Town of Hinesburg

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Weekly Update

October 8, 2014

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Upcoming Meetings...

- **Town Forest Committee:** *Wednesday, October 8th at 7:00 p.m.* (3rd floor conference room)
- **Planning Commission:** *Wednesday, October 8th at 7:30 p.m.* (1st floor conference room)
- Village Steering Committee: Monday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)
- **Recreation Commission:** *Tuesday, October 14th at 7:00 p.m.* (1st floor conference room)
- Trails Committee: Wednesday, October 15th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)
- **Energy Committee:** Wednesday, October 15th at 7:00 p.m. (1st floor conference room)

Weekly Updates from Departments:

Hinesburg Community Police

- Drug Take Back The Drug Take Back in Hinesburg resulted in 89.2 pounds of unneeded and expired medication turned in for destruction with a total of 1140 pounds for Chittenden County. Although this program becomes a budgetary issue with the Drug Enforcement Agency every year, this success will hopefully keep the program going.
- *Criminally Suspended License* On Wednesday, September 24th an officer stopped a vehicle for speeding in St. George. It was determined that the 57 year old female from Huntington was driving with a criminally suspended license. She was arrested, taken to the police station for processing and cited into court.
- *Intoxicated Female* On Wednesday September 24th an officer responded to the Jiffy Mart for a possible intoxicated female. Upon arrival, he contacted the 38 year old female from Hinesburg who was determined to be a .326 blood alcohol level. She was transported to ACT I for detox.
- Criminally Suspended License On Saturday October 4th officers responded to a report of a domestic assault off of Richmond Rd. The person of interest left the residence and was observed on Mechanicsville Rd. During the investigation, it was determined that the 54 year old female from New York was driving with a criminally suspended license. She was processed at the station and released on a citation to court.

Hinesburg Fire & First Response

- Call Summary (9/30/14 10/06/14)
 - o 09/30 EMS Difficulty breathing
 - o 10/01 EMS Difficulty breathing
 - o 10/01 EMS CVU Standby (football)
 - o 10/01 EMS CVU Injured soccer player
 - o 10/02 EMS Difficulty breathing
 - o 10/02 EMS Difficulty breathing
 - o 10/04 EMS Unresponsive patient
 - o 10/05 EMS Child choking
 - o 10/06 EMS Wheelchair assist
 - o 10/06 EMS CVU Standby (football)
- *Training*
 - o Annual Exertion Training This Wednesday we are conducting our annual exertion training that is mandatory for all interior fire fighters.

Buildings & Facilities

Water Supply Improvements Bond Vote – November 4th, 2014 – The final two public hearings will take place on October 20th and November 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Voting will happen on November 4th from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. at Town Hall. Please come to these public hearings to find out more information!

Currently two wells supply water for the Town water system's 721 residential customers, 61 commercial businesses, Hinesburg Community School, CVU, Fire Department, Police Department and other Town buildings and provide fire protection via fire hydrants throughout the village area. Water produced by these two wells is very hard and contains iron and manganese. Iron and manganese do not pose health risks but cause staining and discolored water which are a nuisance to system users. Hard water causes scale build-up on equipment and fixtures and is problematic for water heating equipment. These wells have been impacted by low levels of MTBE, a gasoline additive no longer in use. One of these wells has declined in yield over the years but because of the level of MTBE contamination, the best method (hydro fracking) to increase its yield is out of the question due to further MTBE contamination. The wells were originally permitted at 190 gallons per minute (gpm) and now have an approved yield of 120 gpm. Because of this diminished capacity, the Town has been issued a Notice of Violation by the State and no new connections will be allowed until we resolve the issue.

More than a year ago, the Town began the process of identifying a site for a new well to replace the existing wells. In all, 10 sites were evaluated. Brad Wainer's generous donation of an easement to the Town on his Shelburne Fall's Road property would allow the Town to drill two new wells. One of these wells has the potential to be permitted for 240 gpm which would meet the existing system demand and provide for some new project connections in the short term.

The Bond Vote scheduled for November 4, 2014 is for a \$1,500,000 project to include necessary infrastructure to connect the new wells to a control/treatment building, provide treatment for water softening and iron and manganese removal, and piping connection to the existing distribution system. This will provide water system customers better water quality with no MTBE contamination and correct our State permit violation. The bond will be repaid by new and existing water system customers with no impact on Town property taxes.

Town Clerk & Treasurer

- Election Day Election Day will be here before we know it! The last day to register to vote if you are not already on the voter checklist in Hinesburg is Wednesday, Oct. 29th at 5:00 p.m. You can vote prior to Election Day at the Town Clerk's Office during normal business hours or request that a ballot be mailed to you. You can request the ballot by mail, phone, or e-mail. If you have a family member who is living in another country, or is serving in the military on active duty either here or abroad, they can request an absentee ballot be e-mailed to them in order to expedite the process of getting the ballots to them. This is NOT an option for civilians living in the United States. They can e-mail us their request for a ballot at mross@hinesburg.org. Voting will also include a bond vote for the new water source for the Town of Hinesburg. This will be on a separate ballot and should be placed in the signed inner envelope along with your other ballot.
- Property Taxes Due Property taxes are due November 17th by midnight. Please don't wait until the last day to pay so you won't risk forgetting. If you have any questions about your bill, please feel free to give me a call.

Recreation Department

- *Charlotte Soccer Jamboree* Grades 1-6 participated in the Charlotte Soccer Jamboree on Saturday, October 4th. Weather was dismal, but spirits were high and all teams persevered with their games.
- Rec Soccer Season Coming to an End Last day of Youth Soccer is Saturday, October 11th for grades 1-6 and Sunday October 12th for Kindergarten. Both 5/6 boys and girls teams will participate in the Newbury Cup in Shelburne at the Field House fields. One of the 3/4 boys' teams will play at Cota Field in Starksboro. All other teams will play at Town Hall Field. It's been a great season. Thanks to our amazing coaches CVU Varsity Men's Soccer team, Peter Lake, Kate Webster, John Paul Arnoldy, Ben & Carly Epstein, Kitty Frazier, Elisabeth Garvey, Scott Lamothe, Jim Silvia, Deb Newell-Robinson, Keith Roberts, Ryan Gardner, Michael Loner, Miles, Hickok, Jim Goldsmith, Marc Bilodeau, Jeff Paronto, and Tanya Girard.
- Ultimate Frisbee Tournament We are hosting our first-ever Ultimate Frisbee Tournament on Sat. 10/11 at Lyman Park from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm. Teams from Montpelier, Ripton North Branch School, and BFA Fairfax will participate. Thanks to Coach and Catalyst Dan Opton for his tremendous energy for this new program.

- Insanity Class NEW program is being offered at Town Hall. Insanity is a cardio class, based on max interval training. Certified Insanity Instructor Kristin Kidder will push you past your limits with athletic/plyometric drills mixed with intervals of strength, power, resistance, and core training. No equipment or weights shape. You don't have to be in extreme needed. All moves have modifications. Open to ages 16 and up. Wear shoes with lateral support. Bring a towel and plenty of water. Main Room at Town Hall. Thursdays from 5:40-6:30 running 10/9 through 11/6. Cost \$50. Register pm HRD. hinesburgrec@gmavt.net or 482-2281 ext. 230 with any questions.
- Babysitting Class Set for Thursday 10/16 is FULL Will offer another in April 2015.
- AARP Safe Driver Class Still room in the AARP Safe Driver Class on Tuesday, 10/28 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm the first floor conference room at Town Hall. Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Register with HRD.
- Literature & Arts Class Still room in Susan Lepple's Literature and the Arts Class that runs 11/4 through12/16 from 2:45-4:15 pm in the Art Room at HCS. Cost is \$105. Please register with HRD hinesburgrec@gmavt.net or 482-2281 ext. 230 with any questions.
- Haunted Cookie House Decorating Class Still room in Wendy Frink's Haunted Cookie House Decorating Class. Wed. 10/29 from 2:45-3:45 pm in the Art Room at HCS. Cost is \$15. Register with HRD.

Carpenter-Carse Library

CALENDAR

<u>Meetings</u>

- Staff Meeting Monday, October 20th @ 3:15 p.m.
- Library Board of Trustees Board of Trustees regular monthly meeting, Wednesday,
 October 22nd @ 7 p.m. at the library

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. This week seven children enjoyed the tractor theme.
- Toddler Story Time The next story time for toddlers will be Tuesday, October 21st @ 9:30 a.m. Caregivers of babies and toddlers 3 years old and younger are invited to come and enjoy this special time with their little ones. This week seven children attended the *colors* story time. Good news! In November we will offer toddler story times weekly.
- Lego Club Every Thursday from 3-4 in the library's community room. Plenty of Legos to start a project and continue to work on it over the weeks! Ages 6 and up are welcome. There will also be board games and snacks. Free! Please note that parents and guardians must sign a Carpenter-Carse Library waiver stating that they assume all responsibility for transportation to and from Lego Club at the library. The Library cannot be held responsible for the safety of your child during drop-off or pick-up to/from Lego Club or other after school events.

Monthly Carpenter-Carse Book Discussion Group
Thursday, October 16th, @ 7:00 p.m.
This month's selection is No Time Like the Present by Nadine Gordimer. For November, readers chose The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans in Their Epic Quest for gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Daniel James Brown. Meetings are held in readers' homes with refreshments served. Please phone Carol at 482-3193 for more information.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Classic Films of the 1950's, a Vermont Humanities Council event hosted by Carpenter-Carse Library Friday, October 17 @ 7:00 p.m. Rick Winston will show clips from several acclaimed films of various genres from that era and discuss their significance. The '50's were a fascinating time for Hollywood films. Several directors who began their careers in the silent era (Wilder, Hitchcock, and Wyler) were in their prime. Independent films were gaining a foothold. New stars arose and social attitudes were beginning to be addressed. For more information, contact Jane Racer at 482-2878. carpentercarselibrary@gmavt.net.
- Slightly Spooky Story Hour Thursday, October 23rd @ 6 p.m. Wear your favorite PJ's for some slightly scary books, crafts and snacks. We will get in the mood for upcoming Halloween festivities. Children of all ages are welcome with an adult; recommended ages: 2-6 yrs.

Exhibits and Displays at the Library

- *In the Community Room* "Evolving" An Autumn Exhibit of Artwork by Nini Crane. Mixed medium paintings inspired by the four seasons of Vermont including landscapes, nature, flowers, trees, and scenes from travels. Don't miss this lovely exhibit. Nini's works of art are for sale.
- *In the Glass Case* An irresistible collection of hedgehogs made of all sorts of different materials, shared by Catherine Goldsmith.
- Book Displays:
 - o Apples
 - o Autumn
 - o Halloween
 - o National Breast Cancer Awareness Month
 - o The Ocean

OTHER NEWS

- Fall Saturday Hours Saturday hours this fall are: 10 a.m. 5 p.m.
- Parking Lot Paving Project Rox Asphalt, LLC are scheduled to begin work on a parking lot paving project at the Library on October 27. For details on any changes to library hours, please consult carpentercarse.org or check with library staff closer to the start date.
- *Keep up-to-date on the current events happening at the library* http://www.carpentercarse.org/ccl_programs.html.

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