



City of Concord

Weekly City Manager Newsletter

May 22, 2015

MAIN STREET PROJECT

There will be no work on Monday, May 25th, in observance of Memorial Day. Next week's work will commence on Tuesday and will include the raising of castings in the eventual furniture zone and street, as well as the building of site amenity foundations in the brick zone. Crews will also begin laying bricks at the Park Street bump-out heading south. The placement of curbing will continue throughout the work zone and it is anticipated that all of the curbing will be installed by the week's end. Some curb and sidewalk demolition will begin on Wednesday at the intersection of North Main and Centre Streets; and general work on the bump-outs, ramps and crosswalks will occur on Thursday and Friday.



CITY CEMETERIES PREPARE FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Staff of the Parks & Recreation Department, with assistance from staff of the General Services Department's Highway & Utilities Division, has been very busy preparing the cemeteries for Memorial Day. In addition to mowing and trimming, staff have prepared 416 flower beds at the cemeteries and planted thousands of flowers (funds for which are provided by the Flower Trust Fund). Staff have also put wreaths and flower arrangements on 21 graves that families purchased many years ago. A special trust provides the funds for these arrangements. The Cemetery Office worked with veterans to develop a list and maps for American flag placement for the 3,325 veterans buried in Concord cemeteries. American flags have been placed by volunteers in eleven Concord and two Penacook cemeteries. The Cemetery Office at Blossom Hill has additional American flags available for any veterans, if needed. The Cemetery Office at Blossom Hill will be open to the public from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM this weekend and from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM on Memorial Day.



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

This year's Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 25th, at 9:00 AM. The parade will depart from the parking lot adjacent to the Merrimack County Courthouse on Court Street, will head down Pitman Street and turn left onto North Main Street proceeding to the Old North Cemetery for a brief ceremony. The parade will then continue south on State Street to the back side of the State House for the closing ceremony.

CITY OFFICES CLOSED



In observance of Memorial Day, City offices and the Concord Public Library will be closed on Monday, May 25th.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR TRASH/RECYCLING



Due to the Memorial Day holiday, there will be no trash or recycling collection on Monday, May 25th. Next week's collection routes will run one day behind schedule through Saturday. Spring Leaf Collection will also run one day behind schedule.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Last week, **Josh Worthen**, **John Cummings**, and **Mike Nugent** of the General Services Department received a Performance Get Away Award for their work with Solid Waste Manager Adam Clark to clean and refurbish a condensate collection tank at the Old Suncook Road Landfill. This saved the City an immediate \$3,000 and an additional \$6,000 over the next 10 years.



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NH PROPERTY TAX RELIEF PROGRAM



Property owners who owned their homes on April 1, 2014 may apply to the State of New Hampshire for relief of a portion of the State education property tax. There is no age requirements or asset limits for this program. A single person whose total household income was \$20,000 or less in 2014, and married persons or heads of New Hampshire households with total household income of \$40,000 or less may apply.

Applications for the State of NH Low and Moderate Income Homeowner's Property Tax Relief Program are available at www.revenue.nh.gov, or may be obtained from the City's Assessing Office. The forms are also available at www.concordnh.gov/assessing.

Forms and documentation should be mailed to the NH Department of Revenue Administration, Document Processing Division, P.O. Box 299, Concord, NH 03302-0299, and must be postmarked no later than June 30, 2015. Applicants will need a copy of their January or March 2015 tax bill and a copy of their 2014 Federal tax return. If the property is in a trust, a copy of the entire trust document must be submitted as well.

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ROUTE 3 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS

Work on Phase 5 of the Route 3 Corridor Improvement Project (Coral Street to Stark Street), will begin on June 1st, with the contractor raising utility covers along the corridor in preparation of paving. Traffic will be restricted to one lane in areas where the crews are working and traffic delays are expected.

Next week, the contractor will be mobilizing and setting up the road sign package in advance of Phase 6 work (Borough Road to Stark Street) which will also begin on June 1st. Two-way traffic will be maintained along this section of the corridor. Minor traffic delays may be encountered.

LIBERTY UTILITIES WORK

Beginning on Tuesday, May 26th, through Saturday, May 30th, Liberty Utilities will be working on Dunklee Street, from Pillsbury to Allison Street; and on Allison Street, from Dunklee to Spruce Street. They will also be working on Rumford Street, near the intersection of Washington Street, continuing south to the intersection of Rumford and School Streets. There may be delays, one-lane traffic, and encumbrances of parking spaces. Work will generally take place between 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Tuesday through Friday; and 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM on Saturday.

FREE CONCERTS FOR CONCORD'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY

The Penacook Historical Society, with the support of generous local sponsors, is giving a remarkable gift to the City this Memorial Day - multiple FREE concerts by the **Wildcat Regiment Band**, a Civil War re-enactment band from Pennsylvania. On Saturday, May 23rd, they will perform at 12:00 noon at Riverside Park in Penacook Village; on Sunday, May 24th, they will perform at 7:00 PM at the Concord City Auditorium; and on Monday, May 25th, they will perform at 9:00 AM at the Old North Cemetery.

For more information, visit www.penacookhistoricalsociety.org.



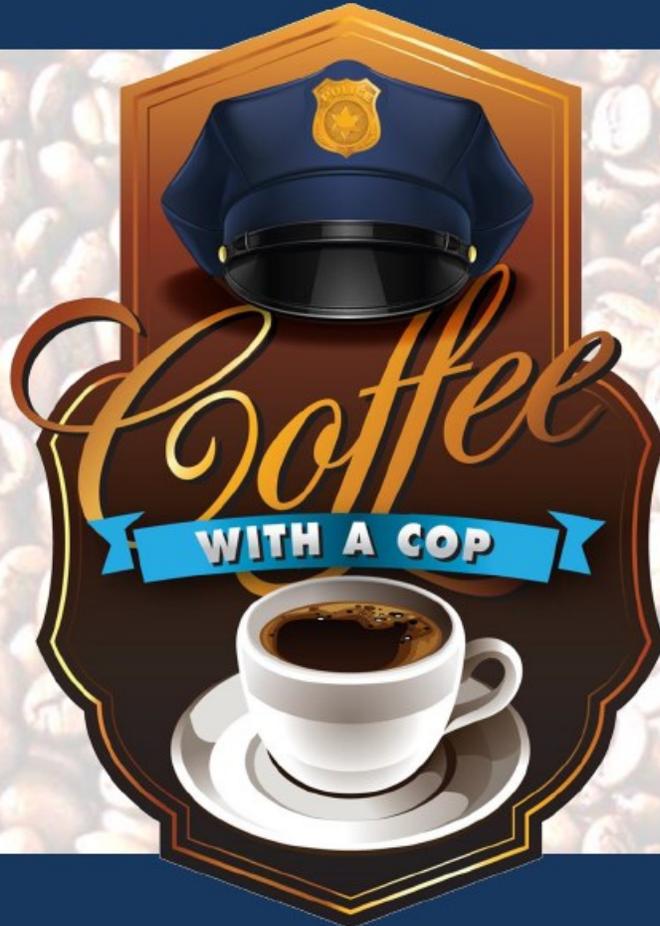
ADOPT-A-SPOT

The Parks & Recreation Department manages an Adopt-a-Spot Program with over 60 sites throughout the City. At right is one of the volunteer groups in action, the Contoocook River Improvement Society, cleaning up Daisy Beach. Their efforts are greatly appreciated!





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FRIDAY MAY 29,
2015
9:00AM - 11:00AM

McDonald's



**90 S. Main St.
Concord, NH**

**JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND POLICE
OFFICERS FOR COFFEE AND
CONVERSATION!**

No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns,
and get to know the officers in your neighborhood!

Contact Lt. John Thomas or Officer Ryan Howe for more information: (603) 225-8600

**CONCORD POLICE
DEPARTMENT**