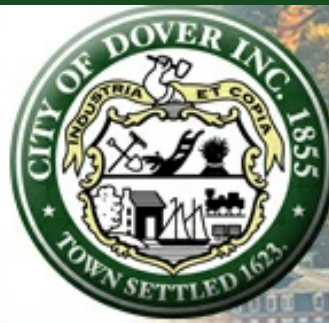


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



June 2, 2023



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ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

Inspection Services space needs among topics of workshop

The City Council will hold a workshop on Wednesday, June 7, at 7 p.m. to receive updates on the city's online permitting process and the space needs analysis for the Inspection Services division.

The City Council will review the electronic permit review system that was implemented last year. The permit system was first authorized by the City Council in fiscal year 2020. The City Council will be given an update on the implementation and overview of the software.

City staff will also update the Council on a project to conduct a space needs analysis for Inspection Services, which was

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8:30 a.m. to 3:30
p.m.

included in the most recent Capital Improvements Program. The space needs component has been completed, and staff will review a proposed solution determined by the analysis. Lastly, the Council will receive an update on proposed organizational changes to continue to enhance the development process and provide efficiencies for staff and customers.

[Click here](#) for the complete agenda.

The workshop will be televised on Channel 22 and online at <https://dovernh.viebit.com>, where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.

National citizen survey seeks opinions from Dover residents

The City of Dover has released its biannual National Community Survey, and Dover residents are encouraged to participate to help the city measure service performance and quality and assess community needs.

"Participation in the survey is crucial as it serves as a guide for decision-making that shapes the future of our city," said City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. "I urge all Dover residents to take a few moments and complete the anonymous survey, and share your valuable insights."

The city contracted with National Research Center at Polco to participate in the 2023 National Community Survey. This instrument was developed in partnership with the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) in 2001 to provide cities with a low-cost, high-quality method to conduct market research.

The community survey results, combined with other feedback, help the City Council, various city boards and commissions, and the city administration understand and respond appropriately to the community's needs in the upcoming years and make comparisons to other peer cities.

The survey centers on community livability and includes questions about the quality of life in the community, local policies, rating of local government services, and resident use of services. The online survey can be accessed here: <https://polco.us/dover2023op>. Randomly selected residents were mailed in April either a physical copy of the survey or a postcard that directed recipients to an online survey via a private link. If you received the survey's paper version or a private online survey link, please complete those versions instead.

Survey results will be available after the survey concludes on June 16, 2023.



Road closures, and parking restrictions in effect Sunday for Soap Box Derby

Dover Police Chief William M. Breault announces the following street closings, parking restrictions, and traffic detour information for Sunday, June 4, 2023, for the 79th running of the New Hampshire Soap Box Derby.

- Broadway will be closed to all traffic between Oak Street and Hill Street from 8 to 5 p.m. Traffic will be detoured via neighborhood streets, including Park and Hill streets. Oak Street will remain open;
- Parking will be prohibited on Broadway starting at 6 a.m. in posted areas between Oak and Hill Streets. Spectator taking is available at 73 Oak St.
- Residents and businesses with driveways on Broadway between Oak and Hill streets, or on Rose Street, will not be able to access their driveways by vehicle until the race is over, around 5 p.m. Plan ahead and park on nearby side streets.

The New Hampshire Soap Box Derby is an annual event for boys and girls ages seven to 20 involving gravity-powered cars racing in side-by-side competition. Dover is the site of the 79th annual New Hampshire local championship; top-seeded racers in each region are eligible to compete in the All-American Soap Box Derby in Akron, Ohio. Find more information at <https://www.soapboxderby.org/new-hampshire.aspx>.

Questions about traffic implications may be directed to Lt. Marn Speidel at 603-742-4646.



City Council approves Hough Street culvert replacement emergency purchase

The City Council at its May 24 meeting authorized spending \$125,011 for the emergency purchase and installation of a replacement culvert on Hough Street that conveys Berry Brook, which failed this spring. The area of the failure on Hough Street has been closed to traffic.

City Engineer Ken Mavrogeorge said the precast culvert has been ordered, and the city is expected to take delivery in three to four weeks. Mavrogeorge said the replacement is anticipated to be completed by mid-July.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6450.

Dover High School graduation is June 8

Dover High School will host its graduation ceremony for the Class of 2023 on Thursday, June 8, at 7 p.m. at Dunaway Field at DHS. The rain date is Friday, June 9 at 7 p.m.

The ceremony will be streamed live on Channel 22, dovernh.viebit.com and YouTube at youtube.com/@CityofDoverNH.

Parking is limited, and carpooling is strongly encouraged. Attendees may park in the main lot, the Bellamy Academy lot, the tennis court lot, along Daley Drive, and at Dover Middle School. Handicap parking is available, but handicap parking passes must be requested in advance through the DHS' Main Office.

For more information, including seating and parking maps, [click here](#) for the Graduation Guide, or contact Dover High School at 603-516-6900.

Upcoming Meetings:

**City Council Ordinance
Committee, June 5,**

8:30 a.m.

The City Council Ordinance Committee will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, City Hall. To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**Arts Commission,
June 5, 6:30 p.m.**

The Arts Commission will hold a regular meeting on Monday, June 5, 2023, beginning at 6:30 p.m., in Room 323 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

**City Council workshop,
June 7, 7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.



**Missed the meeting?
Catch it again online**

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

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



The following events are from a variety of historical records, sources, and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here](#).

June 7, 1792 — The State Legislature held its first and last session in Dover this year. The Phoenix of June 7 says: "Yesterday the Hon. General Court of this State assembled in this town, when John S. Sherburne, Esq. was chosen Speaker of the House of Representatives —

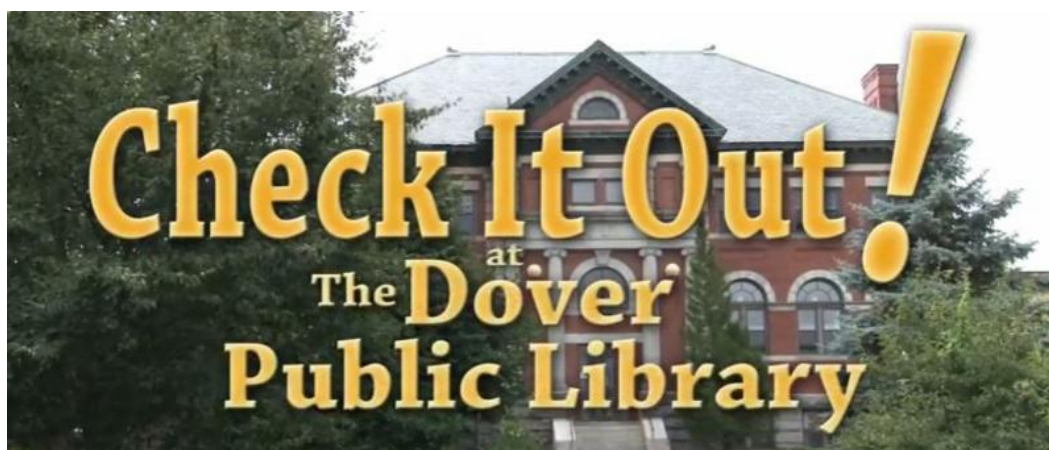
and they proceeded to business. This day, at 11 o'clock, they repaired to the Meetinghouse where the Rev. Mr. Morrison of Londonderry delivered an ingenious, spirited, and animating discourse from Romans, chap. 13, ver. 3."

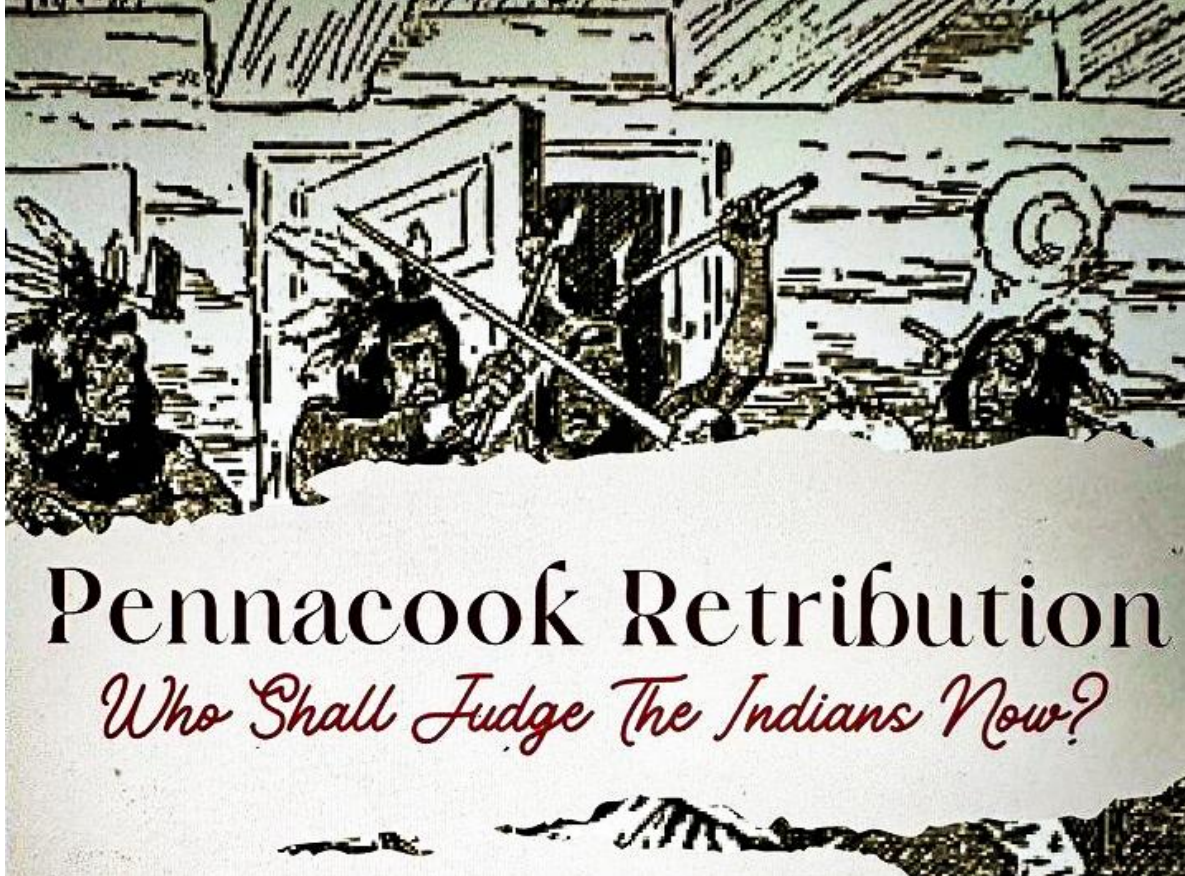
June 1812 — The "Dover Cotton Factory," incorporated in June 1812 with a capital stock of \$50,000, was the first attempt at manufacturing on an extensive scale in Dover. As the lower falls were owned and occupied by the Waldron family, who would not sell their saw and grist mills, the Cotton Factory had to erect its first mill at the falls, two miles up the river, at a point ever since called the Upper Factory. The first yard of cloth was woven there in 1814. It operated until about 1840.

June 5, 1896 — An evening of boxing entertained hundreds at the Opera House. A total of 11 bouts were held that evening, featuring pugilists from across the region. The event also included some Dover fighters, including Owen Grimes, William Moran, James Hughes, William Welch, Hugh Jackson, William Gowen, and James McKone. It was reported that an unnamed man from Dover also participated.

June 6, 1927 — A crew of 30 men wrapped up work on the high school annex (now the McConnell Center). The new high school annex would contain modern classrooms for the time, a gymnasium and auditorium, and in the basement, facilities for woodworking, a machine shop, and electrical departments of the manual arts.

June 3, 1998 — State Rep. Bill McCann of Dover announced he would not seek another term in the New Hampshire Legislature. McCann, a longtime state representative, said his duties on the Dover School Board and as chair of the Middle School Joint Building Committee wouldn't leave him enough time to represent the Garrison City in Concord effectively. McCann timed his announcement to closely coincide with the anniversary of what he said was his greatest legislative accomplishment: House Bill 421. Then Gov. Jeanne Shaheen signed McCann's bill into law on June 6, 1997. The statute prohibits discrimination in New Hampshire based on sexual orientation. McCann said June 6 was also the anniversary of the death of Robert Kennedy, who died June 6, 1968, and who McCann said would have approved of the bill. "I have always made civil rights a priority, and so did he," McCann said at the time. "Nobody should be discriminated against." McCann was an active community member, serving on the Dover School Board for over 20 years and other city committees and boards. McCann was also the assistant director under his father for the Dover Housing Authority. McCann died in May 2011.





Documentary on Dover's Major Waldron and the Pennacook to screen at the Dover Public Library

In celebration of Dover's 400th Anniversary, the Dover Public Library has partnered with Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective representatives to present a short documentary about Major Richard Waldron. The documentary "Pennacook Retribution: Who Shall Judge" will screen at the library on Monday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by a panel discussion by the filmmakers. The panel will feature Paul and Denise Pouliot, Charles and Anne Jennison, Kathleen Blake, and the filmmaker Catherine Stewart. The event will be a hybrid offering meaning it can be viewed in person or by registering to view at home. See the [library's website](#) to register for the event.

"Pennacook Retribution – Who Shall Judge the Indians Now?" was written by Anne Jennison, a traditional Abenaki storyteller, and historian, in collaboration with the Cowasuck Band of the Pennacook-Abenaki People and the Indigenous New Hampshire Collaborative Collective. The documentary reframes a moment in history through the eyes of the people who have lived on this land for over 12,000 years.

In 1689, Major Richard Waldron was executed by the Pennacooks in an event known as the Cochecho Massacre. Waldron's story usually paints him as a tragic hero and the Pennacook Indians as the "savages" who murdered him. But what does this story look like from their perspective of the Pennacook?

Once known to the Pennacook Abenaki as Cochecho (meaning "place of the rapid current") and known to early English colonists as the Cochecho Plantation, Dover is a city familiar with Major Richard Waldron. Many streets, buildings, and civic properties bear his name.

The film is supported by the University of New Hampshire Humanities Center, which administers a grant from the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS), and generous donations from individuals. Pennacook Retribution is produced by Film Unbound.

Standing Together: Seacoast LGBTQ social and

support groups since the 1950s

For more than 60 years, there have been social outlets for the LGBTQ+ community in the seacoast area.

Explore what those social outlets and support groups were through the decades at Dover Public Library on Wednesday, June 7, at 6:30 p.m. The event is in-person, with the option to view it virtually from home. To watch online, attendees must sign up on the library's website to receive a link to the program.

"Standing Together" will answer questions such as what was the first social group in the seacoast area, what group started in Dover, what bars were available and where were they located, and what groups are still available. For those attending in person, there will be some artifacts to view.

The discussion will be led by Tom Kaufhold, founder of the Seacoast LGBT History Project. The Project was started in 2015 to collect, preserve and present the artifacts and stories of the LGBTQ community in the seacoast of New Hampshire. Since the early 1990s, Kaufhold has been involved in LGBTQ community initiatives in Portsmouth, including an equal rights ordinance and an AIDS service organization.

Kaufhold is a retired business systems analyst and has two grown children. He lives in Portsmouth with his husband, Michael, and enjoys antiquing and playing with his grandson.

This program is free and open to the public. For more information or to sign up to view online and receive a link, visit the library's website at library.dover.nh.gov or call (603) 516-6050.

NH author and photographer John Doelman to speak at the Dover Public Library

John Doelman will share an interactive presentation at the Dover Public Library on Wednesday, June 14, at 6:30 p.m. in support of his book, "Quetico Connection." The book is a mixture of poetry and photos from his canoe trips in the Canadian wilderness. The reading/presentation will blend vivid photography, stills, and videos with a little history of place and a compelling narrative interspersed with poetry from the book.

Doelman is a semi-retired real estate broker in Florida who lives permanently in New Hampshire. John has been creatively writing, especially poetry, since the second grade. The outdoors has been one of his great loves for over 50 years. His first canoe trip was in 1969 in northern Maine, on the Allagash River system. Five weeks in the wilderness changed his life and launched a deep love of paddling. In 2012 Doelman discovered Quetico Provincial Park in NW Ontario while searching online for a new place to canoe camp. His life changed. Doelman's poetry is deeply personal and evocative. To Doelman, moments of life are snapshots of so much more. Doelman has read his poetry in numerous slams and readings in Florida. His poetry highlight was a reading of one of his poems before a Caroline Kennedy speech before several thousand at a Barack Obama campaign event in 2008.

Quetico Connection is a threaded collection of intimate yet simple poems and photos which began on a two-week solo canoe trip into Quetico.

Copies of the book will be available at the event for sale and signing.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Library at 603-516-6050.

This Week at the Library

June VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Wednesday, June 7, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Join us for a virtual exploration of *Bowls* by America's Test Kitchen. Throughout the month of June, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. Copies of the book will be available to check out at the main circulation desk. We will share your creations on our social media pages.

Photos can be sent to Emily at e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov, or tag us on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

Tuesday, June 6, 6 to 8 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required, and all skill levels are welcome to play.

Tuesday, June 6, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Genealogy Group

Whether you're new to genealogical research or a seasoned pro, this group is a great way to meet others who share the same passion, can give you advice in your research, and listen to your newly-discovered family histories.

Wednesday, June 7, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Adult Knitting Group

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels welcome.

All Abilities Chapter Book Club

Adults with all abilities are invited to join the Chapter Book Club. At each session, we will read several chapters from a popular book. The first book will be *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. Session ends with activities and crafts and some socializing.

Wednesday, June 7, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Standing Together: Seacoast LGBTQ social and support groups since 1950s

For more than 60 years there have been social outlets for the LGBTQ+ community in the seacoast area. We will explore what social outlets and support groups were available to the community through the decades. What was the first social group? What group started in Dover? What bars were available and where were they located? What groups are still available? For those attending in person, there will be some artifacts available to view.

Register to attend virtually.

Thursday, May 11, 6 to 8 p.m.

Adult Knitting Group

Knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us with their projects for an in-person crafting circle. All levels welcome.

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Reading Rainbow Book Group

Join Reading Rainbow, Dover Public Library's new Queer book group as we discuss *Camp* by Lev AC Rosen. Copies of the book will be available to borrow via Interlibrary Loan at the Circulation Desk. All are welcome at this inclusive book group.



Beware of COVID-19 test Medicare scams

United States Attorney Jane E. Young and New Hampshire Attorney General John M. Formella announce that New Hampshire is seeing a rise in complaints from Medicare beneficiaries receiving COVID-19 tests they did not request, a signal that someone may be using and could continue to use their Medicare information fraudulently to bill the federal government, potentially impacting a recipient's Medicare coverage or benefits.

"Stealing taxpayer-funded resources from our vulnerable neighbors will not be tolerated in the Granite State. We are actively working with our law enforcement partners to detect and disrupt this type of fraud," said Attorney General Formella. "Signs of this illegal activity should be immediately reported, as experts warn Medicare information can be as valuable to bad actors

as credit card or social security numbers."

"Unfortunately, the pandemic provided fraudsters with many opportunities to take advantage of medical needs and services to benefit themselves," said U.S. Attorney Young. "This new and emerging scam is directed at stealing from U.S. taxpayers by charging Medicare for unwanted and unnecessary COVID-19 test kits. Please protect yourselves- do not ever give personal or medical information to obtain free pandemic-related products, including test kits, vaccines, and other services. Medicare will not call you and offer COVID-19-related products."

If you or a loved one are receiving unsolicited COVID-19 test kits or requests for your Medicare information, you are urged to report it to the U.S. Health and Human Services, Office of the Inspector General (<https://oig.hhs.gov/fraud/report-fraud/>) or call 1-800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477).

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Free Fishing Day in New Hampshire is Saturday

Take advantage of New Hampshire's Free Fishing Day on Saturday, June 3, 2023. On Free Fishing Day, you can fish anywhere in New Hampshire without a fishing license. Both state residents and nonresidents may participate. All other fishing regulations apply and must be followed, including season dates and bag limits.

"Free Fishing Day is a great opportunity for anglers of all skill levels to discover—or rediscover—what makes fishing in the Granite State so special, and it's a great day for family and friends to enjoy the outdoors together," said Dianne Timmins, Inland Fisheries Chief for the NH Fish and Game Department. "Everyone is sure to be 'hooked' after an exciting day of fishing."

Consider including a few "fishing holes" in your plan for the day because some locations may be crowded. If you need advice on where to try your luck, consult our all-new interactive map of trout-stocking locations near you: <https://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/fishing/trout-stocking.html>.

For details on fishing rules for various waters, consult the New Hampshire Freshwater and the New Hampshire Saltwater Fishing Digests, available at www.fishnh.com/fishing/publications.html.

Find much more information about fishing in New Hampshire at www.fishnh.com/fishing. To learn more about where to launch a boat visit www.wildlife.state.nh.us/maps/boatfish/index.html.

Streets slated for paving this season

The City Council on May 10 authorized the city to contract with Continental Paving, Inc., of Londonderry to repave 21 roads this season. The contract with Continental Paving is not to exceed \$1,822,297.

Below are the streets scheduled for paving this season:

- **Brookline Avenue**, from Washington Street to Fourth Street
- **Cedarbrook Drive**, full length
- **Fourth Street**, from Washington Street to the bridge
- **Iona Avenue**, full length
- **Kennedy Circle**, full length
- **Mitchell Court**, full length
- **Crescent Avenue**, full length

- **Glencrest Avenue**, full length
- **Grove Street**, from Sixth Street to Ash Street
- **Hellman Avenue**, full length
- **Hillcrest Drive**, full length
- **Horne Street**, from Sixth Street to Ash Street
- **Hough Street**, from Horne Street to Central Avenue
- **Maple Street**, from Sixth Street to Ash Street
- **Chestnut Street**, from Washington Street to the bridge
- **Locust Street**, from Central Avenue to Silver Street
- **Fairfield Drive**, full length
- **Sunset Drive**, full length
- **Old Garrison Road**, from Rabbit Road to 280 Old Garrison Road
- **Leathers Lane**, full length

The season's paving schedule is weather dependent and has not yet been set. To sign-up for paving alerts and other road closures and emergency notifications, visit To sign-up for these updates, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters>, add "Dover Alert: public safety alerts and special announcements" to your current email subscription list.

Volunteer boards help keep Dover vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the significant energy and talent of citizen participation on the city's many boards, committees, and commissions. Input from these boards, committees, and commissions helps guide Dover's policy decisions.

Want to get involved? There are currently committees seeking members to fill regular and alternate member vacancies, including the:

- Zoning Board of Adjustment
- Heritage Commission
- Pool Advisory Committee
- Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion
- Recreation Advisory Board
- Arts Commission
- Arena Commission
- Open Lands Committee
- Utilities Commission

The complete list of boards and committees can be found at www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/

To apply, complete an application, [available here](#) and at the City Clerk's Office, and either drop it off at the Clerk's Office or email it to City Clerk Susan Mistretta at s.mistretta@dover.nh.gov. Applicants are welcome to apply to any board or commission. Applications are kept on file for one year.

The City Council appoints citizens to boards and commissions from recommendations of its Appointments Committee, which meets regularly to review applications.

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 seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Public Safety Dispatcher**
- **Police Officer**
- **Lifeguard**
- **Swim Instructor I**
- **City Planner**

- **Parking Maintenance Specialist**
- **Firefighter / EMT**
- **Police Systems IT Technician**
- **Truck Driver -- Streets**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator -- Utilities**
- **Laborer -- Public Works, Streets, and Stormwater**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker -- Summer intern**
- **Seasonal Maintenance Worker -- Facilities and Grounds**
- **Water and Sewer Pump Station Operator**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer**
- **Junior Accountant**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

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