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Meetings this week:

City Council, August 19, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session, followed by a special

Friday, August 14, 2015



NHDOT to hold Dover info session on Spaulding Turnpike widening

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) has scheduled an Aug. 25 public update on the overall status of design and construction for the widening of a 3.5-mile section of the Spaulding Turnpike (New Hampshire Route 16), beginning north of Exit 1 in Newington and running northerly to the Dover Toll Plaza, just north of Exit 6 (US Route 4) in Dover.

The public meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 25, 2015 at 7 p.m., in the auditorium at Dover City Hall, 288 Central Ave.

meeting, on Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

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

Zoning Board, August 20, 7 p.m.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a regular meeting, on Thursday, Aug. 20, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Room 306 at the McConnell Center.

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

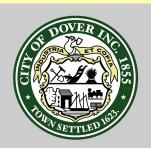
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For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

The session will include an overview of the Department's continued engineering evaluation and solicitation of public input to comply with the requirements of section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 for the Gen. Sullivan Bridge. NHDOT will also provide an overview of two supplemental projects that are planned in the area; one involving a new Turnpike Maintenance Facility in Newington, and a second involving an upgrade of the Dover tolls to incorporate open-road tolling.

The purpose of this meeting is to present citizens and public officials with information regarding the proposed project and to solicit public input in order to ensure that project decisions meet public transportation needs, community goals, and protect and enhance the environment. NHDOT acknowledges the General Sullivan Bridge is eligible for listing in the national register of historic places. To comply with the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, input on impacts to this resource will be solicited. Accordingly, NHDOT assures that this project will be administered according to the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and all related statutes to ensure nondiscrimination.

Any individuals needing assistance or auxiliary communication equipment due to sensory impairment or other disability, should contact the Bureau of Right-of-Way, NHDOT, PO Box 483, Concord, NH 03302-0483, or call 603-271-3222 - TDD Access: Relay NH 1-800-735-2964. Notification for the need of assistance should be made at the earliest convenience.



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Governor, Executive Council to meet in Dover Aug. 26

The Governor and Executive Council will hold their next scheduled meeting in Dover on Wednesday, Aug. 26.

The meeting will begin with a breakfast session at the Children's Museum of New Hampshire, 6 Washington St. The breakfast session is open to the public.

603-516-6000

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

Recycling Center hours:

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

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The regular meeting of the Governor and Executive Council will begin at 10 a.m. at 7th Settlement, 47 Washington St.

For more information, visit www.nh.gov/council/index.html.



Public Library unveils new website

The Dover Public Library this week unveiled its new website. The new website, which has been in the works for several months, features a fresh, new look and many new features.

In addition to library resources patrons already enjoy, what else can you find at the new site?

- Book reviews;
- Reading suggestions;
- 24/7 access to over two dozen databases for research and online learning;
- Library events calendar;
- Access to downloadable media (eBooks, audiobooks, music, movies, TV shows, documentaries, and more);
- Access to library catalog and ability to place holds, renew items;
- Ability to reserve date-specific museum passes;
- Ask a question of librarians;
- Get latest issues of library's newsletters;
- Clickable links to library on social media, such as Facebook, twitter, Pinterest, Instagram, and the library's blog;
- Mobile-friendly site;
- Dover history and historical images.

Check it out now (along with a good book) at

library.dover.nh.gov.

Or, for more information, call the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.

Library hours are Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Cochecho Arts Festival this week:

The Cochecho Arts Festival continues this week. The annual festival comprises the Children's Series on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., the Farmer's Market performances on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m., Shark in the Park concerts on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m., and the Headliner Series on Friday nights at 6 p.m.

Upcoming performances are:

- Friday, Aug. 14, 6 p.m., Mr. Nick and the Dirty
 Tricks (Sponsored by DF Richard) with Jake Davis
 Sponsored by Convenient MD), Rotary Arts
 Pavilion, Henry Law Park;
- Tuesday, Aug. 18, 10:30 a.m., Jake Duquette (Sponsored by CHaD at Wentworth-Douglass Hospital), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park;
- Wednesday, Aug. 19, 3:30 p.m., Andrea
 Szirbick (Sponsored by Dupont's Service Center),
 Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, 550 Central
 Ave.;
- Wednesday, Aug. 19, 6 p.m., Red Sky Mary (Sponsored by 102.1 & 105.3 The Shark), Rotary Arts Pavilion, Henry Law Park.

All Cochecho Arts Festival events are free to attend and open to the public.

The festival is organized by the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce.

For more information, click here.

City of Dover and surrounding towns to hold Hazardous Waste Collection Day

The City of Dover, along with the towns of Rollinsford, Lee and Madbury, will hold a Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, Aug. 29, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the City's Community Services facility, 271 Mast Road.

The goal of Hazardous Waste Collection Day is to allow for the proper disposal of household hazardous materials. Residents of the four communities can bring household hazardous waste to Community Services for safe disposal.

The following household waste will be accepted: fertilizer with acids; bathroom cleaners; brush cleaner; pesticides car waxes/polish; disinfectants; corrosives; fungicides; creosote; furniture polish paint/stain/finish; insect spray; driveway sealers/tar; metal polish (lead and oil based); lighter fluid; flea powder; mothballs; rust preventative; pest strips/traps; gasoline; oven cleaner; solvents; pesticides; radiator flush; photo chemicals; thinner/turpentine; poisons; roofing tar; rug cleaner; wood preservatives; pool chemicals; and wood strippers.

Empty containers are not hazardous. Please dispose of them in your regular trash.

Explosives, asbestos, latex paint, oil (new or used) and antifreeze will not be accepted.

Hazardous Waste Collection Day in Dover is for household residents only. Proof of residency is required.

For more information, contact Community Services at

Dover Community Senior Center kicks off month-long celebration

The Dover Community Senior Center kicks off a month-long celebration in September with singer and songwriter Jim Barnes on Thursday, Sept. 3, at 2 p.m., at the Senior Center.



Humor is a big part of Barnes' music. He has a tale to tell with just about every song. Barnes began writing his New Hampshire-flavored music in 2007, and now has over 40 New Hampshire flavored songs relating the rich story of life in New Hampshire, its history, rural setting, politics, weather and the tourist trade. Songs such as The Parable of the Peach and Apple Pickin' Time take the listener right along on a trip around the state, while others, such as Fees! Fees! Fees! poke fun at the state Legislature. Flatlanders and Trouble at the Dump tickle the ribs of listeners everywhere.

This performance is free and open to anyone over 50. Donations are welcome but not required.

The Dover Community Senior Center is located in Dover at the McConnell Center, 61 Locust St., Door #1.

For more information, contact the Dover Community Senior Center at 603-516-6420.



Learn more about the high School

and CTC building project online

The Dover School Board recently Board passed a resolution to support the construction of a new high school and Career Technical Center. The City Council is scheduled to vote on funding the project at its Aug. 26 regular meeting.

More information about the high school and CTC building project, including the most recent cost estimates, can be found at the project's <u>online resource here</u>.



Silver Street open to one-way traffic during construction

Silver Street (NH Route 9) will be a one-way street, inbound (easterly) only, from the intersection with Arch Street and Towle Avenue to the intersection with Central Avenue (NH Route 108). This pattern will be in effect at all times of the day, every day, through at least the end of September.

The suggested detour route for passenger cars from downtown will be via Washington Street to Arch Street. The intersection of Washington/Arch Streets will be converted to a three-way stop during this project in order to help safely process the extra traffic. The secondary detour (truck route) will be via Central Avenue to the Spaulding Turnpike.

For more information, visit the Silver Street Reconstruction Project page <u>here</u> or contact Community Services at 516-6450.

Exit 5 northbound ramps closed for

Spaulding Turnpike construction

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation has closed the Exit 5 northbound ramps on the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover for several months. Portable concrete barriers will be used at Exit 5 to close off the existing on and off ramps. The Exit 5 ramps will reopen later this summer.

A northbound traffic shift will allow for the construction of the new northbound tie-in from the Little Bay Bridge to the existing northbound lanes north of Exit 5. The Exit 5 ramps will be reconstructed to match the new alignment.

Motorists needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park will be directed northbound to Exit 6W, and to a detour back to Boston Harbor Road and under the new Little Bay Bridge to get from the west side to the east side of the Turnpike. Southbound traffic needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park, will be able to use Exit 6S and proceed to the signals at US Route 4/Boston Harbor Road.

Detour signs will be erected to show the new traffic pattern. Fire, emergency vehicles and school buses will need to use the detour. Boaters wishing to launch at Hilton Park should also take notice of this planned ramp closure and detour.

For more information, contact NHDOT at 603-271-3734.



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/cityof.htm.



Aug. 19, 1704 - Joseph Pitman slain by the Indians as he was guarding some mowers, not far from Oyster River meeting house. Information having been received that 600 Indians designed an attack on the settlers at the head of Piscataqua river, orders were issued to the several captains to call every person into garrison, and if possible to bring in their cattle, and observe all other duties of watching and warding that might be of advantage for their security. No such great force as this appeared, but small parties kept hovering on the outskirts, who committed the outrages above mentioned.



Aug. 17, 1713 - At a town meeting legally called at the meeting house on Dover Neck, Capt. Tebbets, Ens. Heard and Samuel Emerson were chosen to represent the town at the next session of the General Assembly to show reasons why the meeting house at Cochecho should not be the stated place of public worship for the future. A new meeting house had been built at Cochecho about this time, not by the town, but by individuals. It stood on Pine Hill a few rods north of the ancient Gushing tomb, and the above vote indicates that it had been opened for public worship. This was the third meeting house erected in Dover, separate from those at Oyster River and Bloody Point. Although no record has been found of it, it is probable that the Pine Hill burying ground began to be used for burial purposes at this time. Previous to this the ancient Waldron burying ground near the Methodist church, and the still more ancient cemetery not far from the old meeting house on the Neck, must have been in use. No monuments exist of the dead, if any were ever raised, (as they probably were not) for the first hundred years after the settlement of the town. The dead of that early period probably were buried without much ceremony, and in some cases all

marks of sepulcher were concealed to prevent their desecration by the Indians. In that early day nothing was read nor any funeral sermon made at a burial, but at the tolling of the bell, or some other signal, all the neighborhood came together, and after bearing the dead solemnly to the grave, stood by until it was closed. The ministers were commonly, but not always, present.



Aug. 16, 1818 - A Sabbath School was opened for the first time in Dover, Aug. 16, at the Court House, pursuant to a notice signed by Rev. Joseph W. Clary, John W. Hayes, Amos White, Andrew Peirce and William Woodman, the Committee. Parents were requested to send such of their Children as were reading in a class. The books to be used were the Bible, or Testament, Psalms and Hymns, Catechism, etc. Parents not able to furnish their children with suitable clothing were requested to send them dressed in the best clothes they had, and ladies connected with the society would furnish them with such additional clothing as was found necessary. In the fall of the year the school was suspended for the winter, when the following report was made: Number of verses of scripture recited 9,934; verses in hymns 6,029; answers in catechism 5,366. A little girl 7 years of age, recited 544 verses in scripture, 99 in hymns, 361 in catechism.



Aug. 14, 1863 - A draft of 152 men was made from Dover for filling up the depleted ranks of the N.H. Regiments and the City Council passed an ordinance for the payment of \$300 to every drafted man or his substitute, ten da^^s after being mustered into the service of the United States. The Dover conscripts, when the draft became known, met in front of the City Hall from whence with music and torches they marched through the principal streets. Great enthusiasm and much good feeling prevailed.



Aug. 20, 1864 - The City Council voted to pay the highest bounty authorized by law (\$200), in addition to the State and United States bounties, to such citizens as should enlist prior to the 5th of September.



City Hall now open Fridays

City Hall offices are now open Monday through Friday.

City Hall is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m, and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In May, the City Council adopted a fiscal year 2016 budget that included funding for the additional hours at City Hall.

Department of Safety to hold public hearing on Bellamy River petition

The State of New Hampshire's Department of Safety will hold a public hearing in response to a petition that seeks to prohibit seaplanes on the lower Bellamy River in Dover, from 39 to 193 Spur Road. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 25, at 1 p.m., in the Dover Public Library's lecture room.

The petition seeks to prohibit from the lower Bellamy River all types of aircraft, including helicopters and seaplanes.

According to the state DOS, testimony relative to the specific and related issues will be allowed.

For more information, contact the Department of Safety, Bureau of Hearings, 33 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, 603-271-3486, e-mail safety-hearings@dos.nh.gov, or visit http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/hearings/.

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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.

DID YOU KNOW?

Dover Chamber kicks off new season of historic walking tours

The Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce will offer guided walking tours of historic Dover on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. this summer. The tours will be held through September.



Tours will depart from the Chamber, 550 Central Ave., and will travel downtown. Attendees will learn about the rise and fall of Dover's textile industry, "Dover's Black Day" and famous visitors to Dover.

Dover is New Hampshire's oldest, continuos settlement.

Tours are \$8 per person, or \$5 per person for a family of four or more, with a maximum of \$20. These tours last approximately 90 minutes. A water bottle and sneakers are recommended.

New this year is an architectural tour, and returning for its second year is a tour of Pine Hill cemetery. The architectural tour meets at the Locust Street parking lot for St. Joseph's Church. The cost of this tour is also \$8 per person, or \$5 per person for a family of four or more, with a maximum of \$20.

The Pine Hill Cemetery tour must be reserved in advance. The cost of the cemetery tour is \$10 and meets at the Pine Hill Cemetery.

For more information or to make reservations, call (603) 742-2218.

MUNICIPAL MATTERS

City of Dover employment opportunities

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

To see what positions the City is seeking to fill, click here.

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 the City's website at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

Catch Channel 22 live, on the go

Dover's governmental access television channel, Channel 22, is now available as a <u>live stream</u>. The live stream allows anyone to view live programming from Channel 22 on a computer or a variety of <u>mobile devices</u>. The live stream can be <u>accessed here</u> on the City's website. This page also includes a programming guide for the day.

In addition to live streaming, the City continues to offer ondemand viewing of programming from Channels 22 and 95. All of the City's on-demand content can be found on the page above or by <u>clicking here</u>.



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>.