

Town of Hinesburg

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Weekly Update

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February 6, 2013



Upcoming Meetings. . .

- **Public Meeting - Public Safety Facility:** *Wednesday, February 6th at 7:30 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Affordable Housing:** *Wednesday, February 6th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **Town Forest Committee:** *Wednesday February 6th at 6:30 p.m. (3rd floor conference room)*
- **Village Visualization Public Meeting:** *Monday, February 11th at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*
- **Recreation Commission:** *Tuesday, February 12th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, February 13th at 7:30 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*

Weekly Updates from Departments:

Hinesburg Community Police

- *Accident* - On Wednesday, January 30th at 1:54 am, Hinesburg Police, Fire and First Response responded to North Rd. for a one vehicle motor vehicle accident. The driver had left the vehicle and went to a neighboring house and they transported her to her residence. The cause of the accident is icy conditions and swerving to miss deer in the road.
- *Vandalism at CVU* - On Wednesday, January 30th, CVU reported that seven windows had been shot by person(s) unknown using BB or pellet guns. The seven windows will have to be replaced at an approximate cost of \$1500 dollars. Anyone with any information is encouraged to contact Hinesburg Community Police.
- *Retail theft* - On Wednesday, January 30th, a local business reported a retail theft that was caught on video. The theft involved several people with one being identified. The investigation is continuing.
- *Punctured tire* - On Thursday, January 31st, police responded to Hillview Terrace where a tire on a vehicle had been punctured.
- *DUI* - On Friday, February 1st, an erratic driver was reported to the police. The vehicle had left Hinesburg and was contacted in Starksboro by the Hinesburg officer. The driver was determined to be under the influence of alcohol and arrested. This was the driver's second DUI and he was lodged in Chittenden County Correctional Center.

Buildings & Facilities

- *Hannaford* - Met with Hannaford's engineer about water, wastewater and stormwater piping in Commerce St. Also followed up with information to him about water system; draft conditions for water wastewater main extensions and connections.
- *FAHC* - Reviewed Fletcher Allen proposal for wastewater allocation and water connection and discussed with their engineer.
- *Additional Water Source Sites* - Correspondence with consultants exploring possible additional water source sites.
- *Rec Path* - Continued discussion with S.D. Ireland about pay requisition for Rec Path project.
- *Sidewalk Project* - Secured all necessary easements for sidewalk project from Charlotte Rd to HCS, received approval from VTrans to get started on final plans.

Recreation Department

- *Spring Sport information* - now available and sign-ups have begun. All dates, times, costs are available at www.hinesburg.org under Recreation or at HRD. Sent out registration reminders via e-mail to all previous players and current inquiries.
- *5/6 boys basketball* - hosted Starksboro at HCS on January 28th at 6:30 pm.
- *Meeting* - Attended a Northern VT Youth Lacrosse League meeting on January 29th at 6:30 pm.
- *Coaching/Referee Clinic Info* - Forwarded coaching and referee clinics offered by US Lacrosse at UVM on March 9th & 10th. Register online at www.uslacrosse.org
- *Drivers Ed* - Enrolled students for summer Driver Education classes.
- *Smugg's* - Coordinated ski group for Smugg's on February 3rd. Sign up by noon on Thursday and enjoy lift tickets, rentals, lesson options for just \$25 adult/\$20 child. All info and forms available at www.hinesburg.org or at HRD.
- *Bissonette Rec Field* - Met with CSSU Buccaneers on January 31st at 6:00 pm for discussion on Bissonette Rec. Field Facility.
- *Town Hall Rental* - Coordinated various Town Hall rentals.
- *Rec Basketball Games* - 3/4 boys basketball hosted Charlotte and 5/6 girls basketball hosted Shelburne at HCS on February 2nd.
- *Winter Carnival* - Mark your calendar for Winter Carnival on Saturday, February 9th. After the HNS Waffle Breakfast and Silent Auction, enjoy activities in the HCS gym from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. with CVU Key Club members.

Carpenter-Carse Library

- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library—*
http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html.

Town Clerk's Office

- *Dog Licenses* – Dog tags have finally arrived! Please come in at your earliest convenience (prior to April 1st) to obtain your 2013 dog tags. If your pet's rabies certificate has expired, we will need you to bring a copy of the new one. Fees are \$8.00 per license until April 1st, at which point they increase to \$10.00. Please remember that licensing is required annually between Jan. 1st and April 1st. This law is to enhance rabies vaccinations to protect both your pet and the public, and to help us locate the owner of strays that may go out for a jaunt and get picked up by animal control. Thanks for helping us in this important public health effort!

Planning & Zoning

- *Village Visualization Public Meeting* – On February 11th (7:00 p.m, Town Office), community members will be able to look at the future of Hinesburg's village area – in 3D! This Village Visualization presentation and community forum is the culmination of a nine month project by the Hinesburg Village Steering Committee (VSC). <http://www.hinesburg.org/planning/village-visualization-project/index.html>

Town Administrator

- *FY2014 Budget* - Hinesburg voters have an opportunity to discuss, vote, and consider approving the proposed \$3,025,960 town budget during Town Meeting night. This proposed budget is 2% more than the current (FY2013) budget and adds \$58,039 to the Town's spending plan. A 0.37¢ property tax-rate increase is anticipated with this budget and the table below illustrates the outcome that increase would have on Hinesburg taxpayers. Further information available at: <http://www.hinesburg.org/budget/>
- *Town Meeting* – At Town Meeting night, on Monday, March 4, 2013, starting at 7:30PM in the CVU auditorium, attendees will consider the proposed general fund spending plan with a vote from the floor. The total Town budget is spread across 8 articles (Article 4 – Article 11) and each article is presented, discussed, and voted on independently. On Tuesday, March 5, between 7AM – 7PM at Town Hall, Hinesburg voters will have the opportunity to elect local officials and consider a \$1,055,200 bond for final design, construction, and site plan work for a new police station. You can view the full Warning for Town Meeting and a sample ballot at: <http://www.hinesburg.org/elections/index.html>
- *Public Safety Facility* – Two public meetings are scheduled for community discussion and input of the proposed public safety building bond proposal on the ballot for Town Meeting. The first meeting is set for (today) February 6 and the second will be held on Wednesday, February 27; both meetings start at 7:30pm. Please review information on the town webpage in preparation for these meetings. <http://www.hinesburg.org/public-safety-building-project/index.html>

- *Hannaford Act 250 Municipal Impact Questionnaire & Local Permit Applications* – The Selectboard will consider approval for a Water/Wastewater Allocation Permit, a Wastewater Connection Permit, a Buried Utility Permit, a Stormwater Utility Agreement, and the Act 250 Municipal Impact Questionnaire for the Hannaford project. This is scheduled for Monday, February 18th but dependent on completed review of all documents and contracts by staff.
- *Town Report* – Hinesburg’s Town Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2012, is now at the printers and expected to be mailed out to each resident mid-February. A full version will also be available on-line.
- *Commissions, Boards, Committees* – There are 2 open seats on the Economic Development Commission and 2 seats open on the Agency Request Review Committee. If you are interested in service on either of these 2 groups, please contact the Town Administrator or submit an application to get on the Selectboard agenda for an interview ASAP. You can download an application form on the Town website at the following link:
http://www.hinesburg.org/documents/cbc_application_form_040212.pdf

Weekly Update from Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Affordable Housing Committee

- *Grant Application Approved* - received approval from Efficiency Vermont for our grant application to fund energy efficiency improvements in mobile homes.
- *Kelley’s Field* - A representative from Housing Vermont will attend our meeting Wednesday, February 6th at 7 pm, 1st floor conference room Town Hall with an update of their purchase of Kelly’s Field elderly housing.

Development Review Board

- *Fletcher Allen Health Care* – Approval granted to build a new Hinesburg Family Health practice on Shelburne Falls Road. This property is on a 2.28 acre parcel on Shelburne Falls Road in the Haystack Crossing Subdivision in the Village NW Zoning District.
- *Bristol Bakery & Café* - DRB directed staff to draft approval language for the Bristol Bakery & Café to be located on the first floor of the building constructed in 2012, on the corner of Route 116 and Farmall Drive in the Village Zoning District.

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