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Today, Friday, May 15, 2020, is National Police Officers Memorial Day.

Stay Informed with www.BarnstableHealth.com

The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource (www.barnstablehealth.com) on March 16, 2020 to keep you up-to-date with the latest information as it relates to reducing the spread of COVID-19 and the working of Barnstable Town government. Visit and bookmark www.barnstablehealth.com.

Town Manager Mark Ells' Community Update

During these uncertain times, Town Manager Mark Ells continues to provide updates through Channel 18 to keep people informed with accurate information about what is going on in the Town of Barnstable. Mr. Ells [latest Community Update](#) provides information on how we are managing through the COVID-19 response as well as some general updates. More information will follow after the Massachusetts Reopening Task Force findings are shared on Monday, May 18th. Past episodes of Town Manager Mark Ells' Community Updates can be viewed [here](#).

FY 2021 Operating Budget Now Available on Town Website

The Town of Barnstable's FY 2021 Operating Budget is now available on the Town's website here: [FY 2021 Operating Budget](#). This webpage provides both a consolidated as well as individual breakouts of the entire book by department. A condensed version of the entire book is available within the attached FY 2021 Operating Budget Summary file.

Town of Barnstable Memorial Day Ceremonies Canceled

In these unprecedented times, our first priority is the health and well-being of our community, therefore the Town of Barnstable has canceled the Annual Memorial Day Parade and the traditional John F. Kennedy Memorial Trust Committee's Annual Memorial Day Ceremony. We continue to adhere to Governor Baker's Stay-at-home advisory as well as the rules of social distancing, no gatherings of more than 10 people, and wearing face coverings. Barnstable's Channel 18 will have special programming that will be shared through our social media and on Channel 18. **We hope that you will take a moment during your Memorial Day Weekend to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our Country.**

Town of Barnstable Veteran Memorials

Throughout our long and vibrant history, the Town of Barnstable has respectfully honored our community's service members who fought to ensure freedom is continued for generations beyond and gave the ultimate sacrifice while serving in our nation's armed forces. Linking the past to the present, we welcome all to learn more about Barnstable's brave heroes by clicking [here](#). Click on any of the names, and that will bring you to the online database CLIO. A special THANK YOU to Planning & Development Assistant Director Liz Hartsgrove, Bismore Park Greeter Thamara Froes, former Special Projects Coordinator Len Gobeil, and Director of Property and Risk Management David Anthony for their research efforts to provide context to the names we see on memorials throughout Barnstable.

We are pleased to share with you [Channel 18's previous coverage](#) of the war memorials around the Town.

Our [Veterans Piece with the Barnstable Adult Community Center](#) in 2019

[Barnstable-West Barnstable Elementary School Memorial Day Ceremony](#) in 2019

The [Facebook LIVE Memorial Day activities from in 2019](#)

Donna-Marie Burns Appointed Council on Aging Director

Congratulations to our newly appointed Council on Aging Director, Donna-Marie Burns. Since 2013, Donna has served as the Assistant Director for the Council on Aging Division, where her responsibilities included writing grants and overseeing the COA's Supportive Day Program and Volunteer Program. She also spearheaded the creation of social programming for LGBTQ older adults and a job seeker program for older adults. Donna succeeds Madeline Noonan, who was recently appointed as the Community Services Director. We wish Donna the best of success in her new role.

Town of Barnstable Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Notice of Fund Availability (NOFA)

The Town of Barnstable Planning and Development Department (PDD) is accepting proposals for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. CDBG is a federally funded program from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide affordable housing, economic opportunities and a suitable living environment to low and moderate income residents.

The Town is anticipating funds through CARES Act in the amount of \$168,324

Funds may be used for activities responding to needs arising as a result of the Coronavirus, also referred to as COVID-19. Projects must be consistent with 5 year consolidated plan goals and subject to the Stafford Act that prohibits use for activities paid for by another source or duplication of benefits.

The Town is anticipating funds for the 2020 CDBG program year (7/1/2020 – 6/30/2021) in the amount of \$286,135

Projects must address at least one of the 5 Year Consolidated Plan goals and either:

- Create or preserve affordable housing units for rent or homeownership
- Create or retain jobs or economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons
- Be public improvements to facilities, or infrastructure and other public improvements
- Provide services to low and moderate income persons and special needs populations

The CARES Act waived the 15% cap for public service activities that address COVID-19 for program years 2019, 2020 and CARES Act funds.

Preferences may be given to the following:

- Activities to prevent, prepare for or respond to coronavirus (COVID 19)
- Public service activities related to COVID 19 including but not limited to child care services for essential personnel; food security for elderly, homeless and other vulnerable populations; shelter and other services for homeless populations displaced due to social distancing requirements; and other eligible services for vulnerable populations
- Micro-enterprise or small business assistance to retain or create jobs or economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons affected by COVID 19
- Continuation of youth services program
- Services to support public safety in the downtown Hyannis Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area (NRSA)

Submission Instructions: Pre-Application and Guidebook are available on the Town website www.townofbarnstable.us/CDBG. Please complete the pre-application by **4 pm on May 27, 2020** online: https://www.cognitofrms.com/TownOfBarnstable1/_2020CDBGPreApplication

Contact Information: Town offices are currently closed to the public to prevent spreading of COVID 19. Staff is working remotely and available by email kathleen.girouard@town.barnstable.ma.us above or you can leave a message at 508-862-4678 and someone will return your call.

Cape Cod Reopening Task Force Seeks Comments

A region-wide task force has been assembled to develop strategies for reopening Cape Cod once it is safe to do so. The Cape Cod Reopening Task Force is led by the Cape & Islands Legislative Delegation, the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, and Barnstable County, with participation from Cape Cod Healthcare, municipal officials including Barnstable Town Manager Mark Ells, first responders, community leaders, and others. **The public is invited to submit comments to the Task Force.**

Comments will be reviewed and taken into consideration as the Task Force conducts its

work. [Comments can be submitted online here.](#) The goal of the Task Force is to pursue a safe and structured approach to reopening commercial and social activities on Cape Cod. Through its work, the Task Force will coordinate authorities and entities across Cape Cod to provide one consistent message to the region's year-round residents, seasonal residents, second home-owners, summer workers, and visitors; such coordination will both advance public health and promote economic vitality when we are able to reopen. "The aim of the Cape Cod Reopening Task Force is twofold: to save lives and livelihoods," said **State Senator Julian Cyr (D-Truro)**, who serves as public information officer for the Task Force. "It's critical for public health and our economic vitality that Cape Cod provides uniform and consistent information to the public. Reopening the wrong way could put all in our communities at risk." The Cape Cod Reopening Task Force will work to compile and disseminate guidelines for businesses, workers, residents, and visitors. Forthcoming guidance from the Task Force will align with

recommendations from the Governor's Reopening Advisory Board, advisories from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Executive Orders from Governor Baker. The work of the Task Force will be done in consultation with the Baker-Polito Administration. The Task Force reiterates that Governor Baker, the Governor's Reopening Advisory Board, and guidance from public health experts will dictate the timeline of reopening on Cape Cod. "We need to speak with one voice to the Governor's Advisory Board on Reopening," said **State Representative Sarah Peake (D-Provincetown)**. "It is a much easier process to close down the economy than to reopen it. Reopening this economy will depend on how this virus behaves. Our decisions need to be driven by science and data." As the traditional summer season approaches, the Task Force will work to ensure that the most up-to-date information is made available, particularly for seasonal residents who are returning to the region and ultimately to visitors for travel planning purposes.

Baker-Polito Administration Announces Four-Phase Approach to Reopening

The Baker-Polito Administration announced this week a four-phase approach to reopening the Massachusetts economy amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, and published Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards that will apply across all sectors and industries once reopening begins. Businesses and activities that provided "COVID-19 Essential Services," per Governor Baker's March 23rd order, will continue to operate. Certain businesses and activities with a lower risk of COVID-19 transmission will open in earlier phases. Decisions and timing will be influenced by public health metrics for when the first phase of reopening begins, as well as when it is safe to move into concurrent phases.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the four-phased reopening approach.

[CLICK HERE](#) for Monday's presentation from the Reopening Advisory Board.

Additionally, the Department of Public Health (DPH) and the COVID-19 Command Center, in consultation with the Reopening Advisory Board and based on feedback from industry, labor, and community coalitions, has developed Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission as employees and customers begin to return to workplaces during the first phase of reopening. These Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards are applicable to all sectors and industries that will be open in phase one, and create new workplace requirements for social distancing, hygiene, staffing and operations, and cleaning. These standards are being released to give workplaces time to plan and prepare for reopening.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information about the Mandatory Workplace Safety Standards.

Friendly Reminder from Animal Control

Pursuant to the Town Manager's Dog Control Regulations, "no person owning or having the care, custody or control of any dog shall allow said dog on any Town Beach or Recreation area from May 15 to September 15 without the written authorization of the Town Manager or official in control of said Beach or Recreation area." Please note: Dogs are not allowed in your car in the parking lot. Any questions, please call 508-790-6274.

Shade Tree Hearing Notice of Public Hearing Thursday, May 28, 2020 at 6:00 PM

To all persons deemed interested or affected by the Town of Barnstable's Tree removal hearing MA General Law chapter 87 Shade Trees. You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held on the removal of 39 trees. Town of Barnstable, Department of Public Works, Highway Division, 382 Falmouth Road, Hyannis – Removal of 39 Trees within the Road Layout. Trees to be removed are located immediately adjacent to the following properties: 65 Independence Drive, Hyannis parcel 295-015-X02 (30 trees); 0 Wilkens Lane, Barnstable, parcel 295-004-001 (7 trees); and 20 Merchants Way, Barnstable parcel 296-005-002 (2 trees). This hearing will be held via a Zoom Meeting ID: 916 1413 0221 Password: 243894, at

6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 26, 2020. Should you have questions please call Andrew Bernier, Tree Warden Highway Division, 508-790-6330

Are You on the Town's Emergency Notification System?

The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system was used during the recent winter storms. Make sure you are on our list. Sign up [here](#) today. **What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?** CodeRED is an emergency notification service by which town officials can notify Barnstable residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about time-sensitive emergency situations or important community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire town. Only authorized officials are allowed access to use the system. Frequently asked questions can be reviewed [here](#). Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

Barnstable Public Schools Family Survey Results

In its most recent Family Survey, Barnstable Public Schools had over 2200 responses, representing 45%-55% of our families. Versions went out in Portuguese and Spanish and those responses have been incorporated as well. Results of the survey can be viewed [here](#).

It's Easy to Complete Your 2020 Federal Census On-line, Just Click [Here](#)

It is important to return both your annual street listing and the United States Census in 2020. The 2020 Census count will be used to ensure that Barnstable and Massachusetts receive our fair share of federal money and political representation for the next 10 years. Representation in the United States Congress and the Eleamara Fctoral College is based on United State Census responses. **Currently the self-response rate nationally is 59.1%. Massachusetts has a 61.3% self-response rate; Barnstable County 41.3%; and the Town of Barnstable 49.7%.**

The logo for the United States Census 2020. It features the words "United States" in a smaller, dark red font at the top. Below that, the word "Census" is written in a large, bold, dark red font. At the bottom, the year "2020" is written in a very large, bold, dark red font.

Invitation to attend a Parents Open Forum on Zoom Tuesday, May 19 from 5:00-6:00 PM

Hyannis Youth & Community Center Youth Center Manager Mark Boardley has been working with this group. If you know a young person struggling with any kind of substance issues, please come to a Parents Open Forum on Tuesday, May 19 from 5:00-6:00 PM to learn more about an important resource in our community, the RecoveryBuild Alternative Peer Group program. This is a meet-and-greet with the RecoveryBuild Counselors and Peer Recovery Specialist to discuss the process of enrolling and reaching out to teenagers 13-18 that are in need. To join and receive the Zoom link and password for the Parents Open Forum, RSVP to APG@DuffyHealthCenter.org. RecoveryBuild APG is FREE. The program offers support to both teenagers with a history of substance use and their respective caregivers. TeleHealth sessions with both students and parents are provided, as well as teen group activities and skills-building to support the teens as they navigate through intense emotions during these stress-filled times. Information about RecoveryBuild APG can be found at www.recoverybuild.org. For questions please email APG@DuffyHealthCenter.org. The Parents Open Forums will also be offered Tuesday, June 16 and Tuesday, July 14 from 5:00-6:00 PM.

Governor's Order - COVID-19 Face Coverings took effect May 6, 2020

Governor Baker has issued an Order requiring face coverings be worn in public places where social distancing is not possible. Effective Wednesday, May 6, 2020, any person who is in a place open to the public, whether indoor or outdoor, and is unable to maintain a distance of approximately six feet from every other person shall cover their mouth and nose with a mask or face covering. This requirement applies to all workers and customers of businesses and other organizations open to the public that are permitted to operate as essential businesses. Non-essential businesses must remain closed as per the Governor's Order through May 18, 2020. You can keep up-to-date with the latest information at BarnstableHealth.com. <https://youtu.be/hLXPISuJ8Xg>

Learn about how to safely cover your face in public to prevent the spread of COVID-19: <https://www.mass.gov/coveryourface>

Read about Governor Baker's order requiring residents wear masks or face coverings in public places: <https://bit.ly/3bTsR2I>

Here are some frequently asked questions about children and face masks ow.ly/7wKe50zkEJl.

Free Grocery Delivery Service Launches for Barnstable County Seniors and Residents at Higher Risk

The Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps' Delivery Service will help people who should stay home receive groceries and critical household goods.

The Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), in service to the Barnstable County Incident Command COVID-19 response, is providing a free service delivering prepaid groceries to seniors and people at higher risk for infection. The new program is called Critical Delivery Service. The initiative consists of over 40 MRC volunteers who will pick up pre-ordered, prepaid groceries from food stores offering curbside pickup options, and deliver to residents in all 15 towns of Barnstable County. Director of the Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps Diana Gaumond emphasized that volunteers:

- will not be doing personal shopping. (There should be little to no time spent in grocery stores.)
- will not be handling money or credit cards
- will wear a mask at points of pickup and delivery
- will practice good hand hygiene and social distancing.

Instructions for Ordering Food Using the MRC's Critical Delivery Service

1. Call 508-556-7161 Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM and speak with an MRC Volunteer. You will provide your name, address, and phone number, and discuss options of stores where you can order.
2. A Delivery Volunteer will be assigned to you.
3. You will order from the store as instructed, prepaying for the groceries.
4. You will confirm the curbside pickup time with your assigned Delivery Volunteer.
5. Your Delivery Volunteer will pick up and deliver groceries using safe practices of social distancing, wearing a mask, and not going inside the home.

**The Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer can usually provide same day pickup and delivery if the order is phoned in by noon.*

See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options

at https://bit.ly/CCMRC_FOOD. Slowing the spread of COVID-19 is essential for "flattening the curve" of infections, which will curb the outbreak, prevent hospitals from getting overwhelmed with patients seeking treatment, and ultimately reduce the number of deaths. For current information on the novel coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), please visit the Barnstable County Department of Health and

Environment's website: barnstablecountyhealth.org. If you have questions or concerns, please email COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org.

Barnstable Golf Now Open to Pass Holders

The Town of Barnstable knows how important recreation is to our residents and their quality of life. Just like the game of golf, the Town of Barnstable is using a strategic approach, with State Guidance, to creating an opportunity to resume play on our municipal golf courses, Hyannis Golf Course and Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds, starting Friday, May 8th. The sport of golf relies on good sportsmanship and following the rules, and so will our ability to provide a safe environment for our members and staff. The rules and guidelines below will be strictly enforced and it is our belief that the love of the game will motivate our members to follow them each time they visit the course. This will ensure an enjoyable round of golf we all have dearly missed these past few months. Information about the new rules can be found [here](#). Channel 18 has created a public service announcement you can view [here](#).

From Marine & Environmental Affairs: Municipal Marina Guidance

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Global Health Pandemic, the Town of Barnstable Marine and Environmental Affairs Department is implementing the following social distancing guidelines for Town of Barnstable municipal marinas until further notice. Please adhere to the following guidelines when visiting the Town of Barnstable municipal marinas.

Protecting yourself while at Town of Barnstable municipal marinas:

- Members of the public are not allowed to access docks without permission from the Harbormaster at Town of Barnstable municipal marinas. Marina dockage access is only permitted to slip holders or transient slip holders.
- Slip holders should stay at least 6 feet away from others while transiting the docks. Slip holders should not raft or beach their vessel near others.
- Only persons from the same household should be together on a boat at one time.
- Please refer to The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Emergency and Environmental Affairs memorandum for guidance on "For Hire boating" or "Commercial Boating". This is available on the Town of Barnstable Harbormaster website.
- Staffing will be limited and is by appointment only. Staff will take all necessary precautions to abide by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) social distancing measures.
- As of May 6, 2020, Governor Baker has issued an order to wear cloth face coverings in public settings (see item on Page 1).
- Gatherings or loitering of more than 10 people on town property will not be tolerated. Failure to abide by guidelines may result in the closure of municipal marinas.
- Bathrooms will be closed.
- Please be vigilant when accessing town docks. If slip holders are currently accessing a town dock, wait and access when social distancing, i.e., staying at least 6 feet away from others, can be achieved.
- Please go directly to your vessel and get safely underway. When returning to your dock please safely tie up your vessel and exit the docks.
- Washing down vessels is still allowed. However, slip holders need to be respectful of space and time.
- All Town of Barnstable rules, regulations and laws still apply.

Barnstable Public Schools Offering New Student Virtual Registration



Barnstable Public School District is happy to announce

New Student Virtual Registration is NOW LIVE!

If you are looking to register a new student, or an incoming preschool or kindergarten student to Barnstable School District, please start (or continue) the registration process on our website at barnstable.k12.ma.us/registration

NOTE: All in-person registration meetings have been canceled.



**2020-2021
School Year**

Town Manager Extends Payment Due Dates for Town Bills and Exemptions and Tax Deferral Applications

Town Manager Mark Ells, acting under newly granted authority by the Legislature and Governor, is announcing the extension of due dates for the following real estate and personal property bills, motor vehicle excise bills, water and sewer utility bills, and exemption and deferral applications:

Fourth Quarter Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills:

- Original Due Date: May 1, 2020
- New Due Date: **June 1, 2020**

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on **June 1, 2020**, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

Water* and Sewer Utility Bills:

- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on **June 1, 2020**, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

Property Tax Personal Exemption and Tax Deferral Applications:

- Original Due Date: April 1, 2020
- Extended Due Date: **June 1, 2020**

In addition to extending the due date for payments, The Town Manager is also waiving the payment of interest and other penalties in the event of late payment of any real estate, personal property, motor vehicle excise, boat excise, and water or sewer utility bills for an additional month, giving Barnstable taxpayers until **June 29, 2020**, to make payment without incurring interest or demand late fees.

Please note that this newly granted authority only allows municipal chief executives to extend statutory payment deadlines and waive statutory interest and penalties through the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2020. Under the new state legislation, payments made after June 30, 2020 will be subject to interest and penalties back to June 1, 2020.

During the COVID-19 emergency, the office of the Treasurer/Collector is closed to the public. However, there are several optional payment methods available:

1. Mail checks using the envelop provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
2. Online thru the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online
3. Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. Please do not leave any cash in the drop box, checks only.

If you have any questions regarding property, excise and sewer bill payments, please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-862-4054 or email to taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us

Questions regarding water bills can be directed to the Town's Water Supply Division at 508-775-0063.

Questions regarding Residential, Veterans, Seniors, and Blind Exemption applications can be directed to the Town Assessor's office by calling 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020 or email to assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us

*** Finance Director Provides Further Clarification Regarding Payment of Water Utility Bills and Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills** Finance Director Mark Milne would like to provide further clarification on the extension due dates for water utility bills. The new due dates and the waiver of interest and penalties only apply to the Hyannis Water System utility bills and do not apply to water utility bills issued by the Barnstable Fire District, Centerville-Osterville-Marstons Mills (COMM) Fire District and Cotuit Fire District. Any questions regarding water utility bills within the Fire Districts should be directed to their respective Water Department. In addition, the Town of Barnstable will be mailing Motor Vehicle Excise bills dated April 9, 2020. These bills have already been printed. The due dates on the tax bills will indicate May 8th; however, taxpayers will have until June 30, 2020 to pay the bill without interest and penalties. If you have any questions regarding the motor vehicle excise bill payments, please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-862-4054 or email to taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us.

Working with Barnstable Town Hall

Effective Friday, March 20, 2020, as a precautionary measure to prevent and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and in the interest of the health and well-being of our employees and the residents of the Town of Barnstable, most town buildings are closed to the public. It is our hope that we will re-open to the public on **Monday, May 18th**. We are making adjustments to our business operations to ensure resources are focused where the need is greatest. Please understand the fluid nature of this situation and that we are reassessing and adapting our response as needed to this developing situation. Public access to 200 Main Street and the Town Hall Offices is now by appointment only. Information on how you can work remotely with Town Offices is available on the Town of Barnstable's website (www.townofbarnstable.us) and www.BarnstableHealth.com. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

A listing of Town owned buildings that have closed is listed [here](#).

TREASURER'S OFFICE

The Treasurer's Office will be accepting payments either through mail or payments may be placed in the drop box located outside Town Hall next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. **No cash is to be mailed or left in the drop box.**

For **Tax Title Account information** please call Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656. Payments for liened parcels that are in Tax Title may be mailed to:

Town of Barnstable, Treasurer's Office, 230 South Street, Hyannis, MA 02601

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Collector's Office is closed to the public at this time and the administrative staff will be working remotely until further notice. While a "Shelter in Place" directive has not been issued at this time, the administrative staff will be staggering times in the office to address items that cannot be accomplished remotely to reduce the number of people working in close proximity to each other and to implement social distancing. If you have any questions regarding real estate, personal property, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes and sewer bill payments, please call the **Tax Collector's Office at 508-862-5054** or email to taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us.

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However, there are several payment options available:

1. Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601.
2. Online through the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Treasurer/>
3. Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. Please do not leave any cash in the drop box, checks only.

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ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Abatement Applications Abatement forms are available on the town's website at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/> Completed forms can be mailed to Town of Barnstable Assessor, 367 Main. St. Hyannis, MA 02601.

Property Information Inquiries regarding property values can be requested by email to assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

Forms All other forms are available at <https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/> Permit applications will continue to be accepted and processed according to local and state requirements. Applications and associated materials should be submitted electronically to the extent legally possible.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

A drop off location for paper applications has been established to the left of the front door at 367 Main Street. If your request does not need immediate attention, please use the drop off location for nomination papers, birth, death, and marriage certificates established in the front vestibule at 367 Main Street. Please submit your request in the lock box and call us on 508-862-4044.

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call 508-862-4044. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been

exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

200 MAIN STREET

Instructions for Dropping Off Permit Applications

- Include a contact name, and telephone number and/or e-mail address.
- DO NOT submit payment with the application. It will be collected at a later time.
- There will be a minimum 48 hour delay between the time an application is dropped off and when it is officially received.
- A staff member will contact you to confirm receipt of the application and with comments and/or instructions and to arrange payment of fees.

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff

If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call or e-mail the contact listed. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

[Doing Business with Planning & Development During COVID-19](#)

Meals for Any Student in ALL Communities

Barnstable Public Schools is providing FREE breakfast and lunch for any student free of charge. (No ID is required). All children are welcome regardless of town of residence or school attended. All meals will be offered in compliance with USDA standards and will be a “Grab and Go” option. We will be providing both breakfast and lunch at the same time. Students are encouraged to take one breakfast and one lunch. **NOTE: Fridays we will be handing out 3 breakfast and 3 lunches to each student for the weekend.**

GRAB & GO

Breakfast and Lunches

Bus Stop Locations/Times



Pick-up Locations: BIS, BUES, HyWest, and BCIS 10am-1pm | 4-6pm
NOTE: Each Friday students will receive 3 breakfast and 3 lunches for the weekend.

BUS STOPS MONDAY - FRIDAY	
ROUTE A (Five Star bus)	
465 Sea Street (Sea Street Beach)	10:45 am to 11:15 am
200 Main St (Health Offices)	11:30 am to 12:15 pm
Time Change EFFECTIVE Monday 4/27/2020	
ROUTE B (Five Star bus)	
767 Independence Dr (Village Green Apts. entrance)	10:45 am to 11:30 am
367 Main Street (Town Hall)	11:50 am to 12:30 pm
ROUTE C (Five Star bus)	
117 Turtleback Rd (Turtleback Triangle)	11:00 am to 11:30 am
April 27-May 1, Use Entrance off Rt. 28 2095 Main Street (old Marstons Mills Elementary)	11:50 am to 12:30 pm
ROUTE D (BPS bus)	
852 Bearse's Way (Hyannis Elks)	10:45 am to 11:30 am
168 Barnstable Road (Cromwell Court)	11:45 am to 12:30 pm
ROUTE E (BPS bus)	
2377 Meetinghouse Way (Lombard Field)	11:00 am to 11:30 am
2239 Iyannough Rd., Rt. 132 (Kimber Woods)	11:40 am to 12:00 pm
3195 Rt. 6A (County Complex lot, behind Fire dept.)	12:10 pm to 12:30 pm
ROUTE F (Five Star bus)	
1638-72 Falmouth Rd, Rt. 28 (Centerville Plaza lot across from the post office)	10:55 am to 11:25 am
140 Old Oyster Rd (old Cotuit Elementary)	11:45 am to 12:15 pm

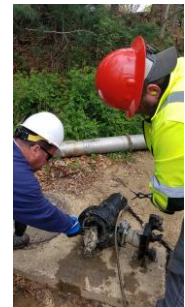
Sites could change based on use and attendance, we could be adding more delivery sites.

A Message from the Council on Aging Division

Brown Bag for Families: Are you finding it difficult to feed your family? The Greater Boston Food Bank, through our “Brown Bag for Seniors” Program, has increased the income eligibility for this free nutrition program. **If you have a child younger than 17 and were eligible for Fuel Assistance, you would be eligible for a free monthly bag of groceries. Call the BCOA Outreach Department for more information: 508-862-4757.** We hope you'll take advantage of the ongoing **Grab & Go food distribution program which is providing a free Lunch for Barnstable residents over age 60. Meals are distributed Monday-Friday, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM, curbside at the BACC.** This program is made possible through the generous collaboration of the Barnstable Public Schools. The Cape Cod Family Cooperative is providing packed meals for Cape residents. They will be at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center (HYCC) from 4-6pm every Friday, until this crisis is over. If you need a meal, and are in the Hyannis area, please come by Faith Family Kitchen any Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 5:30-6:30pm at 154 Bearse’s Way for a hot meal. Love is always this wonderful group's secret ingredient! **The BACC doors may be closed at the moment, but the BCOA staff is working Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. – 4:30. If you need help with finding services or nutritional support, solving a problem, or need an answer to a question, we encourage you to call us at (508) 862-4750. We are here for you!**

Water Pollution Control Requests Do Not Flush Disinfecting Wipes

The Town of Barnstable’s Water Pollution Control Division requests that you please do not flush any disinfecting wipes down the toilet. These wipes clog sewage pumps inside of the Town’s sewage pumping stations. This requires staff to manually remove the wipes from the pump in order to put the pump station back into operation. Flushing wipes down the toilet endangers the health and safety of Town employees and increases the risk of a sewage overflow, putting public health at risk. Please discard all used wipes into a trash can. Thank You.



Public Service Announcement to Flush Water Lines from COMM Water

It is always a good practice to flush all water supply lines to ensure fresh water is in the facility’s system after a closure. While restaurants, gyms, schools and other buildings are closed to prevent the spread of COVID-19, water left sitting in pipes could change in quality during a prolonged shutdown. When buildings are able to reopen be sure to flush cold water lines to waste until water temperature changes. It may also be necessary to have a plumber flush hot water systems. Check for updates on our website www.commwater.com, Facebook, or call our office with any questions 508-428-6691, Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM.

Hyannis Water System Water Flushing Program

Throughout the months of April, May and June (Weather permitting)

Flushing signs will be posted in the areas of work

After flushing let the cold water run for a few minutes.

FOR QUESTIONS, CALL (508)775-0063

See specific area maps and dates on www.townofbarnstable.us.



ROAD WORK UPDATES

As always please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through the road construction areas and follow posted safety and detour signs.



***NEW* National Grid New Customer Hookups Neuco**

Crews will install gas service as follows: Tuesday, May 19, 2020 Samantha Drive, Barnstable and Tuesday May 19, 2020 through Friday, May 22, 2020 West Bay Road, Osterville. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. Visit [Ngrid.Com/ServiceLine](https://www.ngrid.com/service-line) to view a YouTube video explaining the replacement of the service pipe to customer homes. Operations will start promptly at 7:00 AM and run until 3:00 PM. Reduce speed and use caution. All scheduled work is dependent on weather and / or may be impacted due to an emergency situation.

***UPDATED* Sidewalk, Traffic Signal, Water Distribution, and Associated Improvements on Independence Drive in Hyannis and Barnstable Village, and on Portions of Mary Dunn Road, Kidd's Hill Road, and Attucks Lane in Barnstable Village**

Construction scheduled to continue through the end of June, then start up again in September and end in May 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will include a new sidewalk and additional drainage systems the full length of Independence Drive, on Mary Dunn Road a short distance south of Independence Drive, on Kidd's Hill Road from Independence Drive to Merchants Way, and on Attucks Lane from Independence Drive to Wilkens Lane. The work will also include a new traffic signal system at the intersection of Attucks Lane & Wilkens Lane; a watermain extension on portions of Attucks Lane and Independence Drive; and additional street lights on portions of Independence Drive and Kidd's Hill Road. ***During active construction there will be lane closures with signs, cones/construction barrels, and police details or flaggers if necessary to direct traffic past the work zones.***

***UPDATED* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Main Street (Route 6A) and Mill Way in Barnstable Village**

Construction is scheduled to continue through mid-June 2020, finish up in the fall. Normal work hours are 6:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes utility line transfers and pole removals in a few locations (by utility companies); paving and marking the roads; finishing sidewalks in several locations; installing site furnishings; installing street lights; refurbishing traffic signals; and other associated work. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

***UPDATED* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Sea Street, South Street, and Ocean Avenue in Hyannis**

Construction is scheduled to continue through the end of July 2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes utility line transfers and pole removals (by utility companies); sidewalk reconstruction; paving and marking the roads; installing street lights; and other associated work. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

***UPDATED* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Route 149, Main Street, and River Road in Marstons Mills**

Construction is scheduled to continue through the end of May 2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes applying textured surfaces in crosswalks, loaming and seeding bare areas, and other associated work.

During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details or flaggers to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

***CONTINUES* National Grid Service Road** Construction Work began on November 12, 2019; National Grid will be installing a new gas main on Service Road in Sandwich and Barnstable. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Service Road will remain open with one-lane of traffic. Work will continue through June 30, 2020. The project is scheduled to be completed in November, 2020.

***CONTINUES* MassDOT Schedules Intersection Improvements at Falmouth**

Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road Construction operations began on September 5, 2019, and will continue through to April 2021 MassDOT has commenced work on the intersection at Falmouth Road (Route 28) at Osterville West Barnstable Road. The road has been redesigned to include exclusive left turn lanes and improve bicycle and pedestrian accommodation as part of the proposed safety improvement work. The work to be done consists of furnishing and installing of new traffic signal equipment at the intersection including emergency vehicle pre-emption system, bicycle and vehicles loop detectors, construction of ADA compliant wheelchair ramps, sidewalks, and driveways, box widening, pavement milling and resurfacing, new pavement markings and signs, drainage improvements, water distribution modifications, existing utility pole relocations, installation of granite curbing, loam and seeding. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday 7:00 AM-3:30 PM. Traffic control will include all required signage, channeling devices for lane shifts and alternating one-way traffic as required. Police details/ flaggers will 1 and select a route to hear real-time conditions. Visit www.mass511.com, a website which provides real-time traffic and incident advisory information, and allows users to subscribe to text and email alerts for traffic conditions. Follow MassDOT on Twitter @MassDOT to receive regular updates on road and traffic conditions. Download MassDOT's GoTime mobile app and view real-time traffic conditions before setting out on the road.

***CONTINUES* Pipe Installation, Hinckley Road from Falmouth Road to Route**

132 National Grid Work has started installation of a new gas main in Hinckley Road in Hyannis. The project includes installation of new 10" gas main from Falmouth Road to a regulator pit within Hinckley Road and a 12" gas main from the regulator pit to a tie-in in Route 132. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Hinckley Road will be close to through traffic. Night work in Route 132 will restart on Tuesday, May 19th and continue through Friday, May 29th. This work will take place from 6:00 PM to 7:00 AM. There will no work on May 22nd or May 25th. Work will continue through June 30, 2020.

***CONTINUES* Sewer Installation on Portions of Kidd's Hill Road, Merchants**

Way, and Business Lane in Barnstable Village Construction is scheduled to begin the week of May 18, 2020 and end in July 2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will involve excavating trenches in the roads, installing sanitary sewer pipes and manholes, backfilling, compacting, and paving. During portions of May and June 2020, Kidd's Hill Road will be closed for construction about 500 feet each side of its intersection with Merchants Way. During portions of June and July, Business Lane and the south half of Merchants Way will be closed for construction.

***CONTINUES* Pavement Improvements on Lake Street in Cotuit** Remaining work includes final restoration of any disturbed areas. Work is expected to be complete by May 22, 2020. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout.

***CONTINUES* Pavement Improvements on Hi Ona Hill Road & Seabury Lane in**

Centerville Remaining work includes final restoration of any disturbed areas. Work is expected to be

complete by May 22, 2020. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout

***CONTINUES* Pavement Improvements on Parkway Place in Hyannis** Remaining work includes final asphalt overlay of sidewalk and driveway aprons and restoration of any disturbed areas. Work is expected to be complete by May 22, 2020. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout

***CONTINUES* Pavement Improvements on Richardson Road in Centerville** Remaining work includes final restoration of any disturbed areas. Work is expected to be complete by May 22, 2020. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Through traffic will be maintained throughout

***CONTINUE* Ongoing Drainage Improvements** Drainage improvements are currently ongoing on Santuit-Newtown Road in Cotuit. The work includes installation of new drainage structures and castings, adjustment of existing drainage structure castings, pavement repairs and restoration of disturbed areas. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Crews will attempt to maintain through traffic during the construction. Lane closures and detours will be supported with police details to direct traffic. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work.

***CONTINUES* Sewer Construction at Intersection of Center Street and Spring Street, Hyannis** Construction is scheduled to begin the week of May 11, 2020 and is anticipated to take one week. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will involve excavating trenches in the roads, installing sanitary sewer pipes and manholes, backfilling, compacting, and paving. During active construction there will be lane closures or temporary detours with signs and police details to direct traffic past or around the work zones.

***CONTINUES* Water Works Construction Main Street, Hyannis Area** Water Supply Division will be finalizing a water works construction project starting on Monday, April 13, 2020 in the Main Street area. This project will install finish paving and loam & seed construction affected areas on Main Street from the School Street intersection to Bay View Street. For questions relative to this project call Michael Gorenstein, Project Manager, at (508) 775-0063.

Notice of Additional Changes at Transfer Station & Recycling Center

- Effective Monday, April 13, 2020, the Transfer Station and Recycling Center will be temporarily closing the facility on Tuesdays and Wednesdays through **May 18, 2020**.
- Also effective Monday, April 13, 2020, the Recycling Area at the Town of Barnstable's Transfer Station will be temporarily closed through **May 18, 2020**. On the busier days, despite our best attempts, this area does not provide for appropriate social distancing. These measures are being done to provide a safe environment for our employees and our residents.
- These measures create redundancy in staffing and assist in continuing the ability to provide essential services throughout this difficult time. Social, or physical, distancing is one of the key elements being used to combat COVID-19.
- Recycling is not considered an essential service during a State of Emergency.
- Recycling Sticker holders will be limited to disposal of scrap metals, disposal of yard waste, and access to free compost.

A Reminder:

- The Transfer Station is an essential operation to residents of the Town of Barnstable.
- Current sticker holders may continue to utilize the facility to dispose of trash.

- The Office and Gate House at the Transfer Station & Recycling Center will be closed to the public and all person-to-person transactions suspended. Staff will be available to answer phone calls at 508-420-2258.
- The acceptance of chargeable recyclable items has been temporarily suspended. These items include but are not limited to mattresses, TVs, white goods, and toilets.
- The Construction & Demolition (C&D) Area will be accepting material with restrictions. All vehicles disposing of C&D material will be required to weigh the material on the scale. The Gate Attendant will direct the vehicle on how to proceed via the intercom system. Payments for C&D material will be accepted **BY CHECK ONLY**. Cash and electronic payments will **NOT** be accepted. Check payments will be placed inside a designated box/container at the intercom system. Receipts and weigh slips will not be issued during this time.
- These measures follow the recommended guidance of social and physical distancing. The Town and Transfer Station employees are working to limit the amount of disruption these changes may cause. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

Stay safe and healthy,

P. J. Kelliher

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