



WALLINGFORD STANDARD

JULY 2022

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Monday-Thursday 8:00 am-4:30 pm

www.wallingfordvt.com

The Town Hall & Transfer Station will be closed on July 4th.

Property Tax Bills will be issued next month. If you've changed your mailing address since last August, please let us know so that you receive your bill.

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Mill River

Unified Union School District

Mill River Unified Union School Board Chair Andrea Hawkins is pleased to announce that the Board appointed Nick Flanders to represent Wallingford. Nick will finish out the remainder of former-member Bjorn Behrendt's term, which expires next March. Bjorn stepped down from the board last month to take a job in the school district. Congratulations Nick.



Hello Wallingford,

Well in almost two weeks it will be Wallingford Day! The committee has been very busy trying to finalize all the events that we hope will be going on that day.

We are hoping that everyone has gathered up their not needed items for the tag sale. We would like the town to be busy that morning so everyone can see how much Wallingford has to give.

We have seen a few "Sunflower" displays around town and hope we see much more in July.

We are planning on having a number of games and activities for the kids, such as a bike parade, water balloon toss and something called Can Jam. We are working on the Scavenger Hunt and an electric car demonstration.

Don't forget that Wallingford has Elfin Lake and wonderful paths to walk. We even have a book path where you might find a small supply of books to read. Speaking of reading – the library is planning a few activities also. Come in and see what they are doing.

The library will also be the site for our Silent Auction. We have over 30 great items to bid on and more are coming in every day. This auction's profits go to the printing of our monthly newsletter. Without the auction, the ads and your donations we could not produce this great newsletter. A special thanks to Julie Sharon who puts this together every month.

Most of our businesses in town will be doing something special that day so please walk around and see what they are doing to make your day special.

The music will start at 5 PM at the ball field. Come down and enjoy the music, have something to eat and prepare for the fireworks which will start somewhere around 9 PM.

To find out more about what will be happening go to Wallingfordvt.com or follow us on Facebook.

Wallingford Day Happenings:

Tag Sales throughout the morning-mid afternoon

Food Trucks at the center of town late morning and later at the rec field

Activities at the rec field in the early afternoon

Music at 5 pm at the rec field

Fireworks at 9 pm at the rec field

REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS-pre COVID-19

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
ARPA Committee	3rd Tuesday of every month	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Selectboard	1st & 3rd Monday	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Energy Committee	No meetings in July & August	6:00 p.m. Town Hall
Building Committee	3rd Monday of each month	5:30 p.m. Town Hall
Recreation Committee	2nd 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	9:00 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	9:00 a.m.-Noon Town Hall
EW Vol Fire Dept. Training	First Monday of every month	8:00 p.m. EW Fire Station
Library Board	2nd Tuesday of every month	7:00 p.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Friends Meeting	2nd Thursday of every month	10:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Foot & BP Clinic	1st Wednesday of every month	10:30 a.m. Wallingford House
Legion Breakfast Meeting	1st Tuesday	8:00 a.m. Wallingford Cong. Church

TOWN & SCHOOL WEBSITES: wallingfordvt.com millriverschools.org

Dog Warden Joseph Elwell 802-395-1114
 Rutland Co. Sheriff's Department 802-775-8002
 Town Garage 802-446-2472
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 Fire Warden Roger Sheehan 802-548-6298
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 Wallingford Fire District #1 Clerk Marianne McClure 802-446-2964
 Wallingford Fire Dept. Non Emergency 802-446-2295
 Gilbert Hart Library 802-446-2685
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 Mill River Union High School 802-775-3451
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 New Story Center Crisis Line 802-775-3232
 Tree Warden Rob Barker 802-446-2932

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 Vermont State Police 802-773-9101
 Wallingford Sewer Plant 802-793-9429
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GILBERT HART LIBRARY by Wendy Savery, Librarian

The Library looks forward to this July and celebrating the town of Wallingford! The Vermont room is host to the newsletter fundraising auction, and throughout the building you'll find an "Ocean of Possibilities" ~books, dvds, audios, and more to keep you entertained and informed.

On Wednesday, July 6, at 1:30 p.m., readers can join a discussion of *Once There Were Wolves* by Charlotte McConaghy; copies of the book are at the circulation desk.

Around the time of Wallingford Day, look for changes on the book path at Stone Meadow with two classic tales arriving for your enjoyment. When the atmosphere heats up, come into our cool space to browse the stacks or find a cozy corner to hole up in and read! "sea" you soon~

Monday & Thursday 10 am-4 pm
Wednesday & Friday 10 am-3 pm
Saturday 9 am-1 pm

ARPA Committee Report

The ARPA Committee has begun receiving applications for ARPA funding. The Final Rules regarding use of these funds has expanded eligibility considerably, so ideas that we had originally been told were NOT eligible, now could be. We encourage those with proposals to complete the application and submit it to the committee. The application is available on the town website (<https://www.wallingfordvt.com/>) and at the Town Hall. Information about ARPA funds, committee agendas, and meeting minutes are also available there.

The ARPA Committee has updated the application to include a bit of additional information. Applicants who have already submitted their applications will be contacted by the committee. Those who may have already downloaded the application but not yet submitted it should go to the website or the Town Hall for an UPDATED APPLICATION.

The ARPA Committee is continuing its work developing the matrix which will be used to rank the applications. Applications will be evaluated as they are submitted once this matrix is complete.

Please feel free to contact the committee with any questions, and we will do our best to answer them.

The next meeting of the ARPA Committee will be July 19, 2022.
Peg Soule, APRA Committee Chair



NEW HOURS

Wallingford Community Thrift Shop
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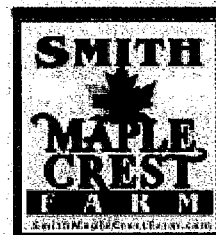
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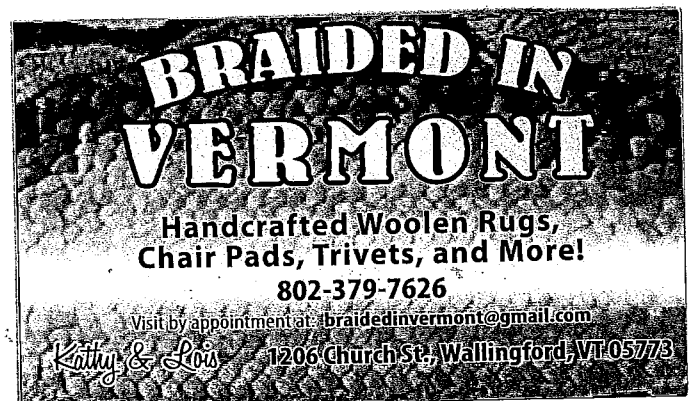
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Justice of the Peace

If you have ever considered becoming a Justice of the Peace, now is the time to do so. JP's are elected at the November general election. Wallingford elects 10 JPs whose two-year term begins on February 1, 2023.

Some of the duties of the JP are mandatory and some are discretionary. Mandatory duties are those duties which, by law, the justice must perform. These duties include serving as an election official at town and statewide elections, hearing tax assessment appeals and serving as a member of the Board of Tax Abatement.

Discretionary functions of the office include performance of marriages/civil unions, administering oaths, serving as a notary public, and serving as a magistrate. JPs have the power to perform these functions but are not required to do so in any particular instance.

Candidates for JP are nominated by town party caucus or by the town party committee at a properly warned meeting. Town party caucuses must be held by August 12, 2022. A candidate may also run as an independent. 17 V.S.A. §2413.

Please contact Republican Chair Pat Pranger at cpapat@vermontel.net (802-446-2066) before 8/12. No financial disclosure or consent of candidate form is required for justice of the peace nominations.

Since there is currently no Democrat Chair, you can run as an Independent. You'll need to submit a JP Consent of Candidate Form along with a Petition with 16 voter signatures.

To learn more about being a Justice of the Peace, you can read the Vermont Justice of the Peace Guide at:
<https://outside.vermont.gov/dept/sos/Elections%20Division/town%20clerks%20and%20local%20elections/jp-guide-2019.pdf>



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CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Everett Paul Ritchie born on 5/18 to
Lori Webster and Chad Ritchie, and
Oakley Lawrence Evans on 5/18 to
Lynn Wade and Jeremy Evans.



Selectboard Meeting Highlights

06/06. The Selectboard: 1) approved a one-year contract with the Sheriff; 2) discussed the water run off on Nash Drive and plugged catch basins in town (A-1 will be contacted for the annual catch basin cleaning); 3) reviewed paving bids with no action taken; 4) agreed to contact two engineering firms for design quotes for the salt shed; 5) agreed to seek an estimate for line striping in town; 6) signed the letter of intent for Grans in Aid for FY23; 7) declined to lower the speed limit on a portion of Ice Bed Road; 8) agreed to recommend Nick Flanders appointment to the School Board; 8) approved Emergency Mgt. Director J. Bagnall's recommendation to use funding through RRPC to designate the Town Hall as an emergency site for hot weather; 9) approved signing a Letter of Support for the VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program grant application to construct new School Street sidewalks estimated at \$542,828 with the Town match 20 percent; 10) approved the hiring V. Turso as a summer rec program counselor; 11) approved sending letters to dog owners who failed to register their dogs; 12) agreed to meet again on 7/05; 13) discussed the traffic concerns during the Memorial Day parade; 14) discussed the edging of the basketball court and resurfacing of the tennis court; 16) discussed movie nights being proposed by the Rec Committee; and 17) agreed to seek legal counsel following executive session.

06/13. The Selectboard met in executive session with the town attorney; no action was taken.



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News from the Secretary of State

August 9th Primary: The SOS's office has mailed postcards to all active voters. The postcard will explain all the ways you can request a ballot. Ballots are now available if you wish to stop in to vote early.

November 8th General Election: All active voters will be mailed an absentee ballot in late September. Again, you will be provided with a pre-paid envelope to return the ballot.

We will still conduct each election upstairs at the Town Hall. You will still have the option to appear in person to vote if you choose not to vote by absentee ballot.

If you wish to look up what candidates are running in the Primary election, go to this link: <https://sos.vermont.gov/elections/election-info-resources/candidates>.

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Property Transfers

Seller: Felix Orbe; Buyers: Scott & Rebecca Moody; 100 Dugway Road; Purchase Price: \$490,000; Assessed Value: \$293,400.

Sellers: George & Amy Haeberlein; Buyer: Robert Butler; 787 Wallingford Pond Road; Purchase Price: \$125,000; Assessed Value: \$115,200.

Seller: Henry Gobetz; Buyers: Richard & Ilia McCormick; 492 Centerville Road; Purchase Price: \$850,000; Assessed Value: \$406,300.

Sellers: Scott & Terry Ranney; Buyers: Robert Moffitt & Tamara Musto; 122 Taft Terrace; Purchase Price: \$205,000; Assessed Value: \$135,000.

Zoning Permits

Richard Korchak, 2680 US Route 7 South, garage.
NH Signs, 172 North Main Street (Citgo), replace sign.
Beers Properties, 28 Weston Road, expand deck.



Congratulations to:

Michael Daly & Rachel Rogers who were married on March 12th.

Zachary Campbell & Brittany MacMurray who were married on June 11th.

Thank you to all the Town employees, Recreation Committee, and many volunteers who helped get beautiful Elfin Lake public beach ready for the summer season. All of the work that went into raking the beach and the lawn, cleaning the concession stand, turning on the water for the season, plus the addition of a wonderful new raft, ropes and buoys, and even seamless gutters on the concession stand are a big improvement. And, the amazing sunflower mural on the concession stand created by artist Macey DeLorme Smith will brighten the beach even on cloudy days. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

The Town was awarded a Watershed United Vermont (WUV) grant in the amount of \$22,000 for a design project to address Elfin Lake public beach erosion issues. Congratulations to the Conservation Commission, Shannon Pytlik and Town Administrator Sandi Switzer for preparing the extensive grant application. Thanks for assistance and support from the Wallingford Selectboard, Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District's Nanci McGuire, Evan Fitzgerald, and state officials including Oliver Pierson, Angie Allen, Zapata Courage, and Luke Groff. Special thanks to the WUV's selection committee for seeing the value in this vital project to preserve pristine Elfin Lake.



Visit the "Wallingford Animal-Control" Facebook page! Residents/visitors can post their "Fur-babies" photos, get updates on local goings-on including missing dogs/animals.

On July 16th, Wallingford Day, The Ladies of the First Congregation Church will have a food sale on the front lawn of the church at 189 South Main Street from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Homemade goodies on our tables will include assorted muffins, cookies, brownies, fresh fruit cups, baked beans, sweet and savory bread, and maybe some tarts and pies, locally made jams, jellies, pickles and relishes. New for us this year, we will also have hotdogs and popcorn for sale. We invite you to stop by, grab a bite of street food, or pick up something yummy for later. All our proceeds this year will be funneled directly into our Ukrainian disaster relief fund. Thank you for your support.

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