The Loudon Ledger

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New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

2022 WARRANT

Loudon

The inhabitants of the Town of Loudon in the County of Merrimack in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

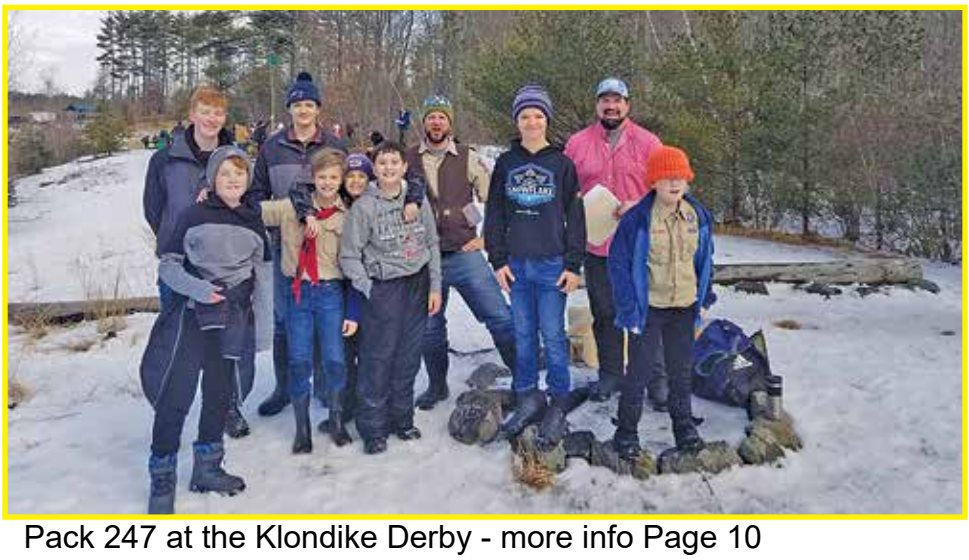
First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Time: 8:00am – 7:00pm
Location: Arthur Colby Safety Building
Articles 1-3 will be by ballot vote.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: Saturday, March 12, 2022
Time: 9:00am
Location: Loudon Elementary School
Articles 4-16 will be taken up.

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 21, 2022, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at the town office and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Maple Weekend is Almost Here
See Page 14 for More Details



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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 * selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Selectmen meet 1st and 3rd 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-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

Tax Collector
55 S. Village Rd., Ste.3 * 603-798-4543 * taxcollector@loudonnh.org
Tues.: 3-9PM * Wed./Thurs.: 9AM-4PM

Police Department – Emergencies: 911
55 S. Village Rd. Ste.6 * 603-798-5521 (administrative only)
24-hour Dispatch: 603-228-1631
Mon.-Thur.:8AM-4PM

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codeoffice@loudonnh.org * Mon.-Fri.: 8AM-4PM

Fire Department – Emergencies: 911
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To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the Fire station at the Safety Complex on Cooper St. Permits are available between the hours of 6AM-6PM, 7 days a week unless we are out on an emergency or other Fire Department business. Permits can also be obtained online via the link on the town's website www.loudonnh.org Departments ~ Fire Permit Information

Loudon Elementary School
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The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15PM
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Transfer Station
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YEAR-ROUND HOURS
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Highway Department
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@comcast.net
Sun./Mon.: Closed * Tues.: 10AM-7PM * Wed.: 10AM-5PM
Thurs.: 10AM-7PM * Fri.: 10AM-5PM * Sat.: 10AM-2PM
The Library Trustees meet at 5PM on the first Monday of the month

John O. Cates Memorial Van
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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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Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to ledgerarticles@gmail.com. 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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March 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 02/18	**Council Meeting**	Mon 02/21
April 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 03/18	**Council Meeting**	Mon 03/21
May 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 04/15	**Council Meeting**	Mon 4/18
June 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 05/13	**Council Meeting**	Mon 05/16
July 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 06/17	**Council Meeting**	Mon 06/20
August 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 07/15	**Council Meeting**	Mon 07/18
September 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 08/12	**Council Meeting**	Mon 08/15
October 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 09/16	**Council Meeting**	Mon 09/19
November 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 10/14	**Council Meeting**	Mon 10/17
December 2022 Ad & Copy Deadline	Fri 11/18	**Council Meeting**	Mon 11/21
January 2023 Ad Copy & Deadline	Fri 12/16	**Council Meeting**	Mon 12/19

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Where to Worship in Loudon

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Office Hours: Please check the website or call the office for hours.
Worship Service: **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
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Pre-Service Prayer Time: Sunday 9–9:45 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.
(Nursery provided on Sunday morning.)
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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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Loudon Congregational Church
Rev. Moe Cormier
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.
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Rev. Brian Bollinger, Youth Pastor
Rev. Isabel Gillespie, Missional Outreach Pastor
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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
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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

Loudon Historical Society

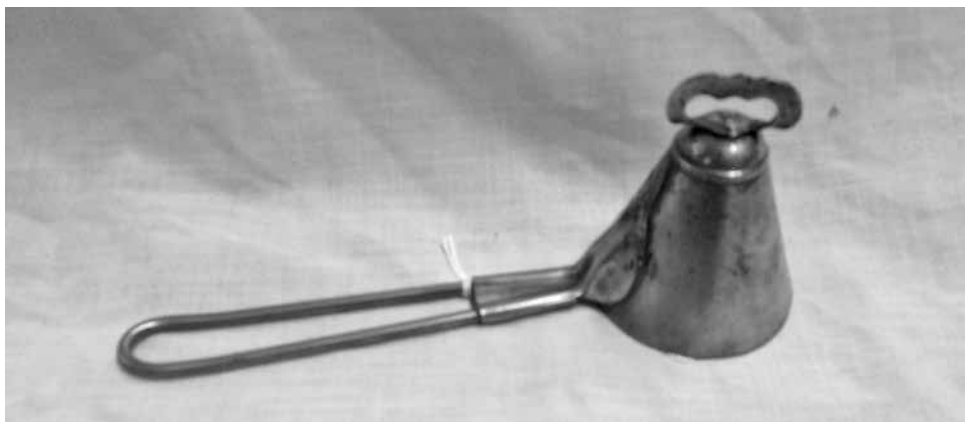
A Glimpse into the Historical Society
by Liz LeBrun

What food is purchased by 98% of US households? What food's first documented use in America was the year 1700? What food does NH rank 18th in consumption? What food does each American eat an average of almost 5 pints per year? The answer to all of the above is ICE CREAM.

The Historical Society owns an early ice cream scoop invented and patented by Alfred L. Cralle. Cralle lived 1866-1920. In 1897, at the age of 30, he was awarded patent #576,395 for what he called the "ice cream mold and disher". He was one of the first African Americans to be awarded a patent without a white partner.

Alfred Cralle was born in Virginia at the end of the Civil War. As a young man, he worked with his father as a carpenter and became interested in mechanics. Upon reaching college age, he attended Wayland Seminary in Washington, DC which was a school founded to help educate newly freed African Americans. After college, Cralle moved to Pittsburg, PA where he worked in a drugstore. He noticed that the ice cream servers needed two utensils and two hands in order to serve the sticky ice cream. The idea of an ice cream scoop was born and because of Cralle's ingenuity, it remains the same basic design today. It can be used with only one hand while the other hand holds a cone or dish and there are no flimsy parts to bend or break off. The ice cream scoop was a huge success but Cralle never profited or became famous. Scientists at makeicecream.com say that it takes 50 licks to finish one scoop, so as you take lick 10, give a silent thank you to Alfred Cralle and then take a bite.

The Historical Society Museum is open from 1-3 pm on the first and third Wednesday of each month. 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.



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Contact Information:

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Phone: (603) 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

January 2022 Meal Numbers:

In January 2022 we gave out enough food to 258 individuals for them to prepare 4,983 meals. 123 of people were age 60 and older, 33 were age 18 or under, and 120 were in between those ages.

Time Off:

Now that the busy holiday season has passed, it's time to take a breather. The food pantry will be closed and unavailable from March 21st – March 25th. We will reopen on March 29th. As usual, we will feed our clients double the week before, so they have food while we're closed.

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

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Racing Returns to The Flat Track in 2022

Progressive American Flat Track, Dirt Midget Association, Sprint Cars of New England, Granite State Mini Sprints and U.S. Legend Cars International will race during major summer event weekends at The Flat Track at New Hampshire Motor Speedway.

LOUDON, N.H. – With the return of The Flat Track at New Hampshire Motor Speedway (NHMS) comes more on-track action for race fans to enjoy during major event weekends. The Laconia Short Track and inaugural Musket Dirt Shootout will bookend Motorcycle Week at NHMS on June 11 and 18, and Friday Night Dirt Duels will kick up the dirt during New England's only NASCAR weekend on July 15.

"It's been a long two years, but we're reviving The Flat Track, and we're so excited to welcome race fans back to the quarter-mile dirt track this summer," said New Hampshire Motor Speedway Executive Vice President and General Manager David McGrath. "The new racing surface should produce intense battles on both two and four wheels, and additional seating will allow more New England race fans to enjoy the dirt-slinging action."

Kicking things off is the motorcycle handlebar-banging, tire-rubbing action of Progressive American Flat Track on Saturday, June 11. "America's Original Extreme Sport" will once again take on the 0.25-mile dirt flat track for the Laconia Short Track during the first weekend of Motorcycle Week at NHMS.

Capping off Motorcycle Week at NHMS will be some four-wheeled action from the Dirt Midget Association (DMA) and Sprint Cars of New England (SCoNE), each awarding $1,500 to their respective winner, plus two classes – 500cc and 600cc – of Granite State Mini Sprints. The inaugural Musket Dirt Shootout on Saturday, June 18 will feature these three series each taking on the new racing surface.

Friday Night Dirt Duels will kick off the Ambetter 301 NASCAR weekend on July 15. This year's event will feature DMA and SCoNE competitors each racing to win $3,000 and U.S. Legend Cars International drivers racing to win $1,500. There will also be fireworks, a concert and the start of a three-day 50/50 Raffle to benefit the New Hampshire Chapter of Speedway Children's Charities. New England's race weekend continues at "The Magic Mile" with Doubleheader Saturday, July 16 featuring the NASCAR Xfinity Series and NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour followed by Sunday's weekend finale, the Ambetter 301 NASCAR Cup Series race on July 17.

The NHMS Operations and Maintenance team recently resurfaced The Flat Track with 2,000 yards of clay from Orwell, Vt. They've also widened the corners to 50 feet and added about 300 more permanent seats between turns three and four, however, race fans are still encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets for seating.

Follow Us:

Keep track of all of New Hampshire Motor Speedway's events by following on Facebook (@NHMotorSpeedway), Twitter (@NHMS) and Instagram (@NHMS). Keep up with all the latest information on the speedway website (NHMS.com) and mobile app.

SAVE THE DATES!

LOUDON FIRE & POLICE ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

BATTLE OF THE BADGES!!

ARTHUR COLBY SAFETY BUILDING

THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2022

2:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

LOUDON POLICE DEPARTMENT

DRIVE THRU/DROP OFF

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 2022

10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Loudon Elementary School

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

2/28-3/4 Winter Recess

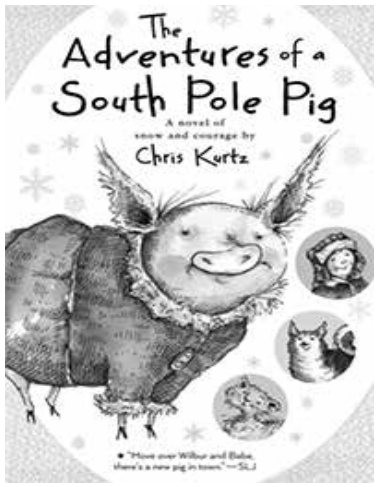
3/4 MVSD Annual Meeting at 7pm polls open at 11:00am

3/14 School Board Meeting at 7:15 pm

3/15 SEPAC Meeting at 5:30 pm

3/25 NO SCHOOL--TEACHER WORKSHOP

ONE BOOK, ONE SCHOOL IS BACK!



LES kicked off our One Book One School reading event on Monday, January 24th! This is an exciting way for the LES community to come together and celebrate reading! Every child and staff member at LES received a FREE copy of the same book. Everyone is reading the book according to an assigned schedule of reading each week. Students read the book at home with their families and in school. In the classroom teachers provide a variety of fun activities to support reading at home!

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Supervisors of the Checklist

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If you've been voting in Loudon for a few years, you may recognize the people handing you a ballot each time you check in at an election. And if you've lived in Loudon a long time, you may have even grown up with some of our Ballot Clerks/Inspectors of the Election (see February Ledger). They might even greet you by name! Why, then, do they ask you to state your name and address?

Largely it's because election observation is one of the best ways to promote integrity, transparency, and efficiency in the electoral process. Observation is one of the cornerstones that has secured our electoral process for generations. We ask you to state your name and address so that any observers of our elections can hear that only registered voters in the town of Loudon are receiving a ballot.
It was this spirit that the New Hampshire Legislature codified in RSA 659:13, which requires anyone seeking a ballot to "announce his or her name and address to one of the ballot clerks."

By so speaking your name and address loudly and clearly, you too are helping to ensure the security and transparency of our elections. So speak up and be sure to thank the clerk handing you your ballot for the part they play!

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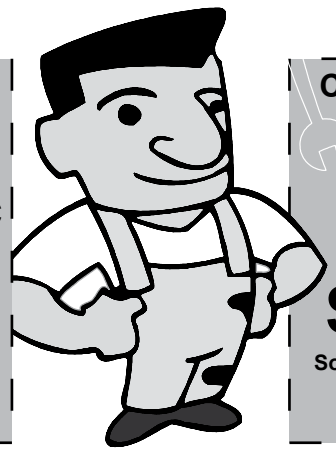

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Maxfield Public Library

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LIBRARY NEWS

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.

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 at www.loudonnh.org for all updated and new Library announcements.

WE ARE HIRING! Maxfield Public Library is seeking a part-time Custodian to work between 8-10 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.

SERVICES AND ADULT PROGRAMS

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."
- Maya Angelou

Adult services were all about the love this past month. While enjoying some warm afternoons, we introduced a new art group and appreciated the new displays throughout the main floor. Patrons were intrigued by our "Blind Date with a Book" selections while others were interested

in reading some of the amazing stories available in our Black History Month display. During February, we took a little time off from our craft classes and are looking forward to March's lineup of classes. We are hopeful that are patrons will be excited to get back to creating with us.

CRAFT CLASSES: March's craft classes will be focused on celebrating the wonderful Dr. Seuss. On Wednesday, March 2nd (Dr. Seuss's birthday!), we will be creating Truffula Trees Art. On Wednesday, March 23rd, we will be celebrating spring by making Button Blossom Trees. Spaces are limited. To register for any of our adult craft classes, call 603-798-5153 or email Rebecca at maxlibprograms@gmail.com.

ART IN THE AFTERNOONS: Do you enjoy a little time to let your creative juices move? Maybe you have an art project that you have not had a chance to complete? Come join us on the FIRST and

THIRD Friday of the month for an hour of art and small talk. February's participants got creative with homemade cards and adult coloring books, and others painted with acrylics and watercolors! We'll be meeting this month on March 4th and March 18th. Bring your own materials or use the materials we have on hand. Hope to see you there!

PLANT & SEED SWAP: Spring is a time for new beginnings and new growth which makes this season the perfect time to introduce our seed library! Did you harvest flower or vegetable seeds that you'd like to share? Or did you start too many tomato plant seedlings and you're willing to swap for some pepper plants? Check back for more details about our in-person kick-off event that will take place in late April/early May.

BOOK AND MOVIE REVIEWS: The last few months we have welcomed in a plethora of new titles from great authors and filmmakers. Have you read one that you love and you think everyone will want to read? Did you recently borrow a movie from the Library and find yourself recommending it to everyone you know? Submit a book or movie review to Rebecca at maxlibprograms@gmail.com to be uploaded to our website and displayed at the library. You can remain anonymous, if you'd prefer! What are you reading? What are you watching? We want to know!

LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS ARE IN FULL SWING! Have you been interested in meeting other individuals who love read? Are you an avid reader who likes to talk about what they are reading? Maxfield Public Library Book Clubs are still actively meeting. We offer two different times for the convenience of our patrons. Come check us out and see what book we will be reading next. Each group reads a separate title. The Afternoon Book Club will be meeting on Thursday, March 24th at 2pm and the Evening Book Club will meet Thursday, March 24th at 6:30pm.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE! Interlibrary loan services through the New Hampshire State Library are pulling through this New England weather. Have you been looking for a book or a movie that Maxfield Public Library doesn't currently have in the 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.

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MUSEUM PASSES AVAILABLE! Thinking ahead to spring vacation and those long summer months? Why not check out one of the many museums New Hampshire has to offer. Call the library, 603-798-5153, email us, 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 museum's required safety and health recommendations. Some museums are requiring online reservations, as well.

YOUTH SERVICES NEWS

Music and Movement and Story Time will continue to be held indoors in the meeting room. Masks, social distancing, and registration will be required for all children and adults. Are you a young adult looking for community service hours? Join our teen advisory board! Email maxfieldlibya@gmail.com for more information.

TAKE AND MAKE CRAFT KITS: Our lovebug craft was a big hit in February! We also had fun making a Groundhog Day craft and penguin craft! Please email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com and send us pictures of your completed crafts if you feel comfortable doing so! In March we will have a Dr. Seuss Day craft, polar bear craft, St. Patrick's Day craft, and puppy craft!

STORY TIME: Storytime will be on Thursdays at 10:30am in the meeting room at the Library. Masks, social distancing, and reservations will be required for all children and adults. In February we read books about penguins, Valentine's Day, and Groundhog Day! During Story

Time we read, have fun with our flannel board, sing, and use shakers and scarves! In March we will be reading stories about St. Patrick's Day, puppies, and Dr. Seuss!

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD: Have your voice heard and join our Teen Advisory Board! Come help us choose books for the young adult section and let us know what you would like to see for teen programs! 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 March meetings will be held on Friday the 11th and Friday the 25th from 4:00-4:45pm.

MUSIC AND MOVEMENT: Music and Movement is a program for young children that happens on Tuesday mornings at 10:30am in the Library meeting room. Masks, social distancing, and reservations will be required for all children and adults. Singing, reading, shakers, flannel board stories, action rhymes, dancing, and scarves make Music and Movement fun for all!

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 4:00-4:45 pm. In March we'll meet on March 3rd. 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 early May. Check back for more info!

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

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What's Cookin'?

Food, Food and More Food!

by Letty Barton

One potato, two potatoes, three potatoes, four…. Do you remember that little ditty? If your household demands potatoes like mine does maybe these recipes will put a different slant on the meal.

Creamy, Cheesy Potato Bake

2 ½ lbs. potatoes
2/3 cup milk
¾ cup heavy cream
1/3 cup mayonnaise
1 ½ tsp. thyme leaves
2 large garlic cloves
¾ tsp. salt black pepper
2 cups shredded cheese (cheddar, Colby, Gruyere, your choice)
1 cup shredded mozzarella cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Peel and cut potatoes into 2/3" cubes. Place in large mixing bowl. Add all remaining ingredients except mozzarella. Mix well. Pour into a 9" square pan. Cover with foil and bake 60 min. or until potatoes are tender. Remove foil, sprinkle over, mozzarella. Bake for 25 more min or until cheese is golden brown. Let set for 5-10 min. before serving.

Parmesan Potato Stackers

8-10 Yukon Gold potatoes
3 tsp. melted butter
2 tsp Parmesan cheese
1 tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp thyme salt and pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease or spray 12 muffin cups. (The pan you use for cupcakes.) Peel and cut potatoes into VERY thin slices. Place in a large bowl. Add butter, parmesan cheese, garlic powder, and spices. Toss or mix with hands so potatoes are evenly coated. Layer potatoes in stacks and place in muffin cups. Bake 55-60 min. or until edges are golden brown and centers are tender. Remove from oven and let rest 5 min. Garnish with more Parmesan cheese.

Crock Pot Potato Soup

1 30-32 oz. bag frozen diced potatoes
½ an onion, diced
¼-1/2 cup thinly sliced celery
4-5 cups chicken broth
¼-1/2 tsp pepper
1 can cream of celery or cream of chicken soup
½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
1 8 oz. pkg cream cheese

In slow cooker pour in chicken broth, soup, pepper, onions celery and potatoes. Cook on hi 3 hours or low approximately 5 hours. Mash or nuke cream cheese until soft and add to pot. Cook another 30 min. Sprinkle on cheddar cheese before serving.

Loaded Baked Potato Casserole

10 Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled and halved
6 slices bacon
1 ½ cups shredded cheddar cheese, divided
1 cup evaporated milk
½ cup sour cream
1 tsp. salt
½ tsp pepper
1 cup sliced green onions
(another)½ cup shredded cheddar cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease a 9x13 baking pan. Place potatoes in a large pot and cover with salted water; bring to a boil, reduce heat and cook until tender. At the same time cook bacon until crispy, drain and crumble. Combine 1 ½ cup cheddar, milk sour cream, salt and pepper in the pot of drained potatoes. Mash until creamy adding a little milk if necessary. Spread potatoes evenly in pan. Bake for 25 min; sprinkle with bacon, green onions and ½ cup cheddar. Return to oven and bake until cheese is melted – about 5 min.

Air Fryer Sweet Potato Fries

2 medium sweet potatoes, peeled
2 tsp. olive oil
½ tsp. salt
¼ tsp garlic powder
¼ tsp. paprika
1/8 tsp pepper

Preheat air fryer to 380 degrees. Slice peeled potatoes into even ¼ " thick slices. Place in a large bowl and toss with olive oil, salt, garlic powder, paprika and pepper. Cook in 2 or 3 batches depending on the size of the basket (don't overcrowd). Cook until crispy, about 12 min.

Potatoes on the Grill

3-4 potatoes, peeled and sliced
1 pkg. onion soup mix
4-5 T margarine or butter
heavy duty aluminum foil

Place two 18" layers foil criss cross on top of each other. Place sliced potatoes on foil, top with dry onion soup mix and dot with pieces of butter. Roll up foil and seal well. Place on low heat grill for about 45 min. Carefully turn once.

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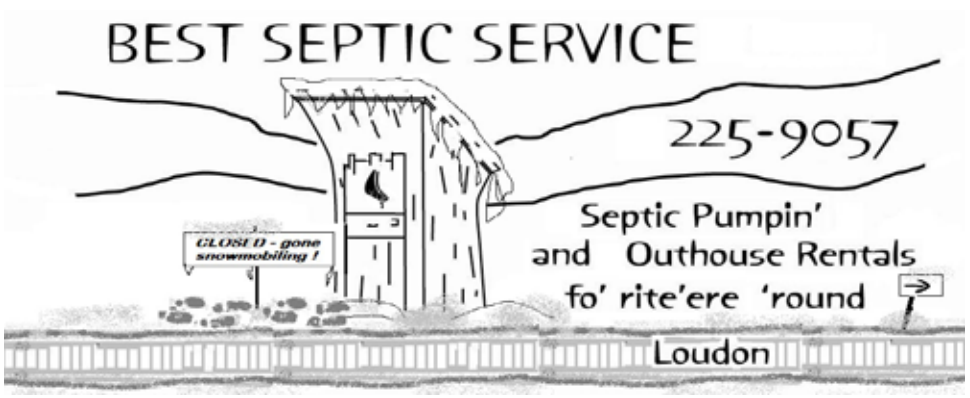

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TEDDY BEAR SLEEPOVER: Bring your favorite stuffed animal to the library so they can spend the night! You can drop off your furry friends anytime between 10:00am-7:00pm on Thursday, March 3rd, and pick them up by 5:00pm on Friday, March 4th. Watch our Facebook page for updates on what activities the stuffed animals get into.

ANIME CLUB: Do you love anime? Come watch it with us! We like to watch and chat about different Anime films. Email us at maxfieldlibya@gmail.com or call 603-798-5153 for more information about our next meeting on March 19th from 11:00am-1:00pm!

Publishing Obituaries in the Loudon Ledger

Several years ago, the Communications Council began publishing obituaries submitted by family members or collected from public sites and public records. We know how expensive it is to have an obituary published in traditional daily newspapers. We also know that many of our residents no longer subscribe to a daily newspaper. Therefore, as a service to our residents, we began publishing those obituaries in the Ledger free of charge. If you have an obituary to be published, you can submit an electronic copy to ledgerarticles@gmail.com. Please indicate how you are related to the deceased and provide your contact information in case we need to reach you about the request. If an obituary has been published elsewhere but you do not want it to appear in the Ledger, please let us know by speaking with a member of the Communications Council or emailing us at ledgerarticles@gmail.com by the monthly publication deadline appearing on page 2 of the Ledger.

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Join us for an informative night of Dave's tips and tales with a truly humorous gardening twist.

Wednesday, March 23, 2022
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Loudon Community Building, a/k/a Charlie's Barn
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Loudon, NH

As seating is limited, please contact Linda Porter at 603-608-5437 to reserve a seat.
Hosted by the Loudon Gardeners Club

Loudon Pack 247

The month of February has been a busy one for Pack 247! It began with the AOLs (Arrow of Light) Cub Scouts, and Boy Scout Troop 247 participating in the Klondike Derby. The Klondike Derby is an annual event where Scouts use their scouting skills (including first aid, fire building, outdoor skills, and teamwork) to compete against 200 other Scouts as they progress through 10 stations and earn points. Troop 247 pulled together and demonstrated their skill, strength and teamwork for an impressive finish in the top 10! Congratulations to all those who participated!

The Scouts have also taken advantage of the snowfall we finally saw in February and gathered to enjoy sledding and other outdoor activities, including learning and observing what happens to bubbles in subfreezing temperatures. As a Scout, it's always essential to understand what is needed to be prepared for the elements, and we weren't going to let the weather stop us from using and growing our skills and having fun.

On Feb 13th, Pack 247 celebrated with its Blue and Gold Banquet. The Blue and Gold Banquet celebrates the Scouting Anniversary with a "birthday party." In nearly all packs, the Blue and Gold Banquet is the highlight of the year, it brings families together for an evening of fun and friendship, and our event on the 13th did not disappoint! The purpose of the Blue and Gold Banquet is to celebrate the date of the founding of Scouting, February 8, 1910. The Boy Scouts of America began in 1910, and Cub Scouting began twenty years later. The BLUE AND GOLD get its name from the Cub Scout colors -- blue and gold. It is also a time to thank pack leaders and other adults who have helped the pack and inspired the leaders, Scouts, and parents. (Scouting.org) We celebrated with delicious potluck items, Scout-made and decorated cakes were auctioned off, and games.

The Pack is looking forward to all the upcoming fun activities in the next couple of months. We will assist at the Town Meeting on March 12th by carrying the flags and presenting the color to open the meeting and running concessions. We also look forward to ice fishing, our Pinewood Derby on March 19, and partnering with the Lions Club and Loudon Food Pantry for an April 2nd

If you have a child who will be five years old by September 30th it is time to sign up for Kindergarten! Please call Loudon Elementary School at 783-4400 to begin the registration process.

Kindergarten Parent Information Night is April 7th at 6:00 pm.

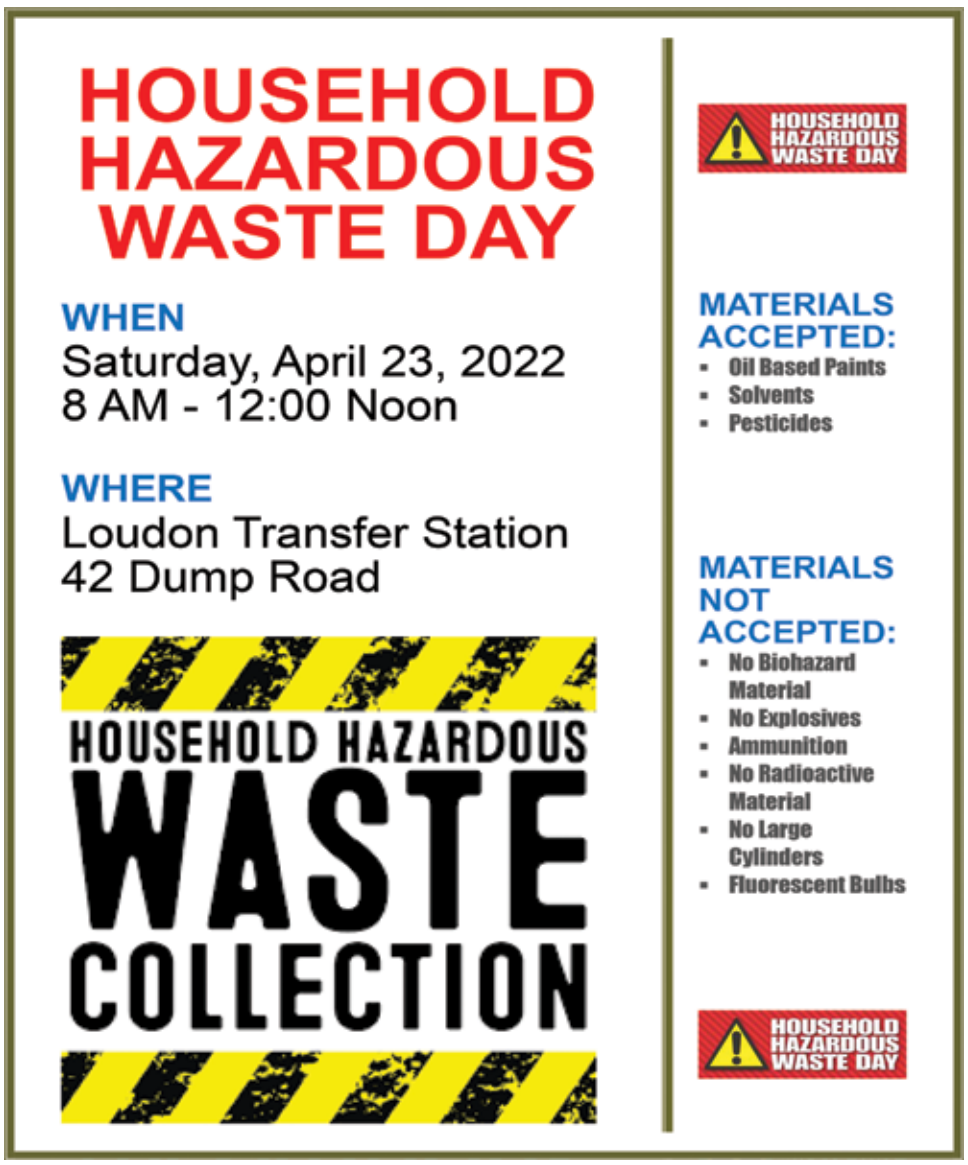
Richard Brown House News

Richard Brown House-March 2022

Residents at Richard Brown House are waiting out this icy winter and eagerly looking forward to the first day of Spring in March! In February, we played Valentine's Bingo On-The-Wall and searched for hidden Presidents to celebrate President's Day. We enjoyed some delicious fudge from the Mill Fudge Factory and a pizza lunch from Brookside Pizza. Special thanks to the Lion's Club for a generous cash donation made to the Richard Brown House. The residents continued playing Wheel of Fortune and Bingo, participated in chair exercises, bible study, a monthly movie matinee, and a restaurant outing. They are caring for their adopted baby air plants and doing great tracking their steps on the 8-week walking program, "Every Step Counts".

In March, we look forward to wearing our green for St. Patrick's Day and decking out the community in green décor as well. We plan to go country in March with some western-themed activities and will continue with our weekly and monthly games and exercise programs.

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.



Loudon Fire Department News

The Fire Department has been very busy in 2022. As of the 18th of February, we have responded to 170 emergency incidents. We appreciate the many members of the department who have assisted in covering many of these calls. Currently 17% of the time both of the town's ambulances are out on calls at the same time. This is only accomplished by members who are coming back on duty to the station from their homes or work to take the second ambulance to these calls. We have also had 4 instances where we had three emergency calls going on at one time and we have been very fortunate to have great mutual aid partners in the Chichester and Belmont Fire Departments who have been able to assist us.

The Loudon Fire Department has had several members of the community approach us about joining the ranks of the department in the last month and they are going through the process to join.

We welcomed Firefighter / EMT Rick Bilodeau, a new resident of Loudon, to the department last month. Rick has over 38 years of experience in public safety and will be a great asset to the department and community.

The department continues to work with several possible internal candidates for the vacant career Firefighter / AEMT position we have open. We have several Staff members enrolled in different education programs which would qualify them to fill the position.

There is currently a shortage of qualified candidates for Firefighter/ AEMT or Paramedic positions in NH. It is a challenge to find candidates who meet the state required qualifications. Many larger departments in the area have multiple openings and the job market is currently very competitive.

We have had to overcome some mechanical challenges with some of the apparatus last month and wanted to thank the Highway Department for the excellent teamwork in assisting us with some of the mechanical repairs which were able to be completed in-house. This teamwork between departments assists in keeping trucks in service and managing the budgets as efficiently as possible with the increased costs of parts and materials due to the supply chain issues.

Members of the department have been actively participating in weekly training meetings as well as programs conducted by other agencies. Last month Deputy Lake participated in a Fireground Command & Control class conducted by the Lakes Region Fire Mutual Aid Association.

Chief Blanchette participated in a two-day National Fire Academy Leadership class titled "Perspectives in Critical Thinking". Assistant Chief Clough completed the Pediatric Advanced Life Support Instructor course and will now be able to deliver that program to our members in house. Other members participated in multiple evening and daytime continuing education sessions at the NH Fire Academy.

We want to thank the Loudon Firefighters Association for donating a second set of Rescue 42 vehicle stabilization struts to be carried on Loudon Engine 2. This donation was made through the fundraising efforts of the association and totaled $2,500. This gets us another step closer to having continuity in the equipment on both of the towns two fire engines.

This month we wanted to share a few safety and fire prevention tips regarding vehicle fires.

Always have a portable abc fire extinguisher in your vehicle and make sure it has been inspected on a regular basis.

Keep up with regular vehicle safety inspections. Visually check for oil or fuel leaks and make sure you have them repaired. Remember most fluids in your vehicle are either flammable or combustible and can ignite easily when a source of ignition is present.

Do not transport containers of flammable or combustible liquids in the passenger compartment of your vehicle and make sure when transporting flammable or combustible liquids ensure they are secured and in D.O.T. approved containers.

If you have fuses that are regularly burning out, you should have your local repair garage diagnose and repair the problem.

Always keep up with manufacturer safety recalls which you receive for your vehicle.

If your vehicle catches on fire while you are driving, pull over safely, shut the engine off and make sure everyone is removed from the vehicle. Have everyone be at least 100' back from the vehicle and call 911 for assistance.

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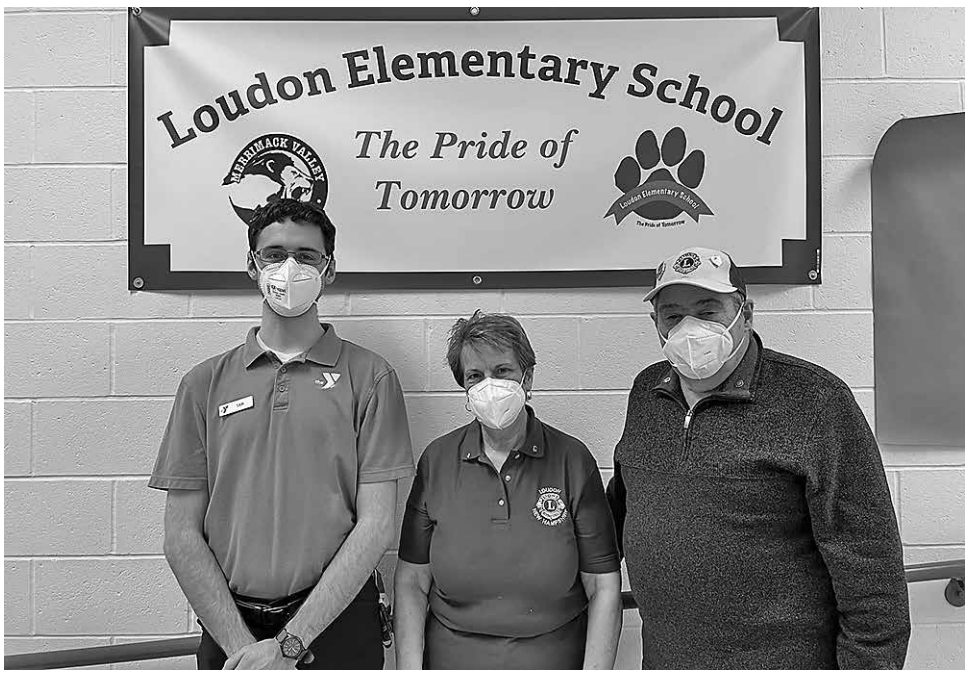

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The inhabitants of the Town of Loudon in the County of Merrimack in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Official Ballot Voting)
Date: Tuesday, March 8, 2022
Time: 8:00am – 7:00pm
Location: Arthur Colby Safety Building
Articles 1-3 will be by ballot vote.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Transaction of All Other Business)
Date: Saturday, March 12, 2022
Time: 9:00am
Location: Loudon Elementary School
Articles 4-16 will be taken up.

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION

We certify and attest that on or before February 21, 2022, a true and attested copy of this document was posted at the place of meeting and at the town office and that an original was delivered to the Town Clerk.

Name	Position	Signature
Roger A. Maxfield	SELECTMAN	Roger A. Maxfield
Jeffrey C. Miller	Selectman	Jeffrey C Miller
JOHN A. STORRS	SELECTMAN	John Storrs

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

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Article 02 **RSA 202-A:11-a**

Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment?

Article 03 **Zoning Amendments**

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-01** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Add** *the following definitions to the Appendix:*
GREENHOUSE: A structure with a roof and/or walls made chiefly of transparent and/or translucent material; and
LIGHT TRESPASS: Light emitted by a luminaire which falls outside the boundaries of the property on which the installation is sited; and
LUMINAIRE: A manufactured lighting unit consisting of a light source such as a lamp or lamps, together with the parts designed to distribute the light source and connect it to the power supply; and
SKY-GLOW: A glow in the night sky deriving from an artificial source of light?

And **Add** *208.11 Light Pollution*

A. Intent
The purpose of this ordinance is to preserve the rural atmosphere and dark skies of the Town of Loudon. Natural dark skies are the nighttime aspect of rural character. Increasing light pollution and glare from inappropriate lighting degrades such rural character. This is intended to provide for adequate and appropriate lighting that will complement the character of the Town of Loudon, reduce glare, minimize light trespass, and minimize sky-glow that degrades the night sky.

B. Applicability

1. In addition to the General Standards found in Section 208.11 C. below, detailed lighting requirements shall be set forth in the Town of Loudon Land Development Regulations and shall apply to all nonresidential developments in the Town of Loudon requiring site plan approval from the Planning Board, as well as all new and replacement lighting in nonresidential properties.
2. All site plans shall be accompanied by a formal lighting plan, prepared to scale. The lighting plan shall require Planning Board approval.
3. The following applications do not have to comply:
    1. all temporary lighting required for public or private construction projects
    2. all temporary emergency lighting related to police, fire or other emergency services
    3. all hazard warning luminaries required by Federal regulatory agencies, to the degree and extent required
    4. all seasonal, decorative lighting displays using multiple low wattage bulbs

The Planning Board may grant exceptions for outdoor recreational facilities and for historic purposes by Conditional Use Permit.

1. All greenhouses in all zones, commercial and non-commercial, are required to comply with this Section.

C. General Standards
1. All exterior luminaires shall be full cutoff.
2. Light trespass at property boundaries shall not exceed 0.2 foot-candles (lumen per square foot [lm/ft^2]) for receiving industrial or commercial properties and 0.1 foot-candles for receiving residential properties.
3. Lighting shall not cause sky-glow.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-02** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Amend** Section *206.2 C/I District – Permitted Uses* by adding (P) Churches?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-03** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Amend** *Section 208.4 C.:* A residential driveway shall serve ~~two or fewer lots or housing units~~ **one lot or housing unit. Shared driveways require a special exception.** Each housing unit of a condominium type of development shall be treated as a separate unit for this definition. Also, the following shall be used in defining a new driveway and standards for a driveway?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-04** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: Amend the following sections to each of the zoning districts:
Add *203.4 D. Contiguous Buildable Area: Every lot shall contain at least 30,000 square feet*; and
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Add *207.4 D. Contiguous Buildable Area: Every lot shall contain at least 1.5 acres*?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-05** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Add** *the following definitions to the Appendix:*
CHURCH: A place of worship, including related accessory facilities, with seating capacity and/or floor space for the accommodation of worshipers; and
SCHOOL: An institution for the teaching of children or adults including primary and secondary schools, colleges, professional schools, dance schools, business schools, trade schools, art schools and similar institutions?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-06** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Amend** *Section 206.3 C/I District – Uses Permitted by Special Exception by adding* (R) Public or private daycare facilities?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-07** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Amend** *Section 201.4 D.:* When a district boundary cuts across a lot, the boundary location shall be determined from the scale of the Official Zoning Map, unless otherwise indicated by dimensions noted on the map. If more than 60% of a lot is classified in the Commercial/Industrial (C/I) District, **the entirety of said lot may be**

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considered to be zoned as C/I for the purposes of this ordinance, subject to special exception approval by the Board of Adjustment in accordance with S 701.3?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-08** as proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: **Amend** *Section 204.3 P.: Outdoor Event Venues,* for non-recurring events such as weddings or reunions, not to exceed ~~eight~~ **twelve** events per year; and **Amend** *Section 205.3 N.: Outdoor Event Venues,* for non-recurring events such as weddings or reunions, not to exceed ~~eight~~ **twelve** events per year?

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment 2022-09** as proposed by petition for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows: *to change the current zoning designation on the parcel(s) of land listed below:*
Parcel Information
Owner(s) of record: James A. & Laura C. Howell
Owners Address: 235 Bumfagon Rd, Loudon, NH 03307
Town of Loudon Tax Map Number 43 Lot(s) 17
Current Zoning: AFP Proposed Zoning: R.R.
Amendment 2022-09 is **not** recommended by the Planning Board

Article 04 **To purchase a Dump Truck**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $100,000 for the purchase of a medium duty dump/plow truck with plow and sander, with $100,000 to be withdrawn from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund. The Selectmen do not recommend this article by a vote of 2-1. (Majority vote required). No Tax Impact.

Article 05 **To reclaim & pave Clough Hill Road**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $304,755 for the purpose of reclaiming, paving and installing under drains and shoulder gravel to approximately 5850' of the section of Clough Hill Road from the bridge at Fire Station #2 to Currier Road. To authorize the withdrawal of $130,000 from the Roadway Improvement Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The balance of $174,755 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is $.25

Article 06 **To reclaim & pave Piper Hill Road**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $192,000 for the purpose of reclaiming and base paving needed sections of Piper Hill Road and installing under drains and shoulder gravel with an overlay of pavement on entire road with said funds to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen do not recommend this article by a vote of 2-1. (Majority vote required). Estimated tax impact is $.27.

Article 07 **Fire Dept. Command Vehicle**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $60,000 for the purchase of a Fire Department Command Vehicle and equipment with funds to be withdrawn from the Fire Department Expendable Trust Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

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Article 08 **(2) Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillators**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $80,000 for the purchase of (2) Cardiac Monitor/Defibrillators with funds to be withdrawn from the Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

Article 09 **Police Cruiser**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $50,913 for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser with equipment, and authorize the withdrawal of $50,913 from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required). There is no tax impact.

Article 10 **Change purpose of ETF**

To see if the town will vote to change, in accordance with RSA 35:16, the said purpose of the Library Collection Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund from books only, to include: books, library collections, programs, technology, and supplies and further to name the library trustees as agents to expend. The Selectmen do not recommend this article by a vote of 2-1. (2/3 vote required). There is no tax impact

Article 11 **To raise and appropriate for established CRF**

To see if the Town of Loudon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $560,500 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds.
Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund $100,000
Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund $100,000
Bridge Construction Capital Reserve Fund $40,000
Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund $125,000
J.O. Cate Memorial Van Capital Reserve Fund $2,500
Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund $63,000
Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund $30,000
Town History Capital Reserve Fund $10,000
Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund $20,000
Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund $30,000
Town Garage Capital Reserve Fund $20,000
Safety Complex Upgrade Capital Reserve Fund $20,000
The Selectmen recommend this article.
(Majority vote required).
Estimated tax impact is $.79

Article 12 **To raise and appropriate for established ETF.**

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $122,000 to be placed in previously established Expendable Trust Funds.
Recreation Facility Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund $2,000

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Conservation Commission Land Expendable Trust Fund $30,000
Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund $30,000
Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund $50,000
Cemetery Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund $10,000
The Selectmen recommend this article.
(Majority vote required).
Estimated tax impact is $.18

Article 13 **For general municipal operations.**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,294,214 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately." (Majority vote required). Estimate tax impact is $7.47

Article 14 **All Veterans' Credit**

Shall the Town of Loudon vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans' Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who (1) served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be $500.00, the same amount as the standard or optional veterans' tax credit voted by the Town of Loudon under RSA 72:28. BY PETITION

Article 15 **Establish committee to study withdrawal from MVSD**

To see if the town will vote to direct the Merrimack Valley School Board to establish a committee to study the opportunities and liabilities to the Town of Loudon to withdraw from the Merrimack Valley School District pursuant to RSA 195:25 Procedure to withdraw. This study committee shall submit a feasibility report of their findings to the NH Board of Education within 180 days. BY PETITION

Article 16 **Election Petition**

Shall the following provisions pertaining to elections be adopted? All voting shall be by paper ballot and all ballots shall be hand counted only, rather than by use of optical scanning or any other types of programmable electronic counting devices. This shall also constitute an application for RSA 656:40, stating ballot counting machines were adopted on a trial basis, so we wish to return to manual hand counting by citizens. BY PETITION

Article 17 **To transact any other business**

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.
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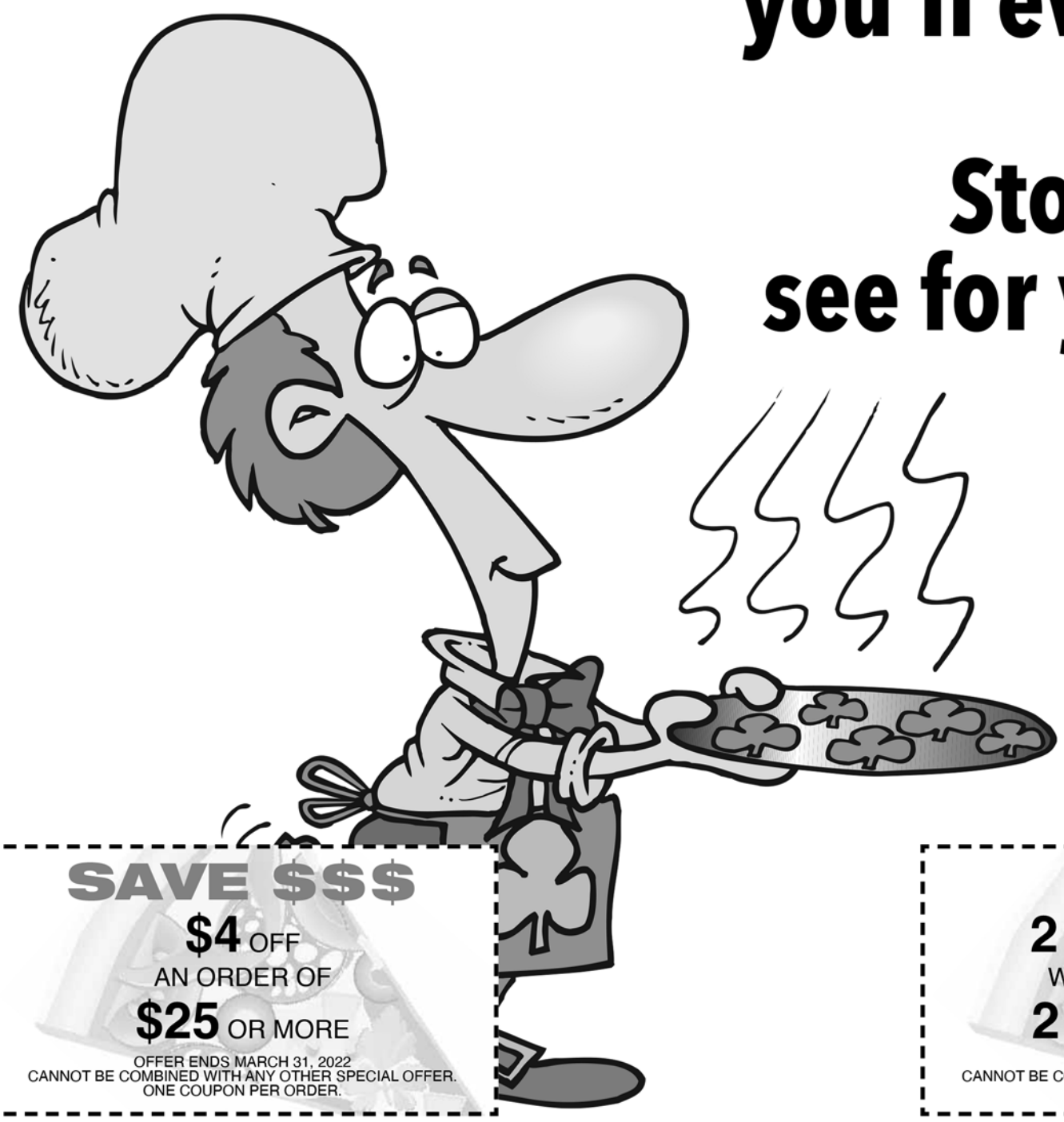

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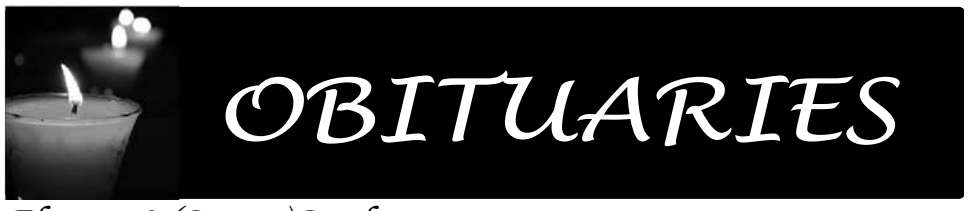


Eleanor L (Brown)Pearl

March 30, 1926-January 20, 2022
Eleanor Louise Pearl passed away on January 20, 2022 at the age of 95. She was born in Haverhill MA to Perley Brown and Edith (Hargraves) Brown. She spent her formative years in Merrimac MA. Eleanor attended a School of Business and worked in various office capacities as a young adult. Living in close proximity to the coast she trained and received certification in spotting and identifying aircraft during WWII.

Eleanor married Cecil Pearl on November 22, 1947. They had a successful and loving relationship until being widowed in May of 2005. She is predeceased by her husband Cecil, son-in-law Mike Rowe, and grandchildren Ryan Minery and Ryanne Ware.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother- having 7 children, 21 grandchildren, and 44 great grandchildren. She is survived by her five daughters, Betty and Stuart Page, Ginny Rowe, Marilyn and Elmer Green, Patricia Fish and Rene Leduc, Sandra and Shawn Young, and her two sons William Pearl and Howard Pearl.

Eleanor loved to read, do puzzles, knit, crochet and play music. She crocheted a blanket for every one of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She loved to be around family and was the most kind and caring person you will ever know.

Eleanor loved the farm and animals, she also loved growing flowers. Her natural green thumb allowed her to create beautiful flower gardens while working tirelessly along-side Cecil assisting in the daily chores. She always said “God put me right where he wanted me to be.” She was a devout Christian and attended services faithfully at the Loudon Ridge Family Bible Church where she taught Sunday school and served as a Deaconess for many years.

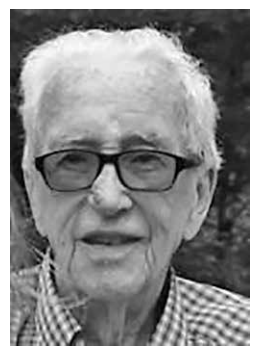
Roland A. Boisvert

Concord, NH — Roland A. Boisvert, age 93, of Stone Street passed away peacefully on Monday, February 14, 2022 at Granite Hospice House in Concord. He was born in Concord, NH the son of the late Albert Leo and Leone (Boulay) Boisvert. He was a veteran of the US Navy proudly serving his country during WW2. He enjoyed reminiscing about his years in the navy and his special times spent with family and friends. He worked for many years as a master carpenter for RA Vachon and Son. Roland was an avid vegetable gardener, meticulously tending to a huge garden plot. He also enjoyed camping with family and friends and square dancing with the Concord Coach Square Dance group. He was a member of the FOA Eagles and bowled on their league. He worked as a caretaker for the Sacred Heart Church for many years and would provide communion to people in nursing homes. Roland is survived by his beloved wife of 72 years Veronica (Bolduc) Boisvert of Concord; his children, Edward R. Boisvert and his wife Susan of Loudon, Annette M. Clark and her fiancée William Marshall of Pembroke, and David A. Boisvert and his fiancée Elaine Sargent of Concord; 2 grandchildren, Erin S. Boisvert, and BreeAnn S. Boisvert; 3 great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his son, Joseph L. Boisvert; 1 grandson, Kearney S. Boisvert; and his 3 brothers and 2 sisters.

Raymond R. Field Jr

Loudon, NH — Raymond R. Field Jr., 91, of Loudon, passed away peacefully at his son's home on January 23, 2022. He leaves behind five children, Edward (Debbie) Field of Boscawen NH, Ernst (Kim) Field of Blaisville GA, Edletraud (John) Holland of Bluffton SC, Elizabeth Leet of Concord NH, and Heidi Sylvia of Concord NH; his eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; his sister, four half-brothers, and half-sister of Maine. He is predeceased by his wife, Anne field. In memory of Raymond, donations may be made to homeless veterans.

James "Jim" F. Hansen, Sr



Newbury, NH — James "Jim" F. Hansen, Sr., age 90 of Newbury, NH, passed away on January 22, 2022, with family by his side. Jim was born in Jersey City, NJ on January 12, 1932, son of the late Frederick W. and Blanche (Miller) Hansen. He was this oldest of three children, who survive him, Frederick Hansen and Doris Polis. He is predeceased by his son James F. Hansen, Jr. Jim grew up in Oradell, NJ and graduated from Dwight Morrow High School, Englewood, NJ in 1950 and attended Prose Insurance College. He was employed at Kemper Insurance Co. in New York City, during this time he met the love of his life Dolores on a bus ride into the City. Jim entered the U.S. Army serving in the Korean War. He also worked for Allstate in NJ. Jim and Dolores were married on January 18, 1953, started a family and in 1960 moved to Bradford, NH to raise their family; Jim joined New Hampshire Insurance as a claims adjuster and later became an assistant manager. Jim and his wife moved to Marshfield, Vermont in 1983, where he was claims manager for AIG in Barre. Upon retirement in 1993, they returned to NH settling in Newbury. Jim was a member of The First Baptist Church of Bradford, St. Peter's Masonic Lodge #31 F & AM and Mt. Sinai Shrine #3 in Montpelier, VT. He was on the original and second Kearsarge Study Committee, Chairman of the original school board and Treasurer of the Kearsarge School District, as well as serving three years as Bradford Town Treasurer. Jim was a member of the Bradford Fire Department, assistant scout master for the Bradford Boy Scouts Troop #69 and co-coached the Bradford Bombers Little League. He and his wife oversaw the Food Bank at The First Baptist Church. Jim enjoyed spending time with his family, being active in the Church, stamp collecting, golf, collecting trains, traveling and reading. Always busy, Jim found time to enjoy traveling, in retirement he and his wife traveled together visiting most countries of the world, the United States and family.

Jim is survived by the love of his life of 69 years, Dolores A. (Clark) Hansen of Newbury, NH; five children, Jo Ann Labelle of Myrtle Beach, SC, Karen (Daniel) Ladd of Loudon, NH, Steven (Deborah) Hansen of Bradford, NH, Barbara (Tim) Dauphinais of Springfield, NH and Thomas (Marci) Hansen of Marston Mills, MA; 12 grandchildren, Jeremy, Kristy, Jocelyn, Katherine, Jared, Joshua, Matthew, Nathaniel, Natalie, Michael, Jacqueline and Lauren; 18 great grandchildren; brother Frederick (Barbara) Hansen, of Fountain Hills, AZ, sister Doris Polis, of Homer, AK, and a large extended family.

Stacy C. Lane

Loudon, NH — Stacy C. Lane, 55 died on February 6, 2022 at home surrounded by his family and friends after a brave fight against cancer. Born in Manchester, NH to Wayne Sr and April Lane, he spent his childhood in Epsom, NH before moving to Barnstead, NH and eventually Loudon, NH. Stacy owned L & S Concrete Cutting since 2004 having bought the business from his parents upon their retirement. When not working, he enjoyed many fishing trips to Lake Ontario, NY with his friends, spending time with family and friends and doting on his faithful company, his Husky "Buddy". Stacy is survived by his parents, Wayne Lane, Sr and April Lane, of Loudon, NH, as well as his daughters, Erika Lane of Barnstead, NH and Stephanie Lane, also of Barnstead, NH. He was predeceased by his sister, Christine. In addition, he leaves his best friend Andrew Stone, his wife Amanda and their children, Savannah and Duncan whom Stacy adored.

Ruth (Hayes) Lyon

Concord, NH — Ruth (Hayes) Lyon age 94 passed away Jan. 16, 2022 at Havenwood Healthcare Center. She was born June 24,1927 in Portsmouth, NH, the daughter of Robert Hayes and Margaret (Myers) Hayes. Ruth grew up in Jeannette, PA and Portsmouth, NH. She graduated from Portsmouth High School in 1945. She attended Antioch College OH and UNH. She met the love of her life at UNH, Clement Lyon, Jr. They were married for 71 years. Ruth was active in many activities while raising their 4 children. She was a leader in both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, school activities, Extension service, numerous church activities in both Concord and Laconia Congregational Churches, board of directors for Taylor Home (Laconia), and was always there for her children. She had a loving and caring temperament - always welcoming anyone into their home. Ruth got her driver's license when the family moved to Gilford in 1966. She worked at a fabric shop in Laconia for several years. She was an excellent seamstress. In later years, Ruth and Clem relocated to Loudon. They were active members in the "Loudon Young at Heart". They enjoyed many activities together such as gardening, visiting with family and friends, trips all over the US for Clem's Navy reunions, and traveling to England and Scotland. Ruth particularly loved genealogy. She worked extensively on it for both sides of the family. She has passed on a wealth of information. Besides her husband Clement Lyon, she was predeceased by her parents. She leaves her children: Mary (Richard) Brochu of North Hampton, Robert of Loudon, Susan (David) Jacques of Loudon, and William (Rose) Lyon Sr. of Milford, MA. Grandchildren: Michelle (Darren), Jennifer (Darren), William (Alicia), Michael (Nichole), Dr. BethAnn, Jamie (Shannon), Jackie (Rehan), Rachel (Jeremy) and 8 great grandchildren. Sisters: Jane (David) Brown and Ann (Dick) Burnside. As well as several nieces and nephews.

Nancy Ellen Pethic

Loudon, NH — Nancy Ellen Pethic passed away peacefully on January 9, 2022, in Epsom, New Hampshire, following declining health. Born to Hersey and Lucy Cooke in Nashua, NH in 1930, she attended local schools in Hudson and Nashua, before graduating from Nashua High School in 1948. Nancy was predeceased by her husband, Willis Pethic; son, Bruce Pethic; two sisters, Harriett Alukonis and Cynthia Jordan; and one brother, Hersey "Ed" Cooke. Nancy married her high school sweetheart, Willis E. Pethic on July 2, 1949. They were married for 52 years. In 1951, they moved to Pittsfield, NH and along with their parents, Everett and Helen Pethic purchased the Pittsfield Food Locker Plant. After several years, they incorporated the business, which became Rich Plan of Northern New England. Bill and Nancy retired to Port St. Lucie, FL, where they enjoyed playing golf and having fun with friends. Nancy continued to avidly play golf in Florida until her return to NH in 2019. She always enjoyed sailing with Bill on Lake Winnipesaukee, toll painting, making crafts. She was an active member of the Pittsfield Firemen Women's Auxiliary and the Women of Rotary for many years. She enjoyed having family and friends at her house. Nancy was a very strong person and a life well lived. She will be missed. Nancy is survived by her two daughters Ellen D. Pethic of Loudon, NH and Lynn P. Tiede, with husband Alan of Barnstead, NH, eight grandchildren, Staci Fall, Brendon Fall, Corey Pethic, Kelly O'Loughlin, Erin Bozek, Tim Pethic, Kara Beauregard, and Jared Tiede; ten great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews, and many good friends whom she cherished.

Edith R. Troughton

Pittsfield, NH — Edith R. Troughton, 89, of Pittsfield, passed away peacefully at home on Wednesday, February 2, 2022, surrounded by her eight loving children and close family members. Born in Torrington, CT on August 17, 1932, she was the daughter of the late Frederick and Margaret (Kimberley) Minery. Besides her parents, she was predeceased by her husband Theodore M. Troughton, Sr. and her six siblings. From a young age Edie loved to bake and carried that throughout her life, up until a few weeks ago she was still making her famous bread and giving it away to loved ones. She truly loved feeding people! She worked for many years as a waitress, her last job being for Bell Brothers in Pittsfield until her retirement. In her earlier years, Edie loved to knit but as her eyesight started to fail she took to listening to books on tape. She enjoyed her shopping trips and many adventures with her niece Jean Fiske. Her greatest joy was her family. She felt blessed to have her eight children and lots of grandchildren (to include great and great-greats). Family gatherings were one of her favorite things. Her favorite color was yellow and she loved sunflowers. But as one great-granddaughter put it "she was the sunflower in all of our lives." She is survived by her eight children, Theodore M. Troughton, Jr. of Pittsfield, Fern Bond and her husband James of Loudon, Holly Shonyo and her husband Ronald of Gilmanton, Laurel Tiede and her husband Ernst of Barnstead, Lily Clark and her husband Danny of Barnstead, Ivy Cimon and her husband Peter of Barnstead, Terrie Azotea and her husband James of Pittsfield and Tedie St. Pierre and her husband Ray of Pittsfield, 24 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was a long time member of Faith Community Bible Church in Loudon.

Theresa "Terry" Margaret Batchelder

Theresa "Terry" Margaret Batchelder Loudon, NH — Theresa "Terry" Margaret Batchelder, 75, lifelong resident of Loudon passed away on Tuesday, January 25 at the Merrimack County Nursing Home after a long battle with dementia. She was the daughter of Walter James and Irene (Cournoyer) Batchelder, both predeceased. She graduated from Concord High School, Pierce College for Women and Franklin Pierce College. Theresa retired after 37 years of dedicated service for the State of New Hampshire Education Dept, as a Disabilities Supervisor in DDS. She will be greatly missed by family and friends. She is survived by her sister, Janet Benard and her husband Bob and cousins.

Loudon Lions Club

The Loudon Lions Club 1st annual Memory tree of lights was successful and we were able to distribute funds to various groups. The generous donations in memory of those who have passed has enabled the club to make donations to groups, who, due to club finances, are sometimes left out. As the tree grows in future years we hope to expand the number of groups to help as many Loudon organizations as possible. As agreed upon 1/3 of funds collected goes to Lions Club programs serving the area sight and hearing, childcare assistance programs etc. 2/3 of the funds are returned to the Loudon community. This year the Lions gave to Girl Scout troop 60180, Boy Scout Troop and Pack 247, Friendly Kitchen, the NH Veterans Home, and the Richard Brown House.

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Maxfield Public Library
Trustee's meeting
Date: January 13, 2022

In attendance:

· Trustees: Naquisha Bourget, Dyrace Maxfield, Adriana Adrian

· Alternate Trustees:

· Library Director: Dena Norman

· Guests/Visitors:

Maxfield Public Library will be referred to as MPL in the minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:30pm by Nikki

· Dyrace reads Trustee LeeAnn Childress's letter of resignation

o LeeAnn has moved out of state and officially resigned in December

o The Trustees thank her for all her hard work and dedication

· Trustees welcome new Trustee Adriana Adrian

o Adriana was sworn in as a new Trustee December 21, 2021

· Dyrace informs the board that the Trustee of the Trust Fund had to cancel a visit for todays meeting but rescheduled for the February meeting

· Nikki discusses upcoming calendar events

o Dates of employee reviews discussed

§ Evaluations of employees will be done by the Director between the beginning of January through beginning of March

§ Dates for Director's evaluation will be reviewed in non- public session due to personnel contracts

· Profit and Loss statement discussed. Some line items from previous accounts have not been updated. Dena suggests better information will come in next month.

o Nikki says it won't be necessary to discuss the full profit/loss statement at this time.

o Dyrace makes a motion to table profit/loss review until February meeting, Nikki second. Motion carries with unanimous vote.

· Library Director's Report

· Dena discusses outside maintenance. Had to replace a broken lock. Maintenance contractor is now shoveling and salting walkways in a timely manner.

· Adriana requests a tour of the full facilities in the upcoming weeks.

· Dena addresses a discrepancy in past income lines in budget statements. There was an error due to Excel spreadsheet columns. This issue has been resolved and new budget statement given to Trustees is correct and up to date.

o Adriana asks about "Passes" in budget. Dena explains they are museum passes that the MPL can offer patrons for free that give entry discounts

o Nikki asks the Director about mileage requests. Dena explains they are for the employees who drive to pick up book orders in Concord and some other places.

o Dyrace asks about a new budget charge in the Technology line. Dena explains it an annual purchase form NH Downloadable Books Consortium for on-line book access through the State Library (LIBBY)

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Sugar River Bank is pleased to announce the recent hire of Frank Donlan as Commercial Loan Officer.

Frank will be focusing on the bank's growing commercial business in the Capitol Region and surrounding markets. He will be operating out of the bank's 198 Loudon Rd., Concord branch. Frank is committed to providing exceptional service and support to local small businesses and looks forward to working with both new and existing customers.
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· New discussion of dates for our next meeting. We will confirm the date in the coming week because of scheduling conflicts.

· Dena introduces new Change of Schedule policy for Staff at the MPL

o It is designed to clarify changes in schedules, unscheduled absences, Covid issues, leave verification, and disciplinary actions.

o There is some discussion and clarification. Dena will finalize the draft and send it to the Trustees.

· Dena introduces a new Collection Development Policy. The State Library strongly encourages the adoption of such a policy. It is designed to address 1st amendment issues and challenged materials. The policy was developed by Children's Librarian Christina Finemore and Director Dena Norman

o Trustees and Director discuss various points of the policy.

o Dena ask Trustees for input on timelines for Challenged Materials. The director will immediately notify Trustees of any challenged materials.

o Trustees agree to 14 days for Director to issue a decision from a challenge. If the challenger is not satisfied, they will be given 30 days to re-challenge it to the MPL Trustees. 14 days will be given for Trustees to issue a final decision.

o Trustees ask for Christina Finemore to attend next trustee meeting to help clarify some ideas and objectives of the policy before finalizing. Dena will invite her to the next meeting.

o Nikki reiterates that the NH Library Trustees Association believe this is a good idea

o Adriana asks if MPL has faced these challenges before. Dena says not specifically but other types of book requests would fall under this policy.

· Dena submitted her Director's Report for the Yearly Loudon Town Report to the town office.

o Dena notes there has been a large increase in on-line (LIBBY) sign ups through MPL

· Nikki will write and submit the MPL Trustee's Report to the town office.

· Custodian position is discussed. Dena said she has talked to the staff and they all feel they can continue without a custodian and continue delegating those duties to staff members. With a possibility of hiring a cleaning company a few times a year for professional carpet cleaning.

· Dyrace makes a motion to make Naquisha Bourget the Chair of the MPL Trustees for the remainder of her term. Adriana second. Motion carries unanimously. Nikki becomes Chair. Trustees congratulate Nikki on her appointment.

· Dena asks for clarification on Trustee and Director communications including emails and the proper chain of requesting information from the Director. Suggestion is made by Trustees to discuss specific examples and solutions in non-public session.

· Nikki makes a motion to enter a Non-Public session to discuss employee contracts and salary information at 6:10pm. 2nd by Dyrace. Motion carries by unanimous vote. Trustees Naquisha Bourget, Dyrace Maxfield, Adriana Adrian and Library Director Dena Norman enter non-public session.

· Trustees re-enter public session at 7:14pm

· Christine Finemore sent a letter to the Trustees responding to our request to research

3-D printers. Christine noted that most libraries that have them charge for the use and require training for the staff. In her estimation the purchase cost is too high for its limited use at this time. Trustees thank her for her time and effort in researching.

· Dena noted an issue of not receiving bank statements this month. The trustees will contact the bank to remedy the situation. Trustees will continue its policy to maintain separation of Trustee banking and the Library Director but will work closely with the Director to ensure the Director will have all the financial information they require in a timely fashion.

· Library Monthly Usage - December

o Visitors: 637

o Programs: N/A

Nikki makes a motion to adjourn at 7:24pm. Dyrace 2nd. Motion carries unanimously.

Next Maxfield Library Trustee meeting will be February 19, 2022 at 9am.

Submitted by Trustee Dyrace Maxfield

Loudon Planning Board Minutes

Town of Loudon, New Hampshire
Planning Board Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2021

DRAFT

Chairman Phillips called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call Attendance: Josh Pearl, Alternate Bob Phillips, Vice Chair Danielle Bosco, Chairman Rodney Phillips, Forrest Green.

Conservation Commission – Chair Julie Robinson

Alternate Phillips was appointed as a voting member during this meeting.

Acceptance of Minutes:

December 8, 2021, Zoning Amendment Workshop Minutes: Chairman Phillips noted that the header on these minutes had already been corrected with the right date, which could be found in the footer of the draft minutes. Forrest Green made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Alternate Bob Phillips. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco abstained from voting; all voting members were in favor. December 8, 2021, Zoning Amendment Workshop minutes approved.

December 16, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes: Vice Chair Bosco stated that she was not listed in the roll call attendance but was present at the meeting. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the minutes with one correction, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; December 16, 2021, regular meeting minutes approved.

January 5, 2022, Zoning Amendment Hearing Minutes: Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Alternate Bob Phillips. Forrest Green abstained from voting; all voting members were in favor. January 5, 2022, Zoning Amendment Hearing minutes approved.

Conceptual Consultations:

Michael Boyd – Map 25 Lot 17 – Motocross Park. Mr. Boyd explained that this 106 acre property had been clear cut several years ago, only leaving a few natural buffers. He was interested in constructing three different tracks on the property, including one youth track, one intermediate/veteran rider track, and one professional level track. Mr. Boyd stated that the average distance to nearby residences was roughly 2,500 feet and directed the Board's attention to the packet information including a noise study completed at a track in California. He estimated that the noise on Youngs Hill would only reach roughly seven (7) decibels above ambient noise levels. Mr. Boyd estimated that there would be fifty to seventy five riders on weekdays and seventy five to one hundred riders during weekend open practice. He estimated that up to 200 riders would attend race days. Chairman Phillips asked how many spectators would be expected. Mr. Boyd stated that there would be an average of 1.5 spectators per participant, and Chairman Phillips concluded that this would equal roughly 500 cars. Chairman Phillips stated that he felt pretty confident that they would need to upgrade the road from NH Route 129. Mr. Boyd asked about the manner of the upgrades, and Chairman Phillips responded that it would need to be

upgraded to pavement. Chairman Phillips stated his concerns about people coming from the north who would take the fastest route up Clough Hill Road and the traffic impact of vehicles coming in that end of Youngs Hill Road, which is 1.3 miles away. He stated that this seemed more like a sporting facility instead of a recreational facility, which is allowed by Special Exception in the AFP district. Mr. Boyd asked if there were any other concerns from the Town, beyond the road upgrades and Zoning, that they should consider. Josh Pearl stated that the public concern will be the noise, and the Town concern will be the traffic. Chairman Phillips agreed.

Jane Hummel – Map 46 Lot 39 – Subdivision. Surveyor Tim Bernier represented Jane Hummel, who was also present. Mr. Bernier explained that Ms. Hummel would like to subdivide two lots off her property on the corner of School Street and Rainbow Drive. He stated that the rear two lots would have plenty of road frontage on Rainbow Drive and the owners would contribute to the maintenance of the private road. Mr. Bernier explained that the PSNH easement shown on the plan was a small, single pole easement. Chairman Phillips asked if there would be any issues with getting a driveway in with the easement. Mr. Bernier stated that there was an existing road used for maintenance of the poles, so they would likely connect the driveway to that access point. Chairman Phillips stated that there was something in the regulations about having an existing building on a new lot, referencing the barn shown on Lot 2. Mr. Bernier stated that the primary use for that new lot would become the barn, though it would not be a problem because agriculture was already allowed in that Zoning district.

Craig Francisco – Map 21 Lot 16-1 – Site Plan. Scott Spindler and Mark Murphy, owners of 603 Storage, were present in Craig Francisco's absence due to COVID-19. Mr. Spindler explained that they are looking to put approximately 250 units of self-storage on this lot, some units with drive-up access and some interior access units. There would be 24 hour automated access. Mr. Spindler stated that there would be two single story buildings and one two-story building. He asked about where self-storage would fall within Zoning because it was not specifically mentioned. Chairman Phillips stated that they would need to see the Zoning Board. Vice Chair Bosco asked if the existing storage places predated the Zoning Ordinance. Chairman Phillips responded in the negative. Forrest Green agreed that this should receive approval from Zoning. Mr. Spindler also asked about possible relief for the setbacks on the property. Mr. Murphy noted that the Fire Department may want the ability to drive all the way around the buildings. Chairman Phillips asked if they were aware of the easement along the front of the property. Mr. Spindler and Mr. Murphy responded in the affirmative, asking if the Town would want everything connected. Chairman Phillips stated that this was the intention. Mr. Spindler stated that in this situation the full use of the easement seemed a little excessive. Vice Chair Bosco recalled that when the Dollar General came in the Town wanted to send all traffic through the easement and the existing parking lot to Route 129, but the state allowed access to NH Route 106. Chairman Phillips stated that this was something that they would need to work on but that the easement would need to carry forward. Mr. Murphy stated that with the access easement, stormwater, and landscaping, the front of the lot was getting very tight. Chairman Phillips asked if they had seen the Land Development Regulations, stating that they would need quite a bit of

landscaping. Alternate Phillips asked if the development could go any further back on the lot. Mr. Spindler discussed the slope of the property and asked about the slope of the driveway. Chairman Phillips directed them to the Driveway Profile in the rear of the Land Development Regulations. Mr. Spindler and Mr. Murphy thanked the Board.

Public Hearings:

Old Business -

Application #21-08 Kirby Family Trust – Map 47 Lot 35 – Subdivision

Surveyor Web Stout represented the applicant. Conservation Commission Chair Julie Robinson was present. No abutters were present. Chairman Phillips asked Mr. Stout if the only change to the plan was including the Zoning Board approval information and Mr. Stout responded in the affirmative. Chairman Phillips opened the public hearing at 7:53 p.m. Chairman Phillips read the letter

requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #4 and Layout Plan Checklist Item #4 to allow for a different plan scale. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #7, depicting natural and man-made features. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #9, existing contour levels. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #10, Site Specific Soils. Josh Pearl made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #11, State and Federally designated wetlands. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Layout Plan Checklist Item #11, test pit locations. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Layout Plan Checklist Item #12, Site Specific Soils. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Layout Plan Checklist Item #13, State and Federal wetland information. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Forrest Green. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips closed the public hearing at 8:01 p.m. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Alternate Bob Phillips. All in favor; Application #21-08 approved without conditions.

Application #21-09 Charlene Morin Irrevocable Trust – Map 33 Lot 2 – Subdivision

Forrest Green recused himself for the hearing on this application. Surveyor Jeff Green represented the applicant with assistance from Forrest Green. No abutters were present. Chairman Phillips opened the hearing at 8:05 p.m. Jeff Green stated that revised plans had been

distributed to the Board and a packet of updated information had been submitted to the Chairman. Forrest Green stated that a new front page for the application was submitted to correct the acreage listed for the lot. A copy of the Zoning Board Notice of Decision was submitted to the Board, as well as a copy of the state subdivision approval. Jeff Green stated that the revisions block on the new plan reflected the addition of the state subdivision approval and Zoning approval as Note #8 and as Note #13. Chairman Phillips asked if the new plan showed what the Zoning Board had approved for cutting back the existing driveway. Jeff Green stated that he had added a note but was unsure how the Board would like him to represent the change to the driveway. He stated that he could put a hashed area to show the change to the driveway, and Chairman Phillips responded that this would work. Chairman Phillips asked if there was anything else from the Board. The hearing was closed to the public at 8:10 p.m. Chairman Phillips stated that the only condition was to require that the section of the driveway to be removed be shown on the plan with hashmarks. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the application with one condition, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; Application #21-09 approved with one condition.

Application #21-11 Judith F. Boska Revocable Trust – Map 54 Lot 3 – Subdivision

Forrest Green remained recused for the hearing on this application. Surveyor Jeff Green represented the applicants with assistance from Forrest Green. Applicants Jeff and Terri Leonard were present. No abutters were present. New plans were distributed to the Board. The public hearing was opened at 8:13 p.m. Jeff Green stated that he had gone back and recalculated the buildable area on the plans and found that there was an area with 21% slope instead of a 25% slope. After these recalculations they were left with 1.56 acres of buildable area. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #10, Site Specific Soils. Josh Pearl made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Layout Plan Checklist Item #10, Site Specific Soils. Josh Pearl made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Existing Conditions Checklist Item #12, Dimension of Property Lines. Josh Pearl made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Alternate Bob Phillips. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips read the letter requesting a waiver for Layout Plan Checklist Item #8, Dimension of Property Lines. Josh Pearl made a motion to approve the waiver, seconded by Vice Chair Danielle Bosco. All in favor; waiver approved. Chairman Phillips closed the hearing to the public at 8:21 p.m. Vice Chair Danielle Bosco made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Josh Pearl. All in favor; Application #21-11 approved without conditions.

New Business -

Application #21-12 Raimer/Phillips 2018 Trust – Map 51 Lots 31 & 43 – Lot Line Adjustment

Forrest Green rejoined the Board at this time. Applicants Jennifer and Matthew Raimer were present. Chairman Phillips explained that the Board did not have enough members to hold a

public hearing because both he and Alternate Phillips would have to recuse themselves. He also noted that the engineer was not present. Vice Chair Bosco asked if they needed to continue the application. Josh Pearl made a motion to continue the application, seconded by Vice Chair Bosco. Chairman Phillips stated that there were not enough voting members to continue the application.

Board Discussion & Correspondence:

79 Lovering Ave Citation Letter – Chairman Phillips noted that there was no one in attendance to discuss this letter. He explained that a citation letter had been issued for a rental business on Lovering Ave. The owners had wanted to come before the Planning Board, so they would have discussed with him why this was an issue.

Map 57 Lot 8 and Map 58 Lots 66 & 67 – Chairman Phillips projected a plan onto the TV screens and explained that there is a large piece of property on Berry Road that has a small chunk of land across the street on the shore of the pond. He stated that the chunk of land on the pond is part of the larger lot of record across the street. The office received many phone calls over the summer about this because the people that owned the lots on either side of the chunk of land wanted to purchase it. They were advised what to do and were supposed to meet with the Board. This chunk of land was conveyed to the

owners of the land around it, but the transfer was illegal because the chunk of land was not a lot of record. Town Counsel had been contacted, and a letter would be sent to both the seller and the buyer. Josh Pearl asked if they would need to come to any meetings, and Chairman Phillips responded that they would need to complete a lot line adjustment.

Housing Subcommittee Appointments – Chairman Phillips stated that forming this subcommittee had been discussed during the early Zoning Workshops. There were many discussions about tiny homes and ADUs and the fact that there is a significant shortage of housing in New Hampshire. He stated that there may not need to be any significant changes to the Zoning Ordinance, but there might be some little things that the Board could do. Chairman Phillips suggested that the subcommittee could be made up of members of the Planning Board, Zoning Board, Fire Department, Code Enforcement, or even the Selectboard. He hoped that the committee would meet once a month and have a recommendation ironed out by the time that Zoning Workshops started in September. Chairman Phillips stated that Marilyn Whitten had expressed interest in serving on the subcommittee. Vice Chair Bosco, Josh Pearl, and Alternate Phillips expressed interest in serving on the subcommittee. Chairman Phillips stated that they would figure out when the committee would meet once they knew who would be serving.

Rules of Procedure Updates – Chairman Phillips directed attention to the back sheet of the packet that outlined the proposed changes. He noted the addition of a disqualification section, changes to the notice posting requirements section, and updating the way the public hearings are conducted in order to reflect the current practices. The Administrative Assistant mentioned updating the time frame for drafting meeting minutes and issuing notices of decisions to five business days.

Excavation Regulations – Chairman Phillips stated that the biggest change would replace the “Monitoring” and “Fees” sections and would require an Annual Report from operators. This style of self-reporting would help with inspections and assessing reclamation. He also noted that the changes would allow the Board to require scheduled updates to reclamation plans. Forrest Green asked if this would affect every gravel pit in town. Chairman Phillips responded in the affirmative, stating that some of the smaller pits wouldn’t have to do much.

Land Development Regulations – Chairman Phillips stated that a lot of the proposed updates were things that had come up over the last year and just made a sense. He asked about the Board’s thoughts on the elimination of daytime parking permits from the Land Development Regulations. He explained that these permits were renewed yearly, and that some permit holders were actually parking RVs during the week of the races. This was not covered by the parking permit. Chairman Phillips stated that he had spoken with Chief Blanchette about removing parking permits from the Land Development Regulations and having Code Enforcement work with the Selectmen to create a new permitting process. This new permit could address overnight parking. Josh Pearl asked if there were as many permits going out anymore. Forrest Green asked if an increase in events at the flat track would affect parking permits. Chairman Phillips stated that by moving the permits to Code Enforcement, there would be more flexibility to change the application or fees to accommodate more events. He concluded that once some of the details had been discussed with Code Enforcement and the Selectmen, a joint letter could be sent to all permit holders to explain the changes.

Notice Posting – Chairman Phillips stated that notices were currently posted at the Town Office, at the Dump, at the Beanstalk, and that they are sent to the library. He stated that the Selectmen post at the Town Office, at the Post Office, and online. Chairman Phillips stated that he would like to move to the same thing in order to be consistent. He asked if everyone was comfortable with notices only being posted outside the Town Office, at the Post Office, on the website, and in the newspaper.

Adjournment:

Forrest Green made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alternate Bob Phillips. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment Regular Meeting Minutes January 27, 2022

DRAFT

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

Roll Call Attendance: Todd Phelps, Vice Chair Peter Pitman, Chairman Earl Tuson, Charlie Aznive, Alvin See.

Code Enforcement: Deputy Chief Bill Lake

Acceptance of Minutes:

December 23, 2021, Regular Meeting Minutes – Todd Phelps made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Charlie Aznive. All in favor; December 23, 2021 meeting minutes accepted.

Public Hearings:

New Business

Application #Z22-01 Bear Enterprises LLC – Map 31 Lot 26 – Special Exception for an Accessory Dwelling Unit. Applicant Gary Anderson was present. Abutter John Mesick of 34 Clearview Drive was present. Mr. Anderson explained that they were looking to add an in-law apartment to the basement level of a house that they were building. Vice Chair Pitman asked if Mr. Anderson was the owner and if he was moving to this house. Mr. Anderson replied in the affirmative. Chairman Tuson asked how many bedrooms there would be. Mr. Anderson responded that he had a five (5) bedroom septic and the house currently had four or five bedrooms. He stated that there was a room in the ADU that could be used as a dining room/bedroom. Charlie Aznive asked if it had a closet. Mr. Anderson stated that it did not currently. Todd Phelps asked if there would be a bedroom in the ADU. Mr. Anderson responded in the negative, stating that the ADU would be setup more like a studio apartment. Chairman Tuson asked about the total size of the ADU, and Mr. Anderson responded that it was approximately 770 square feet. Chairman Tuson asked if the calculation on the plan cover page included the basement mechanical room. Mr. Anderson stated that the basement was the same 980 square feet footprint as the upper floors. He concluded that the mechanical room accounted for the 200 square foot difference in the basement. Todd Phelps and Charlie Aznive discussed whether there needed to be a dedicated bedroom and a closet. Deputy Chief Lake stated that the presence of a closet usually triggered the definition of a bedroom. Vice Chair Pitman stated that the Ordinance only said that the ADU could not exceed two (2) bedrooms. Vice Chair

Peter Pitman made a motion that this application did not present a development of regional impact, seconded by Alvin See. All in favor; Application #Z22-01 not of regional impact. Chairman Tuson read through the application with Mr. Anderson. Mr. Anderson amended Question One (1) to read “Section 204.3.” Abutter John Mesick read aloud a prepared statement

with his concerns. He asked about the IRC emergency exit requirements for a basement bedroom, and Mr. Anderson stated that there would be steps installed into one of the retaining walls to allow access to street level. Mr. Mesick expressed concerns about drainage around the driveway and how this would affect parking. He asked about whether the driveway would go into the setback as shown on the plan. Mr. Anderson stated that the whole house had been shifted so the plan had since been updated. He felt confident that he could fit four parking spaces. Mr. Anderson also offered to meet with Mr. Mesick about any other concerns that he may have that were unrelated to the ADU. Deputy Chief Lake stated that there was access to get around the building from the basement, and it would need to be kept clear in the winter. Alvin asked if the application should be continued to allow for submission of an updated plan showing the actual location of the house. Mr. Anderson stated that the house had been shifted to move the driveway out of the setback, and Todd Phelps noted that this shift was stated in the application. Chairman Tuson stated that he did not feel that the application needed to be continued for a new plan. The hearing was closed to the public at 7:27 p.m. and the application was taken up for Board deliberations. Todd Phelps stated that some of the concerns presented were more about this property than the ADU itself and stated that he saw no problems with the application. Vice Chair Pitman agreed. Todd Phelps made a motion to accept the application as presented, seconded by Vice Chair Peter Pitman. Roll call vote: Alvin See – Yes; Charlie Aznive – Yes; Chairman Earl Tuson – Yes; Vice Chair Peter Pitman – Yes; Todd Phelps – Yes. All in favor; Application #22-01 approved as presented.

Board Discussion/Correspondence:

Rules of Procedure Updates – Chairman Tuson stated that he had updated the Rules of Procedure to reflect Alvin See’s suggestions about members, alternates, and meetings. He stated that instead of alternates being barred from participating in Board deliberations, an alternate could now participate until a motion was made. Chairman Tuson stated that the suggestion to break out special meetings and site visits as separate from regular meetings was carried over, and the word “strictly” was struck from the section about personal electronic devices. Chairman Tuson suggested that the Board vote on the updated Rules of Procedure at the February meeting. Several Board members agreed.

Notice Posting Locations – Chairman Tuson asked where notices were currently posted. The Administrative Assistant stated that they are posted outside the Town Offices, at the Beanstalk, the Dump, and the Post Office. The notice is emailed to the library and published in the Concord Monitor. Chairman Tuson asked if the Board only needed to post in two (2) places by law. The Administrative Assistant replied in the affirmative and stated that the Selectmen’s notices are posted at the Town Offices, the Post Office, and online. Chairman Tuson stated that he would like all of the Boards to be posting in the same places, and that a notice should be posted at the Beanstalk and Dump to state that notices would no longer be posted in those locations. He stated that he did not think that this was something the Board needed to vote on.

Housing Subcommittee Letter – A letter from the Planning Board about the establishment of a housing subcommittee was distributed to the members. Todd Phelps stated that there was a need for this because there was no housing in Loudon that was reasonably affordable. Charlie Aznive stated that they needed to be careful with how this was handled, and Todd Phelps stated that this was part of what the subcommittee would do. Alvin See stated that the subcommittee should keep an eye on upcoming legislation. Deputy Chief Lake stated that part of the driving force behind this subcommittee would be getting ahead of some of the issues that are being discussed in legislation. Alvin See and Chairman Tuson volunteered to serve on the subcommittee, and Todd Phelps and Charlie Aznive stated that they might be interested. Vice Chair Pitman asked if this subcommittee would be designing new ordinances, and Chairman Tuson stated that this seemed to come from the fact that there wasn’t enough time to discuss these issues during the regular Zoning Workshop meetings in the fall.

Letter regarding 79 Lovering Avenue Citation – Chairman Tuson sent the letter around to the Board members to read. He stated that this letter should be taken as information and that the Board should not act on it. Alvin See stated that there was not an application here, so the Board could not pass judgement. Charlie Aznive agreed.

Letter regarding Powerbuilt Electrical Approval – Chairman Tuson sent the letter and information around to the Board members. He stated that this letter should be taken as information only because there was no application.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Chairman Tuson stated that there was nothing to report for Board of Permit.

Adjournment:

Vice Chair Peter Pitman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Todd Phelps. All in favor; meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Pedersen

Zoning Board Administrative Assistant

Loudon Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 11, 2022

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

I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

II. Selectman Storrs made a motion to approve the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of Tuesday January 4, 2022, as written. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

III. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to approve and authorize the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette:

a. Chief Blanchette stated the department has 4 members out due to illness or COVID exposure.

b. Chief Blanchette said Ambulance 1 is having recall work done at Nucar in Tilton. Friday Ambulance 2 had break failure and it was repaired at JD Repair. Tower 2 maintenance was done on Sunday.

c. Chief Blanchette said on Saturday he and Lieutenant Matt LaDuke cleared hydrants and cisterns from the snowstorm. Chief Blanchette thanked the members of the community that help maintain hydrants in their communities especially Bee Hole Road and Piper Hill Road.

d. Chief Blanchette said that last night was the training meeting. They had 18 members present.

e. Chief Blanchette said last week Fire Fighter Carter went and conducted monthly checks on public access AEDs and updated State AED Registry.

f. Chief Blanchette said he received a resignation letter from Lieutenant Gary Brooks.

g. Chief Blanchette said he received a letter from Eversource encouraging towns to be prepared if there were outages due to extreme weather. Chief Blanchette noted that the Town Office is the only building without a generator.

h. Chairman Maxfield thanked Gary Brooks for his service to the Town of Loudon and wished him the best at his new department.

V. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl:

a. Mr. Pearl stated the crew has been busy with snow and rainstorms and has been monitoring the sand and salt supply as well as the trucks. Mr. Pearl said one truck is out for repair with hopes it will be repaired this week.

b. Mr. Pearl said he spoke with Ben Carter about setting up the ice-skating rink in the basketball court. Mr. Pearl said he spoke with the Town engineer and was advised there should be no damage to the court. The Selectmen agreed it would be ok.

VI. The Board met with Police Sergeant Dana Flanders:

a. Sergeant Flanders said they have 2 people out due to COVID or COVID related issues.

b. Sergeant Flanders said last week, with help from the Fire Department and mutual aid a search warrant was obtained for the Quality Inn and a large amount of drugs was seized.

c. Sergeant Flanders said all the cruisers are running well.

d. Sergeant Flanders said there is a new Officer starting the Academy on February 7th. Sergeant Flanders said it is no longer a residential Academy it is commuter.

e. Sergeant Flanders said Officer Cyr is nearing the end of the FTO process and an annual review was completed.

VII. The Board discussed New Business:

a. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to allow the skating rink to be placed on the basketball court at the Recreation field. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion: Chairman Maxfield said that after speaking with the Town Engineer he feels comfortable with using the court. Majority in favor. Motion carried. Jeff Leonard asked why the Board did not want the Tennis Court to be used. Chairman Maxfield said they did not want to take the chance of damaging the Tennis Court.

b. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to recommend the 2022 Warrant Articles as listed. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion- Selectman Storrs did not recommend Article III. Majority in favor. Motion carried. The Board will also need to get Selectman Millers recommendations.

VIII. Fire Chief Blanchette asked for a nonpublic session to discuss a personal issue. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to enter into a nonpublic session under RSA: 91-A:3, II (c) at 5:18 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Roll call vote, Selectman Storrs, Yes, Chairman Maxfield, Yes. Majority in favor. Motion carried. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 5:33 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

IX. Chairman Maxfield reviewed upcoming dates. Wednesday January 12th- ARPA Committee Meeting.

X. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board received a letter from NH Department of Health and Human Services providing a COVID update for quarantine guidelines.

XI. Chairman Maxfield recognized Alicha Kingsbury, Ms. Kingsbury asked who was attending the MVSD Collaborative meeting. Chairman Maxfield stated Selectman Miller was going to but will not be able to so he will do his best to attend.

XII. Chairman Maxfield stated at the Board will recess until the Public Hearing at 6:30PM.

XIII. Chairman Maxfield called the public hearing to order on the proposed July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 budget and warrant articles.

XIV. Chairman Maxfield presented a pie chart representing the four budget categories in which the Town is responsible for and the percentage the Town pays with tax dollars towards

each. Chairman Maxfield said the categories are School- 56%, County- 12%, State Education- 9% and Town- 23%.

XV. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board will begin by reviewing the 2022-2023 Budget. This budget covers all Town expenses and services for the year. Chairman Maxfield presented the 2022-2023 Budget, Revenue and Warrant Articles in detail. Chairman Maxfield noted any changes from the previous year.

a. Jeff Leonard asked about the telephone line in each department and if there is one bill received by the town or separate bills. Chairman Maxfield said that each department accounts for their usage. Mr. Leonard asked how much the bill is each month. Chairman Maxfield stated he does not have a bill now to reference. Brenda Pearl, Town Administrator said that the Town Office gets one bill but it is divided between the different offices depending on the number of lines and if the office has a fax line.

b. Jeff Leonard asked about the cleaning line under General Government Building, and if that cleaning position would be put out for bid or how they would be hired. Chairman Maxfield said they would like to hire an individual and not a cleaning service, but they could put it out for bid.

c. Alvin See asked about electricity line for the Town Office and if the line is lower due to the solar panel installation. Chairman Maxfield said yes, it is lower because of the solar panels.

d. Alicha Kingsbury stated she thinks the Heat, Natural Gas and Electricity lines should be higher due to what is happening right now to help prevent overages next year.

e. Alvin See asked what properties the Town has in Canterbury and Concord. Chairman Maxfield stated there is a property on Mudgett Hill and Flagg Road.

f. Alicha Kingsbury asked what Fire Department Compensation line was. It was explained that Compensation was for when the volunteers work.

g. Alvin See asked if the Gas and Oil line was for the trucks or for the building. Chairman Maxfield said it was for the trucks not the building.

h. Alicha Kingsbury confirmed that the Transfer Station spends $3,800 in telephone. Russ Pearl stated the security cameras are also included in the telephone line.

XVI. Chairman Maxfield continued to 2022-2023 Estimated Revenues, noting any changes.

XVII. Chairman Maxfield noted a Petition Warrant Article that was received today, a Petition to have the town vote on a direct the Merrimack Valley School Board to establish a committee to study the opportunities and liabilities to the Town of Loudon to withdraw from Merrimack Valley School District pursuant to RSA 195:25 Procedure to withdraw. The study committee shall submit a feasibility report of their finding to the New Hampshire Board of Education within 180 days.

XVIII. Chairman Maxfield read and reviewed in detail, the 2022 Warrant Articles to be voted on March 8, 2022.

XIX. Alvin See asked if the Public Hearing on February 2nd will have the same information. Chairman Maxfield said the Board has worked many hours on the budget as it was presented tonight.

XX. Chairman Maxfield noted that last year's budget was up 5% and this year is up 3.59%.

XXI. Chip Barrett stated that last years estimated tax impact on the warrant was $8.90 and this years estimated tax impact shows $7.47. Mr. Barrett stated it is considerably less and shows the Town is doing a good job.

XXII. Chairman Maxfield stated that with more Warrant Articles coming in a second Public Hearing will be held. Chairman Maxfield said that the Board will wait until the second Public Hearing to approve the Budget and Revenues.

XXIII. Alvin See asked what the deadline for a petition warrant article is. Brenda Pearl advised Tuesday February 1st is the deadline.

XXIV. Chairman Maxfield made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:37 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

XXV. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn the neeting at 7:38 PM. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 18, 2022

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

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

II. Selectman Storrs made a motion to approve the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of Tuesday January 11, 2022, as written. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield. Majority in favor. Motion carried.

III. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept and approve the Consent Agenda as listed. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

IV. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl:

a. Mr. Pearl stated the storm yesterday presented a challenge, but the crew got through it.

b. Mr. Pearl said he was notified that building materials will be delivered for the storage shed and hopes to start building this week.

c. Selectman Miller thanked the Highway Crew for their work and stated they are doing a good job.

V. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess:

a. Chief Burgess stated all the employees are currently all well within the Department.

b. Chief Burgess stated all cruisers are up and running with no issues.

c. Chief Burgess said that Officer Cyr has completed his FTO program and passed the written test, he is also certified with the X26 Taser and currently working on his own.

d. Chief Burgess stated the Loudon Police Department has started the Highway Safety Grant and the first one resulted in 12 violations within a 4-hour period. The next grant will be focusing on, You Drive, You Text, You Pay.

e. Chief Burgess stated Officer Eddy passed the initial physical agility test for the entrance into the Academy. He is slated to begin February 8th, 2022. The Academy is currently a commuter Academy and Chief Burgess stated he will inform the Board if that changes.

f. Chief Burgess stated Sergeant Flanders and Corporal Nye will be attending Evidence Training on March 8th and 9th to be held at Derry Police Department.

g. Chief Burgess recognized Sergeant Flanders for his work with Maine State Police on a murder investigation that resulted in an arrest and full confession.

h. Chief Burgess stated it looks like Dispatch Live will be up as of February 1st.

i. Chairman Maxfield confirmed with the new hire the Police will have a full staff.

j. Selectman Miller asked about part time Officers. Chief Burgess said that they have interviewed a couple but it has not worked out and that the Academy is not holding a part time academy.

k. The Board received and reviewed a raise request for Officer Clayton Cyr for .50 as he has completed the Academy and the FTO program. Chief Burgess stated it is within the budget. The Board approved the request.

l. The Board received a performance evaluation for an Officer.

VI. The Board met with appointment, State Representative/ Moderator Howard Pearl.

a. Mr. Pearl stated he was made aware that the upcoming Town Meeting in March at the Elementary school would require a mask to be worn. Mr. Pearl stated he does not feel this is best for the Town and may discourage some residents from attending if a mask requirement is in place. Chairman Maxfield stated if there is not a mask requirement some may also not attend. The Board discussed the option of using the Fire Station and the noise from the trucks. The Board also discussed asking for approval of using the Elementary school as it is on a weekend, after hours and the Fire Department has the option of spraying the area to disinfect. Chairman Maxfield stated he will reach out to the Superintendent about options at the school. Chairman Maxfield recognized Jeff Leonard, 68 Coaster Road. Mr. Leonard stated, at School Board meetings unmasked individuals are allowed to go to the cafeteria and the masked individuals go to the gymnasium. So, although there is a policy, they break that policy for School Board Meetings and the School Board may be able to give approval.

VII. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board received and signed a SPCA Form stating a fee for stray dogs $70, Cats $35 and other uninjured animals $35. Chief Burgess stated the Police Department tries to find the owner before bringing any animal to the SPCA.

VIII. The Board reviewed a document from the Department of Health and Human Service regarding quarantine guidelines. The CDC recommends 5-day quarantine and 5-days with a mask. The Selectmen agreed that the town will follow those guidelines. The guidelines do not apply to the Fire Department and Police Department.

IX. Selectman Miller made a motion to rescind the previous adopted COVID Emergency Paid Sick Leave Policy that was adopted on 12/15/2020 and remand back to the Personnel Policy for Sick time. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion, the motion is to go into effect February 1, 2022. All in favor. Motion carried.

X. The Board reviewed a confidential Ambulance Bill. Selectman Miller recommends it be referred to legal before further steps are taken. The Board agreed.

XI. The reviewed New Business:

a. Chairman Maxfield stated January 12, there was an ARPA Committee meeting, and some great information was shared. Chairman Maxfield said that there is a webinar on January 27th with more information.

b. Chairman Maxfield stated last Thursday he attended a School Board meeting. Chairman Maxfield stated the Budget for the upcoming year for the School District is $44 Million, it is up 1.15 million and a 2.25% increase from last year.

c. Selectman Miller made a motion that the Loudon Board of Selectmen hold their regular meetings with the general public on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6PM beginning on February 1st, 2022. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion-

Selectman Miller stated this is a procedural matter and the procedures are made and mandated by the Board of Selectmen and the Board has the authority to do so. It is being done to make the meetings more efficient and to save a little money for the Town. Jeff Leonard asked if the Board will meet on the off Tuesday. Chairman Maxfield stated they will not meet but will still be responsible for the administrative duties that are done on either Monday or Tuesday. It was discussed what is considered a meeting between Selectmen and what is an occasional run in. Mr. Leonard shared his concerns with the Board discussing town business without a public meeting. Mr. Leonard asked what the benefit to the Town is to meet twice a month rather than every week. Selectman Miller said not lighting or heating and cooling the room. Chairman Maxfield stated if a future Board wishes to return to every week, they may make that decision. Mr. Leonard stated his opinion on the Town hiring a Town Manager and asked how they can begin the process. The Board stated a petition could be created and would have to be in by February 1st.

All in favor. Motion carried.

XII. Tax Collector Helen McNeil requested a nonpublic session to discuss a tax matter. Selectman Miller made a motion to enter into a nonpublic session under RSA: 91-A:3, II (c) at 6:37 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Roll call vote, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs- Yes, Chairman Maxfield- Yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Miller made a motion to come out of nonpublic session at 6:58 PM. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for a period of five years. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Roll call vote, Selectman Miller-Yes, Selectman Storrs- Yes, Chairman Maxfield- Yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller stated the purpose of the meeting was back taxes on a property and a proposed agreement.

XIII. Chairman Maxfield reviewed upcoming dates. Wednesday

January 19th- Friday January 28th – Candidate Sign ups.

XIV. Chairman Maxfield recognized Ms. Patfield. Ms.Patfield stated there are signs on 106 that she does not believe are ok. Ms. Patfield stated other towns have regulations to prevent these types of signs from being posted and asked how the town can also create the change. Chairman Maxfield stated they could discuss with the Police Chief and Code Enforcement Officer if there are any violation but under the 1st Amendment, they cannot require the signs to be removed if no violations have occurred. The Board stated if the town were to change or create a Zoning Ordinance it would need to go before the Zoning Board.

XV. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 PM. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs. Also present, Fire Chief Tom Blanchette and Town Administrator Brenda Pearl.

I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

II. Selectman Storrs made a motion to approve the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of Tuesday January 18, 2022, as written. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

III. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept and approve the Consent Agenda as listed. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

IV. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette:

a. Chief Blanchette stated everyone is back and healthy within the Department.

b. Chief Blanchette stated some members of the Department started Fire Fighter 1 and 2 programs as well as EMT classes.

c. Chief Blanchette said that Eversource sent a question-and-answer sheet as follow up to a previous notice regarding outages and Chief Blanchette stated there is a webinar scheduled February 10th with more information.

d. Chief Blanchette stated he attended a class on Strategic Decision Making and Deputy Lake attended Command and Control Class and ST421 Standards update.

e. Chief Blanchette stated he received one letter of resignation.

f. Chief Blanchette stated he received one letter for a potential new call member. The Selectmen approved the hiring of the individual.

g. Chief Blanchette said that this month the Department has received 100 calls for service. Last year there was a total of 971 calls for service.

V. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board has signed and will be sending out a confidential letter to a resident regarding taxes.

VI. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board received guidance from the town Attorney regarding an ambulance bill and property lien. It was advised that the Town cannot put a lien on property due to outstanding ambulance bills. Selectman Miller made a motion to write off the following call number 20000635 in the amount of $1,040 as it is uncollectable. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion- Chairman Maxfield said that the Town has a collection agency that works to collect the money from the individual but when it is determined that they will not be able to collect, the Board will be forced to write the amount off. All in favor. Motion carried.

VII. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board has a letter for the Maxfield Public Library Trustees regarding Annual Budget. Reminding them that funds not utilized on an annual basis and not encumbered must be returned to the towns general fund.

VIII. The Board received a new schedule proposal from the Police Chief. It is being proposed to change back to 10-hour day schedules as the department is almost fully staffed. The Board agreed to the schedule change.

IX. The Board discussed the Selectman's recommendation of Warrant Articles and Chairman Maxfield stated that if the Board would like to put tallies representing the 3 Selectmen's recommendations, the Board would need to make a motion. Selectman Miller stated it is the Boards decision on the procedure. Selectman Miller made a motion that the Board of Selectman will use numeric tallying on warrant articles presented for town meeting. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion- Chairman Maxfield stated he believes the numeric tallies will give a more accurate representation of the Board. All in favor. Motion carried.

X. The Board voted on their recommendation of the Warrant Articles presented for Town Meeting.

a. Article #4, Purchase of Dump Truck; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- No, Selectman Storrs-No.

b. Article #5, To reclaim and pave Clough Hill Road; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

c. Article #6, To reclaim and pave Piper Hill Road; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- No, Selectman Storrs-No.

d. Article #7, Fire Department Command Vehicle; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

e. Article #8, Cardiac defibrillator; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

f. Article #9, Police cruiser; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller-Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

g. Article #10, Change purpose of expendable trust fund for the library; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- No, Selectman Storrs-No.

h. Article #11, To raise and appropriate for establish capital reserve funds; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

i. Article #12, To raise and establish expendable trust funds; Chairman

Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.
j. Article #13, For general municipal operations the total number that is required; Chairman Maxfield-Yes, Selectman Miller- Yes, Selectman Storrs-Yes.

k. Chairman Maxfield stated Articles #14, 15 & 16 are by petition and the Selectman do not have to state their position on those articles.

XI. Chairman Maxfield reviewed upcoming important dates:

Candidate sign-ups- Wednesday, 1/19/22-Friday, 1/28/22

ARPA Committee meeting/ webinar- Thursday, 1/27/22 at 2:00pm

Zoning Board meeting- Thursday, 1/27/22 at 7pm

Jeff Leonard asked for clarification on the schedule of Planning and Zoning meetings. It was advised that Planning Board meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month and the Zoning Board meets on the 4th Thursday of the month.

XII. Chairman Maxfield recognized Bethany Porter. Ms. Porter stated she will be submitting a written statement. Ms. Porter also stated she feels the Police Department should be wearing body cameras to show that people are telling the truth and she has spoken to the Police Chief about the potential for Loudon Officers to get and wear body cameras.

XIII. Selectman Miller stated he received an email from Robert Landry with NH DOT regarding the application for bridge funding and advising the Town of Loudon to get an application in soon as funding is becoming available.

XIV. Chairman Maxfield stated he called the Superintendent of the Merrimack Valley School District regarding masks at the Loudon Elementary school for Town Meeting. Chairman Maxfield stated he has not received a final decision yet and he will reach out if he has not heard back by Monday.

XV. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 1, 2022

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

I. Chairman Maxfield called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

II. Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Selectmen Meeting Minutes of Tuesday January 25, 2022, as written. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

III. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept and approve the Consent Agenda as listed. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried.

IV. The Board met with Moderator Howard Pearl:

a. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board was made aware that if the Town was to use the Elementary School for Town Meeting there would be a mask requirement with the option of unmasked residents staying in the cafeteria and masked residents to be in the gymnasium. Chairman Maxfield said that the other option is Fire Station 1. The Board discussed the challenges with having residents in separate rooms for Town Meeting. Howard Pearl recommended that a location be provided in which everyone can be in the same room. Mr. Pearl and the Board discussed using the Fire Station and that a sound system and stage would be needed to use that location. Selectman Miller made a motion to utilize the Fire Station for Town Meeting. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion, Chairman Maxfield clarified that Station 1 in the Village will be utilized. All in favor. Motion carried. Chief Blanchette said that he would look at prices to rent a stage. Rodney Phillips said that he can look into a sound system and that it is important to test the system before the date of the Meeting.

b. The Board discussed Candidates Night on March 2nd at 6pm at the Town Office and asked if Howard Pearl would be willing to moderate. Mr. Pearl said that he would be willing to moderate.

V. The Board met with Fire Chief Tom Blanchette:

a. Chief Blanchette stated everyone is back and healthy within the Department.

b. Chief Blanchette stated they are having mechanical issues with the Tanker truck.

c. Chief Blanchette said that the Department has been able to fill the February schedule with mostly per diem employees with some overtime due to the vacancy.

d. Selectman Miller asked if the Tanker is out of service or operational. Chief Blanchette said that it is off and on and they are working on resolving the issue.

e. Chairman Maxfield thanked the Fire Department for establishing and maintaining the skating rink at the rec field.

VI. The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl:

a. Mr. Pearl said all went well with the last storm and it looks like a busy weather pattern headed our way. Mr. Pearl said the crew is ready to go if needed.

b. Mr. Pearl said that they picked up the new truck today and dropped it off to have the plows and sander put in.

c. Mr. Pearl said the equipment storage building is going well. The roof is next to be installed.

d. Chairman Maxfield asked about Flagg Road headed towards Canterbury and confirmed that no resident in Loudon lives on that area of the road except a resident in Canterbury. Mr. Pearl said yes at this time it is just that one home and that an arrangement was made for maintaining some other roads in the town and it works out well.

e. Selectman Miller said that the highway crew is doing a good job.

VII. The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess:

a. Chief Burgess said that they have been very busy this year.

b. Chief Burgess said that all are well within the department.

c. Chief Burgess said that they went Dispatch Live today, and it is a new tool for everyone to learn.

d. Chief Burgess said they will be holding a training tomorrow on a variety of topics.

e. Chief Burgess thanked the Board for allowing the department to modify the monthly schedules.

f. Chief Burgess said that Janice Morin and Sergeant Flanders are enrolled in NIBRIS training online.

g. Chief Burgess said that he had no issues with the vaccination clinic at the Elementary School yesterday.

h. Selectman Miller stated the Board has come up with detail rates to present to NHMS for both Police and Fire.

i. Chief Burgess said he received the email with a concern from a resident about a dog and he is working on it.

VIII. The Board received options for the 1996 Fire Engine. Selectman Miller made a motion to attempt to sell the 1996 Freightliner Engine 3 by use of Municibid with a reserve bid of $10,000 and to remove it from Brindlee Mountain Sales. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion, Chairman Maxfield thanked Chief Blanchette for his efforts looking into all options for the Engine. Chairman Maxfield said that any money obtained would go into the general fund. All in favor. Motion carried.

IX. The Board received a request from a resident to unseal and release nonpublic meeting minutes. Selectman Miller made a motion to open and review nonpublic session meeting minutes from 11/29/2016. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. All in favor. Motion carried. The Board reviewed the minutes. Selectman Miller made a motion to unseal the nonpublic session minutes from 11/29/2016. Seconded by Selectman Storrs. Discussion, Selectman Miller said that it was a previous Board and there doesn't appear to be anything to cause them to keep the Minutes sealed. All in favor. Motion carried

X. Chairman Maxfield said that he wanted to make a statement regarding decisions of the Board. Chairman Maxfield stated a single member of the Board may not make a decision on behalf of the Board without a quorum and a properly held meeting.

XI. Selectman Miller asked about the bridge application. Road Agent Russ Pearl said he received an email that also went to the Board but there is no further information, and they are not accepting the applications yet.

XII. Chairman Maxfield reviewed important upcoming dates: Budget Hearing- Wednesday February 2nd, 2022, at 6:30pm.

XIII. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Present: Chairman Maxfield, Selectman Miller and Selectman Storrs Also present, Fire Chief Tom Blanchette and Town Administrator Brenda Pearl.

I. Chairman Maxfield called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30pm.

II. Chairman Maxfield said that this second Budget Hearing is for the budget that would be in effect July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023.

III. Chairman Maxfield said the only change to the purposed budget from the last budget hearing is on page 13 under Library Director Salary. The change effects the bottom line on page 15.

IV. Chairman Maxfield discussed revenues and stated that around half of the total purposed budget is paid for by revenues from the town and helps to keep the tax rate down.

V. Selectman Miller discussed Warrant Articles.

a. Article #4, Purchase of Dump Truck; Not recommended by Selectmen (2-1 vote).

b. Article #5, To reclaim and pave Clough Hill Road; Selectmen recommend.

c. Article #6, To reclaim and pave Piper Hill Road; Not recommended by Selectmen (2-1 vote).

d. Alvin See, 64 Plateau Ridge Road, asked why the selectmen do not recommend the articles and asked that if the Selectmen do not recommend an article to please explain why. Selectman Miller said he believes the current truck will last another year and give the town time to accumulate more money into the fund. Chairman Maxfield stated he recommends article #4 and the Road Agent explained that a new truck will perform better and they would be able to trade the current truck in towards the cost. Chairman Maxfield said that Road Agent Russ Pearl will explain to the public at town meeting. Selectman Miller said that the reason he does not recommend reclaiming and paving Piper Hill Road is because he believes it can wait another year. Selectman Miller said he believes it is maintaining the impact on the tax payers by pushing it out another year. Chairman Maxfield said he does recommend the article because the tax impact is less than last year and it was not approved last year. Chairman Maxfield said he believes there is a responsibility to maintain the roads before too much damage is done.

e. Article #7, Fire Department Command Vehicle; Selectmen recommend.

f. Article #8, Cardiac defibrillator; Selectmen Recommend.

g. Article #9, Police cruiser; Selectmen Recommend.

h. Article #10, Change purpose of expendable trust fund for the library; Not recommended by Selectmen (2-1 vote). Selectman Miller said he does not recommend because the library has not utilized any of the ETF over the years and the operating budget also had a line item for the same reason. Chairman Maxfield said the line item for books has been reduced from $9000 to $3000 and there is no money going into the capital reserve and he feels some funds should be

applied as to

replenish. Selectman Miller said he feels the library has funds available to use that have not been used and that it should not be taking from the tax payers if they are not using it.

i. Article #11, To raise and appropriate for establish capital reserve funds; Selectmen recommend.

j. Article #12, To raise and establish expendable trust funds; Selectmen recommend.

k. Article #13, For general municipal operations the total number that is required; Selectmen recommend. Chairman Maxfield said that the cost impact has gone down almost $1 per thousand.

l. Selectman Miller read the petition warrant articles that were submitted. Article #14- All Veterans Credit, Article #15- Establish committee to study withdrawal of Merrimack Valley School District, Article #16- Pertaining to election, all voting be by paper ballot only and be hand counted.

m. Alvin See, 64 Plateau Ridge Road stated in regard to Article #16, the town of Greenland held a special election for the same reason and caused a larger than normal turnout in which the town ran out of ballots and needed to photocopy more. Mr. See said this situation is a little different but the town should be prepared with chairs.

n. Helen Dlubac asked if Article #14 would be voted on by paper ballot. Chairman Maxfield explained it would be a hand vote unless a secret ballot is requested.

o. Robert Raney North Village Road said that a number of other towns have already adopted the All-veterans credit and he believes the impact is not great on the town.

p. Helen Dlubac North Village Road said she feels it is important that if they are honorably discharged then the individual should qualify for the Veterans tax credit not when they served.

q. A member of the public asked how a decision is made on the articles discussed. The Board said it will be voted on by the people on March 12, except Articles 1, 2 and 3 which will be voted on March 8th with elections.

r. Carol O'Brien Hardy Road, asked if the Board had a count on the number of people who would qualify for the All-Veterans Credit if it passes. The Board said no, they do not have the number of people who currently do not qualify, just the amount of people that currently receive the credit.

s. Helen Dlubac North Village Road asked how a petition is presented at town meeting. The Board explained that the moderator would present the petition, but it is recommended that someone who created the petition be available and ready to answer questions and further explain if needed.

VI. Chairman Maxfield closed the Budget Hearing at 7:07pm.

VII. Selectman Storrs made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:08pm. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Loudon Board of Selectmen

March 2022 in Loudon

Meetings are always subject to change. Please contact the group if you have any questions and/or to confirm any times or locations.

If Your Information is Wrong or You Would Like to Add an Event Please Contact Us at loudonledgergraphics@gmail.com so we can correct it.
Deadline for April Paper is March 18

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

1st Tuesday of the Month
6pm: Selectmen @ the Town Offices
7:00pm: Loudon Lions / American Legion Post #86, South Village St.

1st Wednesday of the Month
1-3pm: Loudon Historical Society / Open
6:30pm: 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
6pm: Selectmen @ the Town Offices
6:30pm: Recycling Committee @ Town Offices (subject to change / 219-6863)
7:00pm: Loudon Lions / American Legion Post #86, South Village St.

3rd Wednesday of the Month
1-3pm: Loudon Historical Society / Open
4:30pm Alternative Energy Commision meeting Good Weather: The Gazebo Bad
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

Every Tuesday
6:30pm Prayer Meeting @ Congregational Church

Please send your meeting minutes and notices to ledgerarticles@gmail.com to be included in *the Loudon Ledger.*
To advertise contact Sue Colby - 603.545.1967

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