



Wallingford News

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TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

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446-2336/townclerk@wallingfordvt.com
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Tax Rates for 2016

Wallingford's education tax rates were announced by the State.

The homestead rate for FY17 is \$1.3675, down from \$1.4290 last year.

The non-residential rate for FY17 is \$1.3724, down from \$1.3932 last year.

The Selectboard will set the town tax rate soon and new tax bills will be mailed after August 17th.



2016 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

The Town of Wallingford is happy to announce Lisa Cotrupi and Jenn Rocque-Tift returned as co-directors. It is offered to children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade. The program runs the following weeks: June 27 - July 1, July 25-29, August 1-5, August 8-12. Hours of operation: Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-5:15 pm (actual rec. program hours will be 8:45 am to about 4:15 pm). For questions, call Sandi Switzer at 446-2872.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife have issued the 2016 Lottery applications for VT Antlerless Deer Muzzleloader Hunting Permits. The application deadline is August 26th. Stop in for an application. Apply online at www.vtfishandwildlife.com and be entered in a drawing to win 1 of 10-\$50 Cabela's gift cards.

ATTENTION

Need a mechanic? How about a babysitter, veterinarian, plumber or yoga instructor? Now, in addition to asking neighbors via our Front Porch Forum e-newsletter, you can also find what you need in the new online [FPF Business Directory](http://frontporchforum.com/business_directories). More than 5,000 small businesses and nonprofits have already created listings in this new resource for Vermonters. It's easy to use. It's free. It's another service brought to you by Front Porch Forum... the FPF Business Directory... http://frontporchforum.com/business_directories

Deadline for submission to the Wallingford News is the 23rd of each month.

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NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT "2016 WALLINGFORD RECREATION PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS"



August 2016

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

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	7:00am Rotary 12:00pm Seniors Meal 6:30pm Selectboard 8:00pm EW Fire Dept.	8:00am Legion Breakfast & Meeting 8:30am Bone Bldrs 6:30pm WFD Jr/Sr Training 6:30pm Energy Comm	 10:30am BP & Foot Clinic 7:00pm MRUUSD Board	8:30am Bone Builders		
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12:00pm Maple Valley Grange #318 Bingo	7:00am Rotary 12:00pm Seniors Meal 6:30pm WFD Officers 7:00pm Planning Commission	8:30am Bone Bldrs 6:30pm WFD Bus. Meeting	1:00pm Library Friends Meeting 6:00pm Prudential Committee 6:00pm Lowell Klock Art Reception	8:30am Bone Builders		
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4:30pm Wallingford Rotary Lobsterfest	7:00am Rotary 12:00pm Seniors Meal 4:00pm Library Book Discussion	8:30am Bone Bldrs				
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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

(Please note that these meeting minutes are a brief summary and are not the final approved version.)

SELECTBOARD

7/05/16. Present: B. Brooks, N. Tift, R. Regula, G. Fredette, and M. Tessier

Road Commissioner Phil Baker discussed road and equipment issues. The road crew will determine if they can remove a cherry tree in the right of way on Homerstone Road. The town will continue buying winter sale from Cargill; American Rock Salt provided a lower quote but it was late. Upon Phil's recommendation, no speed bumps will be installed on Church Street. The board reviewed the town's existing Culvert Policy.

Pike, the low bidder, was awarded the FY17 paving projects.

The board reviewed the bid request form for the Earl Wade Road Culvert Replacement project that will be advertised.

Treasurer Julie Sharon provided an overview of FY'16 year end financials reporting a surplus. The board agreed to expense additional items before closing the books.

The Rutland County Sheriff's contract was approved. A MOU was for six months of free dispatch services beginning 7/1 included the option of six additional months at no charge was also approved.

The board approved extending short term disability for fulltime employees another year.

Nicholas Tvrdy's request for a Peddler Permit to sell educational materials for youngsters from toddlers to teenagers was denied as he's been knocking on doors into the late evening hours around town for a number of days.

The board agreed a municipal ticket should not be issued for dog off its leash at this time.

7/18/16. Present: B. Brooks, N. Tift, R. Regula, M. Tessier, and G. Fredette

Road Commissioner Phil Baker reported on Pike's paving schedule. The cost to resurface the basketball court and corner near the RR crossing on Hartsboro Road will be sought. Roadside mowing has begun. The draft Driveway Access Policy was reviewed with changes made.

Upon the recommendation of Assessor Lisa Garcia, the town will seek bids for reappraisal services for the 2018 Grand List.

Following executive session, the Board agreed to request the Sheriff to send a deputy to escort a BCA Inspection Committee on a site visit.

Tammy Heffernan spoke on the junk that remains at 58 Florence Ave. A Notice of Violation with a municipal ticket will be sent. Whether a new owner can operate the same type of business after the property stands idle for one year is a question for the Zoning Administrator.

The board signed Quit Claim Deeds turning the Little Red Schoolhouse property over to Mill River Union Unified School District.

After a review of the heating oil bids and gallons used last year, the Board chose Champlain Valley P&H if a fixed rate of \$1.77 per gallon could be guaranteed.

The board chose the low bidder, GM Tree Tech, to remove the six trees at Elfin Lake. N. Tift offered his Selectboard salary to cover the expense.

The board approved assessing the annual Late Filing Penalty for Homestead Declarations, and the use of the ball field for a Shakespeare play on 7/28. More vandalism has been reported at the dugouts at the ball field.

The board tabled Karl and Lisa Thomsen's request to oversee monthly Open Mic events until they move to town.

The board approved Green Screen Graphics' quote of \$75 for a tennis court sign.

There was discussion regarding a pop-up tent for lifeguards at Elfin Lake. It was noted there was an umbrella to shade the chair and a cushion for the seat.

The board agreed to set a weekly payment for the constable based on his \$13,000 budget.

The board reviewed the PC minutes dated 7/11, Joyce Barbieri's email and a 2004 zoning map related to the S. Wallingford industrial zone. The board agreed an attorney is not necessary to settle the zoning matter. The board further agreed the S. Wallingford industrial zone should be revised with the documentation readily available.

Burn Permits

Fire Warden Dave Gilman 446-3100

Deputy Fire Warden Art Seward 259-2277

By State statute, a permit from the Fire Warden is needed for all open fires. Burning of garbage is prohibited by law. For general questions about open burning, please contact Dave Shepard at (802) 272-

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

06/27/16. Present: M. Pramuk, D. Scranton, C. Macleod, and J. Burkett

New guidelines for holding meetings electronically were briefly discussed.

125-150 people attended Wallingford Community Day. Kyle Mason, Arborist/Forester, lead trail tours and was given a family pass to Elfin Lake in appreciation.

Marc met with a VLCT rep who recommends installing signage informing the public that there are bee hives and installing fencing around the area. Fencing, powered by solar, to keep out raccoons, skunks, etc. would be preferred. The bees should produce a lot of honey and regulations will need to be checked regarding selling it. Kyle Mason thought the sw corner of the meadow below Dr. Upton's bench would be a good area for installation. Hives will be installed in the spring.

Marc and Carol attended a composting workshop at the Rutland Library. It was an interesting roundtable presentation with representation by RCSWD and VT Dept. of Natural Resources.

Future ideas for speakers: Invasive species, home composting, and food to animals (farms). Debbie will contact UVM Ext. for possible speakers in our area.

The Road Crew was recognized for their work at Stone Meadow. WCC work day held 6/19 was productive. The centerpiece boulder was realigned and hopefully, will be carved with "Stone Meadow" this summer. Thanks to John McClallen also for his continued work moving surepack, topsoil, and realignment of the center stone at Waldo Lane parking area. Marc removed poison ivy on Rim Trail. 7. Work day planned for 7/12. The Stone Meadow brochure and Wallingford Walks will be reviewed for additions/corrections and reorder.

PLANNING COMMISSION

06/13/16. E. Berner, J. Biasuzzi, C. Martin, and J. Burkett

Chair Berner relayed discussions with RRPC Director Ed Bove. A new series of municipal planning grants may be announced in September. If the grant request is less than \$8,000, a number of these will not require matching funds.

Ed Bove suggested two approaches to revisions to Town Plan, due by end of January, 2018. The first approach is to amend the existing Plan by adding the following requirements: 1. Flood Resiliency 2. Village Designation (per Act 59) 3. Siting and screening standards for

alternative energy projects 4. Forestry regulations (H857) that address woodland fragmentation and wildlife corridors.

The second approach would be a total rewrite of the Town Plan; reviewing all 13 required topics. The Board favored amending the existing plan. This could include reorganizing the format, so that the Plans' objectives, outline of implementing the objectives, and a method in which to review progress on the implementation are in the main body of the document. The historical demographic and statistical information would be updated, but would be addendums to the Plan.

J. Biasuzzi noted that the Plan should address a resolution to the Industrial Zoning districts. He plans to request funding from the Selectboard to have a surveyor or attorney research where and what the initial "grandfathered" South Wallingford quarry was.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

06/22/16. Present: S. Sendra and K. Stocker

Maureen posted the vacancy on the Prudential Committee with no responses so far.

Maureen met with the Fire Chief and two Deputy Chief's to review the point system and see if they had any changes. They've discussed it and to make it smoother, one point will be given for all items on the list, no matter how long they are there. Paperwork must be signed by one of the chiefs before it will be counted. Years of service points will remain at one point for each year on the department. The juniors will not collect points as this is great training to see if this is something they want to continue doing. Mark Barone will complete the reports and send everything to the office on a quarterly basis. The board was agreeable with this format and will try it for this year.

The elementary school water project should start on July 11th. The kitchen usage will then be metered, which has not happened since the new system was installed. The old line on School Street that goes to the school will be disconnected before the paving is done on 140E.

Maureen received a call from Cumberland Farms' attorney asking the Fire District to sign an agreement that would cover the maintenance on the new sidewalks they will be installing. The clerk informed him that the Fire District only plows the sidewalks in the winter; however, he should provide an agreement for the board to review. No agreement has been received yet; however, the board was not in favor of signing any agreement.

07/13/16. Present: S. Sendra and K. Stocker
Maureen reported that Gary Wells called to report that a dog, that was not on a leash, got on to the neighbor's property and managed to get some of the cows out of their pen and in turn, the fence was broken. Our contract states that dogs must be on leashes at all times. Maureen asked for guidance. At this time, the neighbor is not making the fire district pay for the damage but will if it happens a second time. The board directed Gary to point out the rule for having pets on the property when he greets the renters. The rules will also be posted at the lodge. The board may have to ban pets on the property if the rules aren't followed.

Maureen reported that the Selectboard signed an agreement for maintenance of the new sidewalks in front of Cumberland Farms.

The board reviewed the monthly financials and signed off on them.

Maureen presented a copy of the year-end expense and budget report, noting that all numbers were in the black. The board would like to put a little more into the capital accounts for water/sewer this coming fiscal year. The board reviewed the new budget and decided to leave the rates the same for all items on the quarterly invoices. They will review financial results after the second quarter invoices are mailed.

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Read them online at www.wallingfordvt.com.

MILL RIVER UNIFIED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

05/16/16. Present: T. Heffernan, A. Richards-Peele, J. McKenna, G. Reynolds, L. Doucette, S. Mozzer, and B. Behrendt

Mr. Younce's report noted summer projects including office move for the educational side of operations staff to

Mill River, teacher evaluation system, staff handbook and internal protocols, and Mr. Younce noted that the office is at the ready to begin bargaining once notified.

Ms. Farrell discussed and fielded questions on PLPs, intervention plan, professional development and district committees combined into the Instructional Vision Team. Mr. Hill's report covered updates on SBAC, PowerSchool and new email cutover. Mr. McKenna noted that there is an amazingly dramatic difference in technology management from several years ago to now.

Ms. Stone gave an update on hiring, VT Outdoor Adventure, Alternative Pathways and the on line tele-practice company she utilizes for speech services called Presence Learning. Ms. Becker updated the After School program and reported that the 21st Century funding grant has been renewed for five more years.

Mr. Marcy, on board since July 1, updated on renovations for the district office and gym floor and will branch out to the other schools this week.

The Board approved the MRUUSD Continuous Improvement Plan.

The board will revisit bylaws and vote at the next meeting.

It was proposed that the Executive Committee include one board member from each town, plus the Chair. The board will revisit the executive committee after bylaws are approved.

John noted the first Building and Grounds Committee meeting will be held 7/13; Finance—No meeting until late August; Personnel—next meeting will be 8/3; Policy—will meet 7/13; Negotiations—no report; School Advisory Panels meetings were discussed.

Executive Session was held to discuss real estate contract or transaction. The Board authorized Mr. Younce to continue negotiations with potential buyer for the real estate discussed.

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Wallingford Rotary Annual Lobster Festival

When: Sunday August 28th

Where: Boys Camp Wallingford

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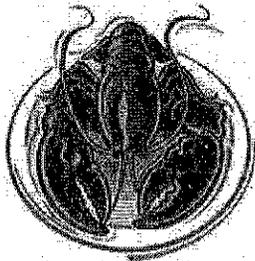
Time: 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per ticket (Lobster or Steak)

Tickets are now available from any Wallingford Rotarian or you can call Tammy @ 802-259-3711.

The Rotary also holds a raffle simultaneously with prizes donated by many local businesses. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$20. Proceeds benefit our scholarship fund. Grand Prize is 2/3 of the Winning Pool.

If you are a business or individual and would like to donate to our raffle, please contact us as indicated above!



GREEN MOUNTAIN PASSPORT

This Program is for seniors and disabled veterans. To be eligible, you must be: 1) A resident of VT and at least 62 years old; 2) or 100% disabled as a result of disease or injury suffered while serving in the armed forces; or 3) or a resident of the Vermont Veterans Home in Bennington. Benefits include: 1) Reduced prices on goods and services from hundreds of Vermont's private businesses (discount items could include groceries, health car supplies, movie tickets, fuel etc.); and 2) free admission to state parks, museums, and fully state sponsored events. The cost of this card is \$2.00, which is a one-time fee, and they are sold at the Town Clerk's office.

THE RUCKUS OVER REIKI (Part 1)

A few years ago I had a friend offer to help me with some shoulder pain I was feeling. He placed his hands on my shoulder and closed his eyes, so I expected he was going to pray. Then he began talking about energy flows and pathways being blocked. It turned into something strange. I'm not afraid of the strange, and I wanted relief from the bursitis, but I was unsure of this process. Later I learned the term for what he was doing, Reiki. A while later, a well-meaning person in our church, whom I know to be a faithful Christian, asked if she could help me through Reiki with some knee pain. I declined, still unsure of the practice and its spiritual implications, in spite of her adamant defense of the practice. I have not thought about the issue much until recently when I was asked about it again in a Christian context. I know a number of people who have become practitioners, or are frequent users of reiki, but have not found a satisfactory answer for my personal reservations and questions. So, it was time for some prayer and research. Here in a nutshell is what I now believe with regard to reiki.

Reiki is spiritual, but it is not Christian. It is not power sent by God through the agency of the Holy Spirit. I come to this conclusion because the practice of reiki is not demonstrated in the healings of Scripture. Whether accomplished by the Lord, or His followers, Christian healing is accomplished in the name of the Lord and for the glory of God according to His will and purpose.

For example, in **John 9:1-3** we read the experience of Jesus healing a man born blind. ¹And as He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth. ²And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he should be born blind?" ³Jesus answered, "It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; **BUT IT WAS IN ORDER THAT THE WORKS OF GOD MIGHT BE DISPLAYED IN HIM.**

Note that the healing takes place for God to be glorified. While I can see how God could potentially be inserted into reiki, as some would suggest, it seems contrary to the purpose of healing being not only the relief of symptoms, but the glory of God. A person's attention should be drawn to the creator of heaven and earth, not a nameless and obscure inner power, nor should the praise fall on a practitioner or healer.

More to Come! Pastor Dave, Wallingford Baptist Church

GILBERT HART LIBRARY NEWS



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A terrific summer of hot days has brought many into the library to cool off and grab materials to read on the beach. Lots of summer residents checking their e-mails as well, making the library a community destination. And kids of all ages have been stopping by Friday mornings for children's programs in the library at 10:30. Great to see so many faces! In July the library became one of many across the state participating in a courier delivery system for inter-library loan. We are still getting used to how it works, but ultimately more books should be able to travel to and from our library to readers across Vermont and that is good news.

Several folks came out for the first VT Reads event in July, and more books about Shackleton's expedition are still available. On Wednesday, August 17 at 3 p.m., join us for another brief discussion of the books and a viewing of the events projected on the wall of the children's room.

Another discussion will take place on Monday, August 29th at 4 p.m...this time the book is *The Guest Room* by "local" author Chris Bohjalian. Copies of this title are also available at the library and all are welcome to join us. See you soon at the GHL!

Library Hours

Sun: Closed

Mon: 10 - 5:00

Tues: Closed

Wed: 10 - 8:00

Thurs & Fri: 10 - 5:00

Saturday: 9 - 12:00

Librarian - Wendy Savery

Telephone: 446-2685

HART LINES

No news for August.

Art Reception for Lowell Snowdon Klock

The Friends of the Gilbert Hart Library are hosting a reception for Lowell Snowdon Klock on Wed. evening, August 10th from 6 - 8 downstairs at the library in the Klock Room; refreshments provided by The Friends. Lowell will have many of her framed photographs hung and displayed and there will also be bins of nicely matted material in assorted sizes; all of her work will be for sale, quite reasonably priced with a nice percentage going to the library. We are planning to have things available for your viewing throughout the month so tell your friends, and come in to select a favorite or two from this very talented local artist.

BURIAL LOTS FOR SALE

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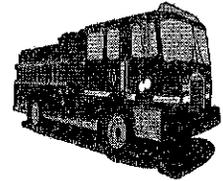
For more information, call Dennis at 353-4651.

WALLINGFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

NON-EMERGENCY PHONE #446-2295

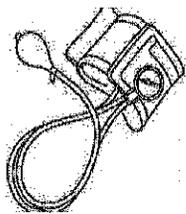
Jr. Firefighters - Age 13-18 - Senior Firefighters - Age 18 - ? *We will train.* Volunteers needed

Age 16- seniors for work details, etc. Call 446-2295 for details.



CONSTABLE JERRY TIFT - ON FACEBOOK AT "WALLINGFORD CONSTABLES OFFICE"

Wallingford's Animal Control Officer is Constable Jerry Tift. You can reach him at 802-353-2378. The ACO handles calls concerning domesticated animals, and farm animals, to include animals running at large, animal cruelty, aggressive dogs, dog bites, etc. Wallingford's Animal Control Ordinance can be viewed at wallingfordvt.com.



WALLINGFORD SENIORS

Foot and blood pressure clinic on the first Wednesdays of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Wallingford House, 10 North Main Street, Wallingford.

Remember the Seniors' lunch every Monday at Noon at the Rotary. Contact Linda Weightman at 446-2301.



Join Front Porch Forum ... see what you've been missing.

Wallingford's Forum started September 10, 2013. Since then, 407 Members from 880 Households have posted 2,117 Postings. It's free. It's local. And it's friendly.

Check it out at <http://FrontPorchForum.com>.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Seller: Green Crow Corp; Buyer: Stewart Enterprises LLC; 2199 Route 103, Purchase price: \$675,000 (includes adjacent land in Shrewsbury; Assessed value: \$81,400.

ZONING PERMITS

Christopher Heintz/L. Pilcher, 270 Willow Heights, garage.

Brett Park, 34 Hateful Hill Road, pool.

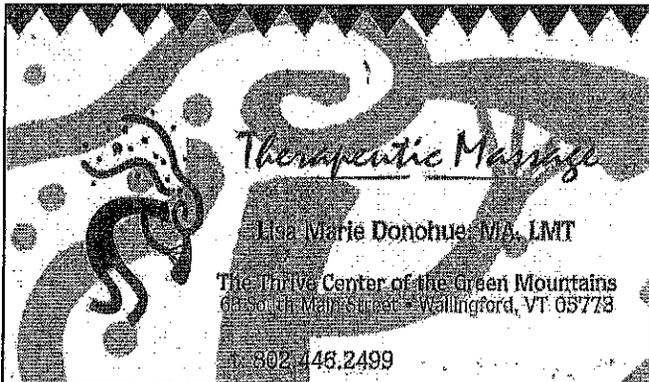
C. Brown/T. Downey, 1298 Bixby Road, raise garage height, finish second floor.

Anthony Petrossi, 42 Depot Street, extend deck.

Joseph & Lisa Connell, 1176 Sugar Hill Road, house addition.

Warren Young, III, 1041 Dawson Hill road, new single family house and garage.

Building & Garage Sale Season is finally here! Please check on if you need a Town Permit. Sheds, storage containers, above-ground pools, and other structures larger than 120 sq. ft. will now need a permit regardless of their construction value. "Casual Sales" and new businesses that will be operated for more than 15 days a year will need a Town Permit, and you may be obligated to collect VT taxes. The same applies to short term rentals, such as Air B&B's. Contact the Zoning Administrator with your questions at Zoning@Wallingfordvt.com, or 446-2974, (NOW) Friday mornings—8:00-11:30 a.m.



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PLANNING COMMISSION (PC) UPDATES: The Town Planning Commission needs your **RESIDENT PARTICIPATION!** In the next year, the priority is to update the Town Plan. This maintains the Town's eligibility to receive Grants, maintain **Designated**

Downtown benefits for Property Owners, and have a Party Status in future Act 250 and Public Service Board reviews; such as the siting & screening of future alternative energy projects.

This Town Plan will then result in revised Zoning Ordinances. These will be able to establish local rules for alternative energy projects; resolve a long standing dispute on the Industrial District Zones, and correct or clarify language in the present zoning ordinance.

Without an adequate number of PC members, this work may not be accomplished in the required time frame. Two more residents members are asked to volunteer TWO hours a month to meet and another couple hours of their time to work on the issues at hand. Ideally, one resident from East & South Wallingford Villages would offer town wide representation. Please contact Sandi Switzer at 446-2872, or at Town admin@wallingfordvt.com to express your interest in improving Wallingford's future.

ANTICIPATE THE NEW CONSTRUCTION of the Cumberland Farms VT Route 7 facility, which may start as early as mid July. The construction period is expected to take approximately four months. The new store will be approximately three times larger than the existing store, enhance the colonial architecture of the Village, offer additional gasoline and diesel, pump stations, and is approved to resolve many of the "issues" that prior businesses have had at this location over past decades. New and extended sidewalk and crosswalks will add to the traffic safety & accessibility of the entire area.

This major Village investment project, the first in over a decade, is a result of an extensive permit review by the volunteer members of your Town Development Review Board, the participation by a well-represented residency, and the cooperation of Cumberland Farms Inc. to be an integral member the community.

ZONING PERMITS; WHEN IS ONE REQUIRED? The short answer is to ask the Zoning Administrator! Common zoning violations are a result of your contractor's claim that a permit is not necessary & work can start in 2 days; retailers deliver the pre-fab garage in one week; or your neighbor "O.K's" your proposed construction. **Note that Property Owners are the only party liable for a Zoning Violation.** There is no longer a "\$2000 project value exemption". There are now additional fees for starting a Project prior its effective date; in addition to possible Zoning Violation penalties.

There is a specific list of exemptions to obtaining a Town Permit. These may be reviewed on the Town Website, on the Zoning page, under Article V "General Regulations". If your construction project does not clearly qualify as an exemption, a local Zoning Permit is required. By VT statute, Permits are not effective until a minimum 15 day warning/notice period has expired without an appeal by an interested party. Please schedule your construction plans accordingly.

Any "Structure" with a footprint over 120 square feet will likely require a Permit. This includes pools, sheds, shipping containers, frame & fabric "tents"; or any other "assembly of materials" that occupy the land on a long term basis; i.e. longer than 12 months. Most signs are subject to zoning permit approval.

ALL STRUCTURES (exempt or permitted) must conform to required SETBACKS from boundary lines (a minimum of 10 feet, but vary with location). These include set backs from the edge of Road Rights of Way. Most Town Roads have a 49.5 foot wide ROW. This usually translates to your structure being at least 30 feet from the center of the Town Road. Check with District 3 of VTRANS for State highway ROW setbacks and permit requirements.

Zoning Administrator Hours have changed to FRIDAY MORNINGS, 8:15 to 11:30 am. You may leave messages any time at 446-2974, or at zoning@wallingfordvt.com. Permit Forms are available at Town Hall any day and on the Town website/Zoning page.

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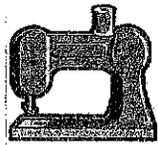
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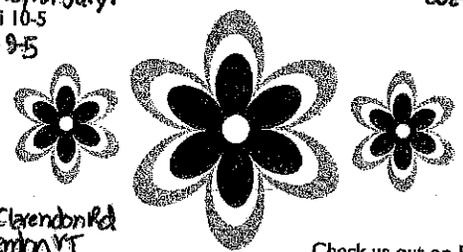
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