



WALLINGFORD STANDARD

OCTOBER 2020

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

Town Clerk & Treasurer's Office :
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Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:30 pm
www.wallingfordvt.com
HAPPY FALL!

The Town Hall will be closed on
Indigenous Peoples' Day
Monday, October 12th.

The Transfer Station will be open.



PUBLIC NOTICE: First Property Tax
Payment Due: Monday, October 19,
2020 by 4:30 p.m.

COMPOSTABLE BAGS

The Wallingford Transfer Station
accepts residential food scraps.
Compostable bags for kitchen food
scrap collectors are sold at the
Transfer Station and the Town Clerk's
Office at a cost of \$4 for a box of 25 of
the 3-gallon bags.

**November General Election—Tuesday,
11-3:** A ballot will be mailed in late
September to every "active" voter on
the statewide voter checklist. If you
don't receive it by October 2nd, please
contact us.

We will still conduct the election if you
wish to come in and vote. You will be
required to sign an affidavit that you
have not previously returned the ballot
sent to you or cast any other ballot.

Postage for the mailing of ballots and
the return of ballots by voters will be
paid by the Secretary of State's office.
All envelopes are pre-paid.

The ballot will also contain, on the
reverse, the local Justice of the Peace
candidates.

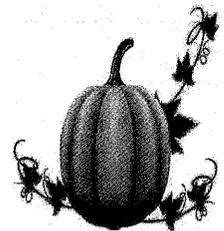
PLEASE — don't forget to put your
ballot in the certificate envelope and
sign the certificate envelope. If you
don't do either, your ballot will be
considered defective and **YOUR VOTE
WILL NOT COUNT!** We cannot contact
you either, once we receive the ballot.

We will be installing an official "ballot
drop box" at our Taft Terrace entrance
in the next few weeks. The box will be
firmly secured, ADA accessible, well lit
at night and monitored by video
surveillance. We will announce it once
it's in place.

Wallingford's Food Shelf is open
Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00
a.m. to Noon. Please call 446-
2336 to make an appointment. Do you
need anything delivered? We can do
that. Call us—we'd love to help.

FREE FACE MASKS

The Town has a free supply of
face masks for residents having
difficulty obtaining personal
protective equipment. Face
masks may be picked up at Town
Hall located at 75 School Street.
You can call 446-2336 or email:
townclerk@wallingfordvt.com to
make arrangements to pick up
your face mask.



Cut off date for submissions is
the 23 of each month.

Editor: Julie Sharon

Town Clerk & Treasurer
75 School Street Wallingford

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Conservation Commission	4th Monday of every month	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Planning Commission	2nd Wednesday of every month	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Prudential Committee	1st & 3rd Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Town Hall
Recreation Committee	2nd Monday of every month	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Selectboard	1st & 3rd Monday	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Energy Committee	1st Tuesday of every month	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Mill River Unified S.D. Board	1st Wednesday 3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m. Mill River Union High School 7:00 p.m. school rotation
Wallingford Rotary	Every Monday except holidays	7:00 a.m. Rotary
Bone Builders	Every Tuesday & Thursday	8:30 a.m. Library
Wallingford Vol Fire Dept. Training	Every Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Wallingford Fire Station
\$1.00 Community Breakfast	Last Friday of every month	6:30 a.m. Wallingford Cong. Church
Wallingford Food Shelf	Every Tuesday & Thursday	9 a.m.-Noon Town Hall
EW Vol Fire Dept. Training	First Monday of every month	8:00 p.m. EW Fire Station
Lego Club	Every Saturday	10:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Library Board	2nd Tuesday of every month	7 p.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Friends Meeting	2nd Thursday of every month	9:30 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Foot & BP Clinic	1st Wednesday of every month	10:30 a.m. Wallingford House
Knitting Club	Every Friday	10:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Children's Story Time	Every Monday	11:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Community Acupuncture	4th Tuesday of every month RSVP	6:00 p.m. The Thrive Center
Seniors Lunch, RSVP required	Every Monday except holidays	12:00 p.m. Wallingford Rotary Club
Yoga-\$15 per session	Every Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Legion Breakfast Meeting	1st Tuesday	8:00 a.m. Wallingford Cong. Church

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- Dog Warden Joseph Elwell 802-395-1114
 - Rutland Co. Sheriff's Department 775-8002
 - Town Garage: 446-2472
 - Town Administrator Sandi Switzer 446-2872
 - Fire Warden Mark Barone 779-7363
 - Road Commissioner Phil Baker: 446-2131
 - Delinquent Tax Collector Jill Stone-Teer 802-353-8740
 - Wallingford Fire District #1 Clerk Marianne McClure 446-2964
 - Wallingford Fire Dept. Non Emergency 446-2295
 - Gilbert Hart Library 446-2685
 - Green Hill Cemetery Superintendent Curtis Lidstone 558-5276
 - Wallingford Rescue Dept. Non Emergency 446-3942
 - Mill River Union High School 775-3451
 - E. Wallingford Post Office 259-2829
 - Sewer Plant 802-793-9429
 - First Constable Robert Cook 446-3322
 - Emergency Mgt. Director Mark Tessier 446-2732
 - Transfer Station Jim Regula & Art Nemeth 446-2524
 - Zoning Administrator Erika Berner 446-2974
 - Deputy Fire Warden Marty Rabtoy 802-345-5550
 - Health Officer Trisha Nash 446-7010
 - E. Wallingford Fire Dist. Treasurer Karen Smith 259-2615
 - Wallingford Fire Dept. Chief Michael Hughes 802-282-2241
 - E Wallingford Fire Chief Marty Rabtoy 802-345-5550
 - Wallingford Post Office 446-2140
 - Maple Grove Cemetery Rep. Dave Seward 259-2277
 - Wallingford Elementary School 446-2141
 - Vermont State Police: 773-9101
 - Town Clerk/Treasurer Julie Sharon 446-2336
 - Emergency: 911
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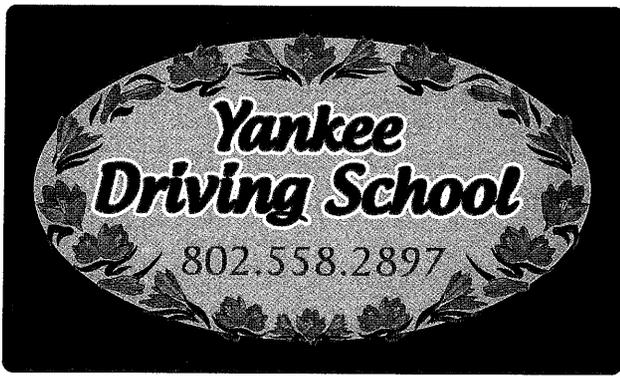
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WALLINGFORD SENIORS

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

Rhonda Renner is the contact for the weekly Lunches held at the Rotary building. She is looking for more seniors to come out and socialize on Mondays.

Lunches are held weekly at noon. Meals are served at the Wallingford Memorial Rotary building at 96 North Main Street. Reservations are required each week. Suggested donation is \$3.50. Contact Rhonda Renner at 802-779-5893 or 446-3069 to reserve your meal each week. She needs to hear from you by Wednesday of the preceding week.

Read Wallingford meeting agendas and minutes at www.wallingfordvt.com for:

- Selectboard
- Development Review Board
- Conservation Commission
- Energy Committee
- Planning Commission
- Recreation Committee
- Board of Civil Authority/Abatement
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PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Seller: Susan Dresner; Buyers: Kenneth & Katherine Abbott; 394 Hounds Hill Lane; Purchase price: \$692,000; Assessed value: \$606,200.

Seller: Edward Gee; Buyers: Lisa Morgello & Jason Artt; 2001 Route 140W; Purchase price: \$10,000; Assessed value: \$23,500.

Sellers: Thomas & Kimberly Phillips; Buyer: Dunigan Retail Group Inc.; 90 Waldo Lane; Purchase price: \$75,000; Assessed value: \$47,500.

Seller: Thomas & Margaret Carvey; Buyers: Woodline Carpentry Builders; 224 School Street; Purchase price: \$55,000; Assessed value: \$123,700.

Sellers: John & Gwen West; Buyers: Matthew & Tara Roser; 140 White Rocks Picnic Road; Purchase price: \$228,800; Assessed value: \$310,300.

Sellers: Roger Schrenk & John Fultz; Buyers: Chris and Alyssa Williams; 857 West Hill Road; Purchase price: \$143,000; Assessed value: \$197,900.

Seller: Estate of Evelyn Smith; Buyer: Tracy Lambert; 180 Nash Drive, Purchase price: \$90,000; Assessed value: \$98,300.

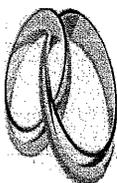
ZONING PERMITS

Dean Wilbur, 753 Hartsboro Road, breezeway, move bathroom, new sunroom, storage and open deck.

Rutland County Free Clinic, 145 State Street, Rutland
Upcoming Flu Clinics: 9/29, 10/20 & 11/10 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Open to the public; pre-registration required; no walk-in service; first come - first served; no out-of-pocket costs. Call 775-1360 Ext. 1 to schedule appointment.



Welcome: Avalyna Elizabeth Boyd born on September 1st to Caitlin Sears & Sudeque Boyd.

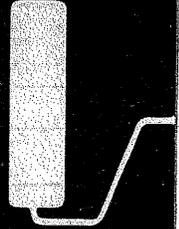


Congratulations to Lisa Taggart and Leighton Thayer who married on September 4th, and Bryan Cole and Jenn Ray who married on September 6th.

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Join Front Porch Forum ... see what you've been missing. Wallingford's Forum started September 10, 2013. Since then, 685 Members from 1,050 Households have posted 6,025 Postings. It's free. It's local. And it's friendly. Check it out at <http://FrontPorchForum.com>.



Burial Lots for Sale

Green Hill Cemetery, South Main Street, Wallingford

Contact Curtis Lidstone at 802-558-5276

Maple Grove Cemetery, East Wallingford

Contact Dave Seward at 802-259-2810

St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery, Church Street, Wallingford

Contact Christ the King Parish at 802-773-6820

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Selectboard Meeting Highlights

09/08. The Selectboard discussed the status of the Hawkins Road grant project; Road Foreman's return to work; and future grading and sand hauling. The Driveway Permit should be updated to require a 3% grade from the driveway to the road. The state still had not secured winter salt contracts. Action on any basketball court bids was deferred until the Recreation Committee can discuss it. Paving along a section of River Street, Route 7 and Maple Street is needed.

The Selectboard discussed permit requirements for the skateboard ramp with Keith Shelvey; referred Brian Finch to discuss education spending matters with the community and school board; and discussed the Armstrong dog complaint with Dog Warden J. Elwell. Stone Meadow bike jumps and trails were discussed with Rec and Conservation Comm. Members. Flag football was approved by the Recreation Committee and Board. No changes were made to the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan to date.

E. Berner was appointed as Zoning Administrator and B. Kaminski as Auditor. Bone Builders was given approval to use the Town Hall. Selectboard accepts Tinmouth Lister Gail Fallar's email that she removed the Stan Taylor house from the Tinmouth's 2020 Grand List as the permanent resolution to this matter unless or until Tinmouth provides fact-based documentation to dispute the resolution. 2020 Class 2 paving and structure grants should be proportionately awarded to all municipalities. J. McClallen plans to reclaim the Right of Ways in town that had overgrown trees and brush.

VOTE

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Visit the Documents page of the town's website at wallingfordvt.com and scroll down to the Project/Proposal heading to review plans for two new solar projects in Wallingford – one on Creek Road and one on West Hill Road.

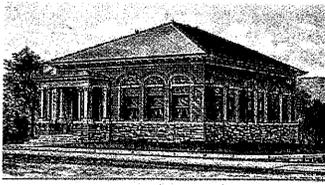
LAST Household Hazardous Waste Day for 2020 at the Wallingford Transfer Station is **Saturday, October 17** from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. See Page 6 for more info.

Update on Stone Meadow Park Biking Issues

At the most recent Wallingford Selectboard Meeting held September 21, the Selectboard voted to ban all forms of bicycling within Stone Meadow. The decision is based on a recommendation from the Town's insurer, Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

The Ladies of The First Congregation Church will be making pies for Thanksgiving again this year... Carol Pratt (446-2843) is the one to call to place an order for an apple, pumpkin, pecan pie, or carrot cake. These homemade delights will be available for pick-up the Wed. before Thanksgiving and all profits (\$15 each), will help with ongoing church projects.

This bicycle ban does not include the Main Trail in Stone Meadow on which bicycling will be allowed. Bicycling rules for the Main Trail, include riding single file at reasonable speeds and pedestrians have the right-of-way over bicyclists. This bicycling restriction is effective immediately.



GILBERT HART LIBRARY by Wendy Savery, Librarian

Our first day of being open for public hours was Wednesday, September 16. All we ask is that community members wear a mask inside the building, follow the posted entrance and exit arrows to access the stacks, leave returns outside in the crate OR on the cart as you enter, limit your visit to 15 minutes, and observe social distancing measures with others who may be in the building. We are keeping the number of patrons in the library at one time to five (5). While we don't have public computers at this time, the printer and copier are available.

Public hours are Wednesdays 10 am -3 pm and Saturdays 9 am -1 pm. M-TH-F we are continuing curbside pick-up. Folks can still call or email requests. All of this info and more can be found at ghlib.wordpress.com.

On Tuesday, October 20th at 7:00 pm, the Trustees will hold the annual meeting for the library. This is a time when annual circulation statistics and more are reported, and the library budget for the coming year is presented. The meeting will be held in person in the Klock room with some board members attending via a remote platform. If you would like to attend or be included in the invitation for remote access, please email us to let us know.

Finally, October is bringing a change to the book path at Homer Stone meadow. Be sure to visit the path this month for a spooky surprise!



HART LINES by Nan Dubin

The Friends of Gilbert Hart Library wish to thank all those who helped make our recent Plant Sale such a success! Shoppers who attended on a beautiful Saturday went home with gorgeous perennials for their gardens. And congratulations to the lucky winners of the Basket Raffle prizes! We couldn't have done it without the generous donations of plants and pots - thank you to all of our local gardeners! The funds raised will help us to help our library, and we are grateful. Wishing a safe and colorful autumn to all.

Rutland County Solid Waste District sponsors Household Hazardous Waste days at the transfer station each year. On **Saturday, October 17** from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., you may bring your household hazardous waste free of charge to the transfer station.

New restrictions this year from RCSWD:

Due to the COVID-19 environment, certain changes in previous years' processes have been made to align with VBOH/CDC guidance. Each participant must remain in the vehicle with a mask on. All materials to dispose of must be organized such that items can be placed on a table in little time. Do not use garbage bags. A staff member will process paperwork to include contact information. Participants will need to have a completed, in advance materials drop-off list. This materials list should be easy to read and it should detail each material with estimated volume. When this is completed, participant will be asked to exit the vehicle and place materials on the table, and maintain social distancing. Excessive materials will not be accepted and will be referred to the Gleason Road facility. Nothing will be returned (gas cans etc.). Please leave **y o u r p e t s a t h o m e .** For a list of accepted household hazardous waste, go to the Transfer Station page at www.wallingfordvt.com.

DMV REGISTRATION RENEWALS

Did you know that you can process your vehicle/trailer/snowmobile registration at the Town Clerk's office? Bring in the pre-printed renewal notice from the VT DMV, along with a check for the registration fee and we can issue a temporary registration. We cannot accept cash for the registration fee. Our fee is \$3 and we accept cash or check for our fee. Excluding snowmobiles, we cannot accept a renewal notice that has been expired for more than two months.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

The Unclaimed Property Division of the Vermont State Treasurer's Office reunites Vermont residents with lost and/or abandoned assets. Their database contains more than 530,000 properties valued at more than \$94 million. Do you see your name here or want to check their website? Go to: <https://secure2.vermonttreasurer.gov/unclaimed/ownerSearch.asp> and look up by name or by town - or call Toll Free: (800) 642-3191.

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WALLINGFORD COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE SILENT AUCTION

The Communications Committee sends a heartfelt thank you to all the people who participated in our recent Silent Auction at the Gilbert Hart Library - those that donated items for the auction, those that placed bids and to the Library for allowing us to hold the event in the Klock Room. It was a success and will fund the publication and mailing of the monthly newsletter for a goodly period of time. Thanks also go to all the individuals who have made personal donations to the Newsletter.

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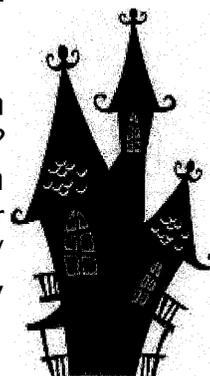


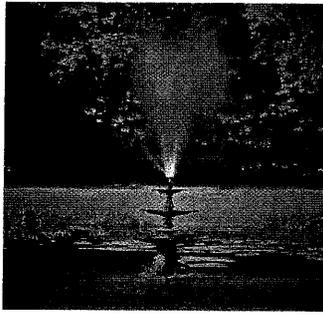
Wallingford House Decorating Competition!

It's that time of the year again! Last year was a huge success and we had a ton of votes come in, please help spread the news to your fellow neighbors who totally rock the house decorating and should be on the map this year. The more the merrier!

The details: Show off your mad Halloween decorating skills this Halloween and win bragging rights for the rest of the year. Your neighbors will be judging on 3 categories: Scariest House, Most Welcoming House and People's Choice.

Want to get in on the action and be added to the map? Contact Jenn at j.galusha@live.com or Michael at 446-3219/kmluzader@vermontel.net by October 16th.





Green Hill Cemetery Association

DID YOU KNOW...

The cemetery at the southern end of Wallingford village was started at the time of the Revolutionary War. The first burial, in what we now call the Old Section, was a Tory from Manchester, who was shot in a confrontation when passing through the village in 1777.

Nearly a century later, when the original cemetery was almost full, a group of Wallingford residents met to form the Green Hill Cemetery Association. In the words of its original Constitution, dated October 1870, the Association was established "for the object and purpose of providing, holding, and keeping in repair suitable grounds and other conveniences for burying the dead." Over the last 150 years, the Association has gradually increased the size of the cemetery, with the purchase of additional land, and faithfully maintained the property in good condition. We have been truly fortunate over the years to have individuals dedicate themselves to keeping our cemetery one of the most charming in the state.

Unlike other town cemeteries across Vermont, we have been able to continue to operate the cemetery as an independent non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Many individuals have contributed to the cemetery's permanence by making gifts and bequests, which have been directed to major repairs and projects to sustain and beautify the grounds. Recent projects continue to include the repair of tombstones and corner stones, vaults, water lines, plus painting, and dredging the pond. The cemetery is open to all for visiting and for town celebrations such as the annual Memorial Day service. While we do not receive any mandated funding from the town or the state, the Town of Wallingford generously contributed \$10,000 in 2017. We are profoundly grateful for that infusion to see us through a challenging year. As a nonprofit organization, we must rely solely on funds raised by the sale of lots and from voluntary donations.

In this unprecedented year, we hope that you share our appreciation for this gem in our village that has been handed down to us. Please consider a contribution to help us preserve it for future generations.

Send donations to: Green Hill Cemetery Association

75 School Street

Wallingford, VT 05773

If you have an interest in acquiring a lot, you may contact Superintendent Curtis Lidstone at 802-558-5276.

Thank you for your support,

Green Hill Cemetery Association Board of Trustees

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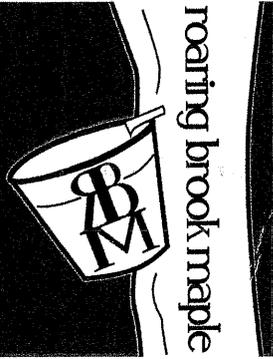
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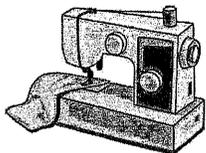
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