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Beach Water Quality Updates can be found on the [Town of Barnstable’s website](#).

Stay Informed with [www.BarnstableHealth.com](http://www.barnstablehealth.com)

The Town of Barnstable has launched a new resource ([www.barnstablehealth.com](http://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](http://www.barnstablehealth.com).

**Unofficial Election Results for November 3, 2020 Election Can Be Found [Here](#)**

**Town Council Meeting – Thursday, November 5, 2020**

*The November 5, 2020 Barnstable Town Council Meeting was physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. The public was able to view through Live Streaming on the Town of Barnstable’s website or Comcast Channel 18. Agenda Chaptering is not currently available for this meeting.*

Town Council President Paul Hebert began last night’s [Town Council Meeting](#) with leading the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance and offered a Moment of Silence. Public Comment was offered by phone and via Zoom. The Orders of the Day began with [OLD BUSINESS](#). Following Council Discussion, [Agenda Items 2020-192](#) Order amending the General Ordinances by adding Chapter 190 Short Term Rental Properties and amending Chapter 170 Rental Properties; [Agenda Item 2020-193](#) Order amending Chapter 240 Zoning, Article II, Section 7 adding certain provisions pertaining to Short Term Rentals; and [Agenda Item 2021-028](#) Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of $68,760 for the Inspectional Services Department Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Expense Budget to fund a contract for the comprehensive monitoring of Short Term Rental Properties were withdrawn. Town Councilor Matthew Levesque presented [Agenda Item 2021-033](#) Appointments to a Board/Committee/Commission - [Youth Commission](#) and [Agenda Item 2021-034](#) Reappointments to a Board/Committee/Commission - [Mid Cape Cultural Council](#) which were approved. [NEW BUSINESS](#) began with Town Manager Mark Ells providing the rationale for [Agenda Item 2021-035](#) Authorization of submission to the Federal Communications Commission the Town’s assent to comments submitted by the City of Boston (see item #4 below) which was approved. Following the Orders of the Day, Town Manager Mark Ells presented his Town Manager Communications as a document to the Town Council for the period October 16-November 5, 2020:

1. Ann Quirk, Town Clerk, provided a Post-election follow-up.
2. As a reminder the Town of Barnstable continues to follow the Orders and Directives of our Governor. In recent weeks we have observed an increase in the average number of positive cases in Barnstable requiring continued attention by our residents to following proper safety protocols regarding personal hygiene, physical distancing, wearing a face mask, and in general taking personal responsibility regarding this matter. We are still in Phase 3 Step 2 of the Governor’s four phase recovery plan in Barnstable and plan to maintain that status. As a reminder, the Governor continues to frequently update his Orders and Directives, therefore, I encourage everyone to go to the Mass.gov COVID website or the Town of Barnstable website and read these Orders and Directives. Please find attached a link to the State website for the upcoming Holiday events, indoor sporting activities and business activities. The Baker-Polito Administration Announces Targeted Measures To Curb Rising COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations through the following Orders and Directives:

- **Stay at Home Advisory**
- **COVID-19 Order No. 53 Order Requiring Early Closing for Certain Businesses and Activities, Limiting Hours for Alcohol and Adult Use Cannabis Sales, and Modifying Chapter 138 License Renewal Requirements** [download]
- **COVID-19 Order No. 54 Revised Order Further Regulating Gatherings in the Commonwealth** [download]
- **COVID-19 Order No. 55 Revised Order Requiring Face Coverings in Public** [download]

Thank you for your continued adherence to these requirements.

3. We continue to monitor FY 2021 revenues and expenses and develop revenue projections for FY 2022. We continue to maintain our strict financial controls in our efforts to respond appropriately as we progress through FY 2021 and prepare proposed Capital and Operating Budgets for FY 2022. We await the State of Massachusetts to pass a FY 2021 budget which establishes a baseline for State aid and the State aid is used in establishing the Town’s FY 2022 operating budget. We are recommending postponement of the joint Town Council/School Committee meeting where our Finance Director provides a fiscal overview in our efforts to prepare a coordinated budget for FY 2022. At the September 17, 2020 Town Council meeting we reviewed general fiscal policy and are proceeding with those assumption in the FY 2022 budget development. We are utilizing the existing Town Council strategic plan as a basis for budget development pending any significant changes that may have resulted for Town Council’s recent strategic planning session. We have a scheduled calendar year rate hearing on November 17, 2020 via Zoom for any proposed rate changes for calendar year 2021. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town’s Open Budget website at [http://budget.townofbarnstable.us](http://budget.townofbarnstable.us).

4. On October 26, the U.S. District Court issued an Order and Judgment in the T-Mobile matter, ordering the Town to issue to T-Mobile all permissions and permits necessary to conclude the installation and operation of the personal wireless facility located at the South Congregational Church in Centerville and to execute the regulatory agreement that was attached to the Order by November 5th. I have executed the Regulatory Agreement and the Building Commissioner has issued the required permits. Although I know many in the community were urging us to appeal this decision, the Town Attorney has advised me that there was no legal basis for an appeal, and we would not be able to introduce in an appeal any new experts or new facts. Pursuing an appeal in these circumstances would not be an appropriate use of Town resources as there would be no real likelihood of success. Having said that, we continue to look at what steps the Town may take to maximize local control consistent with federal law, including updating the Town’s ordinances and procedures with respect to telecom permitting. We also
brought forward a resolve requesting Council authorization to file with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) the Town’s assent to comments filed in June by the City of Boston regarding radiofrequency emissions standards, essentially signing on to the City’s request that the FCC reexamine those standards.

5. The Town Council appointed the Town Manager as its representative on the Cape Cod & Islands Water Protection Fund Board (CC&IWPB). The full Board met on October 7, 2020 and adopted regulation for distribution of CC&IWPB Funds. I anticipate a discussion of the full Board regarding principle subsidy levels for State Revolving Fund eligible projects in the near future. The website for the Board has been created by the Cape Cod Commission staff and the link to the current webpage is: https://www.capecodcommission.org/our-work/cape-cod-and-islands-water-protection-fund. Meeting materials or resources can be accessed by clicking on “view all resources” at the bottom of the page and sort by the type of material. I will keep you advised on the progress of this Board.

6. The Fiscal Year 2021 proposed property values are available for review while they are pending preliminary certification from the Bureau of Local Assessment of the Department of Revenue. They can be found on a link at the Town of Barnstable website. A public disclosure period runs from November 2, 2020 to November 13, 2020. During this time, property owners are invited to view their proposed new values and if necessary, to make inquiries regarding the values with the Assessor’s office @ 508-862-4022. After this review period owners will still have the opportunity to file for abatements if they feel the proposed value is incorrect after the third quarter tax bills are mailed in late December. That deadline to file will be February 1, 2021. It’s also on our website here: https://townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/Office_Resources/-NOTICE-OF-FY2021-REVALUATION-.pdf

7. Our staff reports that the 2020 artist season was one of most challenging but also the most rewarding seasons to date. Our Arts and Culture program was one of few opportunities for the creative community to participate in this season as many festivals, fairs and other selling opportunities were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The town provided a safe and inviting environment for the artists and visitors to the area. The artist shanty program provides affordable rental space for Cape Cod artists and artisans to work and sell at these “seaside studios”. This incubator program was designed for the creative community to experience a setting and program like no other. This year in particular participants in the 2020 artist shanty program met the challenge of COVID-19 rules and regulations with open minds and creativity. They adapted to the protocols and discovered more about themselves and their ability to overcome obstacles including not having visitors inside the shanties, wearing masks and sanitizing their wares. The artists had to re-configure their displays to attract visitors to their doorsteps. Visitors were delighted to meet local artists, be outside and seemed ready and willing to spend dollars for shopping and dining in the area.

The next regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 7:00 PM. At this time, we do not know if the November 19, 2020 meeting of the Barnstable Town Council shall be physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. If needed, Remote Participation Instructions will be available on the meeting Agenda and on the Town of Barnstable’s website (www.townofbarnstable.us).
Town Manager Mark Ells’ Community Update

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 continues to encourage you to follow established safety protocols as the Town of Barnstable and Cape Cod have seen an uptick in cases. He asks that you stay up-to-date on the latest updates to Governor Baker’s orders and directives. Mr. Ells also shares important information about the Notice of FY2021 Revaluation “the public disclosure of values” period which has been extended until Friday, November 13, 2020 as well as upcoming discussions on the FY2022 Operating Budget and the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan financing policy. A special community message to Stay Safe, Stay Home If Sick follows Mr. Ells’ Community Update. Thank you for remaining diligent with the protocols that will keep you, your family, and community safe. You are encouraged to visit the state’s website for more information regarding Governor Baker’s 4-Phase Reopening Plan. The Town of Barnstable continues to assist businesses with economic recovery. Past episodes of Town Manager Mark Ells’ Community Updates can be viewed here.

2020 Elections – THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

Since July, our Town Clerk’s Office has been hard at work to ensure the integrity and safety of this year’s Primary Election in September and the November 3rd General Elections. This was a Herculean effort and we would be remiss not to say THANK YOU to our Town Clerk Ann Quirk and her staff – Janet Murphy, Susan Greenlaw, Leslie Steers, and Janet Logan - as well as the hundreds of people who worked in preparation and day of. We are truly grateful for all who gave us their time during this unusual election season. We truly hoped we haven’t missed anyone in our list. John Alden, Gino Angelone, Paul Arnold, Patricia Austin, Irene Ayler, Carolyn Barnes, Evelyn G. Bassett, Gail Bassett, Lynne Belfiore, Linda Bennett, Margaret Bernard, Barbara Bertelsen, Carl Bertelsen, Pamela Best, Dianne Blackshaw-Bower, Ptl. Nancy Blanchard, Karen Boduch, Kathleen Boland, Joyce Botti, Lauretta Bowen, Jean Boyle, Pauline Brazelton, Mark Brault, Stephen Briggs, Jon Britton, Geraldine Brown, Laurie Brown, Lily Brown, Deborah Brunelle, Harold Brunelle, Donna-Marie Burns, Bruce Calabro, Kathleen Campbell, Ann Canedy, Kathy Capo, Kristen Cassell, Andrew Castrenze, Colleen Cathcart, Phyllis Cazeault, Melissa Chartrand, Tom Chartrand, Pamela Chase, Kelly Chasson, Mark Chasson, Tricia Choi, Kris Clark, Ted Clark, Janice Ciggott, Lillian Corbett, Cynthia Cole, Lori Crawley, Gary Cremeans, Jim Crocker, Ann Crosby, John Crow, Christine Cummings, Jennifer Curley, Dolores DaLuz, Sue Davenport, Wendy Dawson, Denise Delorey, Sgt. Eugene Desrussels, Russell Dever, Nancy Dever, Penny Devert, Justin DeYoung, Linda Dill, Catherine Donnelly, Ptl. David Downs, Joshua Dunn, Maureen Dunning, Ward Dunning, Carol Dupuis, Sandra Eager, Tina Edgehillie, Kinnet Ehring, Jennifer Engelsen, Mary lou Fair, John Farrington, Susan Farrington, Wolfgang Fattler, Rose Fattler, Carolyn Ferrell, Steve Finkbeiner, Jennifer Fratus, Richards French, Susan French, Sgt. Kevin Fulham, Lisa Gage, Ellen Gage, Jacey Germani, Jeffrey Gifford, Leonard Gobeil, Lucia Gomez, Elaine Grace, Heather
Veterans Day Remembrances

"The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive the Veterans of earlier wars were treated and appreciated by their nation."

~President George Washington

From the earliest days of the Revolutionary War to the Korean War and beyond, Channel 18 has produced programming to help educate and inform our residents with recent event coverage for this Veterans Day. You can find these segments on Channel 18 on Comcast, on Demand.
We are deeply grateful to all those who served, or are currently serving in the Armed Forces on Veterans Day.

- Marstons Mills, Twelve Patriots of the American Revolution
- Korean War Memorial - Korean Presidential Citation to the Town of Barnstable
- Veterans Day walk through Osterville, Dedication

Board of Assessors Notice of FY2021 Revaluation

In compliance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40 Section 56, the Town of Barnstable has completed a comprehensive Fiscal Year 2021 reassessment of all classes of property with the assistance of Vision Government Solutions. As required by Massachusetts General Law, the assessments are based on market value as of January 1, 2020 and were developed using sales that occurred during the calendar year 2019. The Fiscal Year 2021 proposed values are available for review while they are pending preliminary certification from the BLA of the DOR. They can be found on a link at the town of Barnstable website above and on the Vision Government Solutions website at http://gis.vgsi.com/Barnstablema/

For FY 2021 the assessed valuation for Barnstable increased 4% for the residential class, 20% for the commercial / industrial class, and 22% for the personal property class. Individual property values however may have increased or decreased at different rates, or perhaps stayed the same, based on property specific value considerations, such as location, property characteristics, new improvements, or other factors. A public disclosure period will run from November 2, 2020 to November 13, 2020. During this time, property owners are invited to view their proposed new values and if necessary, to make inquiries regarding the values with the Assessor’s office @ 508.862.4022, or to schedule a hearing please contact Vision Government Solutions at www.vgsi.com/schedules or 1-888-844-4300 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday-Friday. Please keep in mind that the call center operators making the appointments are not qualified to discuss values or parcel data. After this review period
owners will still have the opportunity to file for abatements if they feel the proposed value is incorrect after the third quarter tax bills are mailed in late December. That deadline to file will be February 1, 2021.

Successful Opening of Oyster Season on Wednesday, November 4th
We are pleased to announce the opening of oyster season was Wednesday November 4, 2020. If you still need to get your 2020 recreational shellfish permit, instructions can be found online here. Oyster season is a busy time with lots of people and we want to do our very best to ensure everyone’s safety, please review our Oyster Season COVID Safety Protocol here.

Marine RADAR Measurements use of the Kalmus Beach parking lot for NUWC Newport and MIT
At various times from Friday, October 30, 2020 – Monday, November 30, 2020, government sponsored engineering teams will be operating commercial marine RADARs from an ocean-facing research vehicle in the Kalmus Beach parking lot. The vehicle will be parked along the south side of the lot from approximately 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM each day, with two antennas raised approximately 30 ft. in the air. The USA FCC approved antennas will be used to make low power RADAR measurements on local marine traffic, and conform to ICNIRP international guidelines and IEEE standards for safe levels of radio frequency exposure. Visit https://www.raymarine.com/marine-radar/radomes.html for more information.

Town of Barnstable Economic Development Update with grant opportunities and PPP information
State Announces COVID-19 Small Business Grants – Apply TODAY!
The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has made $50.8 million in grants available to support small businesses of 50 or fewer employees adversely affected by the pandemic. Massachusetts Growth Capital Corporation (MGCC) will be administering these funds to businesses experiencing economic hardship and a loss of income due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Preference will be given to small businesses whose owners are women, minorities, veterans, members of other underrepresented groups, who are focused on serving Gateway Cities (including Barnstable) and those most negatively impacted by COVID-19. Preference will also be given to applicants that have not been able to receive aid from other federal programs related to COVID-19.
Applications are currently being accepted. The deadline to apply is November 12, 2020 at 12:00 PM. To learn more and apply, please click here.

**SBA and Treasury Announce Simpler PPP Forgiveness for Loans of $50,000 or Less**

The U.S. Small Business Administration, in coordination with the US Treasury Department, today released a simpler loan forgiveness application for Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans of $50,000 or less. SBA began approving PPP forgiveness applications and remitting forgiveness payments to PPP lenders for PPP borrowers on October 2, 2020. SBA will continue to process all PPP forgiveness applications in an expeditious manner.

Click here to view the simpler loan forgiveness application.

Click here to view the instructions for completing the simpler loan forgiveness application.

Click here to view the Interim Final Rule on the simpler forgiveness process for loans of $50,000 or less.

Click here to read the full press release.

**Hyannis Main Street Barriers to be Removed November 17th**

**Last Day of Outdoor Business in the extended areas is November 15th**

In response to the cooler temperatures and other off-season transitions, the Town of Barnstable is removing the concrete barriers installed on Hyannis Main Street. The barriers were placed to create additional space for pedestrians and outdoor business use and to promote public health and safety in response to the COVID-19 health crisis. The last day of outdoor business use will be Sunday, November 15th. Businesses will have all day on the 16th and until 5pm on the 17th to remove any items or installations that have been placed between the barriers and the sidewalk. Barriers will be removed starting on the night of Tuesday, November 17th and work will continue at night until all barriers are removed. Restaurants that had outdoor dining areas prior to the COVID-19 State of Emergency may revert to using the previously permitted footprints; social distancing requirements established by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts continue to apply. All temporary licenses issued in 2020 to businesses to use Town property will expire on Sunday, November 15th. The Town of Barnstable was proud to support business on Hyannis Main Street this summer and received overwhelmingly positive feedback from merchants and visitors in response to the modifications made to the street. The Town will evaluate the reinstallation of the barriers in the spring, and welcomes feedback from residents and merchants. The decision to remove the barriers in November was driven by feedback from businesses that the use of outdoor dining areas is limited by the cold temperatures and the desire to have ample, convenient parking for shoppers during the holiday season. The Town also needs the ability to promptly and safely respond should we get a snow event that requires plowing. We would like to recognize the tremendous efforts from so many Town of Barnstable employees who worked to make this project a success including Departments and Divisions of Public Works, Licensing, Health, Asset Management, Legal, Planning & Development, and the Barnstable Police Department and Hyannis Fire Department. We also thank the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District for their contribution to the effort. The Town of Barnstable encourages everyone to stay the course and keep physical distance, wear a mask/face covering whenever in public, wash hands and frequently touched surfaces, avoid crowds, and choose outdoor activities over indoor ones when possible.

**FRIENDLY REMINDER: Small Vessels Stored on Town Land Must Be Removed by November 15th**

Friendly reminder to all small vessel decal owners who store vessels on town land. Small vessels stored on Town land must be removed by November 15, 2020. Failure to remove vessels from town land may
result in the Harbormasters office removing the vessels at the owner’s expense. If you have questions or need additional information please contact the Harbormaster’s office at 508-790-6273. Please do your part and help keep our Town beaches and landings clean by removing any trash or debris when removing your vessels. Thank you!

**MassDOT Advisory: Barnstable**
**Virtual Design Public Hearing Now Available for Bearse’s Way Shared-Use Path Project**

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has announced that a virtual design public hearing consisting of a pre-recorded video presentation has been published on the MassDOT website to present the design for the proposed Bearse’s Way Shared-Use Path project in Barnstable. The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed project and allow for public comments. This project proposes to construct a shared-use path along the west side of Bearse’s Way from the intersection of Bearse’s Way at Route 28 to the intersection of Bearse’s Way at Pitcher’s Way. The length of the corridor to be worked on is 0.75 miles. The proposed shared-use path will provide a connection between existing shared-use paths on the north and south and accommodate for pedestrian, bicycle, and other non-motorized transportation and recreation. Bicycle accommodations consisting of a 10-foot shared-use path will be provided in accordance with applicable design guides. The project will include associated utility improvements along the path and roadway and tree planting. The design, permitting, and right of way acquisition must be completed by March 2022. The construction is anticipated to begin in the Fall of 2022. The preliminary cost of construction for this project at this design stage is approximately $1,100,000. The full video presentation can be viewed [here](#).

**Written statements and other exhibits regarding the proposed undertaking are to be submitted to**
Patricia A. Leavenworth, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: Project Management, Project File No. 609067. Mailed statements and exhibits intended for inclusion in
the public hearing/meeting transcript must be postmarked no later than ten (10) business days after the hearing is posted to the MassDOT website listed below. Project inquiries may be emailed to dot.feedback.highway@state.ma.us.

MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map
The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is a great resource for COVID-19 testing locations with its COVID-19 Test Site Locator. The map provides an easy way to locate a COVID-19 test site near you. All of those experiencing symptoms or those who have been in close contact recently with a COVID positive individual should seek testing. There are different filters you can choose, such as free testing for residents, test children, referral not required, drive thru services, etc.

Meals for Barnstable Public School Students
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. All schools will have grab and go breakfast and lunch set-up outside from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM. This will be available until the end of the year. This is free to all students in Barnstable. We must stress the importance of social distancing during meal pick up. You can just drive up and we will bring the meals to you. Please do not congregate at meal sites, and please remain 6 feet from those around you at meal pick up. Our BPS educators and staff are also leading efforts to collect non-perishable food items, and we will begin distributing those items at meal sites as well.

Free Grocery Delivery Service 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. See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options here. 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.

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging
Medicare Open Enrollment through December 7th
Now is the time to review your current Medicare plan options. A quick review could save you money in 2021. Medicare’s Part C (Medicare Advantage Plan) and Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) Annual Open Enrollment begins October 15th and ends December 7th. Please make sure you review your 2021 Medicare options during this time period so that you have the most cost-effective plan for 2021. SHINE Counselors can help you understand your plan’s changes, screen you for assistance programs and discuss other options you may have. If you do not change your plan during this period you may have to stay with your existing plan for another whole year. This year all SHINE appointments will be conducted
online or via phone. The BACC is now scheduling appointments for Open Enrollment on. Please call (508)862-4762 to schedule an appointment.

Weekly Drive thru Grab and Go
Summer days may be a fading memory, but fall is a great time to get out of the house for a ride! Swing on by the BACC parking lot each week to pick up our daily Grab and Go. Our staff member will be happy to see you, and will bring the food items right to your car. Don’t drive? Give us a call, and we will deliver to your door! This program is FREE, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging.

Coffee and Donuts: Get out of the house and stop by the BACC for a fresh cup of coffee and a delicious donut. What a great way to start the day! Mondays, 9:00-10:00 AM

Grab a Bag Lunch to Go: Lunch is on us! Every week will be a different, but always something fresh and tasty. Tuesdays, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM

Sweet Treat Thursday: Everyone loved this, so by popular demand we will continue providing a different sweet treat each week. A different and delicious sweet treat each week!

Thursdays, 1:00-2:00 PM

Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance Payments Available
If you have been unable to pay your rent or mortgage due to a loss of income related to the coronavirus, you may be eligible for Emergency Rental or Mortgage Assistance Payments through the Workforce Housing Relief Fund administered by the Housing Assistance Corporation. The application and additional information about the Fund are available on the Housing Assistance Corporation’s website, https://haoncapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/. The Town of Barnstable’s Affordable Housing Growth and Development Trust Fund contributed $300,000 to Housing Assistance Corporation’s Workforce Housing Relief Fund.

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
Friday, November 6, 2020 Neuco crews will begin work on gas services on North Street Hyannis. Work will be ongoing for six weeks. 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. This project should take about five days to complete. Visit 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.

*CONTINUES* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village Pavement improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville will continue through November 20, 2020. The work includes installation of new drainage systems, repairs to existing drainage systems, milling of the existing pavement, and adjustment of drainage structure castings, overlay with new pavement and restoration of any areas disturbed during construction. Normal work hours will be between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Through
traffic will be maintained throughout construction. Any lane closures will be supported with police
details to direct traffic. Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes to avoid the construction work.

*CONTINUES* National Grid Service Road National Grid will be installing a new gas main on
Service Road in 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. Police details/ flaggers will be
used as needed. Gas Line installation is anticipated to be complete in October, with testing being
completed through November 2020. Final re-paving of Service Road is anticipated to be completed in
spring 2021.

*CONTINUES* Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in
Centerville/Main Street in Osterville Work on the bridge supports is scheduled to begin the
week of November 2, 2020 and to continue through the end of December 2020. Normal work hours are
7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday; however, the work may be performed during nighttime
and weekends based on tidal cycles and weather conditions. The contractor is expected to deploy their
construction craft from McCarthy’s Landing (aka Hayward Landing) at 40 Hayward Road in
Centerville. This may create brief delays for other users when the contractor is using the landing. The
ramp will still be available for public access. The contractor is responsible for maintaining small vessel
navigational access under the bridge at all times during construction. Mariners are urged to use caution
and go slow when approaching and moving through the work area. It is expected that divers will be in
the water during construction operations. Mariners are required to maintain proper distance from Dive
and Alpha flags based on Maritime law. The bridge will remain open to traffic throughout
construction. During this work there may be temporary single-lane closures with signs and police
officers to direct traffic past the work zone.

*CONTINUES* Sewer Installation on Portions of Kidd’s Hill Road, Merchants
Way, and Business Lane in Barnstable Village Construction is expected to end in November
2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes
applying centerline and edge lines on Kidd’s Hill Road where recently resurfaced, from Wilkens Lane to a
point about 400 feet north of Merchants Way. During active construction there may be lane closures
with signs, cones/construction barrels, and police details or flaggers if necessary to direct traffic past the
work zones.

*CONTINUES* Sidewalk, Traffic Signal, Water Distribution, and Associated
Improvements on Independence Drive in Hyannis and Barnstable Village, and on
Ports of Mary Dunn Road, Kidd’s Hill Road, and Attucks Lane in Barnstable
Village Construction is scheduled to 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.

*CONTINUES* Roadway Improvements on Portions of Main Street (Route 6A)
and Mill Way in Barnstable Village Construction is scheduled to continue through the
fall. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Remaining work includes
utility line transfers and pole removals in a few locations (by utility companies); constructing a sidewalk from Main Street to the County Complex parking lot east end; 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.

*CONTINUES* Survey and Map five of the Phase 1 Sewer Expansion Projects As the first step in a multi-year planning and design effort, the Barnstable Department of Public Works has contracted with multiple land surveying firms to survey and map five of the Phase 1 Sewer Expansion Projects identified in the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. The projects include the mapping of dozens of roadways, including many residential areas for the following Phase 1 projects:

- Phinney’s Lane Sewer Expansion Project which includes Phinney’s Lane from Route 132 to Route 28 including residential roads to the east and west of Phinney’s Lane
- Long Pond Area Sewer Expansion Project which includes all roadways between Old Stage Road /Park Avenue (western limits) and Strawberry Hill Road (eastern limits) and including the residential areas on the north and south side of Pine Street
- Route 28 East Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from the Water Pollution Control Facility property to Phinney’s Lane
- Route 28 Centerville Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from Phinney’s Lane to East Osterville Road and includes East Osterville Road and Old East Osterville Road
- Route 28 Marstons Mills Sewer Expansion Project which includes Route 28 from East Osterville Road to Old Post Road

Citizens can expect survey field crews to be working within the project areas at various times throughout the summer and fall. In the coming weeks, property owners within the project areas will be receiving notifications from the survey consultants which provide further detail on the survey project. Citizens are encouraged to review the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan which is available on the Town’s website at: [https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP_Final.asp](https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP_Final.asp) any questions regarding this survey effort, or the Town’s Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, should be directed to the Barnstable Department of Public Works at 508-790-6400

**Vineyard Wind Hosts Virtual Information Sessions**

![Vineyard Wind Virtual Information Session](image)
Are You on the Town’s Emergency Notification System?
The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system has been used to provide information during the ongoing COVID-19 event and for the recent COMM Water District issue. Did you know that only landlines are part of the federal and state Reverse 911 system and you must register cell phones which are not public records? 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.

**Hurricane Preparedness**

![Hurricane Preparedness Image](#)

**Working with Barnstable Town Hall**

Public access to Town Hall Offices and 200 Main Street 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](http://www.townofbarnstable.us)) and [www.BarnstableHealth.com](http://www.BarnstableHealth.com). Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

**Treasurer/Clerk’s Office**

The Treasurer/Clerk’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 is open to the public by appointment only. Please call the office at 508-862-4054 or email [taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us](mailto:taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us) to make an appointment or for any questions regarding real estate and personal property taxes, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes and sewer utility bill payments. Payment options for Treasurer/Clerk’s office:

- Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
- Online through the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online
- Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall, or by appointment.
- Please do not leave any cash in the drop box.
The Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on July 1st. The first quarter was due on August 3, 2020 and the second quarter is due on November 2, 2020.

**ASSESSOR’S OFFICE**

Abatement Applications

Abatement forms are available on the town’s website at [https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/](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/](https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/)

**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.

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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**

The Last Word:

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

~ John F. Kennedy

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