# The Loudon Ledge January

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Loudon Fire and Rescue getting ready for the Christmas Parade



**Turkey Trot Returns** 

The Turkey Trot is an annual celebration of our community's generosity. We collected non-perishable items throughout the week prior to donate to the Loudon Food Pantry. Thank you to Ms. Staples for organizing this event

LES Chorus preforms at Santa's Breakfast

The Loudon Lions were once again happy to support the United State Marine Corps "Toys for Tots" program with a special toy delivery to a collection point at the Concord VFW. (l-r) Retired Marine Corps officer Mike Moffett, Rose Giambalvo, and Loudon Lion President Vince Giambalvo.



### Mission Statement...

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

### **Town of Loudon Office Hours**

Selectmen's Office 55 S. Village Rd., Ste.1 \* 603-798-4541 \* selec ensoffice@loudonnh.org Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6PM at the Town Offices

Mon-Thurs: 8AM–4PM \* Tues. evenings: 5–9PM

Roger Maxfield (term expires 2022) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Jeffery Miller (term expires 2023) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org John Storrs (term expires 2024) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

Town Clerk
55 S. Village Rd., Ste.2 \* 603-798-4542 \* townclerk@loudonnh.org
Monday 8:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m, Tuesday 3:00 p.m - 8:45 p.m Wednesday 8:00 a.m- 4:00 p.m, Thursday 8:00 a.m -4:00 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board 55 S. Village Rd., Ste.4 \*603-798-4540 \* planning lanning-zoning@loudonnh.org The Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7PM at the town offices. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7PM at the town offices Mon.-Thurs.: 8AM-4PM Tues. evenings 5PM-9PM

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Tues.: 3-9PM \* Wed./Thurs.: 9AM-4PM

Police Department – Emergencies: 911
55 S. Village Rd. Ste.6 \* 603-798-5521 (administrative only)
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Mon.-Thur.:8AM-4PM

Building/Code Enforcement
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codeoffice@loudonnh.org \* Mon.-Fri.: 8AM-4PM

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Departments ~ Fire Permit Information

Loudon Elementary School
7039 School St \* 603-783-4400
The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15PM Call the Superintendent's Office for meeting location

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55 S. Village Rd. Ste.7 \* 603-783-4568 \* roadagent@loudonnh.org
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Maxfield Public Library
Library Director: Dena Norman \* 603-798-5153 \* maxlib@comcas
Sun./Mon.: Closed \* Tues.: 10AM-7PM \* Wed.: 10AM-5PM
Thurs.: 10AM-7PM \* Fri.: 10AM-5PM \* Sat.: 10AM-2PM The Library Trustees meet at 5PM on the first Monday of the month

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Call 603-783-9502 at least a week in advance of your appointment to schedule a ride. The John O. Cate Van committee meets the last Thursday of each month at 2PM in their facility at the transfer station

### **Loudon Food Pantry** 30 Chichester Rd. Unit D, Loudon

Feeding people in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester and Loudon, NH by appt. only on Tues., Weds., and Thurs. Office/Donations/Volunteer hours: Tues: 10AM-6PM \* Weds. 10AM-1PM \* Thurs. 10AM-4PM. Please call 603-724-9731 if you need to donate outside of these hours. Closed Mondays & Fridays. For more info or to see if you qualify for services, go to loudonfoodpantry.org - email info@loudonfoodpantry.org or call Sue at 603-724-9731

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State Sen. John Reagan (603) 463-5945 john.reagan111@gmail.com

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Representative to the General Court (District 26) State Rep. Howard Pearl (603) 231-1482 hpearlpsf@aol.com

### **Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to ledgerarticles@gmail.com. From there, they will be forwarded to the council for review before they are inserted in the Loudon Ledger. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Mary Ann Steele, chairperson of the Council, 603-267-6509

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### Where to Worship in Loudon

Faith Community Bible Church Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Patrick Testerman, Associate Pastor Family Pastor Michael Foose

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Monday Evening: Men's Fellowship and Prayer Time 7-8:45 p.m. Tuesday Morning: Ladies' Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Rev. Shirley Marcroft, Pastor

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7008, Loudon, NH 03307 Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH Sunday Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

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

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7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 603-783-9478 info@loudoncongregational.org • www.loudoncongregational.org Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m. Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.ccccusa.org).

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New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene Rev. David Shaw, Pastor • Rev. Lynn Shaw, Pastor Rev. Brian Bollinger, Youth Pastor Rev. Isabel Gillespie, Missional Outreach Pastor 33 Staniels Rd., Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 603-224-1311 •

Office Hours: 9-3, Tues.-Fri. office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org Sunday

9:30 a.m. — Worship: In Person and YouTube Live Streaming Nursery & Pre-school care is not available due to Covid. "Kids Korner" (K-4th Grade) is available from 10-11 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Discipleship Hour for ages 3 and up.

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

### Supervisors of the Checklist

Did you know that 2022 is an Election Year?

Of course, as we all know every year is an election year! But this year, the Supervisors of the Checklist will be facilitating four elections and one town meeting over the course of the year: school board election (March 4th), municipal election (March 8th) town meeting (March 12th), state primary (September 13th) and the general election (November 8th).

It takes a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, Selectmen, Town Clerk, Assistant Town Clerk, Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks to ensure a secure, efficient and smooth running election

Would you like to be a part of Loudon's next election? We are looking for additional Ballot Clerks, so drop us an email (aparrellasoc@ loudonnh.org) if you're interested. The town election in March is an especially good time to learn how to do this. It's a fun way to learn more about civic life in Loudon, and there are usually some good snacks, too! Join us!

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session for new registrations and corrections (name/address and party changes and removals) on Tuesday, 18 January, 2022 at 7:00pm at the Town Offices (55 South Village Road) per RSA 669:5, RSA 671:15 and RSA 654:27.

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# 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

### **November 2021 Meal Numbers**

In November 2021 we gave out enough food to create 8,963 meals to 290 individuals. 134 of those were age 60 and older, 59 were age 18 or under and 97 were in between those ages.

### **Holiday Boxes**

We gave out 45 Holiday Boxes this year.

### **Volunteers**

I'd like to personally thank all the volunteers that donate their time to helping at the pantry. The following are steady volunteers that come in week after week and no matter how hectic and crazy things are, they always do their best to make sure people are fed and happy.

Thank you, Bill, Glenda, Mary, Jon, Scott, Burt, Sandy, Deb 1, Deb 2, June and Kristen (just to name a few). Without your dedication and valuable input this pantry would not be what it is today!

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!







# Maxfield Public Library

### **CURRENT HOURS:**

Tuesday: 10-7 Wednesday: 10-5 Thursday: 10-7 Friday: 10-5

Saturday: 10-2 Curbside pick-up is still available!

\*MASKS ARE REQUIRED TO BE WORN BY ALL STAFF AND PATRONS WHILE INSIDE THE BUILDING\*

### LIBRARY CLOSURES IN JANUARY

Maxfield Public Library will be closed on Friday and Saturday, December 31 and January 1, 2022. We will reopen in the new year on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 10am. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Library must sometimes close due to inclement weather. Please check WMUR, our Facebook page, or our website at www. maxfieldlibrary.com for updates on closures and delayed openings.

The Library Board of Trustees next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2022, at 4:30pm.

WE ARE HIRING! Maxfield Public Library is seeking a part-time Custodian to work between 12-16 scheduled hours per week. The Custodian is responsible for maintaining the appearance and cleanliness of the library building's interior and some of the exterior grounds. This position must be filled by a responsible individual who is able to work under limited supervision. Evenings and weekends are required. Please call 603-798-5153 or email the Library Director, Dena Norman, at maxfielddirector@gmail.com for more information.

Maxfield Public Library is going FINE FREE! Beginning January 1, 2022, Maxfield Public Library will no longer impose late fees on overdue materials. We believe that libraries should be accessible to everyone and going fine free allows us to act on that belief.

You can pay existing fines at Maxfield Public Library in two ways:

- · We accept cash or check payments that will be applied directly to your account.
- · We accept canned goods and non-perishable items each item will cancel out \$1 in existing overdue fines. Maxfield Public Library will donate all food to the Loudon Food Pantry.

(This applies only to overdue items beginning January 1, 2022. Patrons are still responsible for replacing lost or damaged items and for paying existing fines accrued prior to the new year.)

### SERVICES AND ADULT PROGRAMS

"To read a poem in January is as lovely as to go for a walk in June." — Jean-Paul Sartre

Adult programs were feeling festive in December while we were getting excited for the upcoming holidays. In January, we will be filling those blistery afternoons with some snow inspired upcycled projects.

CRAFT CLASSES: January's craft classes will be focused on creating recycled winter decorations. On Wednesday, January 12, we will be making an Upcycled Snowflakes. On Wednesday, January 26, our craft class will be creating Snowmen Candle Holders from stem

glasses. To register for any of our adult craft classes, call 603-798-5153 or email Rebecca at maxlibprograms@gmail.com.

ART IN THE AFTERNOON: Do you enjoy painting, sketching, or coloring? Maxfield Public Library will provide the materials - all you need to bring is your creativity! Art in the Afternoon is an opportunity to get together with other local creatives to work on a current project, start a new one, or simply try out a variety of mediums at no cost to you! Art in the Afternoon is free and registration is not required. Look out for more information. This program is scheduled to begin in February. Email Dena Norman at maxfielddirector@gmail.com for more information.

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS ARE IN FULL SWING! Do you love to read? Do you enjoy talking about books that you have read? Maxfield Public Library is glad to be hosting our book clubs again. We offer two different times for the convince of our patrons. Come check us out and see what book we will be reading next. If you participated in the library's book clubs (afternoon and evening meetings) prior to the pandemic, or if you have been looking forward to joining a book group, stop by and pick up a copy of our selected titles. Each group reads a separate title. The Afternoon Book Club will be meeting on January 27 at 2:00pm and the Evening Book Club will meet January 27 at 6:30pm.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE! Interlibrary loan services through the New Hampshire State Library are blistering through this weird winter weather. Have you been looking for a book or a movie that Maxfield Public Library doesn't have in our collection? We can request to borrow it from another library for you. Call 603-798-5153 or email maxlibprograms@gmail.com to submit a request.

CURBSIDE DELIVERY & PICKUP OPTIONS: When you are unable to join us inside the library for all of your lending needs, we'll be happy to bring them out to you! Materials can be reserved through our online catalog, by calling our main line 603-798-5153, or emailing, staffmaxlib@comcast.net. If you are unsure of what you are looking for, Maxfield Public Library staff are happy to put together a bundle of recommendations for you! A staff member will contact you when your materials are available for pickup. Patrons are limited to 10 items on reserve, but may still have up to 30 items per account checked out at one time. When you arrive to pick up your items, call our front desk or ring the doorbell and staff will be happy to bring your items to you.

MUSEUM PASSES AVAILABLE! Looking for some fun to pass the time with the kids while on holiday break? Call the library, 603-798-5153, email us at staffmaxlib@comcast.net, or stop by our front desk to reserve a pass. You must provide specific date the pass will be used and coordinate with Library staff a time to pick up the pass. Keep in mind that all museums' visiting hours may have changed. We ask that you contact the museum directly or check their website to become familiar with each museums' required safety and health recommendations. Some museums are requiring online reservations, as well.

LOOKING FOR SOME INTERACTIVE READING FUN? Check out our front desk for our Mystery Murder Tour presented by Loudon's own Mark Okrant. Read one of his popular books, then follow the brochure to the tour location.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA! Please continue to follow us on Facebook, visit our website at www.maxfieldlibrary.com, or check the Town of Loudon website – www.loudonnh.org for all updated and

new Library announcements.

### YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

Music and Movement and Story Time will continue to be held indoors and our first few sessions have been a great success! Patrons will need to make reservations and space will be limited. Masks and social distancing will be required for all children and adults. There are also still many spots available on our Teen Advisory Board. Come help us choose books to order for the library and earn community service hours.

TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS: Our star ornament craft kits were a hit in December! Please email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com and



Miss Christina and Miss Jessica sing and dance during a December Storytime event!

send us pictures of your completed crafts if you feel comfortable doing so! In January we will have winter themed crafts!

STORYTIME: Storytime will be on Thursdays at 10:30am in the community room at the Library. Patrons will need to make reservations and space will be limited. Masks and social distancing will be required for all children and adults. We have been reading books about the holidays and winter! We sing and dance, and use bells, shakers and scarves!

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD: Have your voice heard and join our Teen Advisory Board! By joining and attending meetings you can earn community service hours! Email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com or call to find out more information about joining the Teen Advisory Board! Our first meeting in January will be held on Friday the 14th from 4:00-4:45pm.

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT: Music and Movement is a program for young children and will be happening indoors in the meeting room. Patrons will need to make reservations and space will be limited. Masks and social distancing will be required for all children and adults. There is singing, shakers, bells, rhythm sticks, finger-plays, action rhymes, dancing, and scarves make Music and Movement special! This program happens on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am!

TEEN CRAFTERNOON: Want to explore different artistic mediums and see where your creativity takes you? Come visit the Library and get crafting! This group meets on the first Thursday of every month from 4:00-4:45pm. This month we'll meet on January 6th. Email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com if you would like to join our next Teen Crafternoon. Masks and social distancing are required.

GREG TETREAULT BASEBALL AUTHOR TALK: Want to learn more about baseball and have fun reading! Come hear Loudon's Greg Tetreault read excerpts from his book "Little Tate and The Say Hey Glove" and learn about the great sport of baseball ahead of sign ups and opening day! This event will be happening in March/April of 2022, so be on the lookout for more information!

WINTER READING BINGO: Winter Reading Bingo cards will be available for all ages! Email maxfieldlibya@gmail.com or maxlibprograms@gmail.com. You can also call us at 603-798-5153, or come visit us for more information!



Pack 247 has had a very busy month, and we would like to focus this month's article on gratitude.



On November the 13th, the Scouts participated in their annual Scouting for food community event. Scouts collected food donations from homes across our community and received drop-off donations at the Loudon Town offices, and WOW Loudon, we are so thankful for your generosity! Thanks to you, the Scouts were able to collect 1043.31lbs of food and collected over \$400 in financial donations, all to benefit the Loudon Food Pantry. This translates to 2470

meals available for members of our community who experience food insecurities. We want to send a special recognition to Cal's Cabinets, Counters, Floors, and More (www.Calsnh.com) for their generous financial donation. The participation and generosity on display provide a valuable lesson for our scouts on how a community can pull together to do great things and make a difference in people's lives. So, thank you all again!

The Pack received a special invitation from Jon LeBrun to have all the Scouts come to his home for their monthly Pack meeting and generously allowed each Scout to tag a Christmas tree, free of charge. The Scouts enjoyed having the Pack meeting around a campfire, selecting their family Christmas tree, and participating in their favorite game of flashlight tag. Thank you to Jon for opening his property to the Scouts and generously gifting Christmas trees.

As we look forward to 2022, the Scouts cannot wait to participate in the outdoor activities of ice fishing, winter hiking, sledding, earning advancements, and the Pinewood derby! One activity the Scouts look forward to every year is, attending overnight Scouting camp at Camp Carpenter in Manchester, NH. The district does a great job of trying to keep costs low so all campers can have a chance to attend, but it still places a financial strain on some families. Pack 247 is asking the community for their help by sharing any ideas for fundraising that the Scouts (grade k-5) can do to raise money while helping others. Additionally, if anyone (individuals or Companies) wanted to "Sponsor" the Pack, we can accept tax-deductible donations. If you are interested in sponsoring the Pack 247 please email Amy Doolin at LoudonPack247@gmail.com or you can use the QR Code below to make your tax-deductible donation.

We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season!



### Girl Scout Troop 60180

Our Troop has had a very busy few weeks! The Daisies continued working on their Petals, the Brownies began a new Journey and the Juniors started their Engineering Journey.

What we are most proud of was our annual fundraiser to buy gifts for those in foster care. Our Troop hand made greeting cards and ornaments and sold them at the LES Santa's Breakfast. We donate all the supplies to make these so that every dollar we earn goes towards gifts. Between the sales that day and unexpected donations we were able to raise \$1,220 to buy presents! We were able to buy gifts for 14 children currently in foster care, 4 homeless children living in a hotel and had money left over to buy extra gifts for last minute placements. We purchased over 200 items! We are so grateful to our community, friends, family and caseworkers for helping us make this year's fundraiser a huge success, thank you!

I also want to thank our Troop for making the choice to do this fundraiser. We are a completely girl led troop and that means they decide what we do throughout the year. The leaders only facilitate and guide. The Scouts are the ones that decide things like this are a priority and that makes us very proud.

Cookie sales start 1/1/22!

Do you have a business that would like to host a cookie booth or do you work somewhere that would like a visit from a Girl Scout during cookie season? Please email us and let us know. We would be happy to stop by and sell some cookies! Especially the new Adventureful brownie caramel cookie!

You may also reach out to buy cookies via our email and we split the orders among the Troop.

Please email Ashley or Sheena with any questions Troop60180@ gmail.com

Thank you for supporting your future leaders!





The first New Year's celebration dates back 4,000 years. Julius Caesar, the emperor of Rome, was the first to declare Jan. 1 a national holiday. ...



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### Richard Brown House News

Happy New Year to the Loudon community! The residents at Richard Brown House enjoyed decorating for Christmas in December and the place looked very festive. Special thanks to Mary and Barry Sartwell for the beautiful Christmas wreaths and donation of gift cards; Linda Wright for the wonderful cards, notepads, and planners as well as a generous cash donation; and an anonymous youth group who

donated festive poinsettia plants to decorate the Community Room.

In December, residents provided stuffed animals with charming outfits to children in need through Loudon's Helping Hands program and the residents had fun choosing just the right animal, stuffing it, and selecting the outfit from the many choices. We celebrated National Sock Day in December and the residents filled up their sock drawers with 250 pairs of donated brand-new socks. To get in the holiday spirit, we had a fun Karaoke sing-along of Christmas favorites with gingerbread cookies and apple juice, watched a Christmas movie, played "Find the Elf" game, and participated in some Christmas themed chair exercises. Everyone



and apple juice, watched a Christmas movie, played "Find the Elf" game, and participated in some Christmas themed chair exercises. Everyone **NEED A NEW ROOF?** oofing & ontracting We Honor We offer a discount to all current and former members of the U.S. military, including active-duty members, veterans and reservists. ATINUM

enjoyed whoopie pies on Dec. 30 to celebrate the new year. In January, we will introduce an 8-week indoor/outdoor walking program where daily steps are tracked to keep residents moving and motivated. We will play a fun version of Wheel of Fortune on the big screen and residents will be able to adopt a baby air plant with a holder to care for. We also plan to continue monthly activities such as chair exercises, bingo, bible study, and movie matinees.

Some of the residents are seeking a private housekeeper to come weekly to do some light cleaning in their individual units. This would be a long-term, self-pay arrangement to be negotiated with each individual resident. Their current housekeeper is leaving to focus on college. Flexible hours-perfect for stay-at-home mom, college student, or part-time worker looking to supplement their income. You can leave your name and contact info with Torey Kortz, RSC, to be passed on to the residents seeking this service.

We are always looking for donations of gift cards from the community to be used as prizes so that we can continue to provide some fun contests and games for Richard Brown House residents. 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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Mrs. Sarah J. (Chesley) Lampron

Mrs. Sarah J. (Chesley) Lampron, 90, of Loudon, passed away at the Merrimack County Nursing Home on November 30, 2021 after a long period of declining health.

Born in Concord, Sarah was the daughter of the late Adnyrum and Georgia Chesley. She was raised and educated in Concord.

Prior to her retirement, she was employed as a cook for the Havenwood Community in Concord. She was a member of the Young At Heart Social Group and enjoyed hunting, woodworking and cooking.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 65 years, Walter R. Lampron; her three children, SueAnn McKeon and her husband Jack of Simpsonville, SC, Russell W. Lampron and his wife Linda of Burlington, NC and Marie Scott and her husband Rusty Flagg of North Myrtle Beach, SC; her sister, Carol Creighton and her husband Daniel of Webster; seven grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.



Elizabeth (Betty) Ann Diloreto



Elizabeth (Betty) Ann Diloreto, 72, of Belmont, NH passed away peacefully on November 22, 2021.

Elizabeth was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts to Adio and Mary Diloreto on October 21, 1949. She graduated from North Quincy High and continued on to NHTI where she received her associate in Science with a Major in Nursing. She was an operating room nurse at several hospitals for over 40 years and took great pride in what she did and those she cared

for. She moved her sons from Quincy, Ma to Loudon, Nh where she raised them and set down roots. Later in life she volunteered at the humane society and supported local animal shelters. She also played an active role in the community in which she lived. She was instrumental in updating and maintaining the library, she was part of the social committee which put on suppers and special events in the park, and was the Vice President of her Co-op.

Elizabeth will be remembered for her spit fire personality, her blatant honesty and for being unapologetically real. As well as her willingness to always lend a helping hand.

Elizabeth is survived by her two sons Byron DeVol of Loudon, and Christopher DeVol of Concord. Her four grandchildren, Alyssa Oquendo, Seth DeVol, Tristan Green, and Aiyana DeVol and three great grandchildren Julianna Oquendo, Jaleeyah Oquendo, and Amaris Oquendo.

Mrs. Ruth M. (Quimby) Sawyer



Mrs. Ruth M. (Quimby) Sawyer, 89, of Epsom, went home to be with the Lord on December 14, 2021 after a brief illness.

Born in Concord, she was the daughter of the late Frank A. Quimby, Jr. and Doris (Jones) Quimby. She was raised in Chichester until the 8th grade, when her parents gave up the telephone office and moved to Concord. She was

a graduate of Concord High School Class of 1950.

Ruth went on to work for Woolworths for a short time and also at the Elms in Epsom, the Windemere Restaurant, Headstart, the Circle Ice Cream Bar, Lens Restaurant and lastly at the Circle Market for 10 years. She was a volunteer for the local elderly, bringing them to medical appointments and was the recipient of the Suncook Valley Pomona Grange Award for Public Service in 2005. She also volunteered for the American Red Cross Blood Service for many years. She loved her family and her church and was a member of the United Methodist Church in Chichester for many years.

She was predeceased by her husband, John W. Saw-yer, who passed away in 2004, her infant grandson, John

Alan Carignan and her sisters, Ethel Little and Doris LaDuke.

Ruth is survived by her children: Betty Pratt and her husband Levi of Harmony, ME, Donna May and her husband Robert of Epsom, Duke Sawyer and his wife Lynne of Concord, Carol Jobin and her husband Richard of Loudon, Kathy Bond and her husband Michael of Chichester, Lori Carignan and her husband Alan of Epsom and Linda Chartier of Epsom. She was the sister to Bud Quimby and his wife Ruth and Frances Howland. She is also survived by 19 grand-children, 41 great grandchildren and 1 great grandchild as well as many nieces and nephews.

Charles (Charlie) Leonard Owens



Charles (Charlie) Leonard Owens, of Loudon, New Hampshire passed away peacefully on November 21, 2021, while surrounded by his family, after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease.

Charlie was born on August 25, 1935 in Hartland, New Brunswick, Canada; the son of Rev. John Arthur Owens and Hazel Belle (Mullen) Owens.

He is survived by his wife Lorna (Hicks) Owens; son John Owens and his wife Christina (Tina Kern) of Loudon, NH; son Charles N. Owens and his wife Melissa (Pierce) of Londonderry, NH; daughter

Jane A. (Owens) Jewell and her husband Daniel Jewell of Quincy, MA; grandchildren Gabrielle, Isaac, and Cassandra Owens and Angelina Jewell; and his sister Alice Bradford of Hampton, New Brunswick; and many cherished nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Charlie was predeceased by his cherished grandson Andrew Owens and his beloved brother John, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Charlie graduated from Southampton Regional High School in New Brunswick, in 1953; Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, MA, in 1958; University of Toronto in 1960, and University of New Brunswick in 1971.

Before they were well acquainted, God led both Charlie and Lorna to Bethany Bible College in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia which soon relocated to Sussex, New Brunswick (and was recently renamed Kingswood University). They were married in 1962. Lorna had been praying for two years that God would bring them together. Neither knew that God was bringing them both to the college. A miracle! God answers prayer. They were married at the Lutes Mountain Church of the Nazarene, Lorna's home church in Lutes Mountain, New Brunswick. They were blessed with a loving marriage for 58 years.

The family moved to Quincy, MA in 1972 where he taught at Eastern Nazarene College, was business manager of Quincy College, and retired from Commercial Union Insurance after 13 years of service. While teaching at Eastern Nazarene College, Charlie was foreign student advisor and worked with FOCUS (Friendship of Overseas College and University Students). They opened their home to many international students; this was a highlight and blessing for Charlie, Lorna, and their children.

Following retirement they moved to Loudon, NH. They traveled with Eastern Nazarene College alumni groups to Switzerland, two trips to the UK, and an Alaskan cruise. They went on a volunteer mission trip to Romania. They also enjoyed traveling around the United States and Canada.

Charlie was a member of the Church of the Nazarene, Loudon, New Hampshire. Charlie and Lorna spent many joyful weekends volunteering at Windsor Hills campground in New Hampshire as well as enjoying family camp. Charlie also volunteered at Esther Sanger Center for Compassion (Quincy Crisis Center) for 11 years and served faithfully in any church that they attended.

Charlie accepted Christ as his personal savior, early in his life (1 John 1:9), and dedicated himself to the work of the Lord. He was a mentor and a loving faithful presence to many throughout his life



Commander Ken Ward of Post 88 Loudon [I] presented Commander Dana Wilson, Post 61, Milton, [r] with the American Flag Art work, which he won in our recent Veterans Day Raffle Drawing. Thanks to all those who participated in this years Raffle. Keep your eyes peeled for next year's Raffle starting in January 2022.

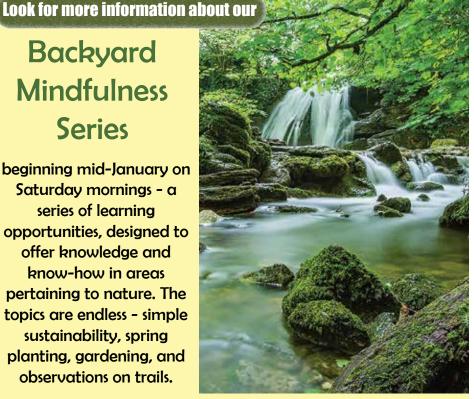


Loudon Pack 247 Food Drive

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### The Loudon Lions Club has completed its 1st **Annual Memory Tree of Lights Fundraiser**

We will provide a list of Charities and Organizations that benefitted in the February Ledger as well as on the Loudon Community Facebook page.

We want to sincerely thank the entire Loudon community and beyond. We also want to express our profound gratitude to the following individuals and their businesses for their tremendous kindness and generosity in helping us get started:

William Leombruno and the Loudon Country Club; Ken Millican and Millican Nurseries; Gary Tasker and Tasker Landscaping; Dennis Jakubowski and Jakubowski Electrical; the Loudon Board of Selectmen and Chief Blanchette and Asst. Chief Lake, Inspectors and Ann Marie Zube, Admin, Asst.

The photo below is of the Tree with Lions Club Members and Supporters: Ken Millican, Sara Wagner, Ed Friedrich, Elizabeth Witham, Dennis Jakubowski, William Leombruno, Barry Boriss, Esther Boriss, Rose Marie Giambalvo, Ken Ward, Vince Giambalvo and Gerry Lange.

Please find the listings for those memorialized as of Dec. 16 below the photo.



2021 LOUDON LIONS

MEMORY TREE - IN MEMORIAM

Kristen Wagner, Amy Gilbert, Billy Murphy, Eleanor Murphy, John Murphy, Mae Cashwell, Mack Cashwell, Faith Friedrich, Ray Friedrich, Mae Ferullo, Lewis Ferullo, Amadio Esposito, Marrianne Esposito, Neil Esposito, Maria Esposito, Marie Esposito, Frank Giambalvo, Anna Giambalvo, Billy Buthorn, Lauris Moore Isadore Moore, Robert Bunker, Eunice Bunker, Margaret Minery, Louise M. Lange, John Kearney, Marie Kearney, H.C Ward Jr., Freda Ward, James Johnson, Louis Burtoff, Kathy B. Johnson, Edward Kuebler, Joseph Glasser, Michelle Plate, George Lange, Lester Ryan, Jr., Gordon Bennett, Paul LaMarca, Kathleen Haslett, Albert Haslett, Florence Ryan, Lester Ryan, Ted Simanowicz, Gabriel Simanowicz, Sonia Simanowicz, Eva Yafchak, Jessica Kirby, Ray Stickney, Dannielle Stickney Robin Brown, James Volner, Judy Volner, Ella Mae Cochrane, Marge Johnson, Roy Madugno, Sr., Roy Modugno, Jr., Veronica Modugno, Gloria Jacobson, Gus Belden, Trevor Whitham, Roger Johnson, Phyllis M. Rathbun, June Rathbun, Donald Rathbun, Florence Rathbun, William Rathbun, Francina Belanger, Edward Belanger, Arthur Margeson, Earnistine Margeson, Matt Herold, Ben

Herold, Arnold Storrs, Arlene Storrs, Jim Dyment, Charlie Shaw, Betty Shaw, Jeanne K. Lund, Edward Wells, Shirley Wells, Chip Cochran, Jr., Cecila Blanchard, Claude Blanchard, Sr., Claude Blanchard, Jr., Barbara Losalo, Earline "Nana" Draper, Larry "Bimpy" Draper Finley Maguire Eleanor Kernander Andrew Kernander ,Ronald Dubuc, Stephen Jakubowski, Florence "Gram" Hunt, Thelma Lucas, Donald Smith, Dorothy Wolfendale, Beatrice Johnson, Mildred Knowland, Louis Leombruno, Catherine Leombruno, Robert Leombruno, Marilyn Leombruno, Al Schneider, Sr., Irene Schneider, Al Schneider, Jr., John Schneider, Richard Schneider, Irene Richardi, Ann Loomer, Thomas Schneider, Frank Schneider, Carol A. Hemphill, Barbara J. Hemphill, Joseph "Jay" Truesdale, III, Grace Jeske, Pamela R. McDonald, Polly Taber, Louis Taber, Ethel Boosinger, Scott Rockey, Dorothy Bowers, Thomas Thurston, Susan E. Kilby, Midge Kilby, Rev. John Kilby, Robert Dalphond, Carol Dalphond, Ballard Stehley, Marie Stehley, Carol Graham, Barbara Graham, John Graham, Jr., Pauline Bergevin, Catherine Crawford, Irene Gropp, Dave Jones, Tom Oakley, Jeanette Patten, Archie C. Page, Chris Lockwood, Bettye Cross, Terry Desell, Bucky Desell, John Slauter, Donald Moffett, Geri O'Brien, Debbie Ouimehea, Delores Hurley, Linton Hartt, Jacqueline Hartt, Kevin Bean.

Loudon Firefighters – Red Lights (Bob Bottcher, William Brown, Charlie Byrne, Gary Burr, Arthur Colby, Roger Dow, Shirley Lampron, Jim McNeil, Lyford Merrow and Bob Wilcox)

This year's Star is dedicated in memory of all deceased Loudon Veterans as well as Karen Prior, a good friend and active member of our Lions Club, passed away Oct. 5, 2021.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

### TOWN OF LOUDON PUBLIC NOTICE OF TIME LIMIT FOR FILING OF CANDIDACY

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

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

WRITTEN DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY MUST BE FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK NOT BEFORE JANUARY 19, 2022 FROM 8:00AM-4:00PM OR AFTER FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022 FROM 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

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Santa and his elves at Santa's Breakfast

The Made in Loudon Expo/Tree Lighting Ceremony went beautifully!! Between Charlie's Barn and the Fire Station, we had 19 vendors. The weather was great for Loudon shoppers, and everyone seemed to leave with some homemade goodies! The talent in this town is amazing! We had hot chocolate and s'mores which preceded singing Christmas carols and a countdown to the lighting of the tree.

A big thank you to the Fire department for the use of the station and making us a fire for the s'mores (and to warm up near). Thank you to the York grandchildren who helped serve drinks and s'mores that preceded the caroling. Thank you, Santa! The historical society is very lucky to have many members who worked so hard decorating and baking! We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!





### What's Cookin'?

### Food, Food and More Food!

Now that the holidays are behind us, and we have indulged – or is it over indulged- let's look at some wholesome main dishes that will sustain us in the colder months.

### **Hot Turkey Souffle**

6 slices bread

3 cups diced turkey

½ cup cut up celery

½ cup chopped onion

½ cup chopped green pepper

½ cup mayonnaise

1 tsp. salt

2 eggs, beaten

1 ½ cups milk

1 can mushroom soup

½ cup shredded cheddar cheese

Cube 2 slices bread and place in bottom of baking pan. Mix turkey, veggies, salt and mayonnaise. Place over breadcrumbs. Place remaining bread (crusts removed) on top. Combine eggs and milk and pour over top. Cover and chill at least one hour or overnight. Spoon soup diluted with ½ can water over top. Bake at 325 degrees about 45 min. Sprinkle cheese over top and bake 15 min. longer or until cheese is melted. Yields 8 large servings.

#### **Cheddar Beef Pie**

1 lb. hamburg

1 egg

1 cup corn flakes crumbs

1 tsp. salt and pepper

2 T. BBQ sauce

½ cup celery

2 T. margarine

1 ½ cup shredded cheddar

14 oz. can mushrooms

1/3 cup chopped onion

Combine hamburg, egg, onion, 3/4 c. corn flakes and BBQ sauce. Press into a 9" pie plate to look like a pie crust. Bake at 400 degrees for 15 min. Remove meat shell from oven and drain. Reduce temperature to 350. Sauté celery in 1 T. margarine. Combine with cheese, mushrooms and spoon into hot meat shell.

Melt remaining margarine and combine with  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup bread crumbs. Sprinkle on top and bake 10 -15 minutes.

### **Sweet Potato and Sausage Casserole**

3 cups sliced, cooked sweet potatoes

1 tsp. salt and pepper

1 lb. sausage

1 cup sliced apples or crushed pineapple

½ cup hot water

Arrange potatoes in a shallow, greased baking dish. Sprinkle with half the salt and pepper. Cover with the apples or pineapple and pour in hot water or pineapple juice. Season sausage with remaining salt and pepper. Form into thin cakes and lay on top of fruit, leaving a little space between the cakes. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for

30 min. Remove cover and press meat down into fruit and potatoes. Leave uncovered and bake for 15 more min.

### **Easy Beef Casserole**

1 lb. ground beef

1 onion, chopped

1 T. shortening

1 can tomato soup

½ cup water

1 can green beans, drained

1 cup cooked noodles

1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

Brown hamburg in shortening and combine with remaining ingredients using half the cheese. Pour into greased casserole and top with remaining cheese. Bake 20-25 min. at 375 degrees.

### **Quick Cinnamon Rolls**

½ cup hot milk

3 T. shortening

3 T. sugar

1 ½ tsp salt

1 pkg. dry yeast

½ cup warm water

1 egg, lightly beaten

3 1/4 cup flour

4 tsp. softened butter

1 ½ tsp cinnamon ¾ cup brown sugar

Combine hot milk, shortening, sugar and salt. Stir well. Soften yeast in warm water, stirring a lot. Add milk mixture to yeast mixture. Add egg and mix. Stir in flour to make a soft dough. Turn onto a floured board and knead lightly until smooth. Grease a 9x13 pan. Roll dough into a rectangle 12 x 20. Spread with butter. Sprinkle with brown sugar and cinnamon. Roll up from long end and cut into 24 one-inch slices. Lay them on their side in the prepared pan. Let rise for about an hour. Bake about 30 min. in 350-degree oven. (Note: This is a great recipe for someone to learn how to use yeast.)

### **Potato Chip Cookies**

(A great way to use up stale chips.)

1 cup margarine

1 cup each sugar and brown sugar

2 eggs

1 tsp. vanilla

2 cups crushed potato chips

1 pkg. butterscotch chips

2 ½ cups flour

1 tsp. baking soda

Cream butter and sugars. Add eggs and vanilla. Beat well. Add potato chips and butterscotch chips. Stir in dry ingredients. Bake at 375 degrees 10-12 min.



Members of the Loudon Fire Department held their annual Christmas party and Awards and Recognition Dinner on December 13th at the Arthur Colby Safety Complex. Chief Blanchette prepared a pasta buffet with tossed salad and rolls and members provided a large potluck dessert table. A Yankee swap was held with members and their families, and many laughs were enjoyed. A listing of all awards and recognitions can be found at the end of this article.

We want to congratulate Ethan Lavoie on passing his Emergency Medical Technician class as well as passing his National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians exam which will allow him to become a licensed EMS provider in NH serving our community. We currently have two other members finishing up their EMT class and 2 other members finishing their Advanced EMT course. We wish all four of them luck as they take their exams. We also have two members that have started their Firefighter One certification program through the NH Fire Academy. The Firefighter One class will be held at the Henniker Fire Department. Cadence Solsky and Sean Marden will spend the next 4 months and over 250 hours enrolled in the program before they will take their final exam to obtain certification.

Six members of the fire department participated in a joint ice rescue training with neighboring fire departments including Concord and Boscawen. The ice rescue training was hosted by the Canterbury Fire Department. The training included the review of equipment and techniques used during ice rescue missions. The exercises included the use of ice picks, ice bolts, floating ropes, rescue alive sleds, and banana boats. Fire department members went out on the thin ice practicing how to approach a victim needing rescue and actually retrieving them to safety. They also were instructed to walk on thin ice so they could experience breaking through and how to self-rescue all while wearing the proper safety equipment which is used while conducting actual ice rescues.

There were multiple EMS trainings held throughout December including a new short training technique called a 10 over 10. A 10 over 10 is a training program designed around no more than 10 PowerPoint slides and not lasting more than 10 minutes. These are designed to train members on subjects such as new equipment which is being deployed or on items which have been identified through our 100% quality improvement program that need to be reviewed. 10 over 10's do not require a general meeting to be held and are sent out as emails or over social media so members can review at their convenience making great use of their time.

The Loudon Fire Department partnered with the NH State Fire Marshal's Office to conduct a public safety education event at the Villages of Loudon on December 13. Many members of the community were on hand for a fun 90-minute presentation on fire safety and fall prevention. The program uses music hits from the past to lead into various safety topics and includes some trivia which adds a lot of fun and laughs to the program. If there are other groups in town who would like to have us deliver this program to them please contact the station at 603-798-5612 to schedule the class.

The home heating season is upon us, and we want to take a moment to review a few safety topics that are relative to the season. To keep your home safe from fires and hidden dangers consider the following tips from the National Fire Protection Association:

- 1. Stoves should be listed by a qualified testing laboratory (not homemade)
- 2. In wood stoves burn only DRY, seasoned wood. In pellet stoves, burn only dry seasoned wood pellets.
- 3. Have your chimney and stove inspected and cleaned by a certified chimney sweep every fall just before heating season.
- 4. Clean the inside of your stove periodically using a wire brush.
- 5. Allow ashes to cool before disposing of them. Place ashes in a covered metal container. Keep the container at least10 feet away from the home or other buildings.
- 6. Keep a close eye on children whenever a wood or pellet stove is being used. Remind them to stay at least 3 feet away from a stove in use.
- 7. Stoves need space, keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from the stove.
- 8. Install and maintain carbon monoxide alarms outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. For best results interconnect the CO alarms so when one sounds they all sound.
- 9. Install Smoke alarms on every level of your home and outside every sleeping area and inside each sleeping area. For the best protection have them all interconnected as well so if one sounds they all sound.

### 2021 Awards & Recognitions

- Lt. James Leonard Jr. 30 Years of Service
- Jonathan Leonard 25 Years of Service
- Matthew Cole 20 Years of Service
- Deputy Chief William Lake 20 Years of Service
- Ben Carter 15 Years of Service
- · Harry "Chip" Barrett 15 Years of Service
- · Terri Barton 15 Years of Service
- Paul Sanborn 15 Years of Service
- Robert Guertin 10 Years of ServiceEdward Dempsey 10 Years of Service
- · Katherine Silveria 10 Years of Service
- Matthew LaDuke 5 Years of Service
- · Jeremiah Bentley 5 Years of Service
- Trevor Gilbert 5 Years of Service
- Gregory Treat 5 Years of Service
- Chiefs Choice Award Benjamin Carter
- Chiefs Choice Award Matthew LaDuke
- · Big 3 Club Kelly Dellovo
- · Big 3 Club Matthew LaDuke
- Big 3 Club Theodore Partington
- 2021 EMT of The Year Captain Timothy Baldassare
- 2021 Firefighter of The Year Harry "Chip" Barett

# Loudon Historical Society

by Liz LeBrun

Some things sitting on the shelf at the Historical Society are easy to identify because they haven't changed much over the years. Some things on display are obsolete today and we sometimes ask the public for help to identify them. Other things can be identified by those of us who are slightly older but most teenagers wouldn't know what they are. The manual Royal Arrow typewriter is an item that falls into that last category. Royal Typewriter Company was founded in January 1904 by Edward B. Hess and Lewis C. Myers in a machine shop in Brooklyn NY. In March 1906, the first "Royal Standard" typewriter was sold. In 1908, Royal began manufacturing in a new facility in Hartford CT. Because Royal's competitor, Underwood Typewriter Company, was also located there, Hartford became known as the "Typewriter Capitol of the World." On October 9, 1926 it was announced that Royal had produced its one millionth typewriter. In December 1957, Royal produced its ten millionth typewriter. When cofounder Hess died in 1941, he held over 140 typewriter related patents. James Bond author, Ian Fleming, wrote on a Royal typewriter as did Ernest Hemingway. It is also said the 60 Minutes correspondent, Morley Safer, wrote all his scripts on a Royal. The Arrow model was manufactured 1939-1953 and it is thought that the model owned by the Historical Society is from 1946. The Royal Arrow was widely used by the military during World War II. The first Royal electric typewriter was introduced in 1950. Merrimack Valley High School taught typing classes in the 1970's on both manual and electric typewriters. Today when you type a paper, you don't have to hit the carriage return when you get to the margin on the right. You don't have to use WhiteOut to correct misspellings and you don't have to worry about creating your own bottom margin that is big enough so the paper doesn't come loose from the roller. Too bad today's teenagers won't know how to handle these challenges!

The Historical Society would like to thank everyone who was involved in making our Made In Loudon Expo a success. Thanks to the Fire Department offering us some additional space, we had more vendors this year with a wide variety of items. We would like to thank our vendors as well as all the shoppers who came out. We thank our bakers for all the goodies, and those who helped organize the event, set up, decorate and clean up. What a great afternoon ending with the tree lighting, carols, s'mores and a Santa sighting. The museum was open and some of you may have taken the opportunity to look around. If you would like to spend some time at the museum



perhaps browsing or researching, we are open the first and third Wednesday of each month from 1-3 pm. For questions or to arrange a tax-deductible donation, call the Historical Society at (603) 798-4541 or e-mail us at Loudonhistory@gmail.com.



## Loudon Elementary School

### **Important Upcoming Dates**

- 1/10 School Board Meeting @ 7:15
- 1/3-1/7 Concord Dental Sealant Prevention Program
- 1/17 MLK Junior Day (NO SCHOOL)
- 1/18 SEPAC meeting @ 5:30
- 1/31 Teacher Workshop (NO SCHOOL), DHHS Mobile Vaccine Van at LES from 9:00-3:00

### LOUDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL P.T.A. NEWS



The P.T.A. recently put a request out looking for new members. The organization was running on 2 remaining members as of October and the organization was in danger of closing. At the November monthly meeting, we had 7 new

members attend! We thank both Danielle Bosco and Catherine Masterson for keeping it going during this time of uncertainty.

With that being said, the next big event to plan for was Santa's Breakfast. With just a month to plan, the committee was able to quickly coordinate, schedule and set up the event on December 4, 2021 at the Loudon Elementary School! We heard soo many compliments that this was the best year yet! Of course, we couldn't have pulled this off without the tremendous support we received from our community. This not only includes parents, but the Lions Club, the Loudon Police Department and the Loudon Fire Department. We also want to recognize our key sponsors. Without their support, we would not have been able to hold this event. Thank you to K & M Drywall, J & J Yolk, J.M. Carr Landscaping, Penguin Fuels and Leonard's Plumbing & Heating.

We are in the planning stages of upcoming events. Like us on Facebook (Loudon Elementary PTA) and stay tuned for additional information on the LES website (https://les.mvsdpride.org).

Our next meeting will be held on January 11, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School media room for anyone interested in joining us!

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# Loudon Police News

LOUDON POLICE NEWS

Happy New Year!

WINTER WEATHER:

As winter weather is here, we remind you of a few things:

\*Give yourself extra time in getting to your destination.

\*You MUST remove snow/ice from your vehicle (Jessica's Law NH RSA 265-79-b).

\*Please put your cell phone away while driving – even hands free we encourage you to let that call wait so you can concentrate on safe driving. Absolutely NO texting while driving!

### **HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANTS:**

We have applied and received grants from the NH Highway Safety Agency. We will be working Patrols & mobilization patrols. These particular patrols will focus on a few areas of concern as listed below. Stay tuned for more details.

December 17, 2021-January 1, 2022: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

April 7, 2022 – April 11, 2022: U Drive. U Text. U Pay

May 23, 2022- June 5, 2022: Join the NH Clique (seatbelt safety)

August 20, 2022- September 5, 2022: Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

While we are focusing on concerns related to the NH Highway Safety Agency campaign, we will also be watching for other infractions.

### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

We continue to be active in our community events. The last few months have been busy with making presentations to the Young at Heart, reading to the children at the Loudon Elementary School as well as the Maxfield Public Library story hour, and helping the Loudon Elementary School PTA with Santa's breakfast.

### **INFORMATION SHARING:**

Remember if we have information to share with the general public, we will post it on the website at www.loudonnh.org (click on Police Department). You can also go on the website and get notified when news is posted (click on subscribe to e-alerts on the main page). In addition, we will post information on our Facebook page as well.

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Janice J. Morin

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This year, a total of 8 local families were given a 'helping hand'. The packages included items that were needed, some wish items, and gift certificates. I honestly stopped taking names for sponsors after I had 15 more sponsors willing to step up if needed. The emotions were overwhelming with the gratitude expressed when the recipients received their packages.

This program is dedicated to James 'Jim' McNeil in honor of his generosity of helping people (which he silently did in the background), not only at Christmas time but anytime someone was in need.

I can't say it any better than I did last year. 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 the supporters. Wishing you all very happy (and healthy) holidays and hoping 2022 will bring us renewed belief that better times are coming.



### **New Deputy Town Clerk**

As of December 1st 2021, Theresa Chudoba has been in training to be our new Deputy Town Clerk as Wendy Young prepares to retire. She was a resident of Loudon for many years as a child and even graduated from Concord Christian Academy. Soon after graduation, she married her high school sweetheart and the military took them to Tennesee, where they were stationed with the 101st Airborne Division. Theresa and her growing family lived in Tennesee for more than two decades. Theresa has been married to her husband Craig Chudoba for 21 years and together, they have four children, Tatiyana (20), Terrence (16), Taliyah (13), and Taylor (9). Theresa is excited to be back in Loudon close to her family for the first time in years and counts it as a privilege to serve her community.

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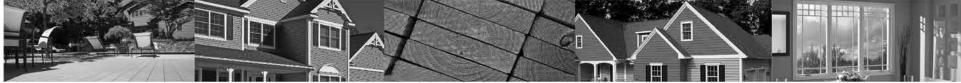












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The potluck lunch again brought out the best cooks in Loudon with delicious casseroles, salads and side dishes. The Young at Heart did not disappoint and ended the meal with a beautiful cake. Everyone was in the holiday spirit and enjoyed the lunch and conversation with their friends. There was definitely a festive spirit in the air and no one went away hungry. The table center pieces, made by Liz LeBrun contained ornaments and everyone walked away with a beautiful ornament to remember the day. A special thank you to Wayne, Bill and Michela for setting up this festive room for the luncheon.

We will start the first meeting of the New Year with pizza and bingo on Tuesday, January 11th, 2022 at 10:00am at the Faith Community Bible Church. Also, at this meeting your 2022 membership dues in the amount of \$10.00 each will be collected. At the next meeting there will be a sign-up sheet for anyone who is interested in a computer class. Details will be provided at the January meeting.

Just a reminder: Now with the winter months upon us there is no Young at Heart meeting if the Merrimack Valley School District is closed.

In closing a big thank you to all who participated in making the Young at Heart Christmas party a huge success and a special thank you to Bill Parker for providing the entertainment.

See you all next month and until then stay warm and safe and remember we always take donations for the Loudon Food Pantry!!

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### **Maxfield Public Library Minutes**

Maxfield Public Library Trustee's meeting **December 2, 2021** 

In attendance: Trustees: Dyrace Maxfield

Alternate Trustee Diane Miller fills in as acting member, Library Director Dena Norman

Visitor: Adriana Andrian

At 4:05 Dyrace called the meeting to order

- · November Meeting Minutes Reviewed, Diane made a motion to accept, Dyrace seconded - all approved
- · Trustee Report
- o Alternate Diane Miller agrees to fill in as a voting member for today's meeting.
- o Upcoming budget meeting with town selectmen. Nikki, Dyrace, and Diane will attend.
- o Trustees welcome Adriana Adrian who is interested in becoming a Maxfield Library Trustee.
- o Possibility of purchasing a 3D printer. Cost and technical details will be researched.
- · Director's Report

o Update of heater repair. Equipment for repair is delayed. Huckleberry

Heating will continue efforts when equipment arrives

- o Gutter installation is set for April and they received our down payment.
- o Dena working to have lights replaced outside her office.
- o Cones were placed on front walkway for ice concerns for the winter.
- o Late fees for books and DVD's will no longer be required after Jan 1, 2022
- o Christina Finemore is creating a new collection development policy for the library
- o Dena discussed developing a procedure for 1st amendment challenges:
- § Books and programs censorship laws
- o A new watercooler company will be used, saving \$60 per month
- · Library Monthly Usage November
- o Visitors: 662
- o Programs: 59 children, 38 adults

Our next meeting will be January 13, 2021, starting at 4:30pm

Dyrace made a motion to adjourn. Diane seconded – all approved. Meeting adjourned at 5:15pm

Submitted by Trustee Dyrace Maxfield

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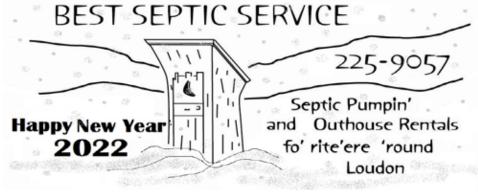


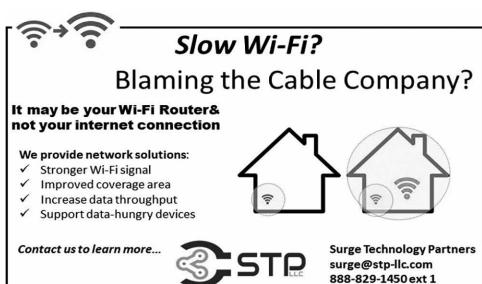
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# Loudon Planning Board Minutes

Town of Loudon, New Hampshire Planning Board Meeting Minutes November 17, 2021 Zoning Amendment Workshop #6

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### Attendance:

Planning Board – Chairman Rodney Phillips, Ex-Officio John Storrs, Vice Chair Danielle Bosco, Forrest Green, Josh Pearl, Alternate Dustin Bowles.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) – Vice Chair Peter Pitman, Charlie Aznive, Alternate Ned Lizotte.

Code Enforcement - Chief Tom Blanchette.

Chairman Rodney Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Chairman Phillips distributed draft amendment language and stated that the front of this sheet featured the 2021 proposed amendments, which the group had agreed to carry forward. Chairman Phillips noted that nothing had changed.

Public and Private Daycares in the C/I district – Chairman Phillips stated that they had seemed to land on allowing these by Special Exception. He read that 206.3 R: Public or Private daycare facilities should be added to the C/I district, reading the following reasoning aloud: "One daycare facility currently exists in the C/I district. Additionally, daycare facilities in the C/I district allow easy access for the public and reduces the impact to roads in other districts." Chairman Phillips asked if anyone had any thoughts about things to add, change, or remove. He stated that if the Board agreed on some of this draft language, then it could be sent to Town Counsel for review.

Section 201.4 D - Chairman Phillips stated that the next suggested amendment was drafted by ZBA Chair Tuson, adding the bolded language to the existing verbiage. He read aloud the following language: "If more than 60% of a lot is classified in the Commercial/Industrial (C/I) District, the entirety of said lot may be considered to be zoned as C/I for the purpose of this ordinance, subject to special exception approval by the Board of Adjustment in accordance with S 701.3." Chairman Phillips stated that this wording will correct an incomplete sentence because the text in bold was missing from the Zoning Ordinance.

Greenhouse Light – Chairman Phillips recalled that a proposed definition for "grow light" was distributed to the Board at prior meetings but that there was no definition for "greenhouse." He read aloud the following proposed definition for the word greenhouse:

"A structure with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material in which plants requiring regulated climatic conditions are grown."

Alternate Dustin Bowles asked about what would happen if a greenhouse was designed with only a roof. Josh Pearl asked if the verbiage could instead read "walls and/or roof." Several Board

members agreed that this could work. Chairman Phillips agreed and noted this change. He stated that the proposed language for Section 208.11: Greenhouse Light had not changed though the number of lumens had not been included. Josh Pearl stated that using 100,000 lumens seemed

within the zone of demarcation previously mentioned by ZBA Chair Tuson. He noted that there was a pretty big gap between the people that the Board was trying not to impede and the people that the Board was trying to be cautious about, saying that 100,000 lumens could actually be on the low end. Chief Blanchette stated that he still wasn't sure how to enforce this ordinance, noting that the amount of lumens can differ depending on the type and color of light being used. Chief Blanchette stated that he still wasn't comfortable with 100,000 lumens because he didn't know how they would measure it. He stated that they had tested the lumens meter and found that the amount of light coming from the greenhouse on some nights was greater than what is required for emergency lighting. He acknowledged that weather conditions change how the lumens meter will pick up on the light. Josh Pearl stated that there was paperwork documenting the rated lumens for a light, so there should be no need for using a lumens meter for enforcement. ZBA member Charlie Aznive disagreed with this approach, stating that light bulbs could be changed or shades used so that the light did not leave the property. Chairman Phillips stated that most grow lights are now LEDs and require a specific spectrum of light, so the bulbs wouldn't really be changed. Forrest Green concurred that even if the light bulb was changed, the bulb would still have a lumen rating. He concluded that this way, Code Enforcement could inspect the paperwork providing this information if there was ever an issue. ZBA member Charlie Aznive stated that the lumens didn't matter if the light didn't spill to the boundaries. Josh Pearl stated that one of the biggest complaints was light going up, rather than light going past the property boundaries. He referenced the "purple haze" issues seen in the Netherlands where purple lights are frequently used to grow flowers. Chairman Phillips stated that this is an ordinance that Code Enforcement probably would not have to go out and enforce very often because it mostly dealt with commercial greenhouses. Chief Blanchette asked what 100,000 lumens would look like. Chairman Phillips stated that Alternate Phillips had planned to bring in his grow light for a demonstration. Chief Blanchette stated that he would feel better about putting a number to this after they had seen what that would look like. Chairman Phillips asked if people would be OK with using 100,000 lumens in the draft to send it for review by Town Counsel. He stated that they would likely be looking more at the language and not the number. Josh Pearl asked if ZBA Chair Tuson could bring in pictures of his grow lights for his two fourfoot by eight-foot grow boxes. Chairman Phillips stated that he could contact ZBA Chair Tuson and that this would get the topic in front of the lawyer.

Temporary Housing – Chairman Phillips stated that ZBA member Todd Phelps was absent again.

Adjournment

Ex-Officio John Storrs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Pedersen

Planning Board Administrative Assistant

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# **Loudon Planning Board Minutes**

### Town of Loudon, New Hampshire Planning Board Meeting Minutes

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November 18, 2021

Chairman Rodney Phillips called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call Attendance:

Alternate Bob Phillips, Alternate Dustin Bowles, Ex-Officio John Storrs, Chairman Rodney Phillips, Jeremy Minery, Josh Pearl, Marilyn Whitten, Forrest Green.

Chair Julie Robinson of the Conservation Commission was present.

Road Agent Russ Pearl was present.

### Acceptance of Minutes:

October 20, 2021, Zoning Amendment Workshop Minutes – Marilyn Whitten made a motion to approve, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; October 20, 2021, meeting minutes approved.

October 21, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes – Marilyn Whitten made a motion to approve, seconded by Ex-Officio John Storrs. All in favor; October 21, 2021, meeting minutes approved.

November 3, 2021, Zoning Amendment Workshop Minutes – Ex-Officio John Storrs made a motion to approve, seconded by Marilyn Whitten. All in favor; November 3, 2021, meeting minutes approved.

Vice Chair Danielle Bosco joined the meeting at this time.

### **Conceptual Consultation:**

Jane Hummell – Map 46 Lot 39 – Minor Subdivision. Ms. Hummel was not present at this time.

Chas Cornell – Map 25 Lot 17 – Major Subdivision. Mr. Cornell was not present at this time.

### Public Hearings:

### New Business -

Application #21-08 Kirby Family Trust – Minor Subdivision – Map 47 Lot 35. Surveyor Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying PLLC presented for the applicant. Abutter Martha Butterfield of 227 Lovejoy Road was present. Mr. Stout distributed revised plans to the Board. Chairman Phillips asked if there was an existing conditions plan. Mr. Stout stated that he had previous plans to provide a history of the property as a form of existing conditions. Marilyn Whitten made a motion to accept the application as complete, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; Application #21-08 accepted as complete. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion that this application was not a development of regional impact, seconded by Marilyn Whitten. All in favor; Application #21-08 determined not to be a development of regional impact. Chairman Phillips opened the public hearing at 7:08 p.m. Mr. Stout stated that the lot was currently 20.69 acres, and they were looking

to subdivide to create a 15-acre, non-buildable lot for donation to the Conservation Commission. He directed the Board's attention to Notes 6 and 7 on the plan, describing what can and cannot happen on that lot. Mr. Stout stated that it would be maintained in perpetuity with no buildings. He showed the Board original subdivision done for Edgar Crete in 1999, creating the subject lot. He stated that this plan showed the topography and wetlands. Mr. Stout showed the plan from a Lot Line Adjustment in 2001 which annexed portions of backland to the subject lot and to

an abutter's lot. He also showed the 2018 Lot Line Adjustment plan to annex a back corner of the lot. Mr. Stout stated that both lots would be over five (5) acres though the non-buildable lot would only have forty (40) feet of frontage. He stated that he was asking for several waivers for test pits, soils, topo, and wetlands because they had been done in the past. Chairman Phillips asked if they had seen the Zoning Board. Mr. Stout responded in the negative. Chairman Phillips stated that he did not think they could approve this application without Zoning approval for less than 200 feet of frontage. Alternate Bowles agreed. Conservation Commission (CC) Chair Julie Robinson explained that this lot was being donated in memoriam to honor the Kirby's daughter so it would be left open to use as the Conservation Commission sees fit. She noted that they may put a trail in there, so the only thing that the forty (40) foot Right of Way would be used for was a logging operation. CC Chair Robinson stated that this had been done recently and likely would not need to be done for another twenty five years. She stated that there would be no wheeled vehicle access. Alternate Bowles stated that they would need a Variance from the Zoning Board to allow less than 200 feet of frontage. He stated that he had no issue with it other than getting that approval. Chairman Phillips agreed. Jeremy Minery asked if the frontage requirement only applied to buildable lots. Chairman Phillips and Alternate Bowles responded that it applied to any lot. CC Chair Robinson concluded that the problem was because this would become a Lot of Record. Chairman Phillips agreed that this would create a non-conforming lot. He suggested that they could continue the application to December and again to January to allow for time to go to Zoning. Alternate Bowles suggested sending a letter to request the continuance from December to January to create a record. Jeremy Minery made a motion to continue this application to the December 16, 2021, Planning Board meeting, seconded by Josh Pearl. Alternate Bowles asked if they wanted a separate Existing Conditions plan. Chairman Phillips noted that the previous plans were sent in and shown at the meeting, so they did have something. All in favor; Application #21-08 continued to 12/16/2021. There will be no further notice. Chairman Phillips closed this hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Application #21-09 Charlene Morin Irrevocable Trust – Minor Subdivision – Map 33 Lot 2. Jeff Green of Jeffrey L. Green Land Surveying Services presented for the applicant. Forrest Green stated that he would like to remove his voting privileges but remain at the table for the discussion. Chairman Phillips clarified that he was not recusing himself. Forrest Green stated that he was only recusing his vote. Danielle Bosco stated that her understanding of recusals meant that the person had to leave the table and could only speak as a member of the public. Forrest Green recused himself and Chairman Phillips appointed Alternate Dustin Bowles as a voting member for this application. Josh Pearl disclosed that Surveyor Jeff Green was his uncle but would continue to sit on the Board. No abutters were present. Chairman Phillips asked the Board if anyone saw anything missing. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to accept the application as complete, seconded by Ex-Officio John

Storrs. All in favor; Application #21-09 accepted as complete. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion that this application was not a development of regional impact, seconded by Marilyn Whitten. All in favor; Application #21-09 determined not to be a development of regional impact. Chairman Phillips opened the public hearing at 7:26 p.m. Mr. Green explained that this was a 17.1 acres residential parcel with an existing house and five barns. He stated that they were looking to break off a 2 acres parcel to the left of the existing buildings. Mr. Green stated that he had spoken with the Road Agent about the location of the proposed driveway. Chairman Phillips noted that they were on the Zoning schedule. Mr. Green agreed, stating that the proposed boundary line would come up right next to the existing driveway in order to get 200 feet of frontage. He stated that they had applied for a Special Exception to allow this. Chairman Phillips closed

the hearing to the public at 7:31 p.m. Alternate Bowles noted that the amount of acreage listed on the application and on the plan were different. He stated that the application stated that the lot was 14.4 acres. Mr. Green stated that this is what the tax maps showed, but his survey and the deed showed more acreage. Alternate Bowles suggested that they should match, and Mr. Green stated that he could submit a new front sheet for the application with the new number. Chairman Phillips asked if the Board was OK with this. Mr. Green stated that he would no longer need the waiver for an existing conditions plan because one was submitted after TRC comment. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Existing Conditions Checklist Item 10, Site Specific Soils. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver, seconded by Danielle Bosco. All in favor; Existing Conditions Checklist Item 10 waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Existing Conditions Checklist Item 12, Dimension of Property Lines. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Jeremy Minery. All in favor; Existing Conditions Checklist Item 12 waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Layout Plan Checklist Item 8, Dimension of Property Lines. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Ex-Officio John Storrs. All in favor; Layout Plan Checklist Item 8 waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Layout Plan Checklist Item 12, Site Specific Soils. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to grant the waiver, seconded by Jeremy Minery. All in favor; Layout Plan Checklist Item 12 waiver approved. Vice Chair Bosco asked if everything from the TRC had been addressed. Chairman Phillips distributed TRC Memo #2. Alternate Bowles confirmed that the Board would need to approve this application conditionally. Chairman Phillips agreed, saying that it would need a conditional approval for Zoning approval and a new front page, or they could continue the application. Mr. Green stated that he had submitted to the state for subdivision approval, but it was pending, so if the application was continued then he could come to the next meeting with those three things. Jeremy Minery asked for clarification about the lot numbering. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue this application to the December 16, 2021, Planning Board meeting, seconded by Ex-Officio John Storrs. All in favor; Application #21-09 continued to 12/16/2021 with no further notice. Chairman Phillips closed this meeting at 7:41 p.m.

Application #21-10 Patrick Griffith Jr. – Minor Subdivision – Map 53 Lot 23. Jeff Green of Jeffrey L. Green Land Surveying Services presented for the applicant. Alternate Bowles stepped down and Chairman Phillips appointed Alternate Bob Phillips as a voting member for this application in the absence of Forrest Green. Applicant Patrick Griffith Jr. was present. Abutters William and Linda

Cote of 354 Bumfagon Road and Peter Parisey of 343 Bumfagon Road were present. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to accept the application as complete, seconded by Jeremy Minery. All in favor; Application #21-10 accepted as complete. Alternate Bob Phillips made a motion that this application was not a development of regional impact, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor, Application #21-10 determined to not be a development of regional impact. Chairman Phillips opened the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Mr. Green explained that the 8.4 acres parcel will be subdivided to create a 2.595 acres lot on the south side of the property. He stated that they had worked with the Road Agent to find the best location for the driveway on the Class V Bumfagon Road. Mr. Green stated that they were waiting on State DES approval and asked for a conditional approval of the application. Chairman Phillips asked for any input from abutters, and Linda Cote asked to see the plan for the proposed driveway. She explained that her home was directly across the street, so anyone leaving the new lot at night would shine headlights in her picture window. Mr. Green explained that the Road Agent requested that the driveway be moved to the other side of a utility pole because there were trees and the pole in the line of sight.

William Cote stated that this was the only thing he was concerned about. Mr. Green stated that he could work with the Road Agent to try to move the driveway as close to the utility pole as possible. Chairman Phillips stated that this could be noted in the minutes and closed the hearing to the public at 7:53 p.m. Jeremy Minery asked about the lot numbering for this plan. Mr. Green explained that there was a prior subdivision of this lot that created Peter Parisey's property, and the plan recorded the numbering of that lot as 23-1. He stated that by numbering this new lot as 23-2, the recorded plans would not show the same numbers. Mr. Green stated that he would check with the Assessor about this. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Existing Conditions Checklist Item 10, Site Specific Soils. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Ex-Officio John Storrs. All in favor; Existing Conditions Checklist Item 10 waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the waiver letter for Layout Plan Checklist Item 12, Site Specific Soils. Jeremy Minery made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; Layout Plan Checklist Item 12 waiver approved. Alternate Phillips asked if the Location Map scale was 1:100 or 1:1000. Mr. Green stated that it should be 1:1000 and that he could fix that. Chairman Phillips ran through the conditions for approval and asked if there was anything else. Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the application with the following conditions: receiving DES Subdivision approval, clarifying the lot numbering, and correcting the scale of the location map. Jeremy Minery seconded the motion, stating that it should include the condition to work with the Road Agent on the location of the driveway. Vice Chair Bosco amended her motion to include this condition. All in favor; Application #21-10 approved with four (4) conditions.

Application #21-11 Judith R. Boska Revocable Trust — Minor Subdivision — Map 54 Lot 3. Jeff Green of Jeffrey L. Green Land Surveying Services presented for the applicant. Chairman Phillips appointed Alternate Dustin Bowles as a voting member for this application in the absence of Forrest Green. Abutters Sandra Blanchard of 59 Kenney Road and Steven Smith, successor in Trust to Caroline Hibbard of 150 Kenney Road, were present. The Board reviewed the application materials. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to accept the application as complete, seconded by Ex-Officio John Storrs. All in favor; Application #21-11 accepted as complete. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion that this application was not a development of regional impact, seconded by Jeremy Minery. All

in favor; Application #21-11 determined not to be a development of regional impact. Chairman Phillips opened the public hearing at 8:04 p.m. Mr. Green stated that this had come before the Board as a discussion several times in the spring. He explained that this was near the Class VI section of Kenney Road, so Ms. Boska owned frontage on the Class V portion of the road and on the Class VI portion. Mr. Green stated that they were proposing a 5.144 acres lot as shown on the plan, starting at the beginning of the Class VI section and extending up Kenney Road to the end of the property. He explained that there is a wetland that surrounds the back of the lot and coming to a culvert across the road. He stated that there is a road ditch and a grade going up the road before leveling off. Mr. Green noted the areas in excess of 25% slope but stated that he could still fit the 180 x 240 building box. The area where the building site would be had 1.67 acres to meet the 1.5 acres buildable area requirement. Mr. Green indicated the corner of the map, reading Note 13 as follows: "This portion of the lot is reserved for an easement for the Town of Loudon to create a turnaround by the Highway Department." He stated that there was a verbal agreement to give a corner of the lot to put a turnaround in. Mr. Green stated that he no longer needed a waiver for Existing Conditions, having submitted an Overview/Existing Conditions plan. Jeremy Minery asked if the driveway would come off the Town turnaround and Mr. Green agreed. Chairman Phillips stated that he

had met with Conservation Commission Chair Julie Robinson and Road Agent Russ Pearl at the proposed site, saying that the Highway Department would be doing the upgrades up to the turnaround. Chairman Phillips asked if abutters had any questions. Abutter Steven Smith asked to see the plan and asked for clarification about the Class V frontage versus the Class VI frontage. Mr. Green explained that the Class V section would be extended roughly 150 feet beyond the culvert. Mr. Smith stated that the culvert is currently on the Class VI Road and asked if the Class VI frontage would count toward the 400 foot requirement. Chairman Phillips noted that there had been discussion on this topic because the definition in the regulations was not clear, but that the Board would be willing to let this go through. Mr. Smith asked if there would be actual upgrades done to the section of road being changed from Class VI to Class V. Chairman Phillips stated that the Town road crew would be doing upgrades. Mr. Smith asked about the culvert and Road Agent Russ Pearl stated that the culvert would not be improved at this time. He stated that gravel would be installed on the existing Class VI and the turnaround, which will have a culvert. Mr. Smith asked if the road would be brought up to any kind of specs or widened, because the road was twelve (12) feet wide there. Road Agent Pearl stated that the maintained portion was fourteen (14) feet wide. Sandra Blanchard asked if this was the beginning of changing the whole road to a maintained road. Chairman Phillips responded that was not the idea unless there was a subdivision application with plans to upgrade the road. He noted that it would be a very involved project if they did. Mr. Smith asked if the seventy five (75) foot wetland buffer applied to the driveway or just the building. Conservation Commission Chair Robinson replied that access to a lot could not be denied, so a culvert was going to be put in to deal with drainage. Ms. Blanchard asked if the turnaround was going to be in a wetland area. Chairman Phillips stated that the wet area was primarily at the front along the road. Ms. Blanchard asked if this would have gone through without the turnaround and Chairman Phillips responded that he could not say. Chairman Phillips closed the hearing to the public at 8:20 p.m. Chairman Phillips asked Mr. Green about the contiguous buildable area and how that was calculated. Mr. Green stated that he followed the wetland all the way around and along the front boundary, then subtracted out the three (3) steep

slope areas to reach 1.67 acres of buildable land. Chairman Phillips stated that a portion of the lot involved in this calculation could not be included, reading the following from the definition for "contiguous buildable area": "A contiguous buildable area shall not be less than fifty feet in width at any point on the parcel." He indicated that with the way the wetlands and steep slopes were situated, sections of the lot were inaccessible for consideration in the buildable area calculation. Chairman Phillips stated that the calculation would need to be updated. Mr. Green stated that he could try to come up with something in the upper right corner of the lot but most of the area was very steep. Mr. Green stated that this requirement could be waived, and Chairman Phillips agreed, but he also noted that the last application for waiving this requirement on Shaker Road did not go through. He stated that they had to do some grading to knock down the steep areas. Chairman Phillips asked if that could be possible in this case. Mr. Green said that he could revisit this calculation if that was the concern. Alternate Phillips indicated that the Location Map did not have a scale as well. Alternate Bowles voiced his concerns about the Town doing the upgrades to the road and setting a precedent. Chairman Phillips responded that they could think about this until the next meeting. Alternate Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue this application to the December 16, 2021, Planning Board meeting, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; Application #21-11 continued to 12/16/21. There will be no further notice.

Forrest Green rejoined the Board at this time.

Conceptual Consultation:

Jane Hummel – Map 46 Lot 39 – Minor Subdivision. Chairman Phillips explained that this lot is at the corner of School Street and Rainbow Drive and currently contains 17.34 acres. Ms. Hummel stated that because she was going through a divorce and was on disability, it was recommended to her that she subdivide her property. Several years ago she had purchased roughly seven acres in addition to the nine that she already owned, then completed a Lot Line Adjustment. Ms. Hummel stated that they were looking to do some building lots down Rainbow Drive and possibly another to the left of her home, with frontage on School Street. Alternate Bowles stated that the biggest concern was that the lots would be on a private road. He and Chairman Phillips agreed that the road would need to be brought up to town specs. Chairman Phillips asked who owned the private road, and Ms. Hummel stated that Debra Rattee owned the road. Chairman Phillips directed the Board's attention to Section 23.3 of the Land Development Regulations, dealing with subdivisions accessing or extending existing private roads. He read the following section aloud:

"Subdivisions will not be permitted to occur on existing private roadways or other private rights of way unless the following provisions are made: The applicant, or his agent, must present to the Board the deed of the parcel to be subdivided. Said deed must specifically state that the new lots to be created from the subdivision of the parcel may be given the right to utilize the existing right-of-way for access for proposed properties. Without such indication, a subdivision will not be permitted unless..."

Four requirements followed this statement. Chairman Phillips stated that it could take more than just this meeting to figure this out. Alternate Phillips pointed to item three in this section. Chairman Phillips stated that a "Letter of Authority" would not be needed for upgrades if they had the deed. He also noted that he was a little surprised that upgrades to the road may not be required. Chairman Phillips re-read the section above, stating that this seemed pretty

straight forward. There needed to be deeded access on the private road for the new lots. Ms. Hummel stated that after talking to Deb Rattee, there is an association that everyone contributes money to for maintenance. Chairman Phillips stated that this might just be a deed issue that could be resolved by a lawyer and an update made to the association documentation.

### Board Discussion/Correspondence:

Chairman Phillips pointed out the TVs and control booth for audio/ visual equipment. He stated that he wanted the Board to vote on whether to broadcast meetings on YouTube. Chairman Phillips explained the focus of the different cameras and the televisions. He noted that as more people present plans electronically, the TVs can be pulled out for everyone to see. Vice Chair Bosco asked if there would need to be a separate person running the equipment. Chairman Phillips responded in the affirmative, saying that they had a volunteer to start with. Vice Chair Bosco asked if all boards would be using the equipment. Chairman Phillips stated that it was up to each board but that he hoped they would. He noted that with the level of distrust in government these days, this would help with transparency because people could watch from home. Chairman Phillips also noted that on YouTube the Closed Captions can be turned on, which would be a real benefit for anyone who was hard of hearing. Chairman Phillips stated that he wanted to give Board a chance to vote on it.

### Report of the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

The Zoning Board has five (5) applications on the agenda for their next meeting. Application #Z21-15 is an Appeal of an Administrative Decision from American Way Realtors. Application #Z21-16 is a Special Exception for a Reduced Setback from Thomas & Alicia Marquis. Application #Z21-17 is a Special

Exception for a Reduced Setback from Cobblestone Properties of Epsom, and Application #Z21-18 is a Variance for Buildable Lot Area from Cobblestone Properties of Epsom as well. Application #Z21-19 is a Special Exception for a Reduced Setback for Charlene E. Morin Irrevocable Trust.

### **Board Discussion Continued:**

Jeff Leonard asked where the Contiguous Buildable Area information from the Boska application hearing came from. Chairman Phillips stated that it came from the definitions in the back of the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Leonard stated that this only came up in the Land Development Regulations under Open Space subdivisions. The regular requirements did not say that. Alternate Bowles stated that Zoning supersedes everything. Chairman Phillips directed everyone's attention to the "Table of Dimensions" in the Zoning Ordinance and to the definitions at the back of the book. He then used the plan to show Mr. Leonard the areas that could not be included in the Contiguous Buildable Area calculations, according to the definition. Chairman Phillips stated that the Board could not waive this. Josh Pearl asked if they could do some work to the property to knock down some of the steep slopes. Chairman Phillips stated that this was something that he had suggested. Mr. Leonard asked about the purpose of this requirement. Chairman Phillips stated that this was to prevent subdivisions creating lots with no chance of building on them. He stated that this is pretty common in other towns. Mr. Leonard asked who could waive this requirement. Chairman Phillips stated that it would be the Zoning Board. Mr. Leonard asked about conditional approval of the application and asked about how to get

the Board to meet more than once a week. Chairman Phillips stated that some towns have a work session and a public session, so it could be updated by vote of the Board in their Rules of Procedure.

Chairman Phillips mentioned a letter that the Town was copied on, from the Town of Canterbury to BrightFarms. He stated that they were writing about the "substantial and persistent" effect of the greenhouse lights on the night sky in surrounding towns. They feel that this should be considered a development of regional impact and requested that BrightFarms attend one of their Planning Board meetings.

### Adjournment:

Ex-Officio John Storrs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; November 18, 2021, meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Pedersen
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### Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting Minutes

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November 29, 2021

Chairman Earl Tuson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call Attendance:

Alternate Steve Ives, Alvin See, Charlie Aznive, Chairman Earl Tuson, Vice Chair Peter Pitman, Todd Phelps, Alternate Ned Lizotte.

Fire Chief Tom Blanchette was present.

Acceptance of Minutes:

October 28, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes – Vice Chair Peter Pitman made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Charlie Aznive. All in favor; October 28, 2021, meeting minutes approved.

Public Hearings:

New Business -

Application #Z21-15 American Way Realtors - Appeal of an Administrative Decision - Map 21 Lot 16. Applicant Mary Jackson and her representative Alicha Kingsbury were present. Chariman Tuson stated that the Board had the Appeal application, but that there was no information about what decision was being appealed. Ms. Kingsbury stated that she did not realize that they needed additional information. Chairman Tuson asked Ms. Kingsbury if she had a copy of the decision being appealed. She stated that she was told that the decision she was appealing was a letter from the Selectmen that was received on October 7th. Chairman Tuson asked if Ms. Kingsbury had a copy of this letter and if the Board could see it. Ms. Kingsbury stated that she was unsure why they were doing a Zoning appeal because they were not denied their permit and that it did not seem like they needed a permit to begin with. Chairman Tuson asked what permit she was referring to. Ms. Kingsbury stated that on February 16th, they replaced sign panels of an existing sign at Fox Pond Plaza for American Way Realtors. She stated that a member of the Fire Department showed up and told them that they would be fined because they were in violation of not having a sign permit. Ms. Kingsbury stated that they contacted the Fire Department about if they needed a permit and were told that they did not. Chairman Tuson asked if they were appealing this Notice of Violation or if it was part of the appeal. Ms. Kingsbury stated no, not exactly. She stated that they would like their fees back and the costs incurred by Code Enforcement. Chairman Tuson asked when these fees were submitted, and Ms. Kingsbury responded that it was all with her application. Chairman Tuson stated that they did not have copies of these materials. Ms. Kingsbury produced the letter that was sent to the Town, and she stated that the Town had spoken to legal and the Zoning Board and they were told to file an appeal with Zoning. Charlie Aznive stated that he did not remember anything coming into the Zoning Board. Chairman Tuson stated that one piece of necessary information that was not included on the application was the date the decision was made, so they

were trying to understand what decision was being appealed. Ms. Kingsbury stated that she didn't understand what they were appealing either, so she asked for guidance from the Selectmen. She stated that they told her to file a Zoning appeal for their administrative decision.

Chairman Tuson stated that Ms. Kingsbury needed to tell the Board what she is appealing. Ms. Kingsbury stated that she was appealing the decision made by Thomas Blanchette. Chairman Tuson stated that if she was appealing that decision that she should add that date to her application. Mary Jackson produced another document and stated that this was where it said that they were in violation of the Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Tuson asked if this was what they were appealing. Ms. Kingsbury responded in the negative. Chairman Tuson asked the Board if they would like the Selectmen's letter dated October 7, 2021, read aloud. He then read the following:

"We received your letter dated September 21, 2021. The Town does not agree with your characterization of the events that transpired regarding the Zoning violations committed as a result of work on a sign at the subject property. As is the case with Notices of Violations, RSA 674:33,I(a)(I) allows for an appeal to the Town's Zoning Board of Adjustment if you disagreed with the Notice. The Selectboard has investigated your complaint thoroughly and denies your request for reimbursement."

Vice Chair Pitman stated that he didn't think the Zoning Board could compel the Selectmen to return fees. Ms. Kingsbury stated that they wanted the Board to rescind the violation, and Chairman Tuson stated that this would be an Appeal. Charlie Aznive asked why this was coming before the Zoning Board, and Ms. Jackson stated that this was where the Selectmen had sent them. Alternate Lizotte asked what sign or signs were involved and where the business is located. Ms. Jackson replied that it was the multi-business directory at Fox Pond Plaza. Charlie Aznive suggested that the Selectmen's letter was the appeal, but Chairman Tuson stated that it did not have Chief Blanchette's name on it. Ms. Kingsbury stated that they had changed it from the decision made by Chief Blanchette. Chairman Tuson stated that the application did not have the relevant information that the Board needed to determine what decision was being appealed, when that decision was made, or who made that decision. Ms. Jackson suggested that they could make copies of documents and bring them to the next meeting. Todd Phelps made a motion to continue the application to the December meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Peter Pitman. Ms. Jackson asked what paperwork would be needed, and Chairman Tuson stated that they needed to know what was being appealed. He suggested reading NH RSA 676:5, "Appeals to the Board of Adjustment," and Section 700 of the Loudon Zoning Ordinance. Roll call vote: Alvin See - Yes; Charlie Aznive -Yes; Chair Earl Tuson – Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps - Yes. All in favor; Application #Z21-15 continued to the December 23, 2021, Zoning Board meeting. There will be no further notice.

Application #Z21-16 Tom and Alicia Marquis – Special Exception for a Reduced Setback – Map 1 Lot 23. Tom and Alicia Marquis were present. Abutters Donnie and Nancy Owen of 135 Staniels Road, Larry Hemphill of 155 Staniels Road, and Philip Browne of 103 Staniels Road were all present. Mr. Marquis explained that they poured a concrete pad on their property because rainwater washes out a forty (40) foot area behind their house. He stated that the

standing water was causing cracks in the house foundation. Mr. Marquis stated that the concrete is twenty one (21) feet from the property line. Todd Phelps clarified with the applicant that the existing driveway already extends into the setback and that the concrete does not extend any further into the setback than the driveway. Alternate Lizotte asked how long the driveway has been there. Ms. Marquis replied that it has been there since the home was built in 1996. Todd

Phelps confirmed with them that the water would still drain toward the back eventually. Chairman Tuson asked if there were any abutters who wished to speak. Abutter Donnie Owens stated that he had lived there since 1997 and had never know this to be an issue with the property. Mr. Owens stated that the concrete would not stop the water problem. Mrs. Owens suggested that someone do a walk to see it and Mr. Owens agreed. Mrs. Owens stated that the concrete pad went all the way to the trees on their property line. She said that there was going to be a washout of their embankment because the water would pour off between the property lines. Vice Chair Peter Pitman asked if the concrete pad was not twenty one (21) feet from the property line. Ms. Marguis stated that the Fire Department had measured it. Charlie Aznive stated that this sounded like a site walk. Abutter Larry Hemphill stated that this was a naturally high impact watershed and that he and Mr. Owen had fixed washouts of the embankment in the past. Mr. Hemphill suggested that bringing an engineer in would solve the problem. Abutter Philip Browne suggested that the Board should complete a site walk, based on the comments of other abutters. Chair Tuson stated that the Board felt that it would be best to visit the location. Vice Chair Peter Pitman made a motion to continue this application to a site walk; seconded by Charlie Aznive. Roll call vote: Alvin See - Yes; Charlie Aznive - Yes; Chair Earl Tuson - Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps – Yes. All in favor; Application #Z21-16 continued to a site walk. The Board discussed the best time to conduct the site walk with the applicants, setting it for December 4, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. There will be no further notice.

Application #Z21-17 Cobblestone Properties of Epsom – Special Exception for a Reduced Setback, and Application #Z21-18 Cobblestone Properties of Epsom – Variance for Buildable Lot Area Map 49 Lot 123. Jon Rokeh of Rokeh Consulting presented on behalf of the applicant. Abutters Paul and Darlene Johnson of 16 Shaker Brook Industrial Park were present. Mr. Rokeh distributed copies of a site plan and subdivision plan to the Board. He explained that they had prior approvals for a Special Exception for a wetland buffer and a Site Plan for two commercial developments. Mr. Rokeh stated that the structure on the previously existing foundation was almost completed, but construction had not yet begun on the other portion of the project. He stated that they have parties interested in purchasing each of the buildings, so they had already been to the Planning Board with a concept for a subdivision to separate the properties. Mr. Rokeh stated that they had enough frontage and enough acreage, but they only had 0.74 acres of contiguous buildable area for the lot that would include the existing building. He noted that there would be two different commercial developments on this site, no matter what. Mr. Rokeh stated that they were looking for a Variance for the extra 0.26 acres of buildable area needed to subdivide the lot. He also stated that by adding the new lot line, they will need a Special Exception for the existing parking area that will infringe on the setback. Mr. Rokeh stated that the lot line needed to be in this location to achieve the necessary 200 feet of

frontage. He explained that separating the buildings creates the cleanest ownership and taxation situation. Alternate Lizotte observed that as one lot this property was conforming, but as two lots they were as close to conforming as possible with one falling short of the necessary buildable area. Chairman Tuson asked about the contiguous buildable area on the proposed Lot 23-1. Mr. Rokeh stated that there would be 1.79 acres, noting that the purpose of the buildable area within the Ordinance was to ensure that things like a well and septic would fit onto a lot. Mr. Rokeh stated that these necessary improvements already exist. Alvin See observed that even moving the lot line to obtain enough contiguous buildable area,

Lot 23-1 would no longer have enough frontage. Chairman Tuson stated that as the lot is currently, they had a full acre more contiguous buildable area than was required at 2.5 buildable acres. That still meant that they were a half acre shy of having enough to create two lots with 1.5 buildable acres each. Mr. Rokeh clarified with the Board that the area considered "buildable" had to be contiguous. Abutter Paul Johnson viewed the plan and stated that he saw no problem with creating the separate lots. Alternate Ives asked if they were dealing with the Variance. Chairman Tuson stated that both applications had been called and Mr. Rokeh stated that they needed the Variance to do the Special Exception. Chairman Tuson read through the points of Application #Z21-18 with Mr. Rokeh. Mr. Rokeh amended the application to read that he was requesting that the following terms of the Zoning Ordinance be waived: "Less contiguous buildable acreage than what is required." Chairman Tuson asked when the newest site plan was approved, and Mr. Rokeh replied that the most recent was in 2019. Todd Phelps asked which of the lots was already built-up. Mr. Rokeh stated that it was the one on the cul-de-sac and that needed the Variance. Chairman Tuson closed the hearing to the public at 8:01 p.m. and the Board took up the application for deliberation. Todd Phelps stated that by creating this lot with less than the required buildable space, there was nothing to be concerned about because there was already a building there. Chairman Tuson stated that the contiguous buildable area is intended to maintain the density that the Town is looking for. Todd Phelps responded that this played a bigger part in a subdivision with no prior development to ensure that lots are developable. Chairman Tuson stated that this lot can and will be developed whether or not the subdivision goes through. Vice Chair Pitman stated that this was a commercial development, and the spirit of the Ordinance was intended more for residential development. Todd Phelps stated that he did not see this causing an issue because it was only missing a quarter acre of buildable area. Chairman Tuson stated that they were actually missing half of the contiguous buildable area because they had 0.74 acres but needed 1.5 acres. He also expressed the concern that the applicant was creating their hardship in this situation; the development could go forward without the Variance. Charlie Aznive agreed with Chairman Tuson. Chairman Tuson stated that Mr. Rokeh had suggested that there were other options. Alvin See concluded that the building was already built where there was not enough contiguous buildable area because the other part of the lot had enough. Chairman Tuson responded in the affirmative, stating that the best place to build on a lot was not always where the contiguous buildable area was. Mr. Rokeh asked if he could withdraw the application without prejudice due to the absence of his client or have the application continued. Chairman Tuson re-opened the hearing to the public at 8:09 p.m. Alternate Lizotte stated that Chairman Tuson had made a good point, but that in trying to find substantial justice this property was unlike any other property in

town. Charlie Aznive agreed that this was a unique situation. Alternate Ives asked if there was a Special Exception to allow the two buildings on one lot. Mr. Rokeh responded that the application had been to put improvements in around the existing foundation. Chairman Tuson stated that the foundation was grandfathered, so some exceptions were made in order to help the lot be developed. Mr. Rokeh asked for the application to be continued, so that he could speak with his client about how to move forward. Todd Phelps made a motion to continue both applications to the December meeting, seconded by Vice Chair Peter Pitman. Roll call vote: Alvin See – Yes; Charlie Aznive – Yes; Chair Earl Tuson – Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps – Yes. All in favor; Application #Z21-17 and Application #Z21-18 continued to the December 23, 2021, Zoning Board meeting. There

will be no further notice.

Application #Z21-19 Charlene E. Morin Irrevocable Trust – Special Exception for a Reduced Setback – Map 33 Lot 2. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying PLLC presented on behalf of surveyor Jeff Green. Mr. Stout presented a letter from Mr. Green, authorizing Mr. Stout to present the application in his absence due to COVID. Abutter Mike Taranovich of 483 Clough Hill Road was present. Chairman Tuson read the letter aloud to the Board, asking if the Board had any concerns about this. Vice Chair Pitman stated that he had no concerns. Chairman Tuson asked if either Mr. Stout or Mr. Green had spoken with the applicant about this. Mr. Stout replied that he personally had not spoken to the applicant. Todd Phelps stated that this was his only concern. Charlie Aznive stated that he had no concerns. Chairman Tuson asked if there had been any changes in the application since Mr. Green had contacted him, and Mr. Stout responded in the negative. Chairman Tuson stated that he felt comfortable moving forward with this. Mr. Stout explained that the Special Exception requested was for the existing driveway. He stated that it is entirely in the front setback, and will be in the side setback as well because there has been a determination that this setback extends to the Right-of-Way. Mr. Stout stated that Mr. Green had been before the Planning Board for a conceptual to create a lot on the left side of the property for the owner's son. He stated that for this lot to have 200 feet of frontage, the pin was going to be about one foot from the existing paved drive. Alternate Lizotte observed that if the driveway could have been scoped in a little, it would have been better. Mr. Stout stated that to his understanding, the driveway had been in that location for forty (40) years. Chairman Tuson asked if there were any abutters who wished to speak; abutter Mike Taranovich stated that he was simply present to support Ms. Morin. Alternate Lizotte mentioned another situation off of Piper Hill where the driveway was in the front and side setbacks, and only about a foot from the property line. Charlie Aznive stated that this was due to steep slopes. Mr. Stout also recalled a prior project that he had completed on Clough Hill Road where a driveway for a lot in a subdivision was fully within the side setback. Chairman Tuson asked how wide the paved driveway was; Mr. Stout guessed ten or twelve feet. Alvin See asked if the alternative would be to cut off part of the existing driveway. Chairman Tuson read through the points of the application with Mr. Stout. Chairman Tuson closed the hearing to the public at 8:31 p.m. and the Board took up the application for deliberation. Todd Phelps observed that this wouldn't be any worse than a shared driveway, which was allowable by Special Exception. Charlie Aznive asked if there were any special conditions that the Board could set. Chairman Tuson asked if it would

be too much to ask of an applicant to pull up some of the pavement in order to gain some more room in the setback. Charlie Aznive suggested that if the property was sold, then there would need to be more space. Todd Phelps asked how that could be made a condition. Chairman Tuson pointed out that the application was asking to be "within one foot" of the property line, meaning that the Board would be reducing the setback to nothing. The Board discussed the slope of the property, and Todd Phelps suggested that an alternate course of action such as reconfiguring the driveway should maybe be considered before the Board takes a vote. Vice Chair Pitman asked if there should be a site walk. Todd Phelps made a motion to continue the application to a site walk, seconded by Alvin See. Roll call vote: Alvin See – Yes; Charlie Aznive – Yes; Chair Earl Tuson – Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps – Yes. All in favor; Application #Z21-19 continued to a site walk. The Board discussed the best time to conduct the site walk with Mr. Stout, setting it for Saturday, December 4, 2021, at 4:00. There will be no further notice.

Board Discussion/Correspondence:

Chairman Tuson stated that an updated version of the Rules of Procedure was not ready yet.

Chairman Tuson stated that the Board had been emailed copies of updated applications. He stated that the Administrative Assistant had brought to his attention some applications that did not ask for enough information. Vice Chair Peter Pitman made a motion to adopt the draft applications, seconded by Todd Phelps. Chairman Tuson noted that he had one comment about moving the map and lot information requested on the Appeal of an Administrative Decision application because the Board needed the information for the property involved in the Appeal and not of the applicant, who could be an abutter. Vice Chair Pitman amended his motion to include this change, seconded by Todd Phelps. Roll call vote: Alvin See – Yes; Charlie Aznive – Yes; Chairman Tuson – Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps – Yes. All in favor; draft applications for an Appeal of an Administrative Decision and a Rehearing adopted with one amendment.

Vice Chair Pitman mentioned the suggestion of Planning Board (PB) Chairman Rodney Phillips to switch the Thursdays of the Planning and Zoning meetings. He explained that the reasoning was to allow applicants to visit the Zoning Board for any necessary approvals before going to the Planning Board. Chairman Tuson noted that this has been an issue for many years. The Administrative Assistant stated that PB Chair Phillips had put together a calendar for a few months of switching the dates of the Board meetings, but she noted that the dates for submissions did not work out as was hoped. Chairman Tuson stated that this issue can work both ways, so anything gained on one side would be lost on the other. Chairman Tuson, Charlie Aznive, and Alvin See all agreed that applicants sometimes come in to one Board without knowing that they will also need to apply to the other Board as well. Charlie Aznive stated that they often try to continue applications to allow people time to apply to the other Board, and Chairman Tuson added that the Planning Board will sometimes approve applications with the condition that Zoning approval be sought as well. The Board members agreed that the meeting dates should be left as they are.

Alvin See mentioned the note at the bottom of abutter notices, stating that noticing must be done five days before the meeting. He noted that RSA 676:7 states that noticing must be done "not less than five days" prior to the meeting. Alvin See intoned that this meant that noticing could be completed more than five days before the meeting. Chairman Tuson mentioned a list of upcoming legislation that was put together by Alvin See. Several Board members expressed interest in this list, and Chairman Tuson stated that it could be emailed to everyone.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Chairman Tuson stated that there was no Board of Permit meeting for November.

Adjournment:

Todd Phelps made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Charlie Aznive. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Pedersen

**Administrative Assistant** 

Loudon Zoning Board

### **Town of Loudon, New Hampshire Planning Board Meeting Minutes**

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November 17, 2021 Zoning Amendment Workshop #7

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

Attendance: Alternate Bob Phillips, Alternate Dustin Bowles, Ex-Officio John Storrs, Chairman Rodney Phillips, Jeremy Minery, Josh Pearl, Forrest Green.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA): Chairman Earl Tuson, Alvin See, Vice Chair Peter Pitman, Charlie Aznive.

Code Enforcement: Chief Tom Blanchette.

Chairman Phillips stated that the draft language had been sent to Town Counsel and was OK for the intended purposes. He noted that the definition for "greenhouse" had been changed to say, "roof and/or wall" and that 100,000 lumens had been included until the Board made a decision. Chairman Phillips included the change to the number of events an approved event venue could host from eight (8) to twelve (12). He stated that the only item that was outstanding was the number of lumens. Alternate Bowles asked if anyone who already had an approval for an event venue would need to come in to change the number from eight (8) to twelve (12). Chairman Phillips responded that it should be automatic. ZBA Chair Tuson stated that they could check the approvals, but unless they specifically say a number then these approvals would automatically go to the twelve (12). Chief Blanchette stated that there had been no complaints so far, and that the two venues he had spoken with would not typically use the full twelve events that would be allowed. They could have used them this past year after losing 2020 but would typically not need this many going forward. Chairman Phillips recognized that there were audience members who may be interested in speaking to the Board. He asked if the Board would like to take comments.

Henry Huntington, owner of Pleasant View Gardens, stated that he and some of the other greenhouse owners in town had concerns about the ordinance being discussed and questioned the purpose of that ordinance. He stated that he was curious about why there had not been any conversations with greenhouse owners about working with the Town. Mr. Huntington stated that this additional, burdensome regulation would be difficult to design and difficult to enforce. He stated that he did not see where there was a need to do this ordinance and suggested partnering with the businesses in Town.

Attorney Phillip Hastings, with Cleveland, Waters, and Bass was present as counsel to Doug Cole. Mr. Hastings stated that he understood the gist of this provision but that it seemed to take a very broad approach to a very specific problem. He stated that it would have unintended consequences for the three businesses in attendance and questioned the methodology for

measuring light from these greenhouses. Mr. Hasting also noted

that this ordinance could not correct any perceived problems with existing operations.

Doug Cole of D.S. Cole Growers, 251 North Village Road. Mr. Cole stated that this was not just about greenhouses. He shared the concerns of Shawn Jasper, the Commissioner of Agriculture, about the location of a greenhouse and whether a 100% blackout requirement would be realistic. Mr. Cole read the following comments from Commissioner Jasper:

"It seems to me that there needs to be a standard that applies equally to all new construction and placement of streetlights. I don't think the courts will look favorably on singling out one use and allow, say, a car lot to have lighting standards that are not the same. The ordinance should speak to light pollution in general and have a standard that prohibits a certain amount of light to be emitted from any property."

Mr. Cole stated that they had two screens to diffuse light in their greenhouse and that after speaking to their lighting supplier, their High-Pressure Sodium (HPS) lights put out five times the amount of light of LEDs. His supplier also stated that the HPS lights emit green and yellow wavelengths of light, to which the eye is most sensitive. LED lights emit more red and blue light, which appears less bright to the human eye but appears brighter for plants. Mr. Cole invited the Board to see the new LED lights that had been installed.

Sean O'Neill, from BrightFarms, expressed his sympathy for the Board's concerns with light and expressed his sympathy for the greenhouse owners who had built their businesses in Loudon. He stated that in their planned expansion, BrightFarms will be including blackout curtains. Mr. O'Neill suggested leveraging the Planning Board regulations to set a precedent for requiring blackout shades in the BrightFarms expansion. He offered to direct the Board to other ordinances that have passed to support the development of standards that are substantively comparable to what the Board is looking to create, without necessarily passing an ordinance.

Chairman Phillips stated that the Zoning Ordinance prevents the Board from making this retroactive, so nothing in the proposed ordinance would affect the existing greenhouse operations at that point in time. He stated that the only time that it would come into effect would be when a new site development came in for new greenhouses. Chairman Phillips noted that there are lighting standards in the Land Development Regulations which require a lighting plan for any new site development and that the intent of these standards was to have Dark Sky compliance. He also indicated that the Zoning Ordinance has S 206.6 D, which specifically restricts noise, glare, smoke, dust or odors in the Commercial/Industrial District. Chairman Phillips stated that these requirements existed in 2015, but that it did not seem to help the Board at the time. He noted requests from many people in town for the Board to do something to prevent this issue in the future. ZBA Vice Chair Pitman asked if this ordinance would affect any of the greenhouse owners in attendance if they decided to expand their operations. Chairman Phillips stated that anytime there is a new Site Development plan the whole site comes in for consideration. Doug

Cole asked for clarification about whether coming in for any kind of expansion would signal starting over and changing the lighting. Chairman Phillips stated that he was not so sure that this would be the intent. Mr. Hastings stated that every site is unique, suggesting there might be a more thoughtful approach that would give the Planning Board more authority on a site-specific basis. Mr. Huntington stated that the ordinance as crafted was directed at only three operations.

Geoffrey Gallagher, representing BrightFarms, asked Chairman Phillips to explain his concerns about the insufficiency of the light plan requirements for site developments. Chairman Phillips explained that the site development lighting plan and the zoning restrictions on noise and glare in the C/I district are intended for Dark Sky compliance. Mr. Gallagher summarized that under the current process, any applicant would need to provide a lighting plan to the Board for new development. Chairman Phillips confirmed, stating that the lighting plan traditionally only dealt with exterior lighting. Mr. Gallagher asked if he felt confident that this could be captured by the current light plan, and Chairman Phillips responded in the negative. Mr. Gallagher asked if there was a place to involve the key players present that evening and that BrightFarms was present because they saw a request for them to attend at the last meeting. He stated that they wanted to work with the Town to move forward. ZBA Vice Chair Pitman expressed concern for the Board requiring an operation to retrofit their existing greenhouse(s) because they came in with a site plan for expansion. Forrest Green stated that he did not believe that the Planning Board could legally do what ZBA Vice Chair Pitman was concerned about.

Jon Huntington read aloud the following prepared statement:

"I come before you tonight as a business owner, a father, a grandfather, and a great grandfather. I am 93 years old and forty five (45) years ago my two sons, my daughter, their mother, and I moved to Loudon when I purchased Pleasant View Gardens. At which time it had 20,600 feet of greenhouse space. Today my two sons and three of my five grandsons are in the business. Back in 1976 Loudon consisted of many dairy farms and open farming, and there were no regulations but requirement of a property of two (2) acres and a small square foot house. In 1977, Guy Deering asked me to run for a spot on the Planning Board. I served on the Board for twenty (20) years, and then another ten (10) years on the Zoning Board. As a Board member in March 1979 the Town voted to create an ordinance and land regulations which resulted in Zoning. They created Zoning to create a Zoning Board. It took many work sessions by the Board to accommodate all of the special needs and to come into agreement and be accepted by the Zoning Board. The actual ordinance wording was to promote health, safety, and the use of common sense of developing land regulations. One of the first things the Board worked on was developing land along Route 106 along with keeping the character of the Town intact. The hope was to lessen the tax burden on residents by encouraging business to come to Loudon. Agriculture has always been a part of Loudon's characteristic charm. When our family decided to start a new company to provide leafy greens, we were excited to find suitable land in Loudon for such an operation. Continuing to keep Loudon a part of our ever-changing landscape in

agriculture was our goal. In a few short years we have built lēf Farms into a regional, recognized brand for quality greens. Recently we were honored by a visit of the United States Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue. He was duly impressed that we could produce 2,000 pounds of greens per day on one acre. It would take almost sixty (60) acres of land and several weeks to produce the equivalent of that production. This is done without pesticides and reducing the carbon footprint using ultra high efficiency boilers with the CO2 product being pumped back into the greenhouse for optimal growth. This year we were pleased to sell our company to BrightFarms. This is a great company that had the ability to scale this business and bring it to a scale of national recognition. This is a changing landscape of agriculture, but our goal is to be a good neighbor, as we have

done with all our greenhouse operations. At Pleasant View Gardens we have always worked with the Town and our neighbors, whether it was in regard to traffic, lighting, or noise, we quickly responded to address the concerns and correct the issues. When we received complaints about the lights of lef, once again we responded. We said that we would install when [there were] new plans for a greenhouse. We met with the Planning Board and the neighbors. We gave them our word that upon expansion, we would install blackout curtains. In the meantime, we would work to operate the lights to reduce the light that was shone, and we had very few complaints. The greenhouse company in Loudon will work with the Town and the Planning Board to reach satisfactory results. We don't need regulations to target only greenhouse companies that will be impossible to design and enforce. The greenhouse industry in Loudon is vibrant and part of changing agriculture. We are a good clean business that provides hundreds of jobs to the local area. Let's find a way to work together. I know we will partner with the town to do what we can."

Sean O'Neill stated that Planning Boards usually have leveraging points in their regulations that they can use to exert control over what they would like to see. He stated that he had never worked anywhere that had an ordinance, but he also had never presented a plan where he had not been beaten up over making sure that they had blackout curtains. Mr. O'Neill stated that he saw several things that were problematic with the proposed ordinance, but that once light left a greenhouse it became outdoor lighting. Mr. O'Neill stated that he understood that the Board needed a win because people were upset, and that they were going to get one soon because the light problem at lef was going to be fixed. Josh Pearl stated that what they have created is fantastic, but one unintended consequence of that technology has been creating Zeus' nightlight in our backyard. He stated that the Board is getting pressure to prevent that from happening in the future and acknowledged that the draft verbiage was created by people who are not subject matter experts, but that it did get all of the greenhouse owners at the meeting. Mr. Hastings suggested working together to do this right. Josh Pearl explained some of the background information and the challenges that went into crafting this language and thanked the greenhouse owners for showing their interest. Mr. Huntington stated that their point was that they wished the Board had come to them sooner so that they could partner on this. ZBA Vice Chair Pitman asked Chairman Phillips about postponing the ordinance until next year to give BrightFarms a chance

to take care of the problem. Alternate Bowles stated that while he agrees, the ordinance is not retroactive. Chief Tom Blanchette stated that the Board has been discussing the three or four big greenhouse operations, but they have also discussed what is a reasonable amount of light for smaller greenhouses that are popping up around town. He noted that a thirty (30) foot by forty (40) foot greenhouse in a densely residential area could be as much of a problem as lef or anyone else, and there is currently no means to regulate them. Mr. Hastings suggested that there is a path forward for the Planning Board to consider greenhouse light as part of their site plan review process without codifying in the Zoning Ordinance a standard that might not be appropriate to every site and every circumstance. Chairman Phillips and Josh Pearl asked if he had any draft language or proposals. Mr. Hastings suggested Conditional Use permits, granted by the Planning Board for greenhouses requiring site plan review, when a sufficient lighting plan is adopted. Mr. O'Neill agreed that there needed to be a standard, but that there needed to be some leeway to relax that standard in certain situations. Chairman Phillips stated he would contact Central New Hampshire Regional Planning

about Conditional Use permits because the Board had never done anything like that before, and Mr. Hastings offered to work with them to propose something. Chairman Phillips thanked everyone for coming into the meeting.

Chairman Phillips stated that one petitioned Zoning Amendment was submitted. Chairman Phillips indicated that the property was on Bumfagon Road in the Agricultural/Forestry Preservation district. He stated that the petition had the intent of re-zoning Lot 7 as Rural Residential in order to subdivide it. After the petition was sent to Town Counsel, it was noticed that the petition accidentally listed the subject property as Lot 17. Chairman Phillips stated that this petition had to go to ballot as written, and Alternate Bowles agreed. Chairman Phillips stated that the Board has to give a thumbs up or thumbs down for the petition, but he was unsure if they could give a reason why. Josh Pearl asked if the address would be shown on the ballot, and Chairman Phillips stated that it would only be the map and lot information. Chairman Phillips stated that this would be spot zoning, in addition to being the wrong lot, so they would have to work with Town Counsel on how to handle this.

Returning to greenhouse light, Alternate Phillips asked if there was currently a way to handle this by adding something to the Planning Board regulations. Chairman Phillips explained that a Conditional Use Permit would allow something on a case-by-case basis but that he did not know much about them. Josh Pearl asked if there was a way to crisp up the wording that already dealt with lighting in order to handle light emissions outside of a building. Chairman Phillips stated that the section in the Ordinance dealing with noise, smell, and glare discussed "operations on the premises." ZBA Vice Chair Pitman stated that different Board members look at issues differently, so the interpretation of this could change over time. Chairman Phillips responded that if they have many neighbors who have come in with concerns about an operation, the Planning Board has to do something. ZBA Vice Chair Pitman felt that the current wording was too restrictive. Alternate Phillips asked if they were getting to the point where they would need to

recraft the whole thing. Chairman Phillips stated that he would be happy if this could be handled through the Planning Board regulations. Jeremy Minery asked about changing the outdoor lighting section to include greenhouses. Chairman Phillips asked if there was any need for the greenhouse demonstration set up outside. Chief Blanchette stated that it was still pertinent because the big operations were not the only concern. Alternate Phillips agreed that BrightFarms was going to have to go before the Board with new plans, but the people that they were talking about would not have to. Forrest Green asked how many complaints had been made about small greenhouses so far. Chief Blanchette replied that there had been none yet. The Board discussed the conversation from earlier in the evening about smaller greenhouses, and Chairman Phillips stated that there was a greenhouse set up outside the building. He stated that it was wrapped in standard six (6) millimeter plastic with three LED grow lights hung inside. Alternate Phillips stated that one was a greenhouse grower's light and the other two were standard LEDs, together producing 15,000 lumens. The Board members all headed outside to see the greenhouse. While viewing the greenhouse, Josh Pearl remarked that five times this amount of light would cause complaints. Chief Blanchette stated that they should keep it simple by saying that the light cannot leave the property. ZBA Member Alvin See asked how to measure that. Chief Blanchette reminded everyone of the idea for setting a time limit as part of the regulations. Josh Pearl noted that even with a time limit, building something that disrupts the neighbors

is still a problem.

### Adjournment:

Ex-Officio John Storrs made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

### Town of Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment

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**Draft Minutes** 

Sitewalk, 129 Staniels Rd., Loudon, 12/4/2021

Meeting opened at 3:06 PM.

Attendance:

Board members: Charlie Aznive, Todd Phelps, Alvin See, Chairman Earl Tuson.

Owner and Applicant: Tom Marquis, Alicia Marquis.

Abutters: Phil Brown, Larry Hemphill, Kira Meeken, David Meeken, Donald Owen, Nancy Owen.

Application Z21-16: The applicants showed the location of the existing concrete slab and discussed the drainage issues they have had and how they are attempting to prevent effects such as driveway erosion. Applicants showed the board a recent survey map; board members observed recent surveyor's stake. Board members measured distances from the sideline as marked to the slab and existing shed (approximately 21' and 30', respectively.)

Motion made to adjourn by Todd Phelps. Seconded by Charlie Aznive. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned 3:19 PM.

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Sitewalk, 467 Clough Hill Rd., Loudon, 12/4/2021

Meeting opened at 4:00 PM.

Attendance:

Board members: Charlie Aznive, Alternate Steve Ives, Todd Phelps, Alvin See, Chairman Earl Tuson.

Applicant's Agent: Forrest Green.

Application Z21-19: Mr. Green showed the approximate corner of the proposed lot.

Motion made to adjourn by Todd Phelps. Seconded by Charlie Aznive. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned 4:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Earl Tuson, Chair

# Loudon Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs.

Also, Present, Road Agent Russ Pearl, Fire Chief Tom Blanchette, Office Manager Brenda Pearl, Police Chief Kris Burgess, Police Sergeant Dana Flanders and Julie Robinson Chair of the Conservation Commission.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- II. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 2, 2021, as written. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette:
- a. Chief Blanchette said that everyone on the Department is healthy.
- b. Chief Blanchette said that they received a pallet of canned water from NH Distributors as part of a Grant they applied for in the spring.
- c. Chief Blanchette stated he attended a Homeland Security, FEMA -Assistance to Firefighters Grant Workshop at the Fire Academy yesterday to learn about grant opportunities. Chief Blanchette stated in order to receive the grant the Town would be responsible for a 5% match and at this time there is not money available for the match. Chief Blanchette said that he, Chief Burgess and Sergeant Flanders have been working on an ARPA grant as well.
- d. Chief Blanchette stated he and Assistant Chief Clough attended a class in North Conway put on by the National Volunteer Fire Council.
- e. Chief Blanchette stated the crew is continuing to train with the new Engine.
- f. Chief Blanchette stated they had their monthly business meeting on Monday,
- g. Chief Blanchette stated they posted the old Forestry Truck, Car 1 and Highway cruiser on Municibid. The auction is to close at 5pm on Tuesday November 23rd and the bids will be presented to the Board on November 30th. Chief Blanchette asked the Board about putting two firetrucks on Municibid also with a minimum bid of \$15,000. The Board agreed.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.
- a. Mr. Pearl said the boom mower has been cutting around town and was contracted for a week. Chairman Maxfield said that he is doing a great job cutting. Mr. Pearl said that he hopes to get two mowers running next year.
- b. Mr. Pearl presented the Board with prints for the two bids for the equipment storage shed. The Board received two bids, one

for \$67,500 from Mihachik Builders Inc. in Epsom and another for \$104,650 from AG Structures LLC in Salisbury. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid from Mihachik Builders Inc. for \$67,500 for the Highway Storage Shed at the Transfer Station. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

- V. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess:
- a. Chief Burgess said all the employees within the department are well.
- b. Chief Burgess said that Officer Clayton Cyr began his 11th week at the Police Academy and is slated to graduate December 17th and continues to do very well.
- c. Chief Burgess said that Sergeant Flanders went to the Library Story Class for Police Officer Story Time.
- d. Chief Burgess said that Sergeant Flanders and Officer Spellman were recognized for their efforts in a Letter to the Editor.
- e. Chief Burgess said that Loudon Police held their Annual Blood Drive last Thursday. Chief Burgess thanked Janice Morin for another successful event and Loudon Fire Department for the use of the facility. Chief Burgess said it was a great turn out.
- f. Chief Burgess said he, Sergeant Flanders, Corporal Nye and Janice Morin completed several hours of Dispatch Live training. Chief Burgess said they should be up and running shortly.
- g. Chief Burgess said he and Sergeant Flanders completed a training this morning on Scams and Identity Fraud with Young at Heart. Chief Burgess said he has received good feedback and he will be reaching out to the Villages at Loudon to possibly scheduled this training with them in the future.
- h. Chief Burgess said that Tuesday November 16th LPD will have all their radars calibrated and certified for the annual inspection.
- i. Chief Burgess said that on Tuesday November 16th they will be conducting Oral Boards for one part time Police position.
- j. Chief Burgess said that Beards for Bucks through Child Advocacy Center has raised just over \$13,000 and Corporal Nye came in third place overall.
- k. Chief Burgess said that from January to date, there have been 5,825 calls for service, 378 incidents, 96 arrests, 934 motor vehicle stops and 78 accidents.
- I. Chief Burgess said he submitted a hiring packet for the last fulltime candidate. The Selectmen said they have not had a chance to review the packet yet.
- VI. The Board met with appointment, Henry Huntington. Mr. Huntington said that he received the letter regarding a report to excavate that had not been filed for ABJEH LLC. Mr. Huntington showed an email to DRA on April 15th with the report. The Selectmen received a copy of the report. Mr. Huntington said that he was not sure why the report was not sent to the town. Mr. Huntington talked about the report that was to be filed 30 days after the date of sale and asked if he could wait until the job was finished as they are waiting on an AOT permit. The Board said they will talk to the Assessor and call with the answer.

- VII. The Board recognized Julie Robinson, Chair of the Conservation Commission. Ms. Robinson was asked to update the Board on the 129 trail. Ms. Robinson explained some history of the work the Committee has done on the trail.
- VIII. The Board reviewed administrative work and correspondence:
- a. The Board received a confidential letter from Chief Burgess.
- b. The Board reviewed an article in the Concord Monitor regarding a job well done by Loudon Police Officers.
- c. The Board received a Zoning Board Notice of Decision for Map 51 Lot 24.
- d. The Board reviewed dates and reminders, Thursday November 11th-Town Office will be Closed, Wednesday November 17th- Zoning Amendment Workshop, Thursday November 18th- Planning Board Meeting, Monday November 29th- Zoning Board Meeting.
- e. The Board reviewed and signed letters regarding the Freedom to Vote Act
- f. The Board signed a thank you letter to Jonathan Huntington for the flowers planted at the Town Office Building.
- g. The Board signed a thank you letter to Leonard's Plumbing and Heating for their generosity serving the Town's Plumbing and Heating systems.
- h. The Board reviewed Knollwood Energy LLC agreement. Selectman Miller made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to sign the Renewable Energy Sale and Credit Agreement. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- i. The Board reviewed and signed ESMI Agreement regarding host community fees.
- j. The Board reviewed contract for Energy Audits LLC Agreement. Selectman Miller made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to sign the professional service agreement with Energy Audits Unlimited LLC and the Town of Loudon. All in favor. Motion carried.
- k. The Board reviewed and approved employee time off request forms.
- I. The Board reviewed and signed the payroll and bills manifest.
- IX. The Board discussed new business:
- a. Chairman Maxfield stated he had a conversation with NHMS about the Gift of Lights, Motorcycle rides and the special duty pay. Chairman Maxfield told the Police Chief and Fire Chief that they need to put their special duty pay request in writing.
- X. The Board recognized Public Input:
- a. Chairman Maxfield recognized Alicha Kingsbury 293 Bear Hill Road, Ms. Kingsbury asked if the Apparatus and Equipment Capital Reserve fund had been looked into so see if that could be used to apply for the grants Chief Blanchette had mentioned. The Board said

they do not recall if it has been looked into or not but they will look into it and it was a great idea.

- b. Chairman Maxfield recognized Saxton Lynch 787 Route 129, Mr. Lynch asked what the status of the trail on 129 was after hearing from Julie Robinson today. The Board said they will be moving forward with the trail as it was previously approved. Mr. Lynch asked if the Board has determined a price to sell the land. Chairman Maxfield said that it to go to town meeting to be voted on before town land can be sold.
- c. Chairman Maxfield recognized Juan Ruiz 763 Route 129, Mr. Ruiz expressed his disapproval about the trail on 129. The Selectmen said that the Board will not be stopping the trail and will be moving forward with the trail.
- XI. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 7:04pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

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

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs Also, Present, Office Manager Brenda Pearl.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- II. Selectman Storrs made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 9, 2021, as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. The Board reviewed administrative work and correspondence:
- a. The Board received two emails and a letter from Dennis and Deborah Jakubowski. The letters are requesting the Selectmen accept the ARPA money and gave suggestions on improvements for the town.
- b. The Board received an invoice from Chief Blanchette regarding an uncollectable account. Selectman Miller made a motion to write off ambulance bill account number 200000829 in the amount of \$1,020 as uncollectable. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. The Board received a memo from the Deputy Town Clerk Wendy Young stating she is retiring from her position as of April 1, 2022 and reducing hours as a new Deputy is hired. The Board wished Wendy the best and stated she has done a great job.
- d. The Board received a memo from Town Clerk Ashley Simonds regarding a new hire for the Deputy Town Clerk position. The Board is taking it under advisement until background information is obtained.
- e. The Board received an Inspection Report from the Fire Department for town buildings
- f. The Board reviewed dates and reminders, Wednesday November 17th- Zoning Amendment Meeting, Thursday November 18th-Planning Board Meeting, Thursday November 25th Office Closed

for Thanksgiving, Monday November 29th- Zoning Board Meeting.

- g. The Board reviewed and signed two Intent to Cut forms on map 12 lot 13 and map 3 lot 6.
- h. The Board reviewed and signed a Community Building Rental form for November 25th.
- i. The Board reviewed and approved the 2022 Paid Holiday Schedule.
- j. The Board reviewed and signed employee time off request forms.
- k. The Board reviewed and signed the weekly payroll and bills manifest.
- I. The Board received a notice from the Conservation Commission asking for direction on the 129 trail. The Board stated they decided to proceed with the trail and to work on some sort of gate at the trail.
- IV. The Board discussed old business:
- a. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board is continuing to work on the ADA compliance of Clough Pond Beach and looking at options. Chairman Maxfield said that they are looking at options for Spring and where the money will come from.
- V. The Board recognized Public Input:
- a. Chairman Maxfield recognized Alicha Kingsbury 293 Bear Hill Road, Ms. Kingsbury asked if the Board has made a final decision on waving the fee for Charlie's Barn for residents to gather as discussed in a previous meeting. Selectman Miller said he was waiting to hear more details. Ms. Kingsbury said that the group is hoping to meet 1-2 times per month but has not been able to come up with a definite answer until a location is secured. Ms. Kingsbury said the group is willing to be flexible around other people using the facility. The group is unable to use the library conference room because there are families unable to wear masks and the library has a mask requirement. Chairman Maxfield suggested the old Town Hall on Clough Hill Road. Ms. Kingsbury said that they would be open to using that space. The Board talked about finding tables and chairs for the facility and discussed that the group fill out a request form but waiving the fee.
- VI. Chairman Maxfield opened the Public Hearing for acceptance of unanticipated revenue in the amount of \$589,821 at 6:30pm.
- a. Chairman Maxfield said that the Board has accepted half of the funds but the Board was advised to have another Public Hearing to accept the full amount of the ARPA funds. Selectman Miller stated some of the eligible uses in which the town can use the funds is for public health, negative economic impact, disproportionately impacted communities, premium pay, infrastructure, revenue replacement and administrative expenses. Selectman Miller said that there are strict guidelines with each use. The Board discussed establishing a sixperson committee to review all of the interim final rule to see what items the funds can be utilized for. The Board said that the Town has until December 2024 to commit the funds.
- b. Chairman Maxfield recognized Jeff Leonard 68 Coaster Road. Mr. Leonard asked about the first half of the money and when that was accepted and if there was a public hearing for that. The Board said yes, the first half of the money was accepted and then they received

guidance that the Board needs to accept the entire amount and that they did have a public hearing to accept the first half as well. Mr. Leonard asked if any of the money that was previously accepted has been spent. The Board said no, nothing has been spent.

- c. Chairman Maxfield recognized David Colby Route 129, Mr. Colby as if the Committee has already been established as a product of the original \$200,000. The Board said no, they are going to establish that tonight. Mr. Colby suggested that a citizen be added for each committee and department within the Town to ensure citizen input. Mr. Colby said with the large sum of money he believes this is an opportunity for the town to be forward thinking and that it's great that the Town accepts the money. Mr. Colby gave ideas for usage of the money.
- d. Chairman Maxfield recognized Alicha Kingsbury 293 Bear Hill Road. Ms. Kingsbury asked about the acceptance of the money and why the Board chose to accept half the money previously. The Board stated that they were given guidance by NHMA from the Treasury to hold another public hearing to accept the full amount of

the grant even though the Town has only received half of the money at this time. The remainder of the money is to be sent next summer. Ms. Kingsbury asked if the money is not used can it be sent back. The Board advised yes it would be sent back. Ms. Kingsbury suggested the Board consider not making any changes or upgrades that will ultimately cost the Town more money later on down the road. The Board discussed not making any decisions on using the money quickly and fully using the time to make sound decisions with hopes that the committee with meet frequently to help gather all the information needed. The Board also discussed consulting with legal before any decisions are made. Ms. Kingsbury asked if the documents the Board was looking at are available on the website. The Board said no, but they would work on getting them available on the website.

- e. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the unanticipated ARPA, American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$589,821. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion- Selectman Miller stated that this is the total amount to be received and the second check will be arriving in summer of 2022 in the amount of \$294,910.27. All in favor. Motion carried.
- f. Selectman Miller made a motion to establish for the purpose of expending the funds an ARPA Expenditure Advisory Committee of 6 members, to include the Office Manager, Fire Chief or designee, Police Chief or designee, Member of the Selectboard, Road Agent or designee and member of the public. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- g. Selectman Miller made a motion to charge the Committee with optimal research of options and present those options to the Board of Selectmen for consideration to expend those funds. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- h. Chairman Maxfield closed the Public Hearing at 6:55pm.
- VII. Chairman Maxfield recognized Saxton Lynch 787 Route 129. Mr. Lynch asked about the Board suggesting 40 feet setback for the trail on 129. The Board stated the 40 feet is for buildings. Mr. Lynch asked what the requirements are for driveways or parking lots. The Board stated they were unsure and would have to look into it. Mr. Lynch asked if the Town has a policy on chimney inspections. The

Board said that he would have to check with the Fire Chief.

VIII. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 6:59pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs. Also, Present, Office Manager Brenda Pearl.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
- II. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 16, 2021, as written. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. The Board reviewed administrative work and correspondence:
- a. The Board received a memo from Police Chief Kris Burgess regarding a possible new hire Patrolman. Selectman Miller made a motion to hire Gary E Eddy Jr as a Full Time Patrolman for the Loudon Police Department given his hand on the 23rd of November 2021. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. The Board received a letter from the NH Police Standards and Training regarding a student stating he is doing very well.
- c. The Board received a letter from the State of NH Board of Land and Tax Appeal notice of hearing on Tuesday March 1st 2022 at 9 A.M. Chairman Maxfield said anyone can attend.
- IV. Selectman Miller made a motion to go into nonpublic session at 6:05 P.M. RSA 91-A;III, (b) at the request of Ashley Simonds Town Clerk. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Roll call vote; Selectman Storrs- Yes; Selectman Miller- Yes; Chairman Maxfield- Yes. All in favor. Motion Carried.
- V. Selectman Miller made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 6:22 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller stated the meeting was in reference to the Deputy Town Clerk leaving and the Town Clerk brought a name for hiring and appointment. Selectman Miller said they have decided they will be hiring the individual.
- VI. The Board continued with review of correspondence:
- a. The Board received a letter from Julie Robinson Chair of the Conservation Commission regarding the trail on 129.
- b. The Board received an invitation from the Merrimack Valley School District for a Collaborative Meeting on January 13 at 6:30 P.M. at Merrimack Valley High School. Selectman Miller and Chairman Maxfield said they would be open to attending.
- c. The Board received a letter and a check from HealthTrust for return of surplus in the amount of \$34,769.37.
- d. The Board received Minutes from Maxfield Public Library for November 4, 2021.
- e. The Board received a Zoning Board Abutter notification for Map 21

Lot16 and Map 1 Lot 23. Map 21 Lot 16 is an appeal of administrative decision. Map 1 Lot 23 is a Special Exception for reduced side set back

- f. The Board received a Ground Vibration report for Benevento Companies.
- g. Chairman Maxfield reviewed reminders and dates: Thursday November 25th Town Office will be closed for Thanksgiving, Monday November 29th Zoning Board Meeting.
- h. The Board reviewed and signed a Hazard Mitigation Plan Update from Central NH Regional Planning Commission.
- i. The Board reviewed letters going to Trustees of the Trust funds for Transfer Station Rehabilitation and Design in the amount of \$233,064.16 and for the Fire Department/ Code Enforcement Vehicle in the amount of \$10,080.06 and for the purchase of the Fire Engine approved at 2020 Town Meeting, Warrant Article 8 in the amount of \$570,911.45 and letter for the reclamation and paving of Lower Ridge Road Warrant Article 3 in the amount of \$119,701.15.
- VII. Chairman Maxfield opened the Public Hearing at 6:30 P.M. to consider the petition from Tony Merullo for the acceptance of Creekwater Lane as a town road. Chairman Maxfield said that the deed has been accepted by the town Attorney. If the road is accepted the Board will need the deed signed and notarized by Denise Merullo. Chairman Maxfield said that the Nobis Engineering has inspected the road and as built plan and the Board has received the bond in the amount of \$37,200 in the name of Town of Loudon for the 5-year maintenance bond. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept Creekwater Lane as a town road in the town of Loudon New Hampshire. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- VIII. Chairman Maxfield closed the Public Hearing at 6:34 P.M.
- IX. The Board continued with correspondence and administrative work
- a. The Board received and signed a contract for Sanders Searches for deed research for the Tax Collector.
- b. Selectman Miller made a motion to appoint the following people to the Welfare Fair Hearings Board in the town of Loudon. Appointment shall expire on March 31, 2022. Given this hand on the 23rd of November 2021, Helen McNeil, Gregory Colarusso and Lucy Gordon. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- c. Selectman Miller made a motion to appoint Kara Buss to the position of Welfare Director for the town of Loudon. This appointment shall expire on March 31, 2022. Given this hand on 23rd of November 2021. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- d. Selectman Miller made a motion to appoint Brenda Pearl to the position of Welfare Deputy Director for the town of Loudon. This appointment shall expire on March 31, 2022. Given this hand on 23rd of November 2021. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Maxfield stated he has been the Welfare Director for several years, but as a Selectman it is a conflict of interest and felt it made more sense to have the full-time employee hold the position.

- e. The Board reviewed and signed letter to AG Structures LLC thanking them for the bid on the highway building at the Transfer Station.
- f. The Board received a Notice of Intent to Cut Wood and Timber for Map 57 Lot 11, reviewed and signed by Selectmen.
- g. The Board reviewed and signed several employee time off request forms.
- h. The Board reviewed and signed weekly payroll and bills manifests.
- X. Chairman Maxfield stated for New Business the forms have been poured for the new Highway Department building.
- XI. The Board recognized Public Input:
- a. Chairman Maxfield recognized Jodi Russell, Creekwater Lane. Ms. Russell asked about the last document that is needed for Creekwater Lane. Chairman Maxfield said that Mr. Merullo said he will bring the document to the Office tomorrow morning. Ms. Russell thanked the Board for accepting the road.
- b. Chairman Maxfield recognized Jeff Leonard 68 Coaster Road. Mr. Leonard asked about the building being built at the dump for the Highway department. Chairman Maxfield stated it is the equipment shed approved at Town Meeting. Mr. Leonard asked how much the total cost was going to be. Chairman Maxfield said he didn't know at this moment the total. Mr. Leonard suggested that if the building is under budget that they should look into a concrete floor and some doors for the building to keep the equipment out of the weather.
- c. Chairman Maxfield recognized Saxton Lynch 787 Route 129. Mr. Lynch asked for a copy of the letter from Julie Robinson. The Board said he can pick up a copy tomorrow morning. Mr. Lynch asked if he could take a picture of the letter. The Board agreed that was fine.
- d. Chairman Maxfield recognized Adriana Andrian 22 Shaw Road. Ms. Andrian stated she is interested in becoming a Library Trustee and she has already met with the Director. Ms. Andrian presented the Board with a letter of interest.
- e. Chairman Maxfield recognized Melissa Bishop 38 Creekwater Lane. Ms. Bishop asked when the Highway crew will start plowing the Road. The Board stated it is now a town road so when it snows it will be plowed.
- XII. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 6:51 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 24, 2021

**Emergency Meeting** 

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs. Also, Present, Tax Collector Helen McNeil and Town Administrator Brenda Pearl.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
- II. Chairman Maxfield explained that they just received the preliminary

- tax rate. The emergency meeting was called to approve the tax rate so the tax bills can go out as soon as possible.
- III. After review of the preliminary rate the board agreed to \$19.20 per thousand.
- IV. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 4:19 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

### Loudon Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 30, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs Also present: Brenda Pearl, Town Administrator

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 AM.
- II. Chairman explained that salaries will be discussed once all budgets are reviewed by the Board.
- III. The Board reviewed the selectmen's office, general government, election, treasurer, town clerk, tax collector and various committee's proposed budgets for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- IV. Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 5:56 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 30, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs. Also, Present, Town Administrator Brenda Pearl, Fire Chief Tom Blanchette, Police Chief Kris Burgess and Road Agent Russ Pearl.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- II. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen's meeting minutes of Tuesday, November 23, 2021, as written. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Roll call vote, Selectman Miller-Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes, Chairman Maxfield-Yes. Motion carried.
- III. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette:
- a. Chief Blanchette said that all members of the department are healthy, and many have received a booster shot.
- b. Chief Blanchette said that the 2019 Dodge ambulance was at Nucar for warranty work. While the ambulance was out the department received two calls at the same time. Chief Blanchette thanked Chichester Fire Department for the assistance with the call.
- c. Chief Blanchette said the 2004 E1 Tower completed its annual testing and certification. Chief Blanchette said it had several Class III defects but that does not take it out of service. A company has been contacted for a quote for repairs on the things that cannot be taken care of inhouse.
- d. Chief Blanchette discussed annual testing on equipment and repairs that are needed.
- e. Chief Blanchette said he submitted the detail rate and survey recommendation to the Select Board as requested.

- f. Chief Blanchette said they renewed the Clinical agreement with CRTC for EMT Students to do ride alongs and the insurance information has been submitted.
- g. Chief Blanchette congratulated Lieutenant Matt Laduke for completion of Active Shooter courses through Texas State University.
- h. Chief Blanchette said they are currently in the process of renewing NH Department of Safety Division of EMS Advance Life Support and Transport License.
- i. Chief Blanchette said they are about halfway through the assistance to fire fighters grant 2021 application.
- j. Chief Blanchette said he is continuing to work with Sergeant Flanders on Locality Equipment Purchase Program.
- k. Chief Blanchette said the Hooksett Fire Department had several surplus in service Ice suits to donate and the Department will be receiving two suits.
- I. Chief Blanchette said they have a training scheduled on December 18 with Boscawen and Canterbury Fire to train with ice rescue equipment.
- m. Chief Blanchette said Wednesday and Thursday they will be conducting CPR training for the employees of Harry-O Electric.
- n. Chief Blanchette said members of the Department will be assisting Santa with a parade on Sunday December 5th. Chief Blanchette said to check the Loudon Fire Facebook page to find the route for the parade.
- o. Chief Blanchette said the Fire Department will assist the Historical Society with the Craft Fair this Sunday and the Tree Lighting.
- p. Chief Blanchette said they have partnered with the NH Fire Marshalls office to provide a program at the Villages at Loudon called Remembering When, Which is a Fire and Fall prevention program on Monday December 13th from 1-4pm.
- q. Chief Blanchette said also on December 13th the Department will have a Christmas party and awards recognition at Station 1.
- r. Chief Blanchette said the Code Office will be closed Friday December 10th.
- s. Chief Blanchette asked for approval for the equipment that went out for bid. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid on the 1988 Chevy Flatbed Truck on the Municibid site for \$12,000 from Josh Chavis. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Storrs made a motion to accept the bid on the Fisher snowplow for \$1206 from Richard Russell. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid on the 2008 Ford Crown Victoria for \$725 from Robert Miller. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman made a motion to accept the bid on the 2009 Ford Crown Victoria for \$850 from Karen Khachakr. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the bid on the tailgate gravel conveyer for \$925 from Alex Gleeson. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

- t. Chief Blanchette said that the old Engine was also posted on Municibid with the reserve of \$25,000 as requested by the Selectmen. The highest bid of \$14,000 did not meet that reserve. The Selectmen decided to repost the Engine with a reserve of \$15,000.
- u. Chief Blanchette said they need to appoint a Hazard Mitigation Committee. Town Administrator Brenda Pearl named department heads that will serve on the Committee but said they still need a citizen. Chief Blanchette explained that the Hazard Mitigation Committee is a process that is done every 5 years and is incorporated in the Town's Master Plan. To identify various hazards around the Town that exist, or could potential exist and identify the towns response capabilities and actions that could be taken. The commitment is usually 2-3 months of meetings, once a week, in the daytime.
- IV. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl:
- a. Mr. Pearl said the foundation for the equipment storage shed was poured last week and they are working on backfilling it this week. There is no confirmed start date yet with the builder.
- b. Mr. Pearl said he met with Matt Moore at Clough Pond Beach to talk about options for handicap access. Mr. Pearl said he had a few questions he will be emailing to the Board and then have Mr. Moore in for a discussion.
- c. Mr. Pearl said he has Josif here from Hoyle & Tanner to talk about work on bridges in town. Chairman Maxfield recognized Josif from Hoyle & Tanner. Josif discussed the bridges in town and presented the Board with how each bridge stands. He recommended that the Board look at the bridges and come up with a game plan. The Board asked for a written estimate of the cost.
- d. Selectman Miller thanked Russ and the Highway guys for their work on the bit of snow the other day.
- V. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess:
- a. Chief Burgess said all the employees are well within the department.
- b. Chief Burgess thanked Rob Imad for generously donating turkeys to town employees.
- c. Chief Burgess said all the paperwork has been submitted to the Police Standards and Training for the last full time hire Gary Eddy.
- d. Chief Burgess thanked the Bartlett family for the generous letters thanking everyone in the department.
- e. Chief Burgess said that on Wednesday November 17th he and Sergeant Flanders assisted Loudon Elementary School with lock down drills- All went well.
- f. Chief Burgess said that Officer Clayton Cyr is now commuting to the Academy due to COVID-19 issues. Chief Burgess said he is about two weeks out from graduating.
- g. Chief Burgess stated that the Loudon Police Department will be assisting the Loudon PTA with Santa's Breakfast on Saturday December 4th.
- h. Chief Burgess said he will be submitting documents for Special Duty pay by the end of the week.

- VI. The Board reviewed correspondence:
- a. The Board received an ambulance write off request. Selectman Miller made a motion to write off an ambulance bill for \$113.96 run number 21-14519. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. The Board received an email from Kevin Gagne of the Dawgs Snowmobile club from Epsom. Mr. Gagne is requesting work be done on Wiggins Road to make room for a snowmobile trail. Chairman Maxfield asked the Road Agent to call Mr. Gagne to find out more details as this is a class VI road and any significant work should not be accomplished.
- c. The Board received Minutes from the Trails Subcommittee.
- d. The Board received a note from Polly Touzin regarding changing Columbus Day to Indigenous Peoples Day. The Board has decided to name the Holiday "Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day".
- e. The Board received a Christmas Card from Plourde Industries.
- f. The Board reviewed dates and reminders, December 3rd- Budget Meeting at the Town Office at 8am , December 8th Joint Loss Management Meeting at 9am, December 10th Budget Meeting at 8am at the Town Office, December 15th- Department Head Meeting at 9am at the Town Office, December 16th- Planning Board Meeting at 7 pm, December 23rd Zoning Board Meeting at 7pm.
- g. The Board reviewed and signed a Yield Tax Warrant for Map 52 Lot 16.
- h. The Board reviewed and signed a Cemetery Deed.
- i. The Board reviewed and signed Employee time off requests.
- j. The Board reviewed and signed weekly bills and payroll manifests.
- VII. The Board discussed under Old Business getting the bridges in town taken care of and a plan discussed and put into place with Hoyle & Tanner.

VIII. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 6:54pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes Friday, December 3, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield and Selectman Storrs Also present: Brenda Pearl, Town Administrator, Russ Pearl, Road Agent and Tom Blanchette, Fire Chief

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM.
- II. Chairman explained that salaries will be discussed once all budgets are reviewed by the Board.
- III. The Board reviewed the 2022-2023 Highway/Landfill/Solid Waste budget with Road Agent Russ Pearl. The Board recommended a few

changes and modifications. The review ended at 8:40AM.

- IV. The Board called Mike Harris to discuss his expectations for compliance at the Town Beach so the budget could be addressed for the project.
- V. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette at 9:04 AM. The Board reviewed the 2022-2023 proposed budgets for the Fire Department, Ambulance, Emergency Management, Health, Forestry, and Compliance. Changes and modifications were recommended by the Board.
- VI. The Board said that all budgets will be finalized and presented to the citizens at future budget hearings.
- VII. Selectman Storrs moved to adjourn at 9:45 AM. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### Selectmen's Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs. Also, Present, Town Administrator Brenda Pearl.

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- II. Chairman Maxfield explained a new process that the Select Board is going to implement a Consent Agenda. Chairman Maxfield said the Board has an obligation to make the meetings more efficient and the Consent Agenda will help. Any Board member can request to have something removed from the Consent Agenda and anyone can request to see something from the agenda under RSA 91-A. Chairman Maxfield stated that the Consent Agenda is posted on www.loudonnh.org 24-hours before every Selectmen meeting and the agenda is available to everyone who attends the meetings. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept all the items on the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- a. Selectman Miller made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to sign Title on behalf of the Town of Loudon on a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria, 4 door sedan vin 2FAHP71V5BX118646. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- b. Selectman Miller made a motion to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to sign Title on behalf of the Town of Loudon for a 2009 Ford Crown Victoria, 4 door sedan vin 2FAHP71V69X131956. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.
- III. The Board reviewed New and Old Business:
- a. The Board reviewed the MVSD Revised Assessment for December 2021, January, February, March, April, and May 2022. The previous payment amount was \$824,394.33 and is now \$771,513.73 down \$52,880.60.
- b. The Board reviewed and approved Abatement Request for Map 40, Lot 29.
- c. Selectman Miller made a motion to write off uncollectable ambulance bill, run # 9BQQ5K in the amount of \$700. Seconded by

Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

- d. Chairman Maxfield stated they are waiting to follow up with the Road Agent regarding the person requesting tree cutting on Wiggins Road for the snowmobile trail. The Board will discuss next week.
- e. The Board received Detail pay rates for Police and Fire for NHMS. Selectman Miller explained the Board asked the Departments to gather information on the Detail rates in effort to eliminate challenges with getting outside agencies to work details for NHMS through the Town of Loudon.
- IV. The Board reviewed Upcoming Dates: December 8th at 9am-Joint Loss Management Committee, December 10th at 8am – Budget Meeting, December 15th at 9am - Department Head Meeting, December 16th at 7pm - Planning Board, December 23rd at 7pm -Zoning Board and December 28th -Selectmen Meeting Cancelled.
- V. Chairman Maxfield recognized Steven Ives, Riverview Lane. Mr. Ives asked who determines what can be put onto the Consent Agenda. Selectman Miller stated the Board determines what can be put onto the agenda. Mr. Ives stated his concern with the Board approving the Consent Agenda without the opportunity for the public to have input. Jeff Leonard stated he had questions on the Merrimack County Proposed Budget and the Board had already voted. The Board stated that document was only informational. Discussion ensued.
- VI. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn at 6:32pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Budget Meeting Minutes Friday, December 10, 2021

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs Also present: Brenda Pearl, Town Administrator

- I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM.
- II. The Board met with Chief Kris Burgess and Sergeant Dana Flanders.
- III. The Board reviewed the police department budget. Selectman Miller explained to Chief Burgess that if he asks for merit raises, they would need evaluation paperwork to go with them. Otherwise, it would be a COLA (cost of living adjustment) or just a raise. After reviewing the salaries request Selectmen Miller suggested that if Chief Burgess is concerned with the low pay of the newest employees
- IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette at 9:04 AM. The Board reviewed the 2022-2023 proposed budgets for the Fire Department, Ambulance, Emergency Management, Health, Forestry, and Compliance. Changes and modifications were recommended by
- V. The Board said that all budgets will be finalized and presented to the citizens at future budget hearings.
- VI. Selectman Storrs moved to adjourn at 9:45 AM. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### January 2022 in Loudon

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1st Monday of the Month 6pm: Conservation Commision @ the Community Building

#### 1st Tuesday of the Month

### 1st Wednesday of the Month

1-3pm: Loudon Historical Society / Open 5:30pm: Historical Society @ the Museum (Museum is Open)

### 1st Thursday of the Month

5:30pm: P.T.A. @ Loudon Elementary

### 2nd Monday of the Month

7:15pm: M.V.S.D School Board

#### 2nd Tuesday of the Month

10am: Young at Heart @ Faith Community Bible Church

### 2nd Thursday of the Month

### 2nd Saturday of the Month

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

### 3rd Monday of the Month

6pm: Communication Council @ the Community Building

### 3rd Tuesday of the Month

6:30pm: Recycling Committee @ Town Offices (subject to change / 219-6863)

### 3rd Wednesday of the Month

1-3pm: Loudon Historical Society / Open 4:30pm Alternative Energy Commision meeting Good Weather: The Gazebo Bad Weather: Charlie's Barn

6:30pm: Gardener's Club @ Community Building (subject to change / 396-4950) 6:30 - 7:30pm: Boy Scouts @ LES 7pm: Legion & Auxiliary @ Post 88

### 3rd Thursday of the Month

7pm: Planning Board @ Town Offices

#### 3rd Friday of the Month

Ledger Deadline for articles and ad space

### 3rd Sunday of the Month

9:30am: Loudon Congregational Church Healing Prayer Time

#### 4th Monday of the Month

4pm: Trails Subcommittee @ the Community Building 5pm: Economic Development Committee @ the Town Offices

#### 4th Wednesday of the Month

### 4th Thursday of the Month

7pm: Zoning Board @ the Town Offices

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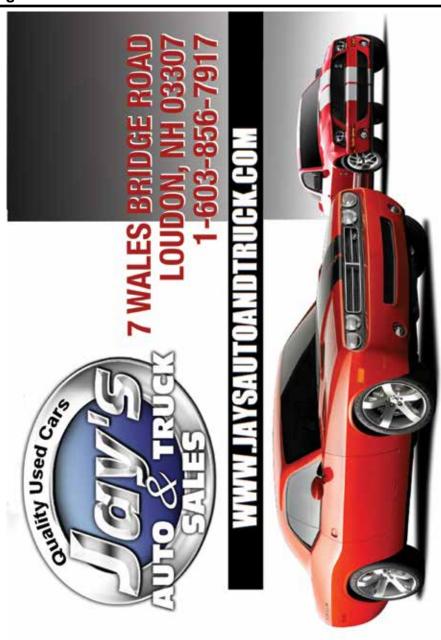
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