tools and supplies, and we look forward to this truck serving the town for many years to come.

The department deployed 2 new Zoll ventilators in December which were obtained through a Department of Justice Covid-19 grant. All EMS providers had to attend an online training program as well as an in-service training before these could be deployed on each of our two ambulances. These units are multi-function state of the art technology and cost $34,000.00. We were so very fortunate to be awarded the grant to make this purchase for the equipment.

We have begun migrating all of our information systems and documentation from a software package called Firehouse which has become very dated and does not work well with our current operating platform to a new cloud-based information technology system called Emergency Reporting. This new cloud-based platform will allow us to access information remotely and input information remotely while working incidents in the field as well as allowing employees to work remotely if they were to become injured or placed into quarantine. All members have their own individual access accounts which will assist us in becoming more efficient with record keeping and payroll as well.

As we move into the cold winter heating months we would like to remind you that there are a few things you can do to help keep your family safe and assist us if you need to call for our services. Finding you quickly and efficiently is a common problem for us. Please make sure your house numbers are visible and reflective. Imagine trying to find your home at night in a snowstorm or on a real foggy morning. You should use reflective numbers that are at least 3" high and should be visible from both directions of travel. If you have a shared driveway some additional signage indicating which house is in what direction if your only house number is on a bank of mailboxes at the end of the driveway would be very helpful. Please keep driveways maintained and free of snow and ice. Please keep trees and limbs clear from the driveway. We need to have 13'6" of overhead clearance if possible, for the width of your driveway. Please maintain walkways and a path around your house if possible. In the event of a fire or hazardous condition having a clear pathway around the perimeter of the house in deep snow situations increases our safety and ability to assist you more efficiently and in a safe manner.


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What's Cookin'?

Food, Food and More Food!

by Letty Barton

Now that we have indulged ourselves over the holidays it is time to think about some simpler meals for the cold days ahead. Try one of these soups or stews and add a bread to make it a hearty meal.

Golden Vegetable Soup
3 cups thinly sliced carrots
½ tsp. sugar
1 cup chopped onion
2 tsp. vegetable oil
2/3 cup chopped celery
4 cups chicken broth
1 ½ cups diced potatoes
Dash nutmeg
1 clove garlic, minced
Pepper to taste
Sauté carrots, onions, celery, potatoes garlic and sugar in oil 5 min. Add broth, nutmeg and pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 30 – 40 min or until veggies are tender. Remove from heat, cool to room temperature. Puree in batches or use an immersion blender. Return to kettle and heat through.

Shipwreck Stew
1 lb. ground beef
1 can kidney beans, drain and rinse
1 cup chopped onion
1 can tomato sauce (8 oz.)
3 cups cubed potatoes
¼ cup uncooked long grain rice
3 medium carrots, sliced
1 tsp. salt
1 cup chopped celery
1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
¼ cup minced parsley
½ to 1 tsp. chili powder
1- 9 oz. package frozen green beans, thawed
¼ tsp. pepper
Brown beef with onion over medium heat; drain. In a 3 qt. casserole, combine meat and all other ingredients. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for about 1 hour or until rice and potatoes are tender.

Freymont Inn Cheese Soup
½ cup margarine, melted
½ cup flour
1 clove garlic, crushed and chopped
3 cups chicken broth
2 ribs celery finely chopped
2 ½ cups milk
1 small onion finely chopped
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
1 cup chopped broccoli
1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
1 cup chopped cauliflower
Dash pepper, salt to taste
In top of double boiler, over direct heat, cook vegetables in melted butter until barely tender (5 min.), stirring frequently. Add flour and stir well. Add chicken broth and bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Add milk, cheese and seasonings and put over water and cook 1 hour covered. (I have done this last step in the crock pot with success.)

Chicken and Bacon Chowder
4 slices bacon, cooked and chopped
1 lb. skinless, boneless chicken thighs
3 stalks celery, finely chopped
1 lb. red potatoes cut into ½ "chunks
2 med shallots, finely chopped
2 cups whole milk
¼ tsp. cayenne pepper
2 cups fresh or frozen corn
½ cup flour
3/4 tsp. salt
1 qt. low sodium chicken broth
Thinly sliced basil for garnish
Cook bacon, drain and set aside. In same pot add celery, shallots, cayenne and ¼ tsp. salt. Cook 7 to 10 min. or until veggies are almost tender, stirring occasionally. Sprinkle flour over veggies. Cook 1 min. Slowly stir in broth. Heat to simmer on high. Add chicken and potatoes. Reduce heat to med. Cook 12-15 min. or until chicken is cooked and potatoes are tender. Stir frequently. Transfer chicken to large bowl or cutting board and shred with two forks. Return to pot. Stir in milk, corn and ½ tsp salt. Cook 3 min. or until corn is hot. Garnish with bacon and basil.

Supreme Pizza Soup
½ lb. Italian sausage
1 T. minced garlic
1 -6 oz. stick pepperoni, casing removed
½ tsp. red pepper flakes
2 t. olive oil
Salt and pepper to taste
2 cups button mushrooms, halved
3 cans (14.5 oz) diced tomatoes in juice
1 cup red onion, diced
1 cup chicken broth
½ red pepper, diced
¼ cup black olives
Brown sausage and pepperoni in oil. Drain and set aside. Pour off all but 1 T. drippings. Add mushrooms and sauté until they release their juices – about 3 min. Add onion, red pepper, garlic, and seasonings. Cook until vegetables are soft, about 5 min. Stir in remaining ingredients and meat mixture. Simmer soup until heated through, 10 – 12 min.

7 Up Biscuits
These are my all-time favorite quick biscuits to stretch a meal.
2 cups Bisquick
½ cup sour cream
½ cup 7 Up
¼ cup melted butter
Combine all ingredients and put in greased 9" square pan. Bake about 30 min. at 350 degrees.





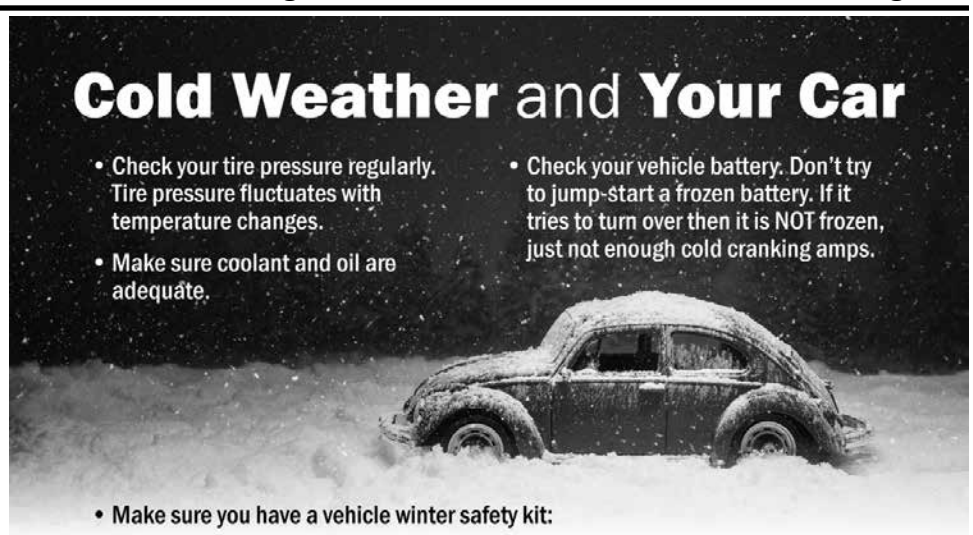
Cheesy Garlic Herb Quick Bread

3 cups flour
3 T. sugar
1 T. baking powder
1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
2 tsp. Italian seasoning
½ tsp salt
1 large egg
1 cup milk
1/3 cup canola oil

In a large bowl whisk together the dry ingredients. In a separate bowl whisk together the oil, milk and egg. Add the cheese and stir. Add to flour mixture and stir until just moistened. Grease a 9x5 loaf pan and bake in it for 40 – 50 min. Alternate method of cooking is to use a cast-iron fry pan, well-greased. Bake at 350 degrees.







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Obituaries

Joan Ann Warren



Joan Ann “Jody” Warren, 73, of Loudon, NH, died Thursday, November 19, 2020 in her home with the love of her family surrounding her.

She was born in Keene, NH on July 10, 1947, a daughter of Reginald H. Houle and Rena (LaBarre) Houle. Jody was a graduate of Keene High School in 1965 and from Becker Junior College in Worcester, MA. Jody worked at the VA Medical Center in Manchester from 1972 until her retirement in 2002. Her positions she held included being a Transcriptionist; Secretary to the Chief of Acquisition & Material Management; and Secretary to the Medical Center Director. During her tenure, she received several outstanding performance ratings to outstanding performance awards which was evidenced by her diligent work ethic and willingness to help everyone while putting both staff and patients at ease.

Jody was an avid animal lover, especially of cats! She rescued, loved, and shared her home with many kitties. After her retirement, she continued to volunteer at several local animal shelters, and shared her love of animals with her grandchildren. She also enjoyed volunteering at the Heart of the Heights Bookstore and the St. Padre Pio Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in Concord. Jody loved to read, knit, long walks, and spending time with family.

She is survived by her husband, Nathan Warren of Loudon; her daughter, Sarah J. Prothero and husband Randy of Bedford, NH, Dr. Stacy MacLeish and husband Rick of Oakwood, GA, and Shane Warren and wife Eleanor of Southhaven, MS; four grandchildren, Elton MacLeish, Ariel Bourgeois, Haley Prothero and Matthew Prothero; five great grandchildren; and her sister, Deborah “Debbie” Sanborn and her husband Stephen of Newbury, NH. Jody was predeceased by her brother Richard “Ricky” Houle.

Following cremation, a private graveside service will be held in the Great Hill Cemetery in Chester, NH. Memorial donations may be made to the Manchester Animal Shelter, 490 Dunbarton Rd., Manchester, NH 03102 or Live and Let Live Farm’s Rescue & Sanctuary, 20 Paradise Lane, Chichester, NH 03258.

Nancy Ann Williams



Nancy Ann (Lewis) Williams,70, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her family on the morning of December 1st, 2020. She was born in the spring of 1950 to Stanley and Evaline (Marcotte) Lewis and grew up in Penacook attending a grade school and Penacook High School on Washington Street.

During her life, Nancy was a very hard worker, having jobs at the Seth Thomas Clock Works in Boscawen as a clock builder, at the Brezner Tannery in Boscawen-Penacook and most recent at the Hoyt electric company in Penacook. In her free time Nancy enjoyed to observe the wildlife around her home, gardening and planting flowers, going to and enjoying BINGO with family and friends or a good game of cards, and Nancy always took joy in spoiling her pets and her beloved grandchildren. Nancy was predeceased by her beloved husband Harold (Tex) Williams in 2017, and her daughter Kathy. She is survived by her son Harold Williams and his wife Margo of Loudon her six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; her two sisters Eunice Sanville of Alexandria; and Christine Frey and her husband Edward of Fortuna, CA; and nieces nephews and friends.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in her name can be made to Healthy Heart Veterinary Clinic 7140 Oak Hill Rd. Loudon, NH 03307.

Andrew Michael Owens



Our Beloved Andrew Michael Owens, 20, of Loudon passed away at home on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. Born on March 2, 2000 in Weymouth, MA the son of John and Christina (Kern) Owens.

Andrew graduated from Merrimack Valley High School and was currently in his second year at NHTI. He worked at Harris Hill Center Nursing Home and attended New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene. Andrew loved his dog, Luna and enjoyed hiking, ping-pong and movies. Our dear son and brother was a kind young man. He was smart, courageous, trustworthy, funny and showed great endurance.

Members of his family include his parents, John and Christina Owens of Loudon; sister, Cassie (Owens) and her husband, Brandon Bell; paternal grandparents, Charles and Lorna Owens; maternal grandparent figures, Jay and Deb Kern; uncles and aunts, Charles Owens and his wife, Melissa, Jane Jewell and her husband, Dan, Bob Kern and wife, Jenn, Brenda Kern, and Robbie Lopez and wife Vivian; cousins, Isaac, Angelina, Gabby, T.J., Kayla and Autumn.

Andrew was predeceased by his maternal grandparents, Ken and Faith Kern.

A private burial will be held at Loudon Center Cemetery at the convenience of the family. A memorial service will be held at the New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Rd Loudon, on Sunday January 10, 2021 at 2PM with a virtual viewing option.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in Andrew’s memory to Nazarene Compassionate Ministries, 17001 Prairie Star Parkway #100 Lenexa, KS 66220 or to the National Alliance of Mental Health, 85 N. State Street Concord, NH 03301.

Brian Webster Towle



Brian Webster Towle, 59, of Glencliff, NH, passed away Wednesday, November 11, 2020, following a period of declining health.

Brian was born in Concord, NH on March 7, 1961 to Raymond and Ann (Lassonde) Towle. He was raised in Chichester and graduated from Pembroke Academy.

Brian will be remembered for his quick wit, contagious laugh, and the beautiful way he played the piano. The best years of his life were spent on the farm on Horse Corner Road with all his friends. He loved climbing trees, catching frogs, and listening to music. He would sit in his rocking chair in front of the fireplace for hours with his dog by his side. Brian was an artist too and enjoyed drawing pictures of his childhood home.

Brian is survived by his siblings, Judith and husband, Dr. Ralph

"Bud" Phelan of Canterbury, Rae Ann King of Readyville, TN, and Charlene and husband, Glenn Vallee of Chichester; stepsiblings, Eldon and wife Lisa Cummings of Stuart FL and Evelyn Troisi of Loudon; and his stepmother Regina Towle of The Villages, FL.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Brian's name may be made to Office of Public Guardian, 2 Pillsbury St., Suite 400, Concord, NH 03301.

Charles H Varnum, Jr.



Charles H. Varnum Jr., 76, of Loudon, passed away on November, 13, 2020 at Pleasant View Center in Concord.

He was born on December 17, 1943 in Portland, Maine to the late Charles H. Varnum Sr. and Marjorie (Blake) & Stepson of Bertha Varnum. He is the loving husband of Hazel (Frawley) Varnum of Loudon. The two were married on June 15, 1995.

Charles graduated from Concord High School and later attended the University of Connecticut. After college he went on to become a Pharmaceutical Technician working at The Prescription Center. Many may fondly remember Charles from his time at Sprague Electric, 14 years at Concord Litho and most recently Advance Auto Parts.

Charles enjoyed playing Bingo, cards, vacationing in Wells Beach Maine, animals, listening to country music and collecting Cribbage boards.

In addition to his parents, Charles was predeceased by his first wife, Judy Varnum, his stepson, Arthur (Pookie) LaBrecque Jr, and his beloved grandson Koty LaBrecque.

In addition to his wife Hazel, Charles is survived by stepdaughters, Terry Mullen and Kelley Smith of Loudon, his sister, Barbara Jolin and nephews Benjamin and Christopher Jolin with 3 great nephews and a grandniece and his grandchildren, Amanda Paveglio, Lindsey Mullen, Zachary LaBrecque.

No calling hours will be held. Graveside funeral services will be held at 11:00am on Friday, November 20, 2020 at the Soucook Cemetary on Josiah Bartlett Rd in Concord. Family and friends are invited to attend. Social distancing is requested.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish to make a memorial contribution can be made to the Pope Memorial SPCA of Concord-Merrimack County, 94 Silk Farm Rd, Concord NH 03301 and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Donald C. Gordon

Donald C. Gordon passed away on November 20, 2020 at his home at Pine Rock Manner, Warner NH. He was born on April 27, 1941 to Clifford R. Gordon and Regina (Carignan) Gordon in Laconia, NH. He worked as a Supervisor for Paige Belting, and enjoyed leather working. He married Nancy (Eastman) Gordon, and enjoyed 48 years with her until her passing in 2008.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman, and found happiness in spending time at their camp in Franklin, NH.

Donald is survived by his two daughters, Karen and husband Earl Schoonmaker of Loudon, and Kathy and husband Edward Arcikowski or Oakham, MA; grandson Earl Schoonmaker IV, his wife Abigail, and their daughter Scarlet of Salisbury, NH; granddaughter Allison Schoonmaker of Belmont, NH; grandsons Samuel and Joshua Arcikowski of Oakham, MA; and his maternal aunt Jeanne Noyes of Laconia, NH.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in the memory of Donald Gordon to the NH Fish and Game Dept. ATTN: Business Division, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord NH 03301.

No memorial events are currently scheduled. To offer your sympathy during this difficult time, you can now have memorial trees planted in a National Forest in memory of your loved one.

Donald J. Martel



Donald J. Martel, aka "Luan Don", "The Silver Fox" or "Big Daddy", passed away Monday November 30th after a short stay at the Tilton Veterans Home.

He was born in Concord, NH on January 27,1935 to Joseph & Lillie (Boisoneau) Martel. Don started working at a very young age picking celery, later he was employed in the kitchen at NHH. He often told his bean pot story.

Despite leaving school in the 8th grade he went on to become an aircraft electrician during his service in the Airforce. After returning home to NH, he met and married Madelin Reed. They purchased their home, which became the family farm, on Oak Hill Rd in Loudon. There they raised their four children and took in numerous borders as well as the developmentally disabled.

Don & Madelin were a great team, working tirelessly on the farm in addition to full time jobs. Don took on all kinds of projects from putting up buildings, raising animals, fixing cars to haying the field all with limited resources. Though busy they found time to ride motorcycles with friends and every Saturday night went dancing & invited everyone to "The Hill" for late night breakfast.

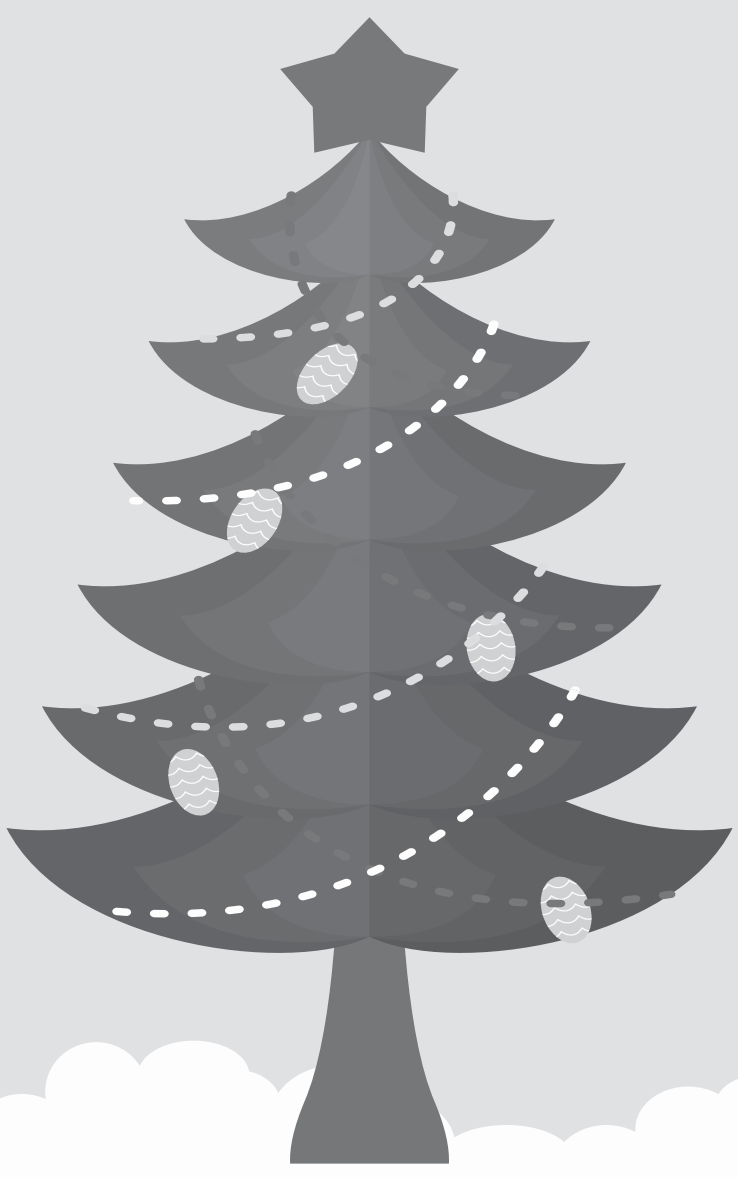
Don ran a very successful Veal farm, creating innovations in cleaning & feeding operations earning him a feature in an Industry magazine.

After retiring he spent many years enjoying racing, dancing and taking on more projects with his companion Jean Elliott, up until her passing in 2018. They spent their years together enjoying life. They remodeled 2 houses, travelled to SC for a few winters and simply enjoyed being together.

Don was predeceased by his brother Joseph Martel & niece Barbara Petersen. He leaves behind his children David Chase of Lancaster, Brian Martel of Bradford, Linda & Eric Rodd of Mapleton ,ME, Michael Martel & Tracy Merrill of Loudon, nieces, grandchildren & great grandchildren

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UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS: Maxfield Public Library will be open on New Year's Eve (Thursday) from 10-2 and will remain closed throughout the holiday weekend, reopening Tuesday, January 5 at 10am.

THE STAFF AND TRUSTEES WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING will be held Thursday, January 7th, 2021 at 4pm. Please reach out to Library Director Dena Norman at maxlib@comcast.net for information on how the meeting will be conducted. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some meetings have moved to an online format.

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Maxfield Public Library Trustee's meeting

Nov 5, 2020

In attendance: Trustees, Naquisha Bourget, LeeAnn Childress, Diane Miller Library Director: Dena Norman

At 4:02 pm Diane called the meeting to order.

- Oct Meeting Minutes - Diane moved to accept the Oct 8, 2020 meeting minutes as written – all approved

- Library Director – Dena reported that all library staff evaluations have been completed.

- Mission Statement – discussion on the need to update the 1998 version.

- Holiday Schedule
  - Veteran's Day, Nov 11 the library will be open
  - Thanksgiving – the library will remain open till 5:00 on Nov 25th and will be closed Nov 26th, 27th, and 28th.
  - Christmas – the library will close at 2:00pm on the 24th and will be closed on the 25th and 26th.
  - New Years – the library will close at 2:00 pm on the 31st and will be closed on Jan 1st and 2nd 2021

- Library credit card – discussion on keeping the current one with TD Bank. Nikki will follow up with TD Bank to correct some information.

- Financial Account – Diane will be meeting with Brenda Pearl to review some information.

- Budget Review – we reviewed the budget expenses for Sept.

Decision to meet Nov 19th at 4:00pm for a trustee training meeting

- Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.
  Submitted – LeeAnn Childress





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Obituaries



Evelyn Huckins age 95 died Tuesday Nov. 24 at her home. She was born in East Andover NH, daughter of the late Edward and Rhodora (Preston) Newcomb.

Evelyn was known as “Ma Huckins” to neighborhood children as well as the many groups she volunteered with. She was den mother with Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, a Girl Scout leader and 4H leader. She taught cooking and sewing to many young people. As a homemaker she spent her time tending to her children and spent countless hours as room mother and library volunteer. She always had Tollhouse cookies or sweets for anyone that came to her home.

In addition to her parents she was predeceased by her husband; Herbert Huckins Sr., two sons; Douglas Huckins and Herbert Huckins Jr.

She is survived by her children; Bradley Huckins of Kittery ME, Patricia Huckins and her husband David of Greenville ME, Tammy Huckins and her wife Colleen of Largo FL., Donna Silver and her husband Chris of Salisbury NH, daughter in law; Nancy Huckins of Loudon, special niece, Sandra (Newcomb) Earl and her husband Gary of Englewood Fl., many grandchildren and great grandchildren that love their time with her.

Graveside services will be held at Pine Grove Cemetery in Boscawen in the spring.

Record Start to 10th Annual Gift of Lights Presented by Eastern Propane & Oil

Attendance is up 228% over 2019 for the first three weeks of the annual drive-thru light show. Speedway officials adjusted traffic patterns to accommodate increased traffic flow.

LOUDON, N.H. – Instead of HO, HO, HO, it’s been GO, GO, GO as a record number of families are enjoying the Christmas season at the 10th annual Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane & Oil at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Attendance is up 228% over the first three weeks of 2019 (despite being closed one Saturday night due to inclement weather). The drive-thru attraction of 3.5 million lights is open nightly through Jan. 3.

In response to higher car volume, the NHMS Operations team has revised the route from the speedway’s South Entrance to create a smoother traffic flow. Three miles of additional road are now open on NHMS property to accommodate up to 1,500 additional cars as they turn off of N.H. Route 106 for entry to the show. A map of the revised route is located at NHMS.com/Documents/Gift-of-Lights-Route.pdf.

“Gift of Lights is the perfect way to spend time with family and friends over the holidays in a socially-distant, COVID-safe environment,” said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of New Hampshire Motor Speedway. “We’re thrilled with the early success of the show, and since a portion of the proceeds benefits Speedway Children’s Charities, the increased popularity will benefit even more children in need throughout the New England area.”

In this pandemic-impacted year, supporting the New Hampshire

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TOWN OF LOUDON
LOUDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
November 19, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chair Rodney Phillips

Attendance: Dustin Bowles, Jeff Miller, Jeremy Minery, Katie Phelps, John Storrs, Bob Phillips.

Chairman Phillips said there were two members of the Board participating remotely per RSA 91-A- 2, III which allows the Board to vote to allow remote members to participate in the meeting. Chairman Phillips said that Members Danielle Bosco and Alice Tuson are unavailable to attend the meeting in person. Dustin Bowles made a motion to allow the members to participate in the meeting remotely. Seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Danielle Bosco and Alice Tuson stated that they are unable to attend in person due to medical reasons.

Acceptance of Minutes:

- October 15, 2020 Regular Meeting – **Katie Phelps said on page two, third paragraph under application #20-17 the second Rokeh is misspelled as Rohek. On page three second line it should states the business sign will be on posts instead of with. On page four application #20-18 remaining wall should read retaining wall. Jeff Miller said that under adjournment he was not present, Stanley Prescott was. Katie Phelps made a motion to approve the minutes with changes; seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Approved.**

Old Business:

- **Application #20-03 – J Johnson – Site Plan Review Map 2, Lot 21.** Chairman Phillips said they received a letter from Jeff Green asking to continue this application until the next scheduled meeting in December because he is working with a new potential client on the property who is looking for a change in the project going forward. Katie Phelps made a motion to continue the application until the Planning Boards next meeting on December 17th. Seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Approved.
- **Application #20-19 – Haron Corporation & A.W. Towne Realty Trust – Lot Line Adjustment – Amended – Map 59, Lots 1 & 3.** Joseph Wichert gave the Board copies of the amended plan set. Mr. Wichert said they applied for a map amendment with FEMA and showed them the existing conditions of the property which they then in turn set a new flood plain for the property. Chairman Phillips said that the changes made to the plan were the building set back, the flood plain was delineated and the buildable area was updated. Jeff Miller made a motion to accept the amended application #20-09 – A.W. Towne – Lot Line Adjustment Map 59, Lots 1 & 3 with no conditions. Seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Approved.

New Business:

- **Application #20-20 – Cameron Woodman – Site Plan Review – Map 11, Lot 47.** Chairman Phillips said that there is already a business on this lot, E & W Repair on Chichester Road. Chairman Phillips said that the owner's son would like to sell vehicles there. Mr. Phillips said that Mr. Woodman was advised he needed a site plan but actually needs to see the Zoning Board. Chairman Phillips said that Cameron Woodman was supposed to drop of a letter asking to table the application but one never made it to the office. Jeremy Minery made a motion to table application #20-20. Seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

Board Discussion/Correspondence:

- The Board received a letter from Jeff Green regarding application #20-18. Chairman Phillips said that Mr. Green is requesting that the application be withdrawn as incomplete, the property has been sold and the new owner is looking to keep it as one lot.
- The Board spoke about CK5 Transportation. Chairman Phillips said that a couple weeks after the application was approved six reefer trailers appeared on the lot. Chairman Phillips said that the application was approved for the business' equipment. Chairman Phillips said that the Code Enforcement officer investigated the situation and the business owner said that the reefer trailers are part of his business and that he leases them out during the summer. The Board said that this information was not brought to the Boards attention when the application was approved. John Storrs made a motion to authorize the office to send a letter to CK5 application #20-13 to come before the Board to discuss equipment on his property that was not approved. Seconded by Jeff Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Jeff Miller said that there is a lot of equipment and two Ross Express storage trailers on the Quality Iron property that were not originally approved. Jeff Miller made a motion to authorize the office to send a letter to Quality Iron application #20-06 to come before the Board to discuss the equipment on the property. Seconded by Katie Phelps. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Chairman Phillips said that CSD Power Equipment at the intersection of NH Rout 106 and Shaker Road has some outside equipment storage that was not originally approved with their application. Katie Phelps made a motion to authorize the office to send a letter to CSD Power Equipment outlining the original approvals for storing equipment at their business. Seconded by John Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

Report of ZBA:

- **Application #Z20-20 Tim & Alicen Twardosky – Special Exception for an ADU at Map 49, Lot 34.**
- **Application #Z20-21 – Shawn & Tammi Muzzy – Special Exception for an ADU at Map 58, Lot 6.**

Report of Board of Permit:

- Katie Phelps said that the Gift of Lights was approved and will start November 26th. Mrs. Phelps said that it will be a drive through event only due to COVID-19.

Adjournment: John Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m.; seconded by Jeff Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

TOWN OF LOUDON
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
MEETING MINUTES OF
November 23, 2020

Chairman Ned Lizotte called the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Howard Pearl – present, Todd Phelps – present, Peter Pitman – present, Chairman Ned Lizotte – present, Earl Tuson – present, Charlie Aznive – present & Alvin See – present.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

October 22, 2020 – Peter Pitman made a motion to accept the minutes with corrections. Chairman Lizotte said the corrections are as follows: On page one it should read Todd Phelps made and not Todd Phelps "mad a" and on page four it should read Wellington Lane and not Welling Lane. Seconded by Earl Tuson. All in favor. Approved.

DISCUSSION:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Application #Z20-20 – Tim & Alicen Twardosky – Special Exception – ADU – Map 49, Lot 34. Chairman Lizotte said that here representing them is Rodney Phillips. Mr. Phillips said that the ADU is located above the garage and they are close to finishing the project. Mr. Phillips said that Tim was unaware that they needed a special exception for the ADU when they started building on Hill Top Drive. Mr. Phillips said that the ADU is 800 square feet. Chief Blanchette said that he would be requesting a private road agreement before the application is approved because the private road is not built up to town specifications. Chief Blanchette said that the agreement would state that if the road is not maintained they cannot provide emergency services and the town holds no liability. Jeff Sapier said that currently he is maintaining the road at his cost, but they are wanting it to be a town road in the future. Earl Tuson made a motion to continue application #Z20-20 until the December 21st with a site walk scheduled for Tuesday, December 1st at 4:00 P.M. Seconded by Peter Pitman. All in favor. Motion carried.

Application #Z20-21 – Shawn & Tammie Muzzey – Special Exception – ADU – Map 58, Lot 6. Shawn Muzzey said they are looking to up an ADU for his parents in their existing basement. Mr. Muzzey said that they are looking to add a bedroom and bathroom. Mr. Muzzey said that they checked with the state and their septic is large enough for a four-bedroom house and they currently have 3 bedrooms. Earl Tuson made a motion to continue application #Z20-21 until the December 21st with a site walk scheduled for Tuesday, December 1st at 3:30 P.M. Seconded by Todd Phelps. All in favor. Motion carried.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

The Board spoke about section 503 in the Zoning Ordinance that was brought up at the last Selectmen's meeting. Chief Blanchette said that in section 503 it states that temporary camping is not allowed in any district in town and he was looking for some clarity on the temporary camping approved by the Board of Selectmen on the Cheryl King property. Chairman Lizotte said that because of the ordinance 503.3 the Zoning Board cannot grant approval but if you read further the Board of Selectman can grant permission with the necessary guidelines in place. The Board said they feel that the way the ordinance is written it does not grant the Selectmen permission to provide that kind of relief to a town resident on private property. The Board said that the ordinance allows a property owner to have temporary camping up to 21 days without having to come before a Board for permission. Chief Blanchette said he knows of numerous properties in town that house campers that have been lived in for years and because of the way the ordinance is written he is unable to do any enforcement. Chairman Lizotte said that he thinks this issue is going to come up more often because of the increasing housing issues. The Board said that the Zoning Ordinance does not fit the situation with the Cheryl King Property.

ADJOURNMENT:

Charlie Aznive made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peter Pitman seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Submitted by

Zoning Board Site Walk Minutes
December 1, 2020

1.) Application #Z20-21, Shawn Muzzey, Special Exception for an ADU on Map 58, Lot 6 on Shaker Road. Site walk started at 3:40 P.M. and went to 3:55 P.M.

Present: Ned Lizotte, Chair, Earl Tuson, Vice Chair, Alvin See and applicant Shawn Muzzey.

Discussion about their plans for ADU and building options and square footage and septic design and what construction would be involved in the project.

2.) Application #Z20-20, Twardosky, Special Exception for an ADU on Map 49, Lot 34 on Hilltop Drive. Site walk started at 4:05 P.M. and went to 4:20 P.M.

Present: Ned Lizotte, Chair, Earl Tuson, Vice Chair, Alvin See and applicants representative Rodney Phillip was not present.

Three board members present discussed the layout from the outside the building but could not ascertain the layout from the outside of the building but could not ascertain any other information without being shown inside the home and there were no construction plans to review. It should be noted that the applicant needs to provide accurate space/floor plans for the December 21 ZBA meeting and there may be a need to do a second site walk to determine the accuracy of the ADU.

Respectfully submitted: Ned Lizotte, Chairman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield, and Selectman Miller.
Also, present: Fire Chief Tom Blanchette, Road Agent Russ Pearl, Police Chief Kris Burgess, Planning Board Representative Katie Phelps, Zoning Board Chairman Ned Lizotte and Conservation Commission Chairman Julie Robinson.

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

II. Chairman Prescott opened Board of Permit at 6:00 P.M.
a. Chief Blanchette gave the Board an application for the

Gift of Lights event at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Chief Blanchette said that it will be different this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic as there will be no stopping to get out of the cars since the gift shop will be closed and there will be no pictures with Santa Claus. Chief Blanchette said he has no concerns since it will be a drive through event only.

III. Chairman Prescott closed Board of Permit at 6:05 P.M.

IV. The Board met with Conservation Commission Chairman Julie Robinson. Mrs. Robinson spoke to the Board about land gifted to Sandra Blanchard. Mrs. Robinson said that Ms. Blanchard would like to put the land in a Conservation Easement. Mrs. Robinson said that they would need to get one lot surveyed that has a small house near the road. Mrs. Robinson said that the Conservation Commission has the funds for this process but they just want to present the project to the Board to get their feedback. Chairman Prescott said that in the past the Conservation Commission has not paid for the surveying of the owner's land and he feels if they pay for it this time it might cause issues in the future if someone wants to put their land in a conservation easement. The Board said that they think that this is a great way to conserve the historical sites on these pieces of land.

V. The Board met with Loudon resident Cheryl King. Ms. King said that she has a friend that works in Littleton and wants to stay in a camper on her property a few nights a week. The Board asked how long this would be happening. Ms. King said that it would only be for the winter because her friend is looking to purchase a piece of land in Loudon. Chief Blanchette said that there have been cases of people living in a camper while they develop their land but, in this instance, there is no land being developed. Kristen Warren introduced herself to the Board. Ms. Warren said that she is only intending to stay in the camper two days a week until she secures a piece of land in Loudon for herself. Selectman Miller made a motion to allow Kristen Warren of Loudon to temporarily house her RV on the Cheryl King property at 7567 Currier Road in accordance with zoning ordinance 503 until March 31st, 2021. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Chairman Prescott clarified that Ms. Warren would be residing in the RV only two days a week. All in favor. Motion carried.

VI. The Board met with Loudon resident Tony Merullo who is the developer of Creekwater Lane. Mr. Merullo said that he wants to talk to the Board about the engineering inspections done by NOBIS on the final stage of paving for Creekwater Lane. Mr. Merullo said that he has issues with the inspection and test pit fees being more than they were three years ago. The Board said they would review the reports and cost and get back to Mr. Merullo at a later date.

VII. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, October 27, 2020 as written. Seconded by Chairman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.

a. Chief Blanchette said that they inspected all the dry hydrants and cisterns around town and did all the weed whacking and fall clean up around them. Chief Blanchette said that most of the dry hydrants are out of service still and they are worried about the pipes and the freezing ground. Chief Blanchette said they are thinking about choosing one of the dry hydrants they are concerned about and pumping some water in and see if that helps or if the ground soaks it up right away.
b. Chief Blanchette said that the Fire Department was awarded a grant through the Department of Natural Resources for Forestry. Chief Blanchette said that it is a matching grant and the total project cost is $3,889.00. Chief Blanchette said that the towns portion is $1,944.64 which they have in their operating budget. Chief Blanchette said that the grant this year will go towards the purchase of eight Fire Fighter shirts, eight sets of pants, eight helmets and one WICK 250 Portable Pump.
c. Chief Blanchette spoke to the Board about a First Responder optional screening program he is looking to implement. Chief Blanchette said that they are looking for enrollees from the Fire Department, Police Department and Health Office for the program.
d. Chief Blanchette said that he worked with Homeland Security and they have almost finalized the report for the NASCAR August 2020 event. Chief Blanchette said that he is expecting that the report will be finalized within the next two weeks and the Board will get a copy.
e. Chief Blanchette said that at the Fire Departments monthly meeting there were a few members promoted. Chief Blanchette said that they promoted Craig Clough to the position of Assistant Chief and Matt LaDuke to the position of EMS Lieutenant.
f. Chief Blanchette spoke to the Board about the list of ambulance bills he would like to submit to collections. Chief Blanchette said there is one account that has a balance of $25.00 and he is looking to get that account written off. Selectman Miller made a motion to write off the amount of $25.00 for an ambulance bill with run number 242 for the 2020 calendar year. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.
g. Chief Blanchette said he received a check for the Department of Justice COVID-19 grant that the town was awarded for $4,729.82 and turned it over to the Town Treasurer to reimburse funds already expended for equipment. Chief Blanchette said that they also received a check from the State of New Hampshire Treasurer in the amount of $32,675.52 which was also part of the COVID-19 grant awarded to the Town and it has been turned into the Town Treasurer for deposit.
h. Chief Blanchette said that they did receive a CARES Act Grant earlier this year for $5,900 and was earmarked for EMS Operations. Chief Blanchette said that Stryker has submitted a 3-year agreement for preventative maintenance for the cardiac monitors and defibrillators in the amount of $4,197.60 which was not budgeted for. Chief Blanchette said that he is proposing that they take the money for this agreement from the CARES Act grant money. The Board agreed to the expenditure.
i. Chief Blanchette said that they have received five applications for the Full-Time open position with the Fire

Department. Chief Blanchette said that the employment advertisement does not expire until the 30th.

IX. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.
a. Chief Burgess said that they had all the radars calibrated in the cruisers so they are good for another year.
b. Chief Burgess said that he has an appointment this week for the recalls on the 2012, 2013 and 2014 cruiser sedans for the rear suspension.
c. Chief Burgess reminded the Board that they have a blood drive on Thursday the 12th at the Safety Complex from 2:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
d. Chief Burgess said that Officer Phair is on week 11 of the 16-week Police Academy Course and is slated to graduate on December 18th.
e. Chief Burgess said they are currently investigating the vandalisms and burn outs around town. Chief Burgess said they believe there are juveniles involved. Chief Burgess said that with them being down to three officers they are doing their best to be at all places in town.
f. Chief Burgess said that he is doing a background investigation on the sergeant position candidate and is hoping to have something for the Board to review next week.

X. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
a. Mr. Pearl said that his crew participated in a flagging class and are now all certified.
b. Mr. Pearl said that there was in issue at the rec field and some vandalism of the pickle ball box. Mr. Pearl said that all summer there has been an issue with the youth in town leaving trash behind and not in bins and the disassembling of chairs and tables that his crew has to put back together. Chief Burgess said that he is in contact with someone they believe was involved in the incident and are working on how to proceed further for the damages.
c. Mr. Pearl said that he recommends that they wait until next spring to do the center lines on School Street.
d. Mr. Pearl said that he spoke with a gentleman that is looking to purchase the old Chesley pit and he was concerned about the old tires that were thrown over the banking. Mr. Pearl told the gentleman to get the boundary line flagged by the dump and then he would come back out and see how much of it is over the property line.
e. Mr. Pearl told the Board that they moved the safe from the Fire Department to the basement of the Town Office.

XI. The Board recognized Stacey McNeil from the audience. Mrs. McNeil requested a nonpublic session with the Board of Selectmen. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to enter in to nonpublic session at 7:42 P.M. under RSA 91-A: II, 2 (c). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 8:20 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

XII. The Board reviewed three bids for the Makenzie Bridge repairs.

XIII. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.
a. The Board reviewed two proposals for yellow center lines down School Street.
b. The Board reviewed Highway Department Employee evaluations.
c. The Board reviewed a letter from Chief Burgess regarding budget lines.
d. The Board reviewed a letter from Chief Burgess regarding timecards.
e. The Board reviewed a letter from Police Standards regarding Officer Phair.
f. The Board reviewed a letter from Warren Wells regarding damage to Rainbow Drive.
g. The Board reviewed a memo from Upton & Hatfield regarding a PILOT agreement.
h. The Board reviewed a wetland boundary report for Map 49 Lot 67.
i. The Board received a letter from NHMA regarding membership dues.
j. The Board reviewed an Appointment replacement for Lucy Gordon as a Supervisor of the Checklist.
k. The Board reviewed a letter from NHMA regarding membership dues.
l. The Board reviewed an abutter notification regarding Map 49 Lot 34.
m. The Board signed a letter to M. Harris regarding a Veterans Tax Credit.
n. The Board signed a land use change tax denial for Map 58, Lot 127.
o. The Board signed five letters to the Trustees of the Trust Funds regarding the transferring of funds.
p. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.

XIV. Chairman Prescott read the following dates and reminders: On Wednesday, November 11, 2020 the Town Office will be closed for Veterans Day. On Thursday, November 19, 2020 there is a CIP meeting at 2:00 P.M. On Thursday, November 19, 2020 the Planning Board meeting will be held in the Town Office Building at 7:00 P.M. On Thursday, November 23, 2020 the Zoning Board meeting will be held in the Town Office Building at 7:00 P.M.

XV. The Board reviewed weekly bills and payroll.

XVI. The Board spoke about the Library budget and the Trustees doing work on figuring out how to use the Library's Trust Funds.

XVII. The Board spoke with Jeff Leonard. Mr. Leonard told the Board that in the towns Zoning Ordinance under section 801.9 it states that there is as time frame of two years to complete building of a house from the original date the permit was pulled. The Board said they would review that section. Mr. Leonard asked why he wasn't called to do work for the replacement of the water heater in Station 2 and requested a copy of the invoice for the work done.

XVIII. Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 9:12 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield, and Selectman Miller.
Also, present: Fire Chief Tom Blanchette, Road Agent Russ Pearl, and Office Manager Brenda Pearl.

I. *Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.*

II. *Selectman Maxfield made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 10th, 2020 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*

III. *The Board received the Fall Property Tax Warrant. Chairman Prescott read the following:*

TO: Helen L. McNeil, Collector of Taxes for Loudon, New Hampshire in said county. In the name of the State you are hereby directed to collect the property taxes in the list herewith committed to you, amounting to the sum of Six Million Four Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Six Hundred and One Dollars ($6,471,601.00) and with interest at eight (8%) percent per annum from December 21, 2020 thereafter, on all sums not paid on or before that day. And we further order you to remit all monies collected to the Town Treasurer, or to the Town Treasurer's designee as provided by RSA 41:29, VI, at least on a weekly basis, or daily whenever tax receipts total One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars ($1,500.00) or more. Given under our hands at Loudon, New Hampshire, this Seventeenth day of November in 2020. Board of Selectmen, Loudon, New Hampshire.

The Property Tax Warrant was approved and signed by the Board.

IV. *The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.*
- a. *Chief Blanchette said he has been very active with the Department of Health and Emergency Operations Center with the rise in COVID-19 cases in town. Chief Blanchette said that at the high point there were about 18 confirmed cases in town. Chief Blanchette said that they are currently sitting at 14 confirmed cases with some others waiting on test results and with cold and flu season upon us he is expecting it to get worse. Chief Blanchette said that with the rapid rise of COVID-19 cases he is recommending a mandatory mask requirement for Board meetings and Committee meetings at a minimum and to consider going back to remote meetings. Chief Blanchette said that he is making these recommendations to also try to keep the youth in school as long as possible because if the schools go back to full remote it will have a huge impact on the community. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to require the wearing of mask's during any Board or Committee meetings in town facilities starting Wednesday, November 18 2020. Seconded by Selectman Miller for discussion. The Board agreed to also make the mask requirement mandatory for anyone entering a town facility. Selectman Maxfield amended his original motion to add that masks will be mandatory to enter all town facilities. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried. The Board recognized Jeff Leonard from the audience. Mr. Leonard asked with the rising numbers of COVID-19 cases would the Board be going back to remote meetings. The Board said at this time they will not be moving to remote meetings.*
- b. *Chief Blanchette said that they have received their first batch of rapid COVID-19 test kits and will be deploying them by directive to the Fire Department and Police Department. Chief Blanchette said they will be testing 25% of the work force on a weekly basis and if anyone within the workforce shows up with symptoms, they can test them and if it comes back positive, they will direct them to a location offering the PCR test. Chief Blanchette said that they are required to report the test results on a weekly basis.*
- c. *Chief Blanchette said they have a meeting with the Capital Area Public Health Network at 10 AM tomorrow where they will discuss the vaccination plan. Chief Blanchette said that they have earmarked Loudon as a potential drive through station for the vaccination. Chief Blanchette said there is a tier system for the vaccinations with first responders, health care workers, elderly housing and teachers being offered the vaccination before the general public.*

V. *The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.*
- a. *Mr. Pearl said he received a call about Cole's Nursery fixing the entrance of their driveway entrance. Mr. Pearl said that there has been a water puddling problem there and they had the idea to raise the end of their driveway and bring it out a bit further in to the road. Chairman Prescott said he would like to see the problem area before anything is fixed.*
- b. *Mr. Pearl said he would like to schedule some time to sit down with the Board to go over the bridge repair information.*

VI. *The Board spoke to Road Agent Russ Pearl about the road work being done on Creekwater Lane by Tony Merullo. Mr. Pearl said that he is pleased with the work being done to bring the road up to spec.*

VII. *The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.*
- a. *The Board reviewed a copy of the check received from CTCL for election expenses in the amount of $5,000.*
- b. *The Board received an email from Alicia Grimaldi thanking Road Agent Russ Pearl and NHMS for assisting in the hanging of the mural at the skate park.*
- c. *The Board reviewed a letter regarding a shoreline application for Map 40 Lot 11.*
- d. *The Board reviewed the Absentee Ballot Grant submittal. Chairman Prescott said there were 1,032 absentee ballots issued and 1,009 ballots were returned. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the receipt of a check from the Department of State for election expenses in the amount of $7,222.57. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*
- e. *The Board signed a letter to Kristin Warren regarding living in a camper.*
- f. *The Board signed a letter to Rainbow Drive COOP regarding Rainbow Drive.*
- g. *The Board signed letters to the Trustees of Trust Funds*

regarding the Alternative Energy Committee, SCBA's, School Street paving and the Transfer Station.

h. The Board signed a letter to Arthur Austin relative to a tax abatement.

i. The Board reviewed and signed the list of paid 2021 town employee holidays.

j. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.

k. The Board reviewed highway department employee evaluations.

VIII. *Chairman Prescott read the following dates and reminders: On Wednesday, November 18 the Selectmen will be meeting with the Library Trustees at 6:00 P.M. On Thursday, November 19 there will be a CIP meeting at 2:00 PM. On Thursday, November 19 there will be a Planning Board meeting at 7:00 PM. On Monday, November 23rd there will be a Zoning Board meeting at 7:00 PM.*

IX. *Road Agent Russ Pearl requested a nonpublic session with the Board. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to enter in to a nonpublic session at 6:48 PM under RSA 91- A:3, II (a). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:07 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes: Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.*

X. *The Board reviewed weekly bills and payroll.*

XI. *Town Clerk Wendy Young requested a nonpublic session with the Board. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to go in to nonpublic session at 7:14 PM under RSA 91-A: 3, II (c). Seconded by selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 7:34 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.*

XII. *Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 7:35 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Stanley H. Prescott II, Chairman
Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman
Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 18, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield, and Selectman Miller.
Also, present: Office Manager Brenda Pearl, Library Trustee Diane Miller, Library Trustee Naquisha Bourget and Library Trustee Lee-Ann Childress.

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

II. The Library Trustees requested a nonpublic session with the Board. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to enter in to a nonpublic session at 6:01 PM under RSA 91-A:3, II(c). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to return to public session at 6:56 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

III. Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 6:57 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Stanley H. Prescott II, Chairman
Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman
Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield, and Selectman Miller.
Also, present: Fire Chief Tom Blanchette & Police Chief Kris Burgess.

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

II. Chairman Prescott said that the general public has no right to speak at a Selectmen's meeting. He explained that the public has the right to attend the meeting but that is not the same as the right to speak unless the Board decides otherwise. Chairman Prescott said that the people permitted to speak at a meeting are members of the Board and other people invited or permitted to speak by the Board.

III. NH State Representative Jose Cambrils requested that the Pledge of Allegiance be said.

IV. The Board recognized Dustin Bowles from the audience. Mr. Bowles said that he was there representing Kate Sharp. Mr. Bowles said that Ms. Sharp and some other friends of Roy Merrill got together and designed a plaque in memory of Roy for all that he has done for the community and for us as citizens. Mr. Bowles said that Roy Merrill was always there for his community and anyone that knew him knew that he was a good person and good friend. Mr. Bowles

thanked the Board for allowing the plaque to be mounted in the meeting room. Dustin Bowles read the plaque inscription as follows:

In loving memory of Roy Merrill, beloved husband, father, brother, son and friend to many. Loudon historian, community servant and guardian of the lands. God had to have somebody willing to ride the ruts at double speed to get the hay in ahead of the rain and yet stopped in mid field and raced to help when he sees the first smoke from a neighbor's place. So, God made a farmer. – Paul Harvey

Mr. Bowles said that Mark Bishop and himself are willing to hang the plaque when the proper location is chosen.

V. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 17, 2020 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

VI. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the Selectmen's Special Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2020 as written. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

VII. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.

a. Chief Blanchette said that he submitted a roster to Fire Standards and Training Commission showing the membership of the department. Chief Blanchette said they have reached out to members that have not participated in some time and asked them what their intentions were with the Fire Department. Chief Blanchette said he is submitting letters of resignation for Shelby Wheeler and Dylan Duhaime. Selectman Maxfield asked how many were on the roster. Chief Blanchette said there are 44 currently and they are working on three more that are probably going to step back.

b. Chief Blanchette said there are two members that are currently out in quarantine and per the current policy sent out by the Selectmen this past weekend he has enhanced the cleaning schedule and posted occupancy limits.

c. Chief Blanchette thanked Concord Hospital for the efforts in helping the town get a new modem for the cardiac machines in the ambulances.

d. Chief Blanchette presented a driveway bond agreement for 464 Clough Hill Road in the amount of $1,000 for the Boards approval. Chief Blanchette said that Road Agent Russ Pearl has been engaged in the process. Chief Blanchette said this is a new construction and the $1,000 is to be used to fix the end of the driveway. The Board signed the driveway bond agreement.

e. Chief Blanchette said there was a concern brought forward by a Loudon resident over the water heater installed recently in Station 2. Chief Blanchette said the Chief Mechanical Inspector for the State of NH was at Station 2 last Wednesday morning who inspected the water heater and suggested a mixing valve be installed to bring it up to current code and that work has been completed.

f. Chief Blanchette said that they had a Zoll representative come by and train most of the full time and command staff on the new Zoll ventilators that they received through an approved grant.

g. Chief Blanchette said that the application deadline for the full time Fire Fighter position with the department was yesterday. Chief Blanchette said he will meet with the full-time and command staff to see if there are any applications worth going forward with.

h. Selectman Miller made a motion to take $1,000 dollars from the contingency fund account number 01-48001-100-190 for the insurance deductible for the Minolta printer claim. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

VIII. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

a. Chief Burgess thanked Janice Morin for her contributions to the blood drive on November 12th which resulted in 41 units of blood with the potential of helping 123 patients. Chief Burgess thanked the Fire Department for the use of their facilities and anyone that contributed to the drive.

b. Chief Burgess thanked Phoenix Concrete and the Beanstalk for their donations of turkey's and roasts to the members of the Police Department.

c. Chief Burgess said that Officer Phair is slated to graduate from the academy on December 18th.

d. Chief Burgess said that this past Saturday night at the Gift of Lights there was a backup on Route 106 all the way down to Clough Hill Road. Chief Burgess said he sat down with David McGrath and Matt Goslant to develop a plan on how to handle the traffic for their event going forward. Chief Burgess reviewed the plan with the Board. Chief Burgess said with the new plan they are making use of a 5-lane road and turning traffic around which ends up being a three mile stretch that will get the traffic off Route 106. Chief Burgess said they have a message board just north of the main gate directing traffic to continue to the south gate and turn left and one just south of the south gate directing northbound traffic to turn right at the south gate. Selectman Miller asked if they could put another message board out maybe by Dudley's Ice Cream stating that if traffic is starting to get backed up to pull over into the brake down lane. Chief Burgess said he would run that by Mr. McGrath and Mr. Goslant.

IX. The Board reviewed the New England Solar Garden Corporation agreement. The Board decided to take the advice of the town attorney who suggests getting the original memorandum sent to them for review and make suggestions on terms that are best for the town.

X. The Board spoke about the bridge bids. There was concern over what would happen to the abutments if the deck was taken off. The Board said they would discuss it more when they meet with the Road Agent on Friday.

XI. The Board discussed a grant awarded to the Fire Department for ambulance services during the pandemic. The Board decided to contact the State and make sure they got a direct list on what the grant money could be spent on pertaining to the ambulance.

XII. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.

a. The Board received a letter from Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission regarding the 2021 membership fees.

b. The Board received an email from the town attorney regarding the length of the agreement with ESMI. The Board said that the last agreement was for 25 years and they think that is a good amount of time for the new agreement.

c. The Board received a letter from George Sansoucy regarding Eversource's PA 81 with a letter included from Eversource.

d. The Board reviewed an invoice from Leonard's Plumbing and Heating showing there was no charge for the winterizing of the recreation building and irrigation. The Board thanked Mr. Leonard for the service to the town.

e. The Board received a letter from Environmental Soil Manage-

ment Inc. regarding their Type III Permit Application. Chairman Prescott said this is a change of ownership for ESMI.

f. The Board reviewed a letter from the owner of 44 South Village Road regarding parking concerns. The Board said they would have the Road Agent look at the right of way in front of 44 South Village Road.
g. The Board reviewed Trails Committee meeting minutes from October 26, 2020.
h. The Board reviewed two quotes for the place of refuge alarms in the Town Office Building. Chairman Prescott said that one quote is from Capitol Alarm Systems for $1,000 for a wireless cellular system and the other is from ASAP Alarms and Electrical for $7,050.62 for a wired system. Selectman Miller said that unfortunately it was something that was overlooked when the building was built and it is a requirement. Selectman Miller made a motion to spend $1,000 to have installed by Capitol Alarm Systems a wireless panic button on the second floor with placards at each stairwell with cellular connectivity including the increase of $72 dollars for the annual fee for monitoring, amount of $1,072 to come from the Town Office/Community Building Repair line 01-41941-400-430. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.
i. The Board received a letter from J. LeBrun regarding the states Executive Order #74. Chairman Prescott said that it was requested that Executive Order #74 be read into the minutes but that request is being denied because it has people's names in it.
j. The Board reviewed a letter from T. Merullo regarding the bond request from NOBIS.
k. The Board reviewed a petition to layout and accept Creekwater Lane as a town-maintained road from Tony Merullo. The Board said that the as-built and the deed showing Creekwater Lane deeded to the town needs to be received before they can schedule the public hearing for its acceptance as required by the Planning Board regulations.
l. The Board reviewed an email from a resident of Lovering Lane regarding equipment working on the Fillmore property on the weekends. Chairman Prescott said that the hours of operation need to be checked with the Planning and Zoning office.
m. The Board reviewed the proposed Merrimack County budget for the 2021 calendar year.
n. The Board reviewed information from McGills Enterprises regarding Map 40 Lot 9.
o. The Board reviewed a Capital Improvement Plan agreement with the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Prescott said that with the absence of a secretary in the Planning and Zoning office it will cost $3,000 to have CNHRPC to update the CIP and they will do a 50% cost sharing match with the town. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to pay CNHRPC $1,500 for the purpose of updating the CIP for the fiscal year 2021/2022 through fiscal year 2026/2027 with funds to come out of the Planning and Zoning budget. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.
p. The Board reviewed the 2019/2020 Assessing Contract. The Board said they would take this under advisement.
q. The Board reviewed the 2020/2021 Assessing Contract. The Board said they would take this under advisement.
r. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.

XIII. The Board reviewed weekly bills and payroll.

XIV. Chairman Prescott said the Board received a request from Jeff Leonard to speak to the Board. Chairman Prescott said that the request is being denied for a lack of supplying any information about what he wanted to discuss. Chairman Prescott said if Mr. Leonard has any concerns to please put them in writing. State Representative Jose Cambrils said that Mr. Leonard is on the agenda so he should be able to address the Board. Chairman Prescott said that Mr. Leonard could address the Board but could not be derogatory in any way. Mr. Leonard spoke with the Board about the water heater at Fire Station 2. Mr. Leonard asked if the inspector that went out was a State of New Hampshire Mechanical Inspector. Chief Blanchette said it was the Chief Mechanical Inspector for the State. Mr. Leonard said that the inspector does not know the plumbing code then. Chief Blanchette said that the water heater has been fixed with the addition of the mixing valve that was recommended. Mr. Leonard asked for a copy of the receipt for the repair. Chief Blanchette said they have not received the invoice as of yet. Selectman Maxfield said that normally when someone is put on the agenda for a Selectmen's meeting, they have a subject they are prepared to talk about. Selectmen Maxfield said that if Mr. Leonard would like to be put on the agenda for the coming months, he would need to let them know the subject of the discussion beforehand. The Board reviewed RSA 91-A with Mr. Leonard and the difference between a Selectmen's meeting and a public hearing.

XV. The Board requested a nonpublic session with Police Chief Kris Burgess. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to enter in to nonpublic session at 7:39 P.M. under RSA 91-A: III, 2 (b). Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 8:55 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to seal the minutes for 5 years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

XVI. Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 8:57 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Stanley H. Prescott II, Chairman

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Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

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Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman



Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 4, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield

Also present: Road Agent Russ Pearl and Fire Chief Tom Blanchette

I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

II. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 Highway/Landfill/Solid Waste budget with Road Agent Russ Pearl. The Board recommended a few changes and modifications. The review ended at 10:00 AM.

III. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette at 10:00 AM. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 proposed budgets for the Fire Department, Ambulance, Emergency Management, Health, Forestry, and Compliance. Changes and modifications were recommended by the Board.

IV. The Board said that all budgets will be finalized and presented to the Citizens at future budget hearings.

V. Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 11:30 AM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Stanley H. Prescott II, Chairman

Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 8, 2020

I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Prescott read the following notice: As Chair of the Select Board, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically. Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:

a. Providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means: We are utilizing the UberConference platform for this electronic meeting. All members of the Board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone # 802-210-4419 or by clicking on the following website address: UberConference.com/townofloudon

b. Providing public notice of the necessary information for accessing the meeting: We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the meeting telephonically. Instructions have also been provided on the website of the town at: loudonnh.org

c. Providing a mechanism for the public to alert the public body during the meeting if there are problems with access: If anybody has a problem, please call 798-5612 or email at: bpearl@loudonnh.org.

d. Adjourning the meeting if the public is unable to access the meeting: In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting, which is required under the Right-to- Know law.

Roll call attendance: Selectman Miller – present at home with his wife Diane Miller; Selectman Maxfield – present at home and alone; Chairman Prescott – present at the EOC with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette and Office Manager Brenda Pearl; Police Chief Kris Burgess – present at home and alone; Road Agent Russ Pearl – present and home alone.

II. Chairman Prescott cancelled Board of Permit as there is nothing to come before the Board.

III. The Board met with Planning Board Chairman Rodney Phillips. Mr. Phillips said he is looking to get permission to at least get some quotes on what the cost would be to install audio, video and streaming capabilities at the town office. Chief Blanchette said that as part of the EMPG grant they received last summer they received a Promethean Smart Board with a google box and a web cam which is what they are using now for this meeting. Chief Blanchette said that it seems more cost effective than the other quotes they received. Mr. Phillips said that a feature he would like to see would visuals for the people in the meeting room of what the Board is looking at and streaming to Facebook live or something like that. Mr. Phillips said that he would stop by the Fire Department to see the smart board and see if it would work for what he is thinking about. Chairman Prescott said he is looking forward to moving forward with this and appreciates Mr. Phillips looking into this. He said he'd like to see something put together for either a budget line or a warrant article for the next town meeting.

IV. Selectman Maxfield made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, December 1, 2020 as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

V. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes of November 4, 2020 as written. Seconded by Chairman Prescott. Roll call vote: Miller – abstained; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

VI. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette.

a. Chief Blanchette said that they have had a few members of the department put on quarantine. Chief Blanchette said that one has tested positive for COVID-19 but has had no direct contact with anyone on the Fire Department.

b. Chief Blanchette asked the Board if the 30-day use of holiday policy could be extended due to the fact that they have been down one full time member for the past month. Chief Blanchette said that if everyone were to use those holidays on the books it would strap them for coverage of shifts. The Board agreed to extend the use of unused holidays for every department until January 31, 2021.
c. Chief Blanchette said that the NFPA Fire Code renewal is coming up at the end of the month and the cost has gone up again totaling $1,495. Chief Blanchette said he has $450 left of his $600 Compliance and Subscriptions line and he is asking to over expend this line and he will try to make up the difference primarily in the Compliance Computer line which still has $1,800 remaining. The Board agreed and said to make sure that Office Manager Brenda Pearl received the lines in his budget that would be covering the over expenditure.
d. Chief Blanchette said they received the check for $1,500 for the sale of the SCBA's and will be turning it over to the Treasurer tomorrow.
e. Chief Blanchette said that last Saturday they assisted the Highway Department during the snow storm and responded to 17 calls for service for trees down, down wires and road closures. Chief Blanchette said he would like to thank the Highway Department and Police Department for the help they extended to the Fire Department.
f. Chief Blanchette spoke to the Board about possibly having Santa Claus ride on one of the fire trucks and wave to children the Saturday before Christmas. Chief Blanchette said they have discussed a couple different routes to maximize social distancing and prevent crowding. The Board said to keep them informed as the plans progress.

VII. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.
a. Chief Burgess said that they have a part time employee with the Police Department that is in quarantine and is awaiting the results of their test.
b. Chief Burgess said that when they purchased the two new 2020 cruisers there were some incentives that they are taking advantage of by buying rain guards, breaks and other parts for each cruiser. Chief Burgess said they currently have $750 per cruiser of incentives.
c. Chief Burgess said that with fingerprint analysis they were about to resolve a yearlong investigation and provide a family in town with some closure. Chief Burgess said that he would like to thank Officer Garrett Beck for his hard work on the case.
d. Chief Burgess said that on December 16th he will be attending a training put on by the Attorney General's Office for enhancing responses to domestic violence cases.
e. Chief Burgess said there was a minor traffic back up on Route 106 caused by the Gift of Lights and he did receive a complaint. Chief Burgess said that the backup happened on Sunday and the revised traffic plan he presented to the Board last week was only for Friday's and Saturdays. Chief Burgess said that he spoke with the track and it seems they will need to extend the traffic plan into Sundays as well.
f. Chief Burgess spoke to the Board about the Sergeant position with the department. Chief Burgess said that an offer of employment was made and was accepted by the applicant. Chief Burgess supplied the appointment paper to the Board for the applicant. Selectman Miller said that he will sign the appointment paper. Selectman Maxfield said that he will sign the appointment paper also and he feels the applicant will be good for the Sergeant position. Chairman Prescott said he would not sign the appointment paper because he feels the wages are too much and the applicant lacks experience as a supervisor. Chief Burgess asked if the applicant would be able to start on January 4, 2021 so they can give their current employer ample notice. Selectman Miller and Selectman Maxfield agreed.

VIII. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
a. Mr. Pearl said that they had their first winter event this past weekend and everything worked well with the help from the Fire Department and Police Department. Mr. Pearl said they had a few breakdowns but all the trucks are ready to go for the next storm. Mr. Pearl said that now they are on to tree cleanup around town.
b. The Board agreed to speak with Mr. Pearl next week about the bridge repairs and replacement bids.

IX. The Board reviewed weekly correspondence.
a. The Board received a memo from the State of NH about the Loudon-Canterbury road project X-A004(458) 29613A. Chairman Prescott said that the state has suspended work on the project.
b. The Board reviewed the Maxfield Library Trustees meeting minutes from November 11, 2020.
c. The Board received an abutter notice from the Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment for map 43, lot 7. Chairman Prescott said the application is for a special exception for an accessory dwelling unit.
d. The Board received an abutter notice from the Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment for map 21, lot 16. Chairman Prescott said the application is for a variance for a day care.
e. The Board received an abutter notice from the City of Concord Planning Board regarding a webinar public hearing on December 16, 2020.
f. The Board reviewed a memo from the Office Manger regarding Town Report bid specs and the articles required for it.
g. The Board reviewed the State of NH quarantine guidelines update for December 4, 2020.
h. The Board reviewed a driveway bond agreement for 104 Staniels Road.
i. The Board reviewed an inspection report for the Community Building at 29 South Village Road and it shows that there are some issues that need to be corrected.
j. The Board reviewed a list of house numbers on Greenview Drive that need to be corrected.
k. The Board discussed an invoice from Stryker for a maintenance agreement. Chairman Prescott said that the question asked was if the invoice could be paid with grant money received from the Cares Act for lost ambulance revenue due to COVID-19. The Board agreed that after reading the grant terms they do not feel the funds can be used to pay the Stryker maintenance agreement. The Board asked Chief Blanchette if he could review his budget and find the money for the agreement.
l. The Board reviewed and signed a Cemetery Deed. Chairman Prescott said that the deed has been signed by Selectman Maxfield and himself. Selectman Miller asked that the deed be set aside so he can sign it the week of December 21.
m. The Board reviewed the 2019/2020 Assessing contract. Chairman Prescott said that it has been signed by Selectman Maxfield and himself. Selectman Miller asked that the contract be set aside until he can sign it the week of December 21.

n. The Board reviewed a contract for Sanders Searches. Chairman Prescott said that this is a service used by the Tax Collector and has been signed by Selectman Maxfield and himself. Selectman Miller asked that the contract be set aside until he can sign it the week of December 21.
o. The Board reviewed an intent to cut for map 8, lot 8. Chairman Prescott said that the intent has been signed by Selectman Maxfield and himself. Selectman Miller asked that the intent be set aside until he can sign it the week of December 21.
p. The Board reviewed employee time off request forms.

X. Chairman Prescott read the following dates and reminders: Friday December 11, 2020 at 8:00 AM there is a budget meeting with Police Chief Kris Burgess. Friday December 11, 2020 at 10:00 AM there is a budget meeting with the Maxfield Library Trustees.

XI. The Board reviewed weekly bills and payroll.

XII. Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 6:56 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Maxfield. Roll call vote: Miller – yes; Maxfield – yes; Prescott – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF LOUDON

PUBLIC NOTICE OF TIME LIMIT
FOR FILING OF CANDIDACY

THE UNDERSIGNED CLERK OF THE TOWN OF LOUDON HEREBY GIVES NOTICE OF THE TIME LIMIT FOR FILING DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

SELECTMEN	1 THREE YEAR TERM
TOWN CLERK	1 THREE YEAR TERM
SUPERVISOR OF CHECKLIST	1 SIX YEAR TERM
TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUND	1 THREE YEAR TERM
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	1 THREE YEAR TERM
PLANNING BOARD	2 THREE YEAR TERMS
ZONING BOARD	1 THREE YEAR TERM
ZONING BOARD	1 ONE YEAR TERM

WRITTEN DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK NOT BEFORE JANUARY 20, 2021 FROM 9:00AM-4:00PM OR AFTER FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021 FROM 3:00 PM-5:00 PM.

WENDY L. YOUNG
LOUDON TOWN CLERK
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FRIDAY JANUARY 29TH 3-5PM

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Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes

Friday, December 11, 2020

Present: Chairman Prescott, Selectman Maxfield

Also present: Police Chief Kris Burgess, Office Manager Brenda Pearl, Maxfield Public Library Trustees Diane Miller, Naquisha Bourget, LeeAnn Childress and Library Director Dena Norman

I. Chairman Prescott called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

II. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 Police Department budget with Police Chief Kris Burgess. The Board recommended a few changes and modifications.

III. The Board met with Office Manager Brenda Pearl. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 Selectmen's Office proposed budget with Office Manager Brenda Pearl. Changes and modifications were recommended by the Board.

IV. The Board reviewed the 2021-2022 Maxfield Public Library proposed budget with the Library Trustees and Librarian Dena Norman. Changes and modifications were recommended by the Board.

V. The Board said that all budgets will be finalized and presented to the citizens at future budget hearings.

VI. Selectman Maxfield moved to adjourn at 10:32 AM. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Stanley H. Prescott II, Chairman

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Roger A. Maxfield, Selectman

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Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

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.

PLEASE NOTE: BOTH PLANNING AND ZONING MINUTES ARE DRAFT MINUTES, I.E. THEY HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED YET. For a copy of the approved minutes, please contact the Planning/Zoning office after their monthly meetings (798-4540), Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7PM
Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7PM
Meetings are at the Town Office and are open to the public.

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Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities (SCCNH) is more important than ever. Other local organizations that benefit from Gift of Lights are the Loudon Food Pantry and Loudon Firefighters Association, however, COVID-19 restrictions are preventing in-person donations this year. Monetary donations can be made to either organization following the instructions in the Help the Community section of the Gift of Lights page on the NHMS website. As the official charity of the speedway, SCCNH has raised $220,476 from Gift of Lights since 2011 and has distributed over $1.8 million supporting more than 808,000 children since its inception in 2009.

This year, the 2.5-mile drive-thru light show is even brighter with 3.5 million lights, a new 150-foot RGB Tunnel of Lights and new scenes including the Three Little Pigs, Goldilocks, Mother Goose, Jack Be Nimble and Deer Beach Vacation. Crews spent more than 650 work hours to set up more than 520 displays and 80 different scenes this year, which also includes the popular 12 Days of Christmas and the 130-foot long infield entrance/exit tunnels with over 25,000 lights.

Tickets and Hours of Operation:
Vehicle passes are available for purchase online at NHMS.com/Events/Gift-of-Lights/ or at the gate for $25 per car. Show hours are 4:30-9 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 4:30-10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, depending on the weather. Attendees are encouraged to visit Sunday through Thursday for quicker traffic flow, as Friday and Saturday typically attract the largest crowds.

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