

News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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Meetings this week:

City Council, June 22, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2016, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, <u>click here</u>.

City seeks Energy Commission volunteers

Friday, June 17, 2016

The Dover Energy Commission is now seeking new members to help guide the City's energy use and sustainable practices. Both regular-member and alternate-(non-voting) member seats are available. Members serve a three-year term.

The Energy Commission was created to advise other boards and committees regarding energy plans and sustainable practices, such as energy conservation, efficiency, generation, and zoning practices. In addition, the committee assists in advising how sustainability principles may be incorporated, whenever possible, into planning, policymaking, and municipal practices.

A major project now under way is the development of one or more solar photovoltaic arrays on City-owned properties. In partnership with Ameresco, Inc., the Commission is screening a number of City-owned sites and buildings for their solar electricity generation potential. A final proposal will be presented to the City Council in the next few months.

Other goals for 2016 include revising the 2008 Energy Action Plan and considering adoption of the C-PACE program, which facilitates private investment in energy efficiency on commercial properties. The Commission welcomes new members with experience or interest in the energy and sustainability fields who wish to serve the City of Dover by promoting greater efficiency and stewardship of resources. The Commission holds a regular meeting once per month, on the third Wednesday of the month, at 5:30 p.m. in the second-floor conference room of City Hall.

Interested residents should complete a <u>Public Body</u> <u>Member Application</u>, <u>available here</u>, or in person at City To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit <u>www.dover.nh.gov/dntv</u>.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.



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> City Hall hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Recycling Center hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



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Want the latest news and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official **Facebook page** and **twitter feed** for the latest updates. Hall. The form must be returned to the City Clerk's office.

For more information, contact the Energy Commission's staff liaison, Assistant City Planner Elena Piekut, at <u>e.piekut@dover.nh.gov</u> or 516- 6008.

Traffic restrictions and road closures in place for Sunday 5K

On Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 9 a.m., the Father's Day 5K Run/Walk event will be held at Margaritas on Members Way. This event is part of the Dover Race Series and benefits Goodwin Community Health.

Between 9 and 9:15 a.m., Sixth Street will be closed in the northerly direction, between the indian Brook Drive and Liberty Way intersection, and the Education Way and Venture Drive intersections, to accommodate the early portion of the race course.

Venture Drive will be closed to all traffic from 9 to 10 a.m.

Motorists should expect lane shifts and brief delays on Indian Brook Drive and Sixth Street between 9 and 10 a.m. Dover Police officers will be on hand to help control the flow of traffic. Parking for the event will be at the medical office park at 10 Members Way, and at the C&J Bus Terminal and Park and Ride, 23 Indian Brook Drive. The course follows an out-and-back route utilizing Indian Brook Drive, Sixth Street, and Venture Drive.

For more information about the event, visit <u>http://goodwinch.org/fathers-day-5k-2016/</u>

For questions about traffic implications, contact the Dover Police Department Traffic Bureau at 603-742-4646.

Main Street's Dover Dines serves up local fare beginning today

Join Dover Main Street, June 17 to 26, for the 2016 Dover Dines experience. With 13 downtown restaurants participating, there's plenty to enjoy for the whole family and for every taste.

During the week of Dover Dines, participating restaurants offer a three-course dinner for \$24.95 and many restaurants offer a \$12.95 three-course breakfast or lunch. Reservations are suggested.

Mention Dover Dines when making reservations or enjoy a meal at one of the participating restaurants.

This year's particiapting restaurants include 7th Settlement, Blue Latitudes, the Dover Brickhouse, Cara, Christopher's Third Street Grille, Cinco de Mayo, The Falls, Harvey's, LaFesta, Orchard Street Chop Shop, Sonny's Tavern, the Thirsty Moose, and Thompson Tavern.

For more information, visit Dover Main Street here.



City to celebrate 4th of July with music and fireworks

The City of Dover's annual 4th of July fireworks display will be held on Monday, July 4, 2016. Fireworks begin at 9:15 p.m.

Henry Law Park and the surrounding downtown areas are the best locations to view the fireworks.

The fireworks display will be preceded by a performance of the 39th Army Band at the Rotary Arts Pavilion, from 7 to 9 p.m. Food and novelty vendors will be available at Henry Law Park.

The rain date for the fireworks display is Tuesday, July 5, 2016.

For more information, contact Recreation Director Gary Bannon at 603-516-6401.

Summer reading programs start June 21 at Dover Public Library

Are you ready for a summer full of fun and games?

"On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!", the Children's Summer Reading Program at the Dover Public Library, begins on Tuesday, June 21. From 2 to 4 p.m. that day, the event kicks off with a Summer Celebration. Register for the program during this time and enjoy crafts, food, and visitors from Holy Rosary Credit Union and Texas Roadhouse. Everyone who attends will also be entered into a raffle for a special prize. Don't worry, if you can't make it to this event you can sign-up anytime during the six-week program.

When students entering grades K-6 sign-up, they choose which team they would like to be on: Bruins, Celtics, Patriots, or Red Sox. Throughout the summer, check the scoreboard in the Children's Room to see which team is reading the most minutes. Which one of our beloved New England teams will prevail? Preschoolers are encouraged to register for the "1,000 Books Before Kindergarten" program and complete a summer reading activity sheet. Not only will participants enjoy some great books, audiobooks, and ebooks, they will also have the opportunity to earn prizes.

Special events are also planned throughout the program, including:

- Saturday, June 25, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.: Snap Circuit Fun! The Dover Shockwave Robotics Team members will be on hand to help kids build projects with Snap Circuits. This is a great way to introduce kids to electrical circuits while having fun.
- Tuesday, June 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: We will learn about "The Wonderful World of Bats". After the presentation, kids will make their own bat T-Shirt.
- **Thursday, June 30, at 2 p.m.** in the Library Lecture Hall: Don't miss the amazing magician Norman Ng. His show will truly astound all members of the family.
- Wednesday, July 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: Join us for a MarioKart Tournament. This event is for kids going into fifth grade and above, and registration is required. Pizza and refreshments will be served.
- Monday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: Storyteller Simon Brooks will entertain us with folktales, myths, and legends.
- Tuesday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library Lecture Hall: The Children's Museum of New Hampshire will bring their program "Amazing Adventures: Healthy Minds Spark Makers" to the library.
- Wednesday, July 20, from 2 to 4 p.m. on the front lawn of the McConnell Center: Come and climb our 24-foot portable climbing wall. This event is for children four years and older. A parent must sign a release form provided by Vertical Dreams.
- Wednesday, July 27, at 10 a.m. at the Seymour Osman Community Center: Ilze Luneau, who has performed on national shows and at professional and college sporting events, will demonstrate her trick basketball skills.
- Saturday, July 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Celebrate Harry Potter's Birthday! Pass through Platform 9 3/4 then be sorted into wizarding house. Participate in magical classes including Wand Making, Herbology, Potions, and Care of Magical Creatures. Snacks will be provided in the Great Hall (Library Lecture Hall) and students are welcome to test their flying skills with a friendly game of Quidditch on the McConnell Center's front lawn. Participants will also compete in a Horcrux Scavenger Hunt and trivia contest for Harry Potter prizes.
- **Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m.** on the front lawn: We will wrap up our summer reading program with our final celebration. TJ Wheeler will entertain us with his family-friendly blues music. Traditional lawn games and food will also be part of this fun-filled evening.

But wait, that's not all. Every week there will be a new sports-themed craft at our Creation Station. Stop in anytime to make and take your creation. Wednesdays at 10 a.m., there will be a drop-in Family Storytime featuring books, songs, fingerplays, and games. Friday mornings are for our youngest patrons. "Mother Goose on the Loose", a special program for infants through two years olds with a caregiver, will begin at 10 a.m. From 10:30-11 a.m. we will offer "Toddler Exploration Time" featuring sensory activities. Our popular "Music with benji" program at 11 a.m. will get the whole family singing and dancing. Every Saturday during the summer reading program is a "LEGO Saturday". Come in anytime between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. to build with our Legos and Duplos.

And one more thing.... we will take the program on the road this year. On Fridays from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. we will be at the Seymour Osman Community Center. Participants in the summer reading program will be able to report their reading time, get prizes, and return and check out books. There will also be a storytime with crafts and activities.

And for teens?

The Library will host a Teen Summer Reading Program. Sign-up beginning June 21 for your chance to win amazing prizes including tickets to Canobie Lake Park, Water Country, and The Works, plus lessons at Indoor Ascent, merchandise from Red Alert Skate Shop, Kindle Fires, and free pizzas from Weeksie's, Kendall Pond, and La Festa. The program is simple: earn raffle tickets for reading, the more you read the better chance you have of winning a prize. Choose which of our eight prize packs you'll put your raffle tickets in. Please join us for the MarioKart Tournament on Wednesday, July 6, the Climbing Wall on Wednesday, July 20, Harry Potter's birthday celebration on July 30, and the "end of program" party with entertainment by TJ Wheeler on Aug. 2 at 6 p.m. Find more details on our website at library.dover.nh.gov or call the Library at 516-6050 for more information.

How about adults?

Join our Summer Reading Program to "Exercise your Mind-Read" this summer and have some fun. After all, why should kids be the only ones excited about Summer Reading Programs? If you want to be eligible for prizes, be sure to fill out a review slip, either online through our website under "Summer Reading/Adult", or in person at the library. This will be your entry to win weekly prizes. We'll compile the list of what everyone has read and share it anonymously so you can discover some new titles for your to-read list! The theme this year emphasizes fitness and wellness. The program starts June 21 and runs through Aug. 2. The grand prize, participants must read at least five books and fill our review slip for each.

Online survey to help with new chapter of City's Master Plan

The City of Dover is now developing a new chapter of the Master Plan, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter. This new chapter will bring together a range of resources and issues considered critical components of what helps make Dover a unique place.

Specifically, the Stewardship of Resources Chapter will address the following: energy, natural resources, historic and cultural resources, coastal management, natural hazards and social capital.

The City of Dover completed a comprehensive, communitywide visioning process as part of its master planning process in 2012. Dover's Master Plan can be found <u>online</u> <u>here</u>. The topics to be addressed in the new Stewardship of Resources Chapter were identified during the visioning process. The topics were considered to be of such importance that they are found across five of the eight overarching vision themes upon which the Vision Chapter is based. These themes are:

- 1.0 People and Community
- 2.0 Downtown
- 4.0 Municipal Government and School Services
- 5.0 Open Space and Recreation
- 7.0 Sustainability

The Stewardship of Resources Steering Committee is seeking input from the community. As part of the outreach plan, a survey has been prepared to allow citizens, business leaders, and other stakeholders in the community a chance to provide input. The survey can be found on the Master Plan page linked above or <u>here</u>.

The Dover Master Plan is a critical community resource. Participation in the survey will help develop a strong new chapter of the Plan.

For more information, contact the Planning Department at 603-516-6008.



Please Save the Date for our 100th Anniversary Celebration and Fundraiser!

> Saturday, July 23, 2016 6:00pm

Under the tent at the Woodman Museum 182 Central Avenue, Dover, NH Click the image above or <u>here</u> for more information



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/citvof.htm.



June 17, 1657 - It was ordered that whoever should kill a

wolf or wolves, whether English or Indian, within the town should have for so doing four pounds for every wolf killed, the head to be brought to the meeting house on Dover Neck or delivered to the constable and be by him publicly declared.

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June 20, 1757 - At a public town meeting held for the purpose of seeing if the town would take any measures "to provide a meeting house suitable to attend the public worship of God of which we are destitute at present," it was voted that the town would provide a suitable place. Also that the old meeting house be pulled down and applied towards the building of a new one as far as it will go; that the new house be set up either where the old one stands or near by on the Town privilege, either on the hill or under the side of the hill as the Town shall think most proper, and that a committee be chosen to draw a plan for the house, to take proper advice as to the bigness and model of the same, and to "serve at their own cost."

June 20, 1823 - A person on the Landing having in charge a wagon loaded with powder, strewed a quantity on the ground; a lad touched the loose powder with a coal of fire, which communicated to the straw in the wagon, and the whole exploded. Two men were killed in attempting to stop the horses, and a third was seriously injured. The wagon was blown to atoms.

June 18, 1833 - A public meeting was held for the purpose of making arrangements for the reception of President Jackson, then on a visit to Concord, and who was expected to pass through town on his way to Portland. But the President, in consequence of feeble health, returned direct to Boston and Washington.

June 22, 1863 - Amaziah Goodwin of Lyman, Me., a revolutionary soldier, aged 100 years and 4 months, arrived in town, on his way to Boston, to be present at the celebration of the 88th anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill. Stopping at a relative's home to recruit, he was taken sick and died this day.

City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

The City of Dover is now hiring the following positions:

- Public Welfare Technician III
- Facilities Project Manager
- Custodians
- Engineering Document Manager

- Operator I, Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Seasonal Maintenance Worker Utilities
- Lifeguards
- Swim instructor

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, <u>click here</u>.



Cochecho Arts Festival 2016 lineup

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce this week unveiled the 2016 lineup for the annual Cochecho Arts Festival. This year marks the 30th anniversary of the festival.

For a complete list of this year's performers and events, visit the <u>Cochecho Arts Festival page here</u>.

The festival continues to grow and this year will feature over 40 live performances in just six weeks that include the Tuesday Children's Series, Wednesday Farmers Market Acoustic Stage and Shark In The Park, Friday Night Headliner Series and Opening Acts, Dinner and a Movie Series and Theater on the Cochecho.

Established in 1986, the Cochecho Arts Festival is the most popular Summer Music Festival in the Seacoast. The festival draws over 10,000 people to downtown Dover from the beginning of July through August.

Your City needs you! City boards and commissions seek to fill several vacancies

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation and are seeking new members to fill several vacant positions.

Joining one of the City's numerous boards commissions not only offers a chance to give back to the community, it can be a rewarding and valuable experience, and helps shape the City's future. For more information about the important role of the City's boards and commissions, please view the video below. Click on the image to view.



For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about vacancies and how to apply, <u>click here</u>.

To download an application for board and commissions, click here. Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

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Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? <u>Sign up now</u> to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

Time to register your vehicle?

Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit <u>www.dovernh.viebit.com</u> to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for upto-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail <u>here</u>.

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