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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



September 4, 2026



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DOVER, NH**

288 Central
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Dover, NH 03820
603-516-6000

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**



City Hall tower lighting policy, pump station tank replacement and water projects on Council's agenda

The City Council will meet on Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2026, at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers.

The meeting will begin with a proclamation for Evan Hennessey, followed by three public hearings on pending resolutions. One would update the Vehicles and Transportation ordinance in Chapter 141 by adding metered spaces on Young Street, codifying prohibitions on double parking, updating parking permit regulations, restricting some parking spaces on South Pine Street, and increasing fines for

hours:

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

second and subsequent offenses of parking unregistered vehicles on public streets and in parking spaces. A public hearing will also be held for adjusting the fine schedule for the associated changes to Chapter 141. A third public hearing will be held for proposed amendments to the Food Establishments ordinance in Chapter 85. The resolution would update chapter language to mirror the state's food code and clarify provisions concerning the suspension and revocation of licenses, according to background materials.

The City Council will consider approving an additional \$300,000 in contingency for the ongoing Central Avenue water improvements, bringing the total project cost to \$7,675,450, of which \$4,312,661 is offset by state and federal grants. According to the background materials, the contractor has encountered unexpected conditions, including more ledge and concrete panel road subbase removal than planned, as well as petroleum-contaminated soil in areas of former gas stations on Central Avenue near Preble, Hough, and Oak streets. Another resolution would authorize the replacement of the water main on Rollins Road from Oak to Highland Avenue and on Highland Avenue by contracting with MacKinnon and Sons Excavating for \$425,000.

There is also a resolution to establish a lighting policy for displaying lights on the City Hall clock tower, which would include "a fair and orderly process for considering requests, protect the historic character and safe operation of City Hall, and clarify that the tower is not a public forum or a forum for private expression."

Also on the agenda are pending resolutions that would authorize:

- Continuing contracting with Emery and Garrett Groundwater Investigations, LLC for \$186,500 for groundwater contaminant monitoring, aquifer level monitoring and exploration of additional groundwater supply, and separately, for monitoring the Pudding Hill Aquifer for \$202,600, which would be partially offset from the settlement agreement with Schnitzer Industries.
- Authorizing an additional \$52,825 for the Dover Public Library renovation contractor Bonnette Page & Stone Corp. for replacing a section of old sewer service in the front of the library and repairing existing life safety lighting, and the unexpected cost of hiring an operator for the elevator before it passed inspection to allow the contracted book movers to move books back into place after the renovation.
- Authorize the purchase of additional pay-as-you-throw trash bags for up to \$121,066. The bags will be phased out for the toter system starting on July 1, 2027. The city is balancing the need to have enough bags for the year without creating a surplus by July 1, according to the background materials.
- Authorize the replacement of two 2,500-gallon sodium hypochlorite tanks used at the River Street Pump Station to help control odors and prevent degradation of the sewer force main for \$256,677
- Authorizing the renewal of the repair and preventative maintenance agreement for water treatment sensors

and analyzers to Hatch Company of Loveland, Colorado for \$25,840.

- Award the sale of the city-owned parcel at 39 Toftree Lane to Northam Properties, LLC for \$324,000.

[View the agenda.](#)

The meeting will be held in City Hall's Council Chambers beginning at 7 p.m. It will be televised on DoverTV (Xfinity channel 22 and Breezeline channel 9010). It will also be broadcast on the city's [new streaming platform](#), where it will be available on-demand.

Mayor announces September office hours

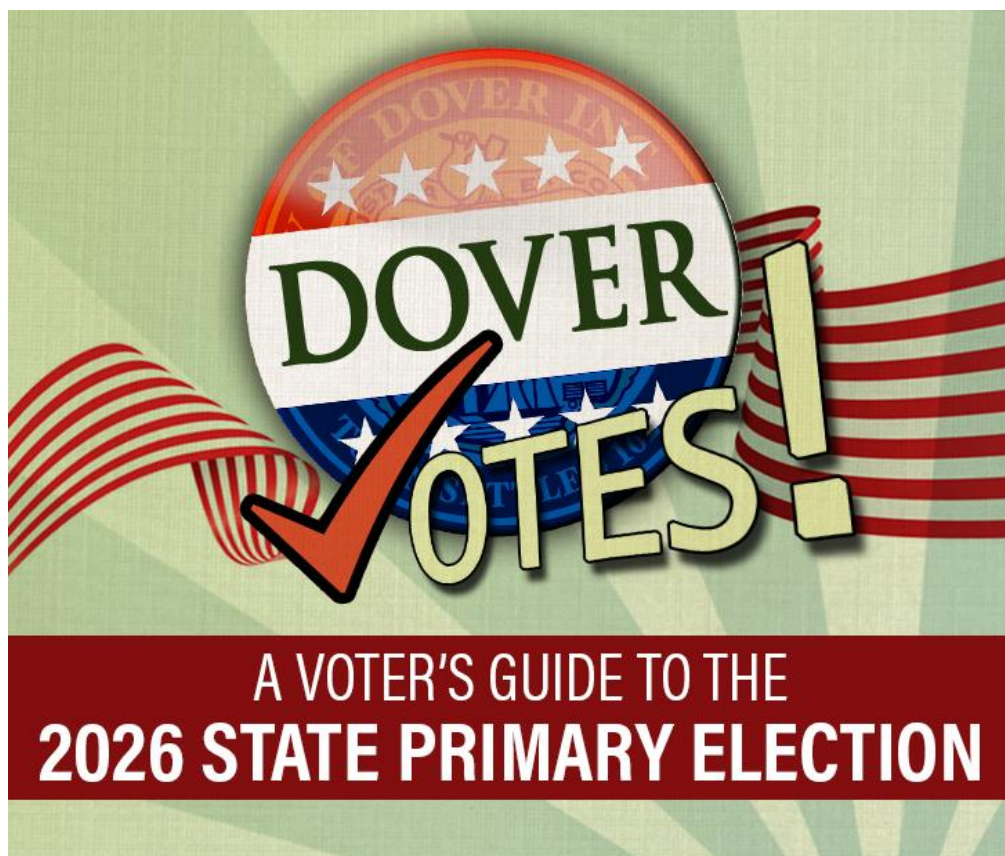
Each month, Mayor Dennis Shanahan holds office hours at City Hall, offering the public an opportunity to stop by and speak directly with the mayor.

The next office-hours session is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 8, at 9 a.m. A second session in September is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 24, at 5:30 p.m.



Office hours are held in the Council Conference Room on the second floor of City Hall and last approximately 90 minutes. Residents are welcome to attend during the scheduled time. City Hall is located at 288 Central Ave.

For more information, contact Mayor Shanahan at 603-534-3750 or d.shanahan@dover.nh.gov.



State primary election is Tuesday

The state primary election will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2026. Polling hours in Dover will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

The election will determine political party nominees for the general election to be held on Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026. There are two ballots for the Sept. 8 primary election: one for registered Republicans and one for registered Democrats. Undeclared voters may declare a party at their polling location on Election Day and receive that party's ballot. Voters may change party status back to undeclared by signing a form at the polls following the vote.

The City of Dover's [2026 State Primary Election webpage](#) has sample ballots for the Republican and Democratic primaries for each of Dover's six wards. The page also has the polling locations for each ward.

Polling locations

Dover has six polling locations, one in each city ward. The polling places are:

- **Ward 1 - Frances G. Hopkins Elementary School at Horne Street, 78 Horne St.**
- **Ward 2 - Dover Ice Arena, 110 Portland Ave.**
- **Ward 3 - Woodman Park Elementary School, 11 Towle Ave.**
- **Ward 4 - Garrison School, 50 Garrison Road**
- **Ward 5 - Dover Middle School, 16 Daley Drive**
- **Ward 6 - Hellenic Center, 219 Long Hill Road**

What ward do I live in?

Utilize the City of Dover's [online interactive map](#) that shows the boundaries of Dover's six wards. Voters may also call the City Clerk's office at 603-516-6018 for assistance.

Registering to vote

Voters who need to register to vote before voting must do so at their polling location on Election Day. The last day to register to vote in the City Clerk's Office was Sept. 1.

Deadline to return absentee ballots

The deadline for returning absentee ballots to be counted in the primary election:

- **In person** — 5 p.m., Monday, Sept. 7, 2026, at the City Clerk's Office. The office will be open from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sept. 7 for receiving absentee ballots.
- **By mail** — 5 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2026.

Absentee Ballot Status

Voters can check the status of their absentee ballot by utilizing New Hampshire Secretary of State's [Voter Information Lookup](#).

The City Clerk's Office will be open on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7, 2026 from 1 to 5 p.m., to accept absentee ballots.



The future site of a 9/11 memorial at the Cocheco Mill Courtyard, seen this morning, Friday, Sept. 4. The memorial will be installed next week and will be unveiled during a ceremony at 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 11, the 25th anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

Dover to dedicate 9/11 memorial on 25th anniversary

The City of Dover will mark the 25th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks with a remembrance ceremony and the dedication of the city's new permanent 9/11 memorial on Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, at 11 a.m. in the Cocheco Mill Courtyard on Central Avenue.

The ceremony is expected to begin with a procession of police, fire and other uniformed personnel accompanied by bagpipes and color guards. The program will include a moment of silence recognizing key moments of the Sept. 11 attacks, a blessing, remarks from Mayor Dennis Shanahan and others, the formal unveiling of the memorial, a traditional bell ceremony and musical tributes.

The memorial was designed as a permanent place for remembrance, reflection and education, honoring those killed in the attacks as well as first responders, military members, survivors and those who died in the years that followed from 9/11-related illnesses. Its granite panels represent the Pentagon, the World Trade Center towers and Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and include interpretive elements recounting the events and impact of Sept. 11.

The memorial also holds particular significance for Dover. Four people with ties to the city were killed that day: Douglas Stone, a passenger on Flight 11; Kathleen and Michael Shearer, passengers on Flight 175; and David Scott Suarez, who was at the World Trade Center.

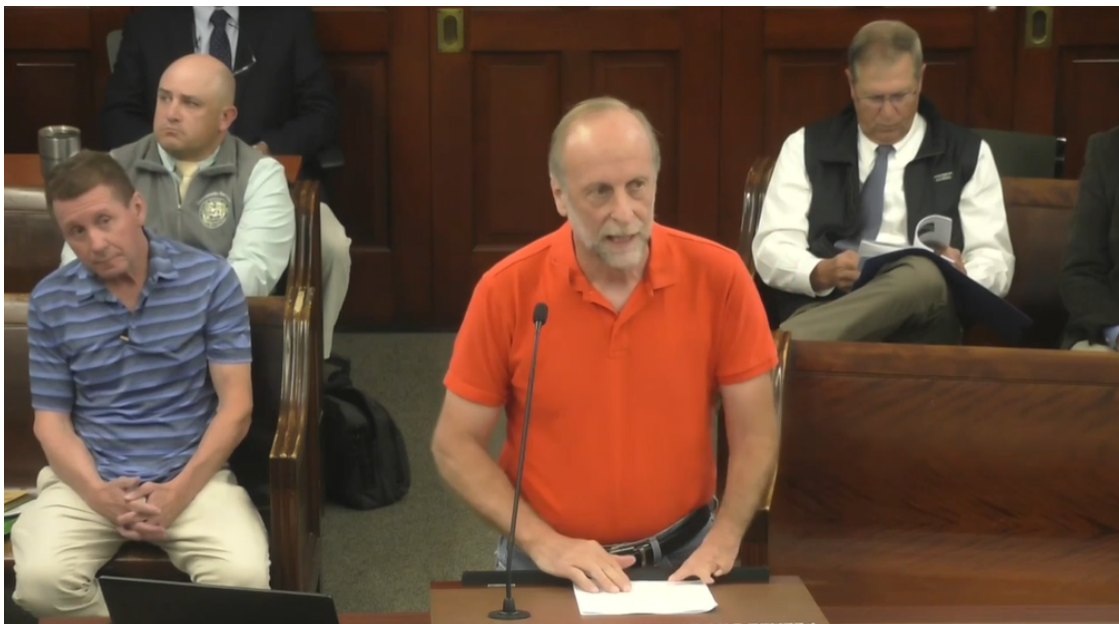
The Cocheco Mill Courtyard was selected in part because it was the site of Dover's first 9/11 remembrance ceremony. The memorial, approximately 27 feet long and 11 feet high, was designed by retired Assistant Fire Chief David Hanna and incorporates imagery representing police, fire and emergency medical personnel, as well as members of the military.

The plan for the permanent memorial was first publicly announced by former Mayor Robert Carrier on Sept. 10, 2025, following the City Council's 9/11 remembrance ceremony in Council Chambers.

The memorial's design, location and construction were made possible through community donations and in-kind contributions, together with up to \$60,000 in one-to-one matching funds authorized by the City Council in January.

Parking for those attending the ceremony has been reserved at 47 Chestnut St., the site of the former New Hampshire State Liquor Store. A portion of Central Avenue, from Franklin Square to Central Square and adjacent to the courtyard, will be reduced to one lane for the event, and some on-street parking in the area will be restricted.

Installation of the memorial will begin Tuesday, Sept. 8. Traffic and parking restrictions will also be in effect near the Cocheco Mill Courtyard during the installation.



Solid Waste Advisory Commission Chair David Dinzeo addresses the City Council at its Sept. 2 workshop session.

City Council receives update on transition to curbside toter collection

The City Council this week received an update on the city's transition to the toter collection system for curbside trash and recycling during its Sept. 2, 2026 workshop session. The city will transition from its current pay-as-you-throw trash bags to a curbside toter collection system on July 1, 2027.

[Watch the workshop session.](#)

Solid Waste Advisory Committee Chair David Dinzeo gave a brief presentation to the City Council on SWAC's recommended ordinance changes to accompany the toter transition. Dinzeo, Community Services Director John Storer, and Waste Management representative Peter Lachapelle then answered questions from the Council.

Dinzeo explained that curbside collection will occur on public streets and approved private streets. Private streets can petition for curbside collection, which includes indemnifying the city and the contractor, said City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. The contractor also has to evaluate whether it can safely operate and turn around its vehicles on these private drives.

Those in the collection area will receive a 64-gallon wheeled toter. After three months, customers would have the option to request a larger or smaller toter.

SWAC recommends that collection be residential for properties with three or fewer housing units, which is similar to other communities, Dinzeo said. Properties with four or more housing units would be considered businesses by ordinance. SWAC also recommends that downtown businesses not be eligible for collection. Bulky waste would be scheduled through Waste Management rather than the city, as it is currently. The costs of curbside collection, solid waste tipping fees, and recycling processing will be paid from the city's general fund.

The City Council is expected to hold a first reading of amendments to the Waste Management ordinance, Chapter 145, at its Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2026 meeting, with a public hearing and a potential vote at its Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026 meeting.

SWAC is planning an education campaign to help alert residents of the upcoming changes. SWAC's education subcommittee [meets next](#) on Thursday, Sept. 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., followed by SWAC's [regular meeting](#) at 6 p.m.

Labor Day schedule for city facilities

Curbside trash and recycling delayed one day all week

City administrative offices, including **City Hall**, will be closed Monday, Sept. 7, 2026, for Labor Day. Regular hours will resume Tuesday, Sept. 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Other administrative offices closed on Labor Day include **Inspection Services**, **Community Services** on Mast Road, and **Facilities, Grounds and Cemeteries** offices on Court Street.

The **Public Library** is closed Saturday, Sept. 5, through Monday, Sept. 7, for the Labor Day holiday weekend.

Recreation facilities will operate on modified schedules during the holiday weekend:

- **Dover Arena:** Closed Friday, Sept. 4, through Sunday, Sept. 6. The Arena will reopen at 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7, for Dover Youth Hockey and Granite State Wild practices. On Tuesday, Sept. 8, the Arena will be closed for all skating activities while the facility serves as the Ward 2 polling location for the State Primary Election. Normal business hours and skating operations resume Wednesday, Sept. 9.
- **Dover Community Senior Center:** Closed Friday, Sept. 4, through Monday, Sept. 7.

- **Indoor Pool:** Closed Saturday, Sept. 5, through Monday, Sept. 7. Indoor Pool passes will be valid at the Jenny Thompson Outdoor Pool during the closure.
- **Jenny Thompson Outdoor Pool:** Open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5, and Sunday, Sept. 6. On Monday, Sept. 7, the final day of the season, the pool will be open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Visit the Recreation Department website for specific swim times.
- **McConnell Center** and **Fitness Center:** Open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5, and Sunday, Sept. 6, and from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Sept. 7.

Trash pickup and curbside recycling will be delayed by one day all week because of the holiday.

Labor Day is a "parking holiday." Metered parking is free on parking holidays, except at the Orchard Street Parking Garage and Transportation Center Lot, where paid parking is required at all times.



The yellow circles indicate the different work areas for the downtown light replacement project.

Downtown street lighting replacement begins mid-month

- [Replacement of Sixth Street Bridge](#)
- [Commercial Real Estate Professional Services to Sell 30 Willand Dr., Somersworth](#)

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

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:

- Downtown Dover TIF
- Open Lands Committee
- Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee
- Recreation Advisory Board

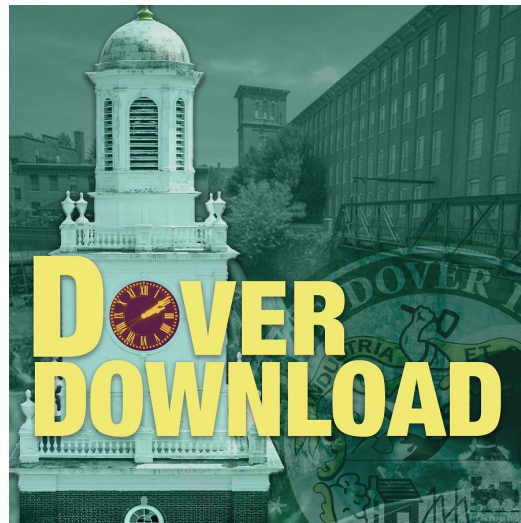
The complete list of boards and committees can be found at www.dover.nh.gov/government/boards-and-commissions/

To apply, [complete an application](#), and return it to the City Clerk's Office, or [email it to](#) City Clerk Jerrica Vanslyvong-Bizier. 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.

Current bid documents can be accessed on the Finance Department's [bid page](#). Vendors can also join the City's bid list by visiting the site.

For more information, contact the Finance and Purchasing Office at 603-516-6030.



August 2026 Roundup: Boards, Committees and Commissions

In the [latest episode](#) of the Dover Download podcast, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker chats with Director of Media Services Mike Gillis about what Dover's boards, committees and commissions accomplished at their August meetings.

[Listen](#) wherever you get your podcasts.

City urges water conservation amid ongoing drought conditions

The City of Dover urges residents and businesses to voluntarily reduce water consumption due to the ongoing [regional drought conditions](#). These voluntary measures will remain in place until drought conditions improve.

While many communities across the region implemented mandatory water restrictions, the city anticipates voluntary water use reductions will be sufficient, said Community Services Director John Storer, who oversees the city's water system.

"We've been fortunate to make it through the bulk of the summer without requesting any use restrictions, but we're starting to feel the effects of the extended regional drought," Storer said. "Cutting back on lawn irrigation and other water-intensive activities will go a long way in ensuring the city has enough water for everyone, including our firefighters when they need it most."

Current aquifer levels were discussed at the City Council's workshop on the city's water utility system on Wednesday, Sept. 2, 2026.

The region has experienced drought conditions since July 8, 2025, when the U.S. Drought Monitor classified the region to be abnormally dry. Conditions worsened to moderate drought levels on Aug. 12, 2025, followed by severe drought conditions starting on Sept. 16, 2026. Severe drought conditions persisted through June 30, 2026, when conditions were upgraded to moderate drought conditions, where it has remained.

Ways to conserve water

The public can conserve water in many ways:

- Limit outdoor watering. According to the EPA, irrigation accounts for 30% of residential water use nationally — about 9 billion gallons per day. Avoid irrigating during the day, especially the hottest parts of the day when evaporation is highest.
- Utilize commercial car washes. They are more efficient with water and don't dump dirty water into the storm drains.
- Fixing leaky plumbing conserves water and saves money. Leaking faucets and toilets can waste thousands of gallons a year, leading to increased water bills.
- Be mindful of indoor water use. Take shorter showers, turn off the water when brushing teeth, and run dishwashers and washing machines only when full.

Find additional resources at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's [WaterSense online resource](#).

Track water use, get leak alerts with 'Eye On Water'

The city's public water customers can monitor their water usage with the Eye On Water [online portal and mobile app](#). The system helps track daily, monthly, and yearly consumption; users can also sign up to receive alerts for potential leaks. Customers will need their account number from their water bill. For assistance, contact the Water and Sewer Billing Office at 603-516-6028.

Dover Download 'Question of the Week'

We want to hear from you. In each edition of Dover Download, we're looking for your response to our question of the week. A new poll will appear each week in Dover Download, along with the results for the previous week. Participating is easy. Click on the link below to cast your vote.

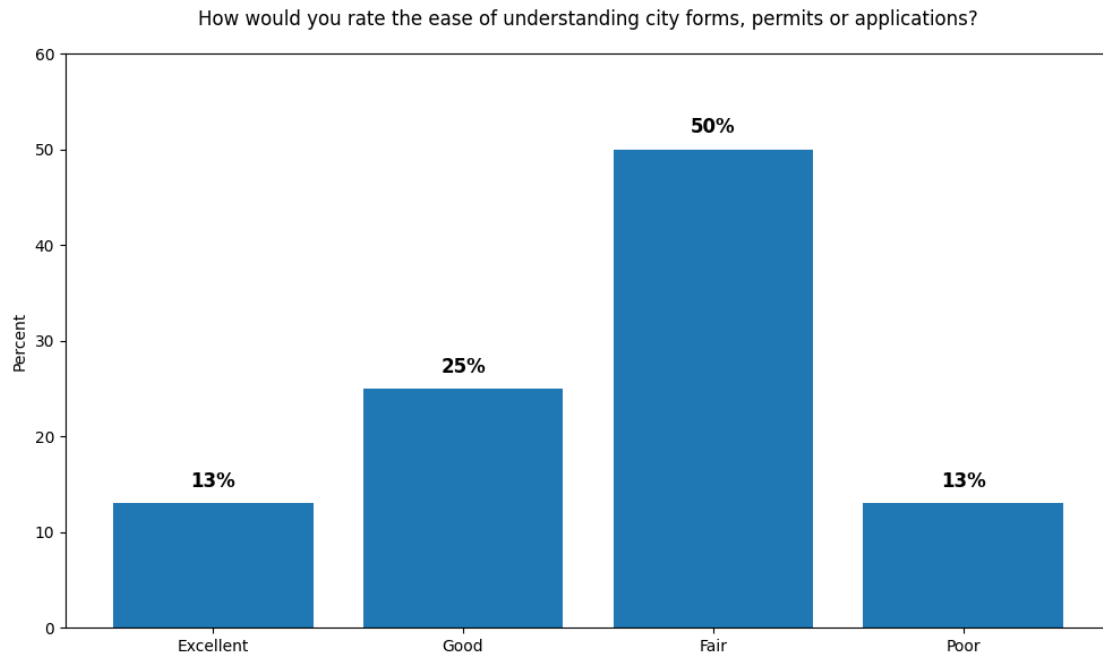
This week's question:

"Did you attend any of the concerts or events as part of the Cochecho Arts Festival this year?"

[Let us know.](#)

Please note that if you don't already have an account with Polco, the city's polling system, you will be asked to create one. Responses are anonymous.

Here are the results from last week's poll:



The following events are from various 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.

Sept. 6, 1944 — Dover school officials were reportedly trying to persuade former major league catcher Tom Padden to take over the vacant football coaching job at Dover High School. Padden, a Manchester native, was already a familiar name to New Hampshire sports fans. A standout in football, baseball and basketball at St. Joseph's High School in Manchester, he went on to play college baseball before beginning a professional career in 1928. He reached the major leagues with the Pittsburgh Pirates in 1932 and spent six seasons with Pittsburgh before returning to the majors with the Philadelphia Phillies and Washington Senators in 1943. Over seven major league seasons, Padden appeared in 399 games, batting .272 with 318 hits and 110 RBIs. The 1944 report noted Padden's football background and said the Dover School Committee was attempting to interest him in its coaching vacancy. At the time, the 35-year-old Padden was still playing professional baseball in the American Association, including a stint that season with the St. Paul Saints. Dover's effort ultimately came up short. Padden continued playing professionally through 1945 and eventually returned home to Manchester, where he became a well-known coach of local baseball and basketball teams. He coached American Legion baseball in Manchester and, in 1948, was named manager of his hometown Manchester Yankees of the Class B New England League.

Sept. 8, 1999 — George J. Kay, a longtime figure in Dover's schools and civic life, died at the age of 78. Born on Sept. 9, 1920, Kay devoted more than four decades to the Dover school system, serving as Dover High School principal, assistant superintendent, and coordinating construction projects at several schools. He also led McIntosh College until 1979 and later took on interim leadership roles in Rochester and Hampton. In 1985, Kay briefly served as Dover's interim city manager.

Sept. 6, 2000 — Newspapers and trade journals reported what appeared to be a major win for a new Dover aircraft manufacturer, Alliance Aircraft Corp. Legacy Airlines Inc. had agreed to purchase 80 regional jets from Alliance Aircraft for \$326.5 million. The proposed 35- and 44-passenger jets were intended for an ambitious new airline network serving dozens of U.S. cities. But neither the airline nor the airplanes had yet gotten off the ground. Legacy, formerly Oneida Airlines, had temporarily withdrawn its federal certification application while seeking the \$180 million it said it needed to begin operations. Alliance Aircraft was itself barely a year old. Founded in 1999 at the Pease International Tradeport by Earl Robinson, a former Fairchild Dornier aircraft-development executive, the company initially proposed a family of StarLiner regional jets, beginning with 70- and 90-seat models. Alliance's Dover chapter was brief. In 2000, Robinson was promoting plans to turn underused downtown Dover mill space into an aircraft manufacturing operation, including a possible factory in Dover. The enormous orders never translated into airplanes. That summer, another startup, Global Airlines, agreed to buy 450 Alliance aircraft even though Global had no planes of its own and Alliance had no assembly plant. In November, Russian aircraft maker Sukhoi withdrew from a proposed StarLiner partnership, citing disagreements over the project's implementation and financing. Alliance later shifted its attention to smaller jets and proposed manufacturing them in Martinsburg, West Virginia, while pursuing a partnership with China's Harbin Aircraft. Harbin ultimately chose Embraer instead. Alliance was still seeking a factory site as late as 2003, including a proposed move to the former Grumman complex on Long Island, but it never produced a StarLiner. The Dover factory never opened, and the company eventually faded away, leaving the \$326.5 million announcement of Sept. 6, 2000, as a brief glimpse of an extraordinarily ambitious Dover venture that never took flight.

Sept. 11, 2011 — On the 10th anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, the Dover fire and police departments gathered with the community at Henry Law Park for a solemn commemoration. The Dover Fire and Rescue Honor Guard tolled the station's bell in honor of the 343 firefighters who died that day, a tradition once used to signal a firefighter's death in the line of duty. The Rev. Susan Garrity and then Mayor Dean Trefethen reminded those present that, like the memories of Pearl Harbor or President Kennedy's assassination, 9/11 marked a generation-defining moment. The fire chief at the time, Richard Driscoll, spoke of the fire service as a family bound together by sacrifice, underscoring the vow to "never forget." The ceremony concluded with firefighter Brendan Driscoll playing "Amazing Grace" on the bagpipes. Brendan is now the current fire chief, and will be part of a ceremony on Friday, Sept. 11, 2026, to honor the 25th anniversary of the terrorist attacks. That ceremony will include the unveiling of a permanent memorial at the Cocheco Mill Courtyard on Central Avenue.



Dover Greek Festival kicks off today

The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church of Dover will host its annual Greek Heritage Festival this Labor Day weekend, Sept. 4 to 5, 2026, at the Hellenic Center.

The free event will feature authentic Greek food, homemade pastries, and a Greek taverna. Live music and entertainment will be provided both nights, including performances by OPA! Entertainment.

Festival hours are today, Friday, Sept. 4, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday, Sept. 5, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Free parking is available.

Organizers emphasize that admission is free and that no tickets are required, and warn patrons about potential scams online and on social media.

The Hellenic Center is located at 219 Long Hill Road in Dover.

For more information, visit www.dovergreekfestival.com.

City of Dover Open Lands
Committee & Wild Birds Unlimited

A BIRDING ADVENTURE

Discover the Beauty
of Local Birds on
Conservation Land

SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13TH



09:00 AM
11:00 AM

BELLAMY RIVER
WILDLIFE
MANAGEMENT AREA
350 Old Garrison Rd,
Dover, NH

Event is open to all
ages. Dogs welcome!



What to Bring

- Binoculars
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Water bottle & snacks
- Camera with zoom lens (optional)

Why Join?

- Explore forest, wetlands & grassland habitats
- Spot a variety of local bird species
- Guided walk with experienced birdwatchers
- Learn practical birdwatching tips
- Learn about the benefits of Conservation



Questions? Contact Makayla Edgecomb at
(603)516-6008
m.edgecomb@dover.nh.gov

Open Lands Committee hosts birding event at Bellamy River Wildlife Sanctuary

The Open Lands Committee will host a "Birding Adventure" at the Bellamy River Wildlife Sanctuary on Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026, from 9 to 11 a.m. with Wild Birds Unlimited.

Discover the beauty of local birds on conservation land and explore forest, wetland, and grassland habitats on a guided walk led by experienced birdwatchers. Spot a variety of local birds while learning practical birdwatching tips.

The event is open to all ages. Participants should bring binoculars, comfortable walking shoes, water and snacks.

For more information, contact Assistant City Planner Makayla Edgecomb at 603-516-6008 or [by email](#).



**REPORT A CRIME
ANONYMOUSLY.**



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**SUBMIT AN E-TIP AT
DOVERCRIMELINE.ORG**

Report crimes anonymously to Dover CrimeLine

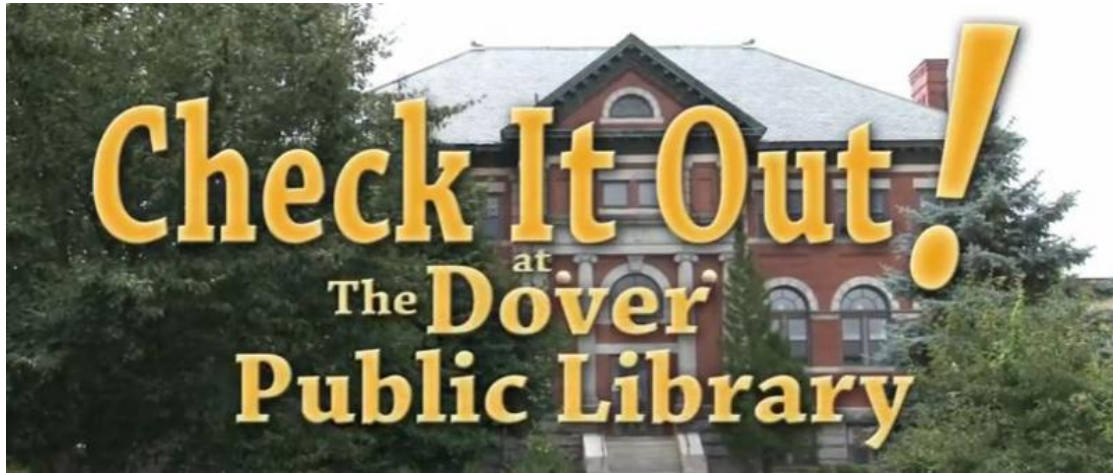
Dover CrimeLine is a community partnership between residents and the Dover Police Department that allows people to anonymously share information about criminal activity.

Anyone with information about a crime can call Dover CrimeLine at 603-749-6000 or submit an E-Tip through www.dovernhcrimeline.org. Tipsters remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000 if their information leads to an arrest or indictment.

Dover CrimeLine was established in 1991 to enhance public safety and reduce crime in the city. Since then, thousands of tips have contributed to arrests and investigations, with more than \$34,000 in rewards authorized.

Tipsters are reminded that Dover CrimeLine is not an emergency service. If a crime is in progress or has just occurred, call 911 or the Dover Police Department's nonemergency line at 603-742-4646.

For more information or to learn how to volunteer with the CrimeLine board, visit www.dovernhcrimeline.org.



This Week at the Library

Saturday through Monday, Sept. 5-7
Library closed for Labor Day weekend

Tuesday, Sept. 8, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Free drop-in Acupuncture session
for relaxation

Meeting Room 2 (Leach Room)

Free, monthly "stress relief" ear acupuncture clinic for any community members who have stress in their work/home life, just want to relax or want to experience acupuncture (All ages). No appointment is needed. First come, first served. Ends promptly at 7:30 pm.

Please arrive by 7:10 pm.

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.
All Abilities Club: Art for All
Community Room

This inclusive program for adults welcomes those with disabilities as we create art and craft projects. Each session of this hands-on program will feature a different art exploration.

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2 to 3 p.m.
Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club
Trustees Room

This book group is dedicated to non-fiction, exploring history, science, essays, and biography. This month's book is

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 4 to 5 p.m. and
5:15 to 6:15 p.m.

Pottery Class with
Dover Pottery Studio
Community Room

In honor of Library Card Sign Up Month, Dover Pottery Studio is offering a FREE class for library cardholders! Those with active Dover Public Library Card are invited to join owner Kim Hanson to make a small bowl. No experience necessary and all ages are welcome (although younger children may need assistance from an adult).

Thursday, Sept. 10, 6:30 to 8:15 pm
Reading Rainbow Book Group
Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

Join Reading Rainbow, Dover Public Library's Queer book group as we discuss *She is a Haunting* by Trang Thanh Tran. Copies of the book will be available to borrow from the library and some through Hoopla or Libby. All are welcome at this inclusive book group.

Friday, Sept. 11, 10:30 to 11:30 am
Virtual Presidential Series:
William Henry Harrison

Register: <https://ow.ly/Sb1150Zi0P4>

A yearlong series with "America's Preeminent Presidential Doodler,"

The Age of Wonder by Richard Holmes.
Pick up a copy at the front desk.

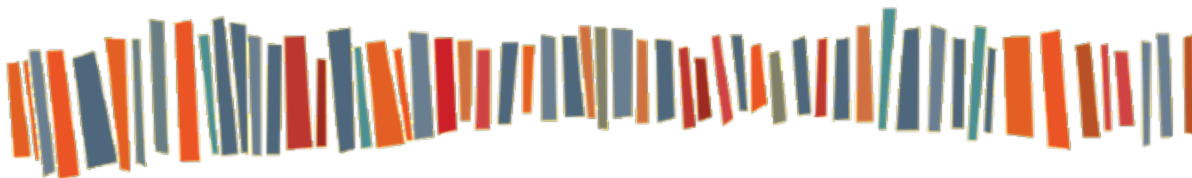
Wednesday, Sept. 9, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Drop-In Art Lab for Kids
Program Room (Mullen)

Kids are invited to bring their imagination and creativity to the Drop-In Open Art Lab. A variety of supplies will be available for you to create your own design.

Heather Rogers, sharing curious facts, surprising tidbits, and lively illustrations of U.S. presidents. This month we're talking William Henry Harrison: He was the first president to die in office; shortest presidency.

Saturday, Sept. 12, 10 to 11 a.m.
French Conversation Group
Meeting Room 4 (Garland Room)

Want to practice your French language skills with others in a friendly low-stress environment? The Library is lucky to have Parisienne Sarah L. facilitating this new group. Sarah will get the conversation started and will offer some simple worksheets for skill building. This group meets twice a month.



End-of-season Merry Mac Regatta is Sept. 12

Join the Great Bay Yacht Club for its end-of-season Merry Mac Regatta on Saturday, Sept. 12, at Hilton State Park, with a rain date of Sunday, Sept. 13. Merry Macs, Oyster River Cats, Handy Cats, Nutshell Prams, and any and all small sailing boats and dinghies are welcome.

The race is open to entrants of all ages. Registration begins at 9 a.m. at Great Bay Yacht Club. Skippers Meeting at 10:30 a.m. at the park.

Founded in 1958, GBYC has been a cornerstone of the local boating community for decades. The club is founded on the principles of fostering the spirit of sailing in the community around the Great Bay area. For more information, visit <https://www.greatbayyachtclub.org>.

City of Dover to hold Household Hazardous Waste Day Oct. 17

The City of Dover, along with the towns of Rollinsford, Lee and Madbury, will hold a Hazardous Waste Collection Day on Saturday, Oct. 17, 2026, 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 preventatives; pest strips/traps; gasoline; oven cleaners; 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, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks, latex paint, waste oil and antifreeze will not be accepted.

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

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



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What is recyclable by Waste Management?

No matter what some package labels state, due to limitations at material recovery facilities, it's not possible to recycle everything made of plastic, metal, glass, and paper. Residents may use Waste Management's [Recycling Resources](#) and the [Recycle Smart](#) online search tool to identify acceptable recyclables for our community.

For more information, please call Community Services at 603-516-6073.



WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?



METAL

Food and beverage cans. Empty and rinse.



PLASTIC

Bottles, jars, jugs, and tubs with a #1, #2, #5 marking BUT not all #1, #2, #5 are currently being recycled; these include soft plastics such as bags, Styrofoam, hard plastics which are solid color black, blue and brown. Empty and replace cap.



GLASS

Bottles and jars. Empty and rinse.



PAPER AND CARDBOARD

Mixed paper, newspaper, magazines and boxes.

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Red Cross declares emergency blood shortage

The American Red Cross is declaring an emergency blood shortage as the blood supply fell nearly 25% in June. Blood donors are urgently needed to give now to help ensure patients receive lifesaving medical care without delay.



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The shortage comes during the height of trauma season, when hospitals frequently see increased demand for blood due to serious injuries and other medical emergencies, according to the Red Cross.

A steep decline in blood donations since the end of May has created a growing gap between supply and patient need. Currently, Red Cross distributions to hospitals are nearly 3,500 units higher per week than expected. The shortage is especially serious for types O positive and B negative blood. Blood donors are urgently needed to give now to help ensure patients receive lifesaving medical care without delay.

Every day, thousands of patients rely on lifesaving blood donations. The need for blood is constant.

Schedule a blood donation appointment through the [Red Cross Blood Donor App](#), visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). [Learn more about](#) the donation process.

Upcoming blood donation opportunities in Dover

- Tuesday, Sept. 8, 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., [Bill Dube Ford/Toyota](#), 40 Dover Point Road
- Friday, Sept. 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Brueckner Group USA](#), 50 Lighthouse Dr.
- Thursday, Sept. 17, 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., [Dover Baptist Church](#), 151 Washington St.
- Tuesday, Sept. 22, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., [Dover Moose Hall](#), 45 Chestnut St.
- Monday, Sept. 28, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., [Holiday Maple Suites](#), 30 Holiday Dr.

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:

- **Custodian, Part-Time**
- **Fire/Life Safety Inspector**
- **Media Services Technician, Part-Time**
- **Gym Attendant, Part-Time**
- **Water Treatment Plant Supervisor**
- **Water Treatment Operator**
- **Diesel Mechanic**
- **Account Clerk II - Water & Sewer Billing**
- **Police Officer**
- **Swim Instructor, Part-Time**
- **Lifeguard I, Part-Time**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic**

- **Truck Driver-Laborer**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator 1-Utilities**
- **Arena Maintenance / Ice Resurfacer, SPT**
- **Arena Attendant, SPT**
- **Working Foreman - Water Treatment & Supply**
- **Fleet Inventory Coordinator**
- **Water Exercise Instructor II, Part-Time**

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

Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **District Float School Nurse**
- **Elementary School Classroom Teacher**
- **ESOL Newcomer Interventionist - one year only**
- **Freshman Boys Soccer Coach**
- **Girls Freshman Volleyball Coach**
- **Girls JV Soccer Coach**
- **Girls JV Volleyball Coach**
- **Girls Middle School Volleyball Coach**
- **Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps Teacher**
- **Noon Aide**
- **Noon Supervisors**
- **Paraprofessionals**
- **Substitute Nurses**
- **Substitute Teachers**
- **Technology Integrator & Digital Literacy Instructor**
- **Volunteer Coordinator**

For more information about these positions, [click here](#).

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