#### November 20, 2020 – Issue 47



Town Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27, 2020 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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The next issue of eNews will be sent on Friday, December 3, 2020.

Beach Water Quality Updates can be found on the **Town of Barnstable's website**.

## 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.

Official Election Results for November 3, 2020 Election Can Be Found Here

#### **Town Council Meeting – Thursday, November 19, 2020**

The November 19, 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 <u>Town Council Meeting</u> with leading the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Councilor Eric Steinhibler offered a Moment of Silence for long time Barnstable resident Fran Manzelli who passed away on Thursday. Public Comment was offered by phone and via Zoom. Prior to presenting his Town Manager Communications, Town Manager Mark Ells responded to a number of issues addressed by residents during Public Comment. Town Manager Communications covered the period November 6-19, 2020:

- 1. Finance Director Mark Milne provided update on the revaluation process.
- 2. The Town of Barnstable continues to follow the Orders and Directives of our Governor. 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. The Town of Barnstable is now designated as "red" (higher risk) by the MA Department of Public Health. We have observed an increase in the average number of positive cases (double digit) in Barnstable requiring continued attention by our residents to following proper safety protocols regarding personal hygiene, physical distancing, limit gathering size, 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 but are concerned that if currents trends continue we could experience setbacks in the coming weeks. Thank you for your continued adherence to these requirements.
- 3. Barnstable Public Schools Health Services is pleased to announce that we have been chosen to participate in the first phase of the Abbott BinaxNOW COVID-19 K-12 testing program. The Abbott BinaxNOW is a rapid antigen test for COVID-19. Rapid antigen tests perform best when the person is tested in the early stages of infection. Anyone receiving a rapid antigen test is still required to confirm the result with a PCR test, whether positive or negative. This testing is NOT to be used for wide scale surveillance testing at this time. It is also important to note that current protocols will remain in place, including students and staff who develop symptoms outside of school should NOT go to school in hopes of receiving a rapid antigen test. These individuals must continue to report their absence to school and contact their healthcare provider for further instruction. The Directors of Health Services along with our district physician, Dr. Katie Rudman, are in the process of completing necessary criteria and planning the implementation of this program. It is unknown how many tests the district will receive. With the limited access and current delays in testing on Cape Cod, we hope this additional testing capacity will allow us to identify positive cases of COVID-19 in the school community earlier in an effort to limit further spread and to help keep our students and staff safe at school.
- 4. We continue to prepare the proposed Capital and Operating Budgets for FY 2022. We await the State of Massachusetts to pass a FY 2021 budget which establishes a base line for State aid and the State aid is used in establishing the Town's FY 2022 operating budget. We have postponed the joint Town Council/School Committee meeting at which our Finance Director provides a fiscal overview in our efforts to prepare a coordinated budget for FY 2022 and will schedule once the State FY2021 budget is finalized. We plan to incorporate the updated Town Council strategic plan into the FY 2022 budget development. We held the calendar year rate hearing at 10:00 AM on November 17, 2020 via Zoom for any proposed rate changes for calendar year

- 2021. We encourage the public to view the proposed CY2021 fees on the Town web site and provide comment. I plan to move forward with approval of said fees on December 16, 2020. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town's Open Budget website at <a href="http://budget.townofbarnstable.us">http://budget.townofbarnstable.us</a>.
- 5. 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 reissued the required permits. I have received numerous communications from residents expressing disappointment that Town has taken this action. I want to reiterate that the Town proceeded as directed by court order. We continue our discussions in review of next 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. With the passage of a resolve by Town Council authorizing the Town Manager to file with the Federal Communications Commission the Town has communicated its assent to comments filed in June by the City of Boston regarding radio frequency emissions standards, essentially signing on to the City's request that the FCC reexamine those standards. I will reinforce our earlier suggestions that communication by our citizens with our federal delegation is critical in modifying FCC regulation. We will continue to work with our community prioritizing public health and safety.
- 6. The Economic Development Task Force (EDTF) will report to the Town Council later this evening. We appreciate the time and efforts of the EDTF and are supportive of their recommendations specifically staff from our Marine and Environmental Affairs is actively working towards many of the objectives outlined by the EDTF and will continue those efforts. The EDTF has been a productive and collaborative partnership between the Town Council, citizens and staff and we anticipate that relationship continuing as we move forward.
- 7. On Tuesday and Wednesday evening this week our Department of Public Works removed the concrete blocks and reconfigured Hyannis Main Street back to two lanes. There will be some additional minor cleanup occurring over the next several days. By most accounts, the effort to allow more pedestrian and business uses of Main Street was a successful response to the pandemic in keeping our Town open and available to residents and visitors alike. We are already in talks about alternatives for next year and beyond. I want to thank all that were involved in this effort as we continue to manage this difficult situation.
- 8. Department of Public Works Director Dan Santos provided an update on the status of the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan.

The Economic Development Task Force (Chair Ali Maloney, Bill Abbott, Ray Catignani, Jake Dewey, and Matt Eddy) provided an update on their recent efforts. Planning & Development Director Elizabeth Jenkins provided additional information for the Task Force. **OLD BUSINESS** began with Community Preservation Committee Chair Lindsey Counsell, Town Manager Mark Ells, Barnstable Land Trust Executive Director Janet Milkman, and Director of Property and Risk Management David Anthony presented **Agenda Item 2021-023** Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of \$320,000 Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Funds for the acquisition of the Open Space Resource consisting of 15.96 acres located at 28 Falcon Road, West Barnstable, Map 195, Parcel 038 which was approved. Mr. Ells, Mr. Counsell, and Ms. Milkman presented **Agenda Item 2021-024** Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of \$500,000 of Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Funds for the acquisition of the Open Space Resource consisting of 15.74 acres located at 830 Wakeby Road, Marstons Mills, Map 013 as Parcel 003 was approved. **Agenda Items 2021-029** Allocation of Tax Levy

Fiscal Year 2021 – Tax Factor and 2021-030 Allocation of Tax Levy Fiscal Year 2021 – Residential Exemption were forwarded to Public Hearings on December 3, 2020. NEW BUSINESS began with referring Agenda Items 2021-036 Appropriation and Transfer Order in the amount of \$522,569 in Open Space/Recreation Community Preservation Funds for increased costs for construction of 10 new dedicated Pickleball courts and 2 tennis courts with Pickleball overlay lines located at 760 Osterville West Barnstable Road, Marstons Mills, MA and 2021-037 Appropriation Order in the amount of \$200,000 for the Evaluation of Denitrification Improvements at the Water Pollution Control Facility to Public Hearings on December 3, 2020. Marine & Environmental Affairs Director Derek Lawson presented Agenda Item 2021-038 Transfer Order of \$27,465.00 from the Town Council's Operating Reserve Fund to the Fiscal Year 2021 Marina Enterprise Fund Operating Capital Budget for the purpose of Funding the Pier Repairs at Bismore Park Marina which was approved. Mr. Ells and Licensing Director Richard Scali presented Agenda Item 2021-039 Transfer Order in the amount of \$25,940 from the Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Public Works Operating Budget for salaries to the Fiscal Year 2021 Licensing Department Operating Budget for salaries which was approved. Town Attorney Karen Nober Agenda Items 2021-040 Reaffirmation of the Town's grant of an easement to Vineyard Wind LLC in a portion of Covell's Beach and 2021-041 Authorization for Vineyard Wind LLC to record Chapter 91 license and other licenses and approvals issued to Vineyard Wind which were approved. DPW Director Dan Santos presented Agenda Item 2021-042 Approving the naming of the new Maher Water Treatment Plant as the Harold E. Tobey Filtration Plant which was approved. Agenda Item 2021-043 Grant of an easement to Vineyard Wind LLC in certain streets and ways, including portions of Craigville Beach Road, Strawberry Hill Road, Weguaquet Lane, Phinney's Lane, Attucks Lane, and Independence Drive was referred to a Second Reading on December 3, 2020. The Town Council approved Agenda Items 2021-044 Adoption of Town Council Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2021-2022 and 2021-045 Adoption of policy to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions. Town Councilor Matthew Levesque moved Agenda Item 2021-**046** Appointments to a Board/Committee/Commission: Licensing Authority and Recreation Commission to a Second Reading on December 3, 2020. The next regularly scheduled Town Council Meeting will be held on Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Remote Participation Instructions will be available on the meeting Agenda and on the Town of Barnstable's website (www.townofbarnstable.us).

# **Update - Town Manager Fee Hearing - November 17**<sup>th</sup>

Town Manager Mark Ells and Finance Director Mark Milne held a public hearing via Zoom on November 17, 2020 on changes to various permits and program fees within the Town of Barnstable that will take effect January 1, 2021. The proposed changes and justification for the Marina Enterprise Fund operations can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. The proposed changes and justification for Sandy Neck Beach Park can be found <a href="here</a>. You can also visit the <a href="mailto:Town Manager's page">Town Manager's page</a> of the Town of Barnstable's website at <a href="https://www.townofbarnstable.us">www.townofbarnstable.us</a>. The public has until December 16, 2020 to provide comments. Comments may be submitted to the Town Manager at <a href="mailto:Mark.Ells@town.barnstable.ma.us">Mark.Ells@town.barnstable.ma.us</a>.

# School Committee Meeting – Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

The November 12 School Committee Meeting started off with a highlight on the poetry displays going up around Barnstable at the Centerville, Cotuit and Whelden Libraries, as well as, on the Village Green in Hyannis. The poems of the Barnstable Intermediate School (BIS) students will be on display through November 27. Staying at BIS, Principal Jim Anderson gave an update on the Mass Ideas Grant the school received. The grant has funded a redesign of the school and Mr. Anderson spoke about goals, strategies, and the Neighborhood concept of teaming grade 6 and 7 classes together. BIS is focusing on helping

students find their "why", so they can find their way. School Committee member Barbara Dunn stated the Community Engagement Subcommittee has a survey out to solicit feedback on a new mascot. The survey will close on November 30 and can be found on the Barnstable Public Schools website: <a href="https://www.barnstable.k12.ma.us/Page/5349">https://www.barnstable.k12.ma.us/Page/5349</a>. Other notable items included the School Committee's approval of their Strategic Plan and the Superintendent's Goals. Thanksgiving Week is upon us. Students in grades PreK-7 will be off November 23-November 27. BHS students will have remote learning days on November 23 and 24. We hope you have a Safe and Happy Thanksgiving Holiday!

#### **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. In his latest Community Update, Mr. Ells shares information related to the Town of Barnstable's designation as a red community through the state's health metrics. He asks that you stay up-to-date on the latest updates to Governor Baker's orders and directives. Barnstable Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Meg Mayo-Brown's update includes: Travel Advisory and Upcoming Holidays, Public Health Metrics for Barnstable Public Schools, Healthy Protocol – staying home when ill, Accessing Remote Learning; DESE Guidance for In-Person Learning; and Grading/Marking Periods. A special community message to Stay Safe, Stay Home If Sick follows this week's Updates. 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.

### Congratulations, Sgt. Christopher R. Ross!

The Barnstable Police Department is proud to announce the promotion of Christopher R. Ross to the rank of Sergeant. Sgt. Ross has been a member of the department since 2011. He is a graduate of Barnstable High School, and received his Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Phoenix in 2016. Sgt. Ross continued his education by earning his Masters Degree in Criminal Justice from Curry College in 2018. Sgt. Ross is also a proud veteran, having served in the U.S. Army, where he earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge and Army Commendation with combat "V" device in 2003 while deployed to Iraq during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Currently, Sgt. Ross is a member of the Barnstable Police Department Marine Unit, Motorcycle Unit and Mountain Bike Unit. He has also served as a field training officer since 2017 and volunteers his time as an Adopt-A- School liaison at West Villages Elementary School in Marstons Mills. Present at the swearing in ceremony was his wife Barnstable Police Officer Katherine Ross and their family. *Pictured left to right: Sgt. Christopher Ross, Chief Matthew Sonnabend, and Town Clerk Ann Quirk*.



#### Where I'm From" Poetry Walk

### Outdoor display of student poems on site at several village libraries and Hyannis Village Green November 16 – December 6, 2020

One could call it "Poetry in Motion" with signs placed at and near several village libraries in the Town of Barnstable November 16 through December 6, 2020. The 12" X 18" laminated signs feature poems from

90 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, inspired by the poem *Where I'm From* written by poet George Ella Lyon. Earlier in this school year students in the Barnstable Intermediate School Team 6 South explored their identities through poetic writing, figurative language, and imagery. Visitors are encouraged to visit all the sites, read the poems written by students in the Barnstable



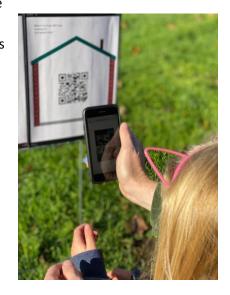
Intermediate School Team 6 South classes This project includes an interdisciplinary



component. Students worked with the Technology Department to connect their visual response to the poetry via a QR code printed on the sign. Signs are located outdoors at several village libraries including Centerville, Cotuit, Hyannis and Whelden Memorial and at the Hyannis Village Green, along the Walkway-to-the-Sea from the top of Main Street through to the Harbor Overlook. Through this effort students gained an understanding of the importance of community collaborations and connections to expand audiences well beyond classroom walls. BIS 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Mass IDEAS Core Team Member Mike Andrews, along with 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers Alicia

Roth, Caitlin Wojokowski and Jenn Fredo, developed this curriculum to encourage their students to get to know each other, and understand that diverse identities and selves are what make a strong and

compassionate community. 6<sup>th</sup> graders were asked to explore the concepts of identity and self; determine what elements - geographic, historical, and emotional - determine who they are as individuals and part of their community. They were asked how writing helps them explore their identities and to better understand themselves as individuals and how together they become one community. Materials for this project were purchased through grant money awarded to BIS through Mass IDEAS, a funding initiative through the Next Generation Learning Challenges. BIS was awarded a school redesign implementation grant of \$375,000 to bolster student voice and choice through authentic experiences with showcases and ownership of their own learning. This project is just one example of how BIS is working on goals to strengthen student relationships and rigorous, relevant engagement.



#### Tips for a Safe Thanksgiving



#### **Barnstable Municipal Airport Master Plan**

#### What is an Airport Master Plan?

Barnstable Municipal Airport (HYA) has embarked on the development of a 20-year master plan to ensure that the facility can continue to safely and efficiently meet the aviation needs of the National Airspace System and the surrounding community. The preparation of an airport master plan is required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in order to plan for the future and highlight airport projects in need of future federal funding, including rehabilitation of existing infrastructure. The master plan will not only consider the needs of aviation (the airfield, local general aviation, corporate aviation, and commercial aviation) over the next 20-years but will also consider the needs of Cape Cod and the local region and economy. The plan will also make recommendations for promoting compatible land use around the airport and maximize opportunities for non-aeronautical revenues to help support the airport's financial future. The goal of the Airport Master Plan is to provide the framework needed to guide future airport development that will cost-effectively satisfy aviation demand, while considering potential environmental and socioeconomic issues. The Airport Master Plan is an 18-24 month process; the same is true for the follow-on environmental process, 18-24 months. As of November 2020, we anticipate an additional 12-months remaining in the Airport Master Plan process; we are now beginning to review Facility Needs and a Range of Alternatives. A project stakeholder group comprised

of over 40 representatives of airport tenants, users, Town of Barnstable officials, Town of Yarmouth officials, businesses, chambers of commerce, the Cape Cod Commission, and more will meet over the course of the project to provide feedback and insight for the airport and consulting team as the project is developed. The public will be involved at key points in the plan. November 2020 was the initial request for feedback as part of the Airport Master Plan. Below provides a visual of the process depicting timeframes from planning to implementation; all-in-all, this is approximately a 36-month process. A list of Frequently Asked Questions can be found



<u>here</u>. If you have comments or questions on the Master Plan process, please email <u>HYAMasterPlan@mjinc.com</u>.

## Town of Barnstable Cape Cod Rail Trail Public Meeting - Tuesday, December 1st

The Town of Barnstable invites public participation in an online public meeting at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, to discuss a future extension of the Cape Cod Rail Trail. The Cape Cod Rail Trail is an off-road paved bicycle and pedestrian path that will one day provide a continuous trail from the Cape Cod Canal to Provincetown. The purpose of this meeting is to present information and receive public comments regarding potential routes for an extension of the Cape Cod Rail Trail from the intersection of Mary Dunn Road & Independence Drive to the Barnstable/Sandwich town line. The meeting will be conducted via Zoom, an online meeting tool. The login information is as follows:

https://zoom.us/j/91948050092

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 919 4805 0092 888 475 4499 US Toll-free

The public meeting is scheduled to be simulcast on Town of Barnstable Channel 18. There will be opportunities for public comments during the public meeting. Public comments will also be accepted following the public meeting via email to <a href="mailto:paul.graves@town.barnstable.ma.us">paul.graves@town.barnstable.ma.us</a> or via mail to Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works, ATTN Paul Graves, 382 Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA 02601.

#### **Snow and Ice Contractors Wanted**

Barnstable DPW wants **YOU** to plow this winter. Experienced snowplow contractors with equipment from ¾ ton four-wheel-drive trucks to ten wheelers are needed to assist during winter snow and ice operations. Call Joe Marshall at 508-790-6330 for information. More information for Contractors can be found here. **2021 Snow and Ice Brochure can be found** here.



# **Barnstable High School Mascot Survey**

Pride, Respect, Honor.

These are the values that Barnstable stands for and what our mascot should represent.

We need your help to choose a new Barnstable Public Schools (BHS)mascot. Our mission is to be inclusive for all, making sure that every member of the community has an opportunity to share input.

Your feedback in this survey is incredibly important; we would greatly appreciate your thoughts. <u>SURVEY</u> LINK

# Time to Renew Your Burglar Alarm Registration with the Barnstable Police Department

All burglar alarm registrations within the Town of Barnstable will expire on **December 31, 2020.** If you own a house or business in the Town of Barnstable that is equipped with an active burglar alarm, monitored or non-monitored, you need to renew your Alarm Registration and get your 2021/2022 decal. Please complete a 2021/2022 Alarm Registration form and submit with a \$25.00 registration fee. **Electronic registration and payment is now available at www.barnstablepolice.com!** Renewal forms are still available to be downloaded on our website (above) and are available at any



time in the front lobby of the Barnstable Police Department and can be mailed or delivered to:

Barnstable Police Department 1200 Phinney's Lane Hyannis, MA 02601

Due to Covid-19, we are trying to limit the amount of people that come up to the Records Department. If you are picking up or dropping off a registration form, please obtain a form from the front lobby and drop completed forms off in the alarm bin which is also located in the front lobby. Please renew by the expiration date (December 31, 2020) to avoid costly late fees and unregistered alarm fines. Please familiarize yourself with the regulations by visiting our website (see above). If you have any questions regarding the renewal please call 508-778-3824 or email <a href="mailto:alarmadmin@barnstablepolice.com">alarmadmin@barnstablepolice.com</a>. Thank you for your continued assistance and diligence in reducing false alarms in our Town!

# Town of Barnstable Upgrade to the Current E-Permitting System NOTICE - To All Online Applicants of the Current ViewPermit Permitting System

We are pleased and excited to announce that the Town of Barnstable is expanding our current permitting software to a new program called, *Permitting, Licensing, and Code Enforcement by OpenGov*. This is an upgrade of our current software and the new system is more integrated, easier to use, and allows for greater electronic communication between you and staff. **The current system will retire at the end of the business day on Thursday, December 3, 2020**. At that time you will no longer have access to the current system. During this time all permits and applications will be migrated to the new system, with a live date projected for Monday, December 7, 2020. **On December 7<sup>th</sup> you will be able to access the new system, however you will need to create a new account using your existing email address.** Programming is in place to link your current applications/permits to this newly created account. We will send out the new link and instructions for creating an account once the new system is available. At this time, please continue to use the system that you are using now. Questions? Contact Building: building@town.barnstable.ma.us or Health: health@town.barnstable.ma.us.

Thank you for your cooperation and patience while we transition to serve you better in the near future. *Inspectional Services Department* 

# 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 <a href="https://www.raymarine.com/marine-radar/radomes.html">https://www.raymarine.com/marine-radar/radomes.html</a> for more information.

### **MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map**

The Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency is a great resource for COVID-19 testing locations with its <u>COVID-19 Test Site Locator</u>. 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.

#### **Drive-Thru Food Distribution at Cape Cod Community College in November**

The U.S. Farmers to Families Food Box program is now available on the Mid-Cape at Cape Cod Community College, <u>2040 Iyannough Road</u>, <u>West Barnstable</u>, <u>MA 02668</u>.

To reserve your box of food, you must register online below:

November 21, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. <u>Click here</u> to register. November 28, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. <u>Click here</u> to register.

#### 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 setup 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



#### WEDNESDAY BUS STOP SCHEDULE

Centerville Plaza – 1660 Rt. 28, Centerville 10:40 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

Cromwell Court – 168 Barnstable Road, Hyannis 11:20 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Village Green Apts. – 767 Independence Drive, Hyannis 12:05 p.m. to 12:35 p.m.

we will begin distributing those items at meal sites as well. Barnstable Public Schools' Food Services and Transportation are once again partnering on a food delivery program for our Barnstable Families that can't access grab and go sites. Multiple meals, 5 breakfast and 5 lunches will be handed out to students and parents/guardians at specific bus stop locations on Wednesdays.

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

The <u>Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps' Delivery Service</u> 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 <a href="here">here</a>. 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: <a href="mailto:barnstablecountyhealth.org">barnstablecountyhealth.org</a>. If you have questions or concerns, please email COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org.

### **News from the Barnstable Council on Aging**

#### **November is National Caregivers Month**

Every day across our nation, family members, friends and neighbors willingly and selflessly provide countless hours of support and care for those who need help. This work is extraordinarily stressful, yet all too often, caregivers neglect their own health. To honor the many Americans who embody the virtues of compassion and dedication as they provide care for their oved ones, President Bill Clinton first proclaimed November as National Caregivers Month. We join every president since then in this tribute, and echo their sentiment of thanks and admiration for those who so generously provide care for the health and well-being of their loved ones.



Caregivers are cordially invited to

**Caring for the Caregiver Appreciation Day Drive-thru Event** 

Monday, November 30, from 11:00 AM-12:30 PM

In recognition of all that you do for others, you will be presented with a gift bag, small presents and treats just for you.

This event is FREE, but you must RSVP at 508-862-4765.

#### 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

#### Tuesday and Thursdays, 11:30 AM-12:00 PM

Lunch is on us! Swing by the BACC parking lot to pick up a healthy and delicious Grab and Go bag lunch for Barnstable residents over the age of 60. We'll be happy to see you, and will bring the food items right to your car. Masks and proper social distancing practices are always in place. This program is free,



thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Barnstable Council on Aging.

#### **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. <a href="https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/">https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/</a>. The Town of Barnstable's Affordable Housing Growth and Development Trust Fund contributed \$300,000 to Housing Assistance Corporation's Workforce Housing Relief Fund.

# MassDevelopment Taps Three Creatives for Artist-in-Residence in Downtown Hyannis

# Rachael Devaney, Deanna Nagle, and Lily Olin will spend four weeks developing individual art projects that elicit dialogue, evoke emotion, and inspire thought

This month, Rachael Devaney of Onset, Deanna Nagle of Hyannis, and Lily Olin of Brewster are embarking on a four-week journey to create individual pieces of art that will challenge the existing narratives of life on Cape Cod. The artists' residency program was developed by the Hyannis Transformative Development Initiative (TDI) Partnership. MassDevelopment's Transformative Development Initiative is a program for Gateway Cities designed to accelerate economic growth within focused districts. The program works with cross-sector partnerships to engage community members in actionable planning, implement local economic development initiatives, and spur further public and private investment. Along with an artist stipend, the trio are being given access to free studio space in downtown Hyannis to complete projects that will add to the cultural vibrancy of this section of the Cape. A gallery walk is scheduled for Saturday, December 5, when the public is invited to safely view the three projects and learn about how they were created and their significance from the artists themselves. A freelance reporter and photojournalist, Devaney grew up in Centerville. She attended the University of Massachusetts Amherst, graduating with a double major in journalism, and social thought and political economy. Her work has appeared in the Cape Cod Times, The Barnstable Patriot, Cape Cod Life, Southern New England Weddings Magazine, and Falmouth Magazine. She will be conducting her residency at The Studio on Center Street, a space that once served as a train maintenance building. Devaney has already identified her project. She will be blowing up life-sized photos of local civil rights activists who protested the violent death of George Floyd in May at the hands of Minneapolis police. Each person's photo will be accompanied with a narrative detailing their individual story. "Everybody has a story. Everybody has something to say," Devaney said. "The fact these people trusted me to tell

their story is really special and really important. What I get out of it is that connection and passing these stories along and making sure people's voices are heard." Mary-Ann Agresti, principal of The Design Initiative and owner of The Studio, said she was excited to be a part of this program. "When Rachael came here, she saw how much open area she has to work with and said, 'I can do what I was hoping to do' and create these full-sized portraits to display here," Agresti said. "Where she works at home, she doesn't have the space to do something like this. This is an opportunity for these artists to do something they otherwise wouldn't be able to do." Olin is a visual artist who leans towards abstract expressionism with representational elements. She grew up on Cape Cod, graduating from Nauset Regional High School before attending Bennington College in Vermont, where she received her bachelor's degree in fine arts and humanities. Last year, she received her Masters of Fine Arts in studio art from SUNY University at Albany. She is currently a teaching assistant in the Nauset District Public Schools system. "I'm grateful for this time to really kind of focus on my art and my art career," she said of her residency. "Art has been really meditative and a type of solace for me to lose myself in my work and put the news and all the negativity away and really be myself. Art has been kind of transformative, not just for my personal journey but my artistic one. Getting lost in the creative process has been a gift." Olin will be conducting her residency at 255 Main Street, a building that once served as the home to the Hyannis Board of Trade in the early 1900s and which was recently renovated, featuring 10 apartments as well as retail space, by CapeBuilt Development. Nagle, who recently moved to the Cape from South Carolina, discovered her artistic talents following three separate traumatic brain injuries, starting with a car accident in 2017. Over the past three years, she has expressed herself through the creation of oneof-a-kind fashion accessories. "My ideas come from the inside," she said. "Usually art is where you look at the world around you, take it in, and interpret it." Her residency is at Studio 50 @ Pearl | Hyannis HyArts Arts Campus, a studio owned by the Town of Barnstable. "This to me means everything," Nagle said. "It's a way for me to tell my story. I tell it through my pieces versus my words. ... I may have completely lost my purpose if I had not had art in my life. It has been therapy for me." Melissa Chartrand, the arts and culture coordinator for the Town of Barnstable, said "this is the type of programming the town has long envisioned for the HyArts arts campus in downtown Hyannis. This is also a tremendous opportunity for these three artists to immerse themselves in the fabric of our downtown community and discover the various layers and stories that follow, and how they will intertwine with each of the participant's creative journey." The program represents a collaboration between public entities, private businesses, and the nonprofit sector to support artists and strengthen the vitality of a community through public art. Along with MassDevelopment, the Arts Foundation of Cape Cod (AFCC), the Town of Barnstable, the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID), CapeBuilt Development, The Design Initiative, The Studio, and The Cordial Eye Gallery and Artist Space are working together to make the residencies possible.

#### **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\* Newtown Road Drainage Improvements (Sandwich) The Town of Sandwich department of public works will be performing drainage improvements at #19 Newtown Road in sandwich, beginning on Tuesday, December 1, 2020. Due to the extent of the work, Newtown Road will be closed to through traffic on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, and will be open to local traffic only. Detour signage and police details will be set up in the area to alert motorists of the traffic plan, which will route traffic through Barnstable (Race Lane, Crooked Cartway & School Street), and resident access

to area homes will be open while the project is ongoing. Work hours are 7am-5pm, and the roadway will reopen as soon work progress allows.

### \*UPDATED\* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in

**Centerville/Barnstable Village** Pavement improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville will continue through December 18, 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 has completed the installation of new gas main on Service Road in Barnstable. The gas line will be activated on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, and the will start demobilizing from the site in by mid-December. 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. Final re-paving of Service Road is anticipated to be completed in spring 2021.

### \*UPDATED\* Bumps River Bridge Repairs on South Main Street in Centerville/

Main Street in Osterville Work on the bridge supports is scheduled to continue through the beginning of January 2021. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 5:30 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 Portions 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\* National Grid New Customer Hookups

Monday, November 23, 2020 through Wednesday, November 25, 2020 Neuco crews will continue 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\* 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: <a href="https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP">https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP</a> 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** 



#### 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 <a href="here">here</a> 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 <a href="here">here</a>. Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

#### **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 (<a href="www.townofbarnstable.us">www.townofbarnstable.us</a>) and <a href="www.barnstableHealth.com">www.BarnstableHealth.com</a>. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding throughout this serious situation.

## TREASURER/COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

The Treasurer/Collector'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 <a href="mailto:taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us">taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us</a> 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/Collector'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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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/

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 <a href="mailto:assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us">assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us</a> or you can call 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020.

Forms

All other forms are available at <a href="https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/">https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/</a>

#### **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.

<u>Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff</u> 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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**Doing Business with Planning & Development During COVID-19** 

#### The Last Word:

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life.

It turns what we have into enough, and more.

It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity.

It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend.

Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today

and creates a vision for tomorrow.

~ Melody Beattie

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