

# Town of Hinesburg

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## Weekly Update

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### June 25, 2014



### Upcoming Meetings. . .

- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (1<sup>st</sup> floor conference room)*
- **Economic Development Committee:** *Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> floor conference room)*

### Weekly Updates from Departments:

#### Hinesburg Community Police

- *Public Safety Fun Day* – The Hinesburg Community Police Department’s Open House will be Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 4 pm. This will be in conjunction with the Hinesburg Firemen’s Association barbeque and safety events. We encourage everyone to make a point of stopping by. There will be numerous reminders as the summer progresses.
- *Careless and Negligent Operation / Accident* – On Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, an officer was northbound in the village when he spotted a vehicle at a high rate of speed southbound on VT RT 116. He turned on his blue lights to turn around and observed the vehicle passing vehicles on the right in front of Town Hall. Thinking the vehicle turned onto Charlotte Rd, the officer went westbound until he saw the vehicle was not ahead of him. As he was coming back to the village, he received a report of a vehicle accident in front of the nursery school. The officer observed that this was the same vehicle and the twenty one year old male from Bristol took the turn too fast and ran into the power pole. He was subsequently arrested for Careless and Negligent Operation, taken to the station for processing and cited and released.
- *Criminally Suspended License* - On Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> an officer was monitoring traffic on 116 in the village when the department’s license plate reader alerted the officer to a possible suspended license. The vehicle was stopped based on an obstructed rear license plate and the 37 year old male from Hinesburg was arrested for operating on a criminally suspended license and taken to the station for processing. He was released on a citation to court.

#### Hinesburg Health Officer

- *State Regulations Regarding Outside Burning* - This is a reminder that Vermont only permits the outside burning of untreated wood and brush and nothing else. The Town of Hinesburg intends to step up enforcement of this health and quality-of-life

regulation and I'm asking for help in reporting violations. No-one should have to breathe noxious fumes from burning plastic, garbage or anything else. Please report violations to myself as your Town Health Officer so I can take action, which will always begin with a polite reminder and only progress if needed. All such notifications will be held confidential. Please contact me (preferably) by email at: [jgannon@hinesburg.org](mailto:jgannon@hinesburg.org) or leave a message with our Town Clerk at 802-482-2281 ext. 223. Thanks for your help.

### **Hinesburg Fire & First Response**

- *Call Summary (6/3/2014 - 6/23/2014)*
  - 6/04/14 - EMS - Difficulty breathing
  - 6/04/14 - Fire/EMS - Missing child
  - 6/04/14 - EMS - Hypertension
  - 6/04/14 - Fire/EMS - Motor vehicle crash
  - 6/05/14 - EMS - Lift assist
  - 6/06/14 - Fire - Fire alarm activation
  - 6/07/14 - Fire/EMS - Motor vehicle crash - vehicle abandoned
  - 6/08/14 - Fire - Two car motor vehicle crash
  - 6/08/14 - EMS - Ankle injury
  - 6/09/14 - EMS - Difficulty breathing / leg pain
  - 6/09/14 - Fire - Fire alarm activation
  - 6/11/14 - EMS - Motor vehicle crash
  - 6/11/14 - EMS - Seizure
  - 6/13/14 - Fire/EMS - Motor vehicle crash
  - 6/16/14 - EMS - Abdominal pain
  - 6/17/14 - EMS - Untimely
  - 6/18/14 - Fire - Fire alarm activation
  - 6/18/14 - Fire/EMS - Motor vehicle crash
  - 6/19/14 - EMS - Difficulty breathing
  - 6/19/14 - EMS - Stomach pain
  - 6/19/14 - EMS - Fall - dislocated hip
  - 6/20/14 - EMS - Seizure
  - 6/21/14 - Fire - Out of control burn
  - 6/23/14 - EMS - Hypotension
- Training - We are scheduled to perform Driver training this Wednesday, June 25, 2014. Afterwards AEMTs will go through quarterly advance airway practice requirements.

### **Recreation Department**

- *SCHIP Grant* - Received a \$2000 SCHIP grant for the Bissonette Family Recreation Area project.
- *Track & Field* - The Track & Field program is in full swing with over 90 participants from Charlotte, Hinesburg, and Williston! We've got 3 casual meets scheduled - 6/25 in Colchester, 7/16 in Essex, and 7/23 in Burlington. The Hershey Track Meet is Sat. 7/12 and the State Meet is Sat. 7/26 at St. Johnsbury Academy.

- *Barry Churchill Golf Camp* - The Beginner Golf Camp and Junior Player Golf Camp with Barry Churchill at Cedar Knoll Golf Course began this week.
- *Hilly Hobble Foot Race* – The Hilly Hobble Foot Race is Thursday, 7/3. Registration starts at 6:00 pm in front of HCS. The following race options are available - 10K, 5K, or Kid's 2K. 10K starts at 6:30 pm and the 5K starts at 7:00 pm at the bottom of Buck Hill Rd. West. The 2K starts at 7:10 pm in front of Good Times. All runners finish in Veteran's Park. Grab your friends and kick off the holiday!! All proceeds benefit the Hinesburg Fireworks.
- *Fourth of July* - The July 4th theme is Beach Party. Grand Marshal is Autumn Eastman. Parade line-up starts at 10:00 am, judging at 10:45 am, and kick off at 11:00 am at the bottom of Buck Hill Rd. West. NEW this year is Best Decorated Bike with a \$50 cash prize, along with \$50 cash for best costume. Come on kids, grab a bike and decorate!! Chasing 440 will perform in Veteran's Park, a Bounce House and Dunk Tank will be behind HCS, and the Alliance Church will host their annual Ice Cream Social in front of the Mason's building. Fireworks at dusk.

## **Carpenter-Carse Library**

### Meetings

- *Board of Trustees Regular Monthly Meeting* - Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

### Regular Programs

- *Weekly Preschool Story Time* - 11 a.m. for children 3-5 years of age - This hour long story time is offered every Tuesday! Preschoolers can join Sara for stories, songs, and games. Eleven children and five adults attended this week's session which tied in with Wednesday's summer reading program theme of Observations (Earth Science). Other recent themes were chickens and Maurice Sendak.
- *Toddler Story Time* - The next story time for toddlers will be on Tuesday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. We hope we see lots of babies and toddlers 3 years old and younger with their caregivers.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- *Summer Reading Club* – Most of the weekly events are full. Please call the library to be put on a waiting list.

## OTHER NEWS

- *Passes to Area Museums & Other Popular Venues* – The library lends passes to the following fun spots:
  - Birds of Vermont Museum – call the library for details
  - Shelburne Museum – for up to 2 adults/4 children ages 18 and under; we have 2 passes.
  - Echo Lake Aquarium & Science Center – up to 4 people/\$4 admission for each person
  - Shelburne Farms – Free admission. We have 2 passes.
  - Vermont Historic Sites – free for one family or group of up to 8 people
  - Vermont History Museum & Vermont Heritage Galleries – free entry for one family
  - Vermont State Parks – Free admission for one vehicle holding up to 8 people for one day. We have 2 passes.

\*\*Please note: You may borrow only one pass at a time.

- *Summer Reading Club Kick-off* - The kick-off program for the 2014 Summer Reading Club was a huge success. Magician Tom Joyce combined magic tricks with books that fit this year's science theme. Peals of laughter constantly came from the library's Community Room, exploding with fun, as Tom entertained a crowd of 48 people.

## **Weekly Updates from Boards, Committees, and Commissions:**

### **Selectboard**

- *Cathedral Square/Housing Vermont* – A public hearing was held during the Selectboard meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of considering whether or not the Town of Hinesburg will apply for a Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) 2014 Implementation Grant on behalf of Cathedral Square. Cathedral Square and Housing Vermont together are proposing to re-develop Kelley's Field, a centrally located, affordable senior housing development. Kelley's Field was built in 1979 and is in need of energy efficiency, capital improvements, and improved accessibility. The VCDP request will help to fund the rehabilitation work which includes a new roof, new gas boilers (fuel switch from oil), new windows, attic insulation, two apartments to be made handicap accessible, updated kitchens and bathrooms, energy efficient lighting, etc. All apartments currently have Section 8 rental assistance which will continue to maintain its affordability. The Selectboard made a Motion to sign a Resolution for a VCDP grant application in the amount of \$475,000 for a proposed rehabilitation project at Kelley's Field by Cathedral Square and Housing Vermont.
- *Fire Department Proposed Additions* – Al Barber (Fire Chief) and Ashar Nelson (Vermont Intergrated Architecture) were present to continue the discussion from the May 19<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding the budget for the proposed fire station additions and came equipped with the plans that were drawn up in the fall of 2012. It was noted that the Town does not have money budgeted for this project beyond what is currently set aside from Fire Impact Fees. Al Barber stated that the Fire Department hopes to do fundraising for this project but hasn't had the time or the membership required to take this on at this point. Al will return to the Selectboard later this summer with their Strategic Plan as well as capital budget and truck replacement schedules.
- *Hinesburg Sidewalk Scoping Study – Local Match Agreement* – The Selectboard continued their discussion from the June 4<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding the segments of sidewalks that will be included in this scoping study. The Selectboard made a Motion to sign the Agreement between the Town of Hinesburg and the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) to provide a 20% match for the Hinesburg Sidewalk Scoping Study, not to exceed the amount of \$4,568 paid to the CCRPC.

- *Wastewater Rates* – The Selectboard approved setting Wastewater rates, effective July 1, 2014 at \$80.59 per unit; per quarter and \$0.027 per cubic foot of usage; unmetered rates will be \$120.59 per unit; per quarter.
- *Wastewater Allocation Renewals* – The Selectboard approved the renewal of Wastewater Allocations to Green Street LLC, Hinesburg Hillside/Thistle Hill, and South Farm Homes.
- *Uncommitted Wastewater Reserve Capacity Report* – The Selectboard approved the Uncommitted Wastewater Reserve Capacity Report for FY2014-2015, prepared by Rocky Martin, dated 6/17/2014; Uncommitted Reserve Capacity of 78,440 gallons per day (gpd) apportioned to the following separate categories:
  - Institutional Reserve 5,000 gpd
  - Saputo Reserve 10,000 gpd
  - Existing Village Core Reserve 5,000 gpd
  - Residential 40,908 gpd
  - Enterprise/Commercial 17,532 gpd
- *Open Meeting Law Changes* - The Legislature significantly amended Vermont's Open Meeting Law this year. Changes include new requirements for posting meetings, creating and altering agendas, posting minutes onto a municipal website, and for entering into Executive Session. The amendments also include specific steps that must be taken when there is an allegation that a public body has violated the law. The VLCT Municipal Assistance Center has prepared a list of frequently asked questions that explain the recent changes to the law along with information about existing requirements. The VLCT 2014 Open Meeting Law FAQ's is available at the following link:  
[www.vlct.org/assets/MAC/VLCT\\_Open\\_Meeting\\_Law\\_FAQs\\_June\\_2014.pdf](http://www.vlct.org/assets/MAC/VLCT_Open_Meeting_Law_FAQs_June_2014.pdf)  
 These changes will significantly impact all municipalities, including Hinesburg, as it will apply to all Boards, Committees, and Commissions serving our Town. This new law will take effect July 1, 2014 but all Vermont municipalities will have one year to get their procedures in order before any violations under this new law can be acted on. Renae Marshall, Interim Town Administrator, and Aaron Kimball, Webmaster, are working together to help this process move forward as efficiently as possible.
- *Summer Meeting Schedule* – Beginning in June, the Selectboard adjusted their meeting nights and times, in some cases. The Selectboard will return to their normal Monday meeting schedule in September. The schedule for the rest of the summer is as follows:
  - July
    - Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
    - Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m
  - August
    - Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
    - Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE: THESE SUMMER MEETINGS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE LIVE ON THE VERMONT COMMUNITY ACCESS CHANNEL. YOU MAY VIEW THE RECORDED MEETINGS ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE: <http://www.vermontcam.org/>**

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