

Town of Hinesburg
Weekly Update
October 23, 2013

Celebrating 250 years

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Upcoming Meetings. . .

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:30 p.m. (1st floor conference room)*
- **Economic Development Commission:** *Thursday, October 24th at 7:00 p.m. (3rd floor conference room)*
- **Informational Meeting to Discuss Article 1:** *Monday, October 28th at 7:00 p.m. (Main Hall)*

Weekly Updates from Departments:

Hinesburg Community Police

- *Drug Take Back* - This is the last reminder for the *Drug Take Back* this Saturday (10/26) at Kinney Drugs. We will be open from 9 am to 2 pm. This is the opportunity to get rid of all expired and unused prescription medications.
- *Halloween* - On October 31st, the two streets in the Creekside subdivision will be closed to vehicle traffic from 6 pm to 8 pm. This will allow an increased safety factor to the many children that trick or treat in the neighborhood. Parking can be found in the Kinney parking lot and next to the police and fire station. Don't forget the annual Halloween party at the fire station.
- *Food Drive* - On Saturday, November 2nd, the Hinesburg Community Police and the Hinesburg Fire Department will be hosting a food drive from 9 am to 3 pm as a benefit to the Hinesburg Food Shelf. Food may be dropped at the Fire Station.
- *Warrant Arrest* - On Wednesday, October 16th, an officer received information that a male with a warrant for his arrest was at an address on North Rd. Two officers from Shelburne assisted and the 41 year old male was taken into custody for a \$50,000 warrant and a no bail warrant from Probation and Parole.
- *Warrant Arrest* - On Wednesday, October 16th, an officer received information from the State Police that a 21 year old male living on Hillview Terrace had two warrants. The male was taken into custody and transported to the Chittenden County Correctional Center.
- *Domestic Assault* - On Thursday, October 17th, an officer responded to a residence on Jourdan St. for a reported domestic assault. Upon arrival, it was determined that the 24 year old female had assaulted the male. She was taken into custody and transported to the Chittenden County Correctional Center.

Hinesburg Fire & First Response

- *Calls* - Another busy week - 6 EMS, 3 Fire, and one motor vehicle crash on RT 116.
- *Training* - The EMR class is well underway. Fire training this week is Forcible Entry. The EMS Conference is this weekend up at Jay, VT.
- *EMS Protocols* - The State has released protocol update training modules that help to bridge the gap between the old and new protocols. We need to complete the transition to the new protocols by 3/31/2014.

Town Clerk & Treasurer

- *Special Election* - There will be a Special Election on November 5, 2013. The election was triggered by the circulation of a petition with the following Article: *Shall the changes to the Zoning & Subdivision Regulations approved on September 9, 2013, by the Hinesburg Select Board be repealed?* There will also be a second ballot from the Champlain Valley Union High School which is a bond vote for \$1,500,000 for improvements to the school's athletic fields. Both of these ballots are now available in the clerk's office for early voting. You can come in anytime between now and Election Day during regular office hours to obtain your ballots and either take them home with you or vote here in the office. You can also request that the ballots be mailed to you by calling the town clerk's office at 482-2281 ext.223 or by e-mailing mross@hinesburg.org. If your request for the ballots is via e-mail, please be sure to include your mailing address so that we can send you the ballots. The last day to register to vote if you are not already a registered voter is Wednesday, Oct. 30th at 5 p.m. Thanks!

Recreation Department

- *Soccer Goals* - On Tuesday, October 15th, Rocky Martin helped transport 8 soccer goals to a shed on June Giroux's property. June graciously allows this storage as there are no other options for the Rec. Dept. Thank you, June!
- *Soccer Bags* - Collected and went through 13 soccer bags with pinnies and first aid kits. Bags are stored at the Vestry.
- *Sign-up for Youth Basketball* - Youth Basketball registrations are underway! Program begins on Sat. 12/7. Sign up now and pay \$40!! Deadline for early-bird incentive is 11/22. Interested in coaching or assisting? Contact HRD.
- *Recreation Budget* - Budget was due on 10/15. Will meet with Town Administrator and Phil Pouech to present on 10/23.
- *Babysitting Class* - An American Red Cross certified Babysitting Class was offered on Friday, 10/18. Eleven students participated in this 6 hour training and are now certified to babysit. See picture below.
- *AARP Driver's Safety Class* - Still a few spaces left in the AARP Driver Safety Class that's being offered on Tuesday, 10/29 from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. AARP members pay \$12 / non-members pay \$14. Sign up through HRD - hinesburgrec@gmavt.net or 482-2281f ext. 230.

- *RATS Tickets on Sale* - Tickets are on sale in the Rec. Office and Town Clerk's Office for the RATS musical at HCS on Friday, 10/25 at 6:30 pm. Adults are \$5 and Children are \$3. Also on sale at Brown Dog Books & Gifts.



Students taking part in the American Red Cross Babysitting Course

Carpenter-Carse Library

Calendar

- *Board of Trustees Meeting* - The Carpenter-Carse Library Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 23rd in the classroom at the west end of the library building.
- *Archer Mayor* - Renowned Vermont author Archer Mayor will speak at the library on October 23rd at 7 p.m. Mr. Mayor's Vermont-based police procedurals have won him nationwide fans and much acclaim. His latest novel is "*Three Can Keep a Secret.*" Call the library at 482-2878 to register. This special evening is sponsored by Carpenter-Carse Library and Brown Dog Books and Gifts. Books will be available for purchase at the event.

Other News

- *Library Budget/Annual Report* - The library's budgeting process continues, as does work on this year's annual reports for the VT Department of Libraries.
- *New England Library Association Conference* - Assistant Director Richard Pritsky attended the New England Library Association Conference in Portland, Maine. It was an excellent opportunity for Vermont librarians to network with librarians in other states, and to share their experiences and information about open source library systems. Richard is the Carpenter-Carse's IT expert.
- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library* - http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html.

Town Administrator

- *FY2015 Budget Preparations* – This week, the Town Administrator and Selectboard member Phil Pouech are meeting with all department heads in order to review their department's budget requests and needs in preparation for FY2015 budget deliberations with the Selectboard. The initial budget will be presented to the Selectboard on November 4th.
- *Vermont Health Connect* – Vermont Health Connect, the health insurance exchange, is still experiencing difficulties. The Town Administrator has yet to be able to sign the Town up (as an employer) on the exchange. Hopefully this task can be completed before the end of the week. Next Tuesday Vermont Health Connect Navigators are scheduled to come to Hinesburg's Town Hall to assist employees and families of employees register online; the following day, Navigators will be at Town Hall to assist Hinesburg residents who would like to meet with one for assistance.
- *Village North Sidewalk* – Survey and wetland delineation work commenced this week on the sidewalk planned connecting Commerce Street to Riggs Road along Rte 116.

Weekly Updates from Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

Development Review Board

Upcoming applications for DRB review:

- Steve & Kathy Giroux: (2-lot Subdivision Final Plat) – The applicants are requesting final plat review for the purpose of subdividing their property at 238 Place Road West to create an additional 3.8 acre lot for their son to build a house on. This property is located at 238 Place Road West in the Rural Residential 1 Zoning District.
This application is scheduled to be reviewed at the November 5, 2013 DRB meeting.
- Alan & Nancy Norris: (Preliminary Plat Review for a 25-unit Planned Unit Development) – The applicants are requesting preliminary plat approval for a 25-unit Planned Unit Development. The 25 units will be comprised of three 4-unit and one 6-unit and one 7-unit multi-family dwellings. The proposed development is on a 23.96 acre parcel split between the Rural Residential 2 and Agricultural Zoning Districts.
This application is scheduled to be reviewed at the November 5, 2013 DRB meeting.

Selectboard

- *Creekside Roads on Halloween* – Per requested by the Creekside Homeowners Association, the Selectboard voted in favor of closing the Creekside roads, past Kaley's Way (left into Kinney's), between 6 – 8pm on Halloween Night. By closing these roads to vehicular traffic, the Creekside Association hopes to increase safety for families who go to the popular spot for trick-or-treating.

- *Sale of 2003 International Truck* – The ‘old’ 2003 International was sold to Morse Equipment (a Maine company) for \$31,100 on Monday night. The proceeds from the sale of this equipment will go to offset future payments of the new Mack dump/plow truck just purchased by the highway department. Highway Department trucks have a useful life of 10yrs; currently, the Town owns four (4) full sized dump/plow trucks.



Highway Department's New Mack Dump/Plow Truck

- *New Police Officer* – The Selectboard extended a Letter of Employment to Mr. Anthony S. Cambridge offering him employment with the Town of Hinesburg’s Community Police Department as a Police Officer. Mr. Cambridge, originally from New Jersey, with a background as a teacher, will begin his service for the Town of Hinesburg on October 30, 2013. With this hire, the police department is now fully staffed.



Newest Police Officer - Anthony Cambridge

- *Planning Commission Appointment* – On a 3-2 vote, the Selectboard appointed Mr. Rolf Kielman to a four (4) year seat on the Planning Commission. Rolf’s term will start January 1, 2014 and he will replace the seat held by Jean Isham who

recently announced she would not seek reappointment to the position she has held for over 20yrs.

- *Police Department Grants* – The Selectboard authorized the Chief of Police to apply to the Department of Homeland Security for new digital radios and a license plate reader. The Chief's desire to submit an application for a digital finger print machine was not supported by the Selectboard.
- *Police Station Exterior Colors* – Exterior colors for the new police station were selected by the Board. Siding: Monterey Taupe; Trim: Cobble Stone Gray; Windows: White; Roof: Medium Bronze.



Progress on New Police Station as of 10/23/2013

- *Memorial Park Fundraising* – A motion was passed authorizing the Village Steering Committee to seek private donations for upgrades to Memorial Park.



The Trails Committee sponsored a October Foliage Walk on the Passing the Horizon Trail on Sunday, October 13th

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