



City of Concord

Weekly City Manager Newsletter

April 1, 2016

DOWNTOWN COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT

As the Main Street Project heads into its second week of 2016 construction, crews continue to perform utility work at the northern end of South Main Street. On Monday, April 4th, Hills Avenue will be closed for conduit installation. Thru traffic will not be able to pass; however, Hills Avenue at Storrs Street will remain open to allow ingress/egress from the parking lots at Hermanos and 19 Hills Avenue. Beginning on Tuesday, and continuing throughout next week, removal of sidewalk curbing south to Theatre Street will occur. Utility work, including drainage and hydrant work, will also continue next week throughout the work zone.



The City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 11th, at 7:00 PM, regarding the appropriation of funds to install underground utility lines between Pleasant and Thompson Streets.

SEWALLS FALLS BRIDGE

This week's construction activities at the Sewalls Falls Bridge included continued demolition of the existing granite pier in the river; completion of the placement of reinforcing bars for the north abutment footing; and continued construction of the north extension to the temporary work platform. Placement of concrete for the north abutment footing was also expected to occur this past week, but, due to inclement weather, it was postponed until next week. Also expected to occur next week is the placement of stone for the slope in front of the remaining portion of the existing south abutment; demolition of the existing granite pier in the river; installation of drainage on the south side of the project; and the beginning of construction on the south extension to the temporary work platform.



DOG LICENSING

State law requires that every owner or keeper of a dog four months of age or older license said dog in the municipal clerk's office in the city or town in which the dog is kept. Licenses are effective from May 1st to April 30th of the subsequent year.

The City of Concord began its annual dog licensing season today. Residents may mail dog license payments to the City Clerk's Office, 41 Green Street, Concord, NH 03301; or stop in to the City Clerk's office to renew said license(s) in person. Licenses will only be issued if the City Clerk's office has current rabies vaccination information on file. If you are unsure as to whether or not we have current rabies vaccination information on file, you may inquire by e-mail (cityclerk@concordnh.gov) or by calling 225-8500.

Fees:

Non-spayed/neutered	\$ 10.00
Spayed/Neutered	\$ 7.50
Dogs <8 months old	\$ 7.50
5+ dogs of same owner	\$ 20.00
First dog - owner age 65+ (Additional dogs - regular rate)	\$ 2.00

If you are no longer required to license a dog because you have relocated outside of Concord or because you no longer have your pet, please contact the City Clerk's Office. Owners who license a dog after May 31st are subject to additional fees.



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SPRING LOAD LIMITS LIFTED

The City of Concord posted road load limits on March 7th to maintain road conditions during the spring thaw. Due to warmer than usual temperatures and decent weather, load limits on City roads were officially lifted on March 28th. The City appreciates the public's cooperation in helping to prevent any excess damage to its roads during the spring thaw.



Beginner Mahjong Group!



Wednesdays 2-4pm
(Starting April 6th)

BOOKS & BREW



Join other book lovers in our new, no-pressure book club!

1st WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH
6-8PM | TRUE BREW BARISTA!

BICENTENNIAL SQUARE LOCATION

ROUTE 3 CORRIDOR NORTH

The 2016 road construction season is upon us. The finishing touches to the Route 3 corridor will commence on Monday, April 11th. The contractor will begin their work at the intersection of Fisherville and Manor Roads, replacing a deep section of sewer main. In order to complete this work safely through the intersection, Manor Road from Fisherville Road to Welch Street will be closed to all traffic, including emergency vehicles, on April 11th (weather dependent). A detour will be established for commuters utilizing Manor Road. Route 3 will remain as one-way alternating traffic through the intersection. Other work to be completed over the next several weeks include the planting of street trees and final paving of the roadway, sidewalks, and driveways. This work is anticipated to be fully completed by mid-July. Commuters can expect minor delays with alternating one-way traffic through the work zone.

CITY ATHLETIC FIELDS AND PARKS

Parks and Recreation Department maintenance staff have been busy preparing the City's athletic fields, track, tennis courts, and open spaces for use by leagues, high schools, City Recreation programs, and other customers. Notably, in an effort to make the softball field at Reed Park a safer place to play, 25 feet of new fencing was installed in front of the team bench areas.



To date, all athletic fields are open, with the exception of the baseball field at Memorial Field. We encourage park users to carry out their trash, and we request that dog owners follow the City's leash law and pick up their animal's waste. This helps reduce costs for park cleanup and will help keep our parks clean and safe for all users.

If you are interested in renting a park for a special event, such as a family picnic or for a larger event like a 5K race, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 225-8690. Additional information is also available online at www.concordnh.gov/recreation.

EARTH MATERIALS RECYCLING CENTER OPENING FOR SEASON

Earth Materials Recycling Center will open for the season on Monday, April 4th. Concord residents can start dropping off leaves and grass clippings for free (with proof of residence) if the load size is smaller than that of a non-commercial pick-up truck. There is a charge for commercial vehicles, non-residents, larger loads, and other materials. Containers or bags used to transport yard waste will have to be emptied on site to ensure there are no restricted items in the load. In addition, the containers or bags used for drop-off will need to be carried out with you. For more information, visit www.concordnh.gov/earthmaterialsrecycling.

The City will begin its curbside spring yard waste collection program on April 25th. Stay tuned for further information.

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