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# 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 (<u>www.barnstablehealth.com</u>) 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 <u>www.barnstablehealth.com</u>.

## In Memoriam - Bob O'Brien

Former Town of Barnstable DPW Superintendent and Special Assistant to the Town Manager Bob

O'Brien passed away on September 25, 2020. Bob lived a life of public service. He had a long and distinguished career with the Coast Guard. He steadily moved up in the ranks from Ensign to Captain and retired in 1981. Prior to Boston College, he served as a USCG Seaman in WWII. Bob's last post before retiring in 1981 was that of chief of staff and deputy commander of the USCG's First District, the New England District. His responsibilities included supervising district staff and major field activities such as search and rescue, commercial vessel safety and various



other responsibilities. He was also deputy director of reserve personnel, chief plans and programs



officer and chief budget officer during a 23-year land career that followed service up to commanding officer aboard various Coast Guard cutters. He had assignments in Alaska, several in Boston, and four separate tours in Washington, D.C., where ultimately he became the comptroller for the entire Coast Guard. Immediately following his retirement, Bob accepted a position as Supervisory Administrative Assistant of DPW, Town of Barnstable. He was promoted to DPW Superintendent and after a few years decided he would prefer to spend more time with his family and requested that he transfer to the job of Assistant DPW Superintendent. He retired from the Town of Barnstable in 1999 and was hired in 2000 as Special Assistant to the Town Manager and ultimately retired from the Town of Barnstable in 2018. Bob played a critical role in all aspects of the local government in the Town of Barnstable including its organizational structure, financial management and emergency response program, to name of few areas. Bob served on the Steamship Authority Board of Governors for the Town of Barnstable for 25 years until 2016 and as Board chairman for some of those years. He was instrumental in the transformation of the Steamship Authority fleet including vessel construction, vessel modification and refurbishment projects. Bob also played a critical role in the Authority's capital projects in Hyannis, including reconstruction of the Hyannis terminal and slip improvements. Bob served on the Barnstable Municipal Airport Commission board for 13 years and retired in 2017. Bob was a charter member of the Coast Guard Heritage Museum in Barnstable, MA which opened in 2005. Our deepest sympathies go out to Bob's daughters, Kathryn Gaglione and Elizabeth Cunniff and their families. *Pictured above Bob O'Brien with now Town Manager Mark Ells on July 19, 2010 at the groundbreaking ceremony for the new terminal and tower at Barnstable Municipal Airport and with his beloved late wife Susie on at the June 10, 2016 Commissioning of the Steamship Authority's M/V Woods Hole.* 

# Town Council Meeting – Thursday, October 1, 2020

The October 1, 2020 Meeting of the Barnstable Town Council was physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation. The Town provided Zoom and telephone calls for remote communication for those who wanted to participate. Agenda Chaptering is not currently available for this meeting.

Town Council President Paul Hebert began last night's <u>Town Council Meeting</u> with Town Council Vice President Jessica Rapp Grassetti leading the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. A Moment of Silence was offered by Town Manager Mark Ells for former longtime Town of Barnstable employee Bob O'Brien who passed away this week (see above article). Public Comment was received by Zoom and telephone. Town Manager Mark Ells presented his Town Manager Communications for the period September 18-30, 2020:

- 1. Ann Quirk, Town Clerk, provided an update on upcoming elections.
- 2. Katie Servis, Barnstable Municipal Airport Manager, provided an update on the Airport Master Plan.
- 3. We continue to monitor FY 2021 revenues and expenses and develop revenue projections for FY 2022. We are maintaining the strict controls in our efforts to respond appropriately as we progress through FY 2021 and prepare proposed Capital and Operating Budgets for FY 2022. We will incorporate the fiscal policy discussed at the last Town Council meeting in the development of the proposed FY 2022 budget documents. Please find attached the FY 2022 Budget Action calendar. There is a Special Town Council Workshop scheduled for October 29, 2020 focused on fiscal policy relevant to the implementation of the Town of Barnstable Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town's Open Budget website at http://budget.townofbarnstable.us.
- 4. Mark Milne, Director of Finance, in coordination with Barnstable's Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC), has taken under review the financial challenges associated with the implementation of our Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (CWMP). In our continued efforts to effectively communicate with our public, CFAC has developed and would like to assist the town with the dissemination of information for the general public regarding the CWMP. They have accumulated a list of questions that are of the most interest to them as property owners and taxpayers. We have taken this list of questions under review and are preparing responses to each of the questions. I have shared the list of questions to Town

Council and upon completion will share the responses to CFAC and Town Council for further review before public use. We will keep you advised of our progress on this effort.

- 5. As a reminder the Town of Barnstable continues to follow the Orders and Directives of our Governor. We will move into Phase 3 Step 2 of the Governor's four phase recovery plan on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. We are required to adhere to proper social distancing and if we cannot to wear face covering. The Governor has updated his Orders and Directives, therefore, I encourage everyone to go to the <u>Mass.gov COVID website</u> or the <u>Town of Barnstable website</u> and read these Orders and Directives. Thank you for your continued adherence to these requirements.
- 6. This communication is for individuals who 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 <u>Workforce Housing Relief Fund</u> administered by the Housing Assistance Corporation. The application and additional information about the Fund are available on the Housing Assistance Corporation's website. https://haconcapecod.org/programs/homeless-prevention/
- 7. The Town Council appointed the Town Manager as its representative on the Cape Cod & Islands Water Protection Fund Board. The full Board met on September 9 and has its next meeting scheduled for October 7, 2020 at 4:00 PM to continue the discussion on adoption of the draft regulation for distribution of funds. 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.

8. Dr. Laurel Schaider, a research scientist at Silent Spring Institute, provided an update about three ongoing research studies that are focused on PFAS chemicals in drinking water and potential health effects.

The Orders of the Day began with President Hebert taking a number of items out of order. Agenda Item 2021-018 Order to accept Town of Barnstable's amended application and the Community Preservation Committee's vote to approve the amount of \$320,000 in Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Funds for Falcon Road Conservation Restriction to be held by Barnstable Land Trust and Agenda Item 2021-019 Order to accept Town of Barnstable's amended application and the Community Preservation Committee's vote to approve the amount of \$500,000 in Community Preservation Open Space/Recreation Funds for 830 Wakeby Road Conservation Restriction to be held by Barnstable Land Trust were withdrawn to be revised to reflect the need for advertisement of a Public Hearing for an appropriation and transfer order and will be renumbered and placed on another agenda. The following items were referred to Second Readings on October 15, 2020: Agenda Item 2021-020 Resolve that the Town Manager petition Barnstable County pursuant to General Laws Ch. 82 to abandon all its interest in Craigville Beach Road and upon abandonment the Town of Barnstable the Town will continue to maintain the road as a public way; Agenda Item 2021-021 Resolve that the Town petition Barnstable County to grant an easement within the full length of Craigville Beach Road in accordance with a sketch attached hereto for all purposes for which public ways are utilized in the Town of Barnstable; and Agenda Item 2021-022 Resolve that the Town of Barnstable grant to Vineyard Wind LLC an easement extending from Covell's Beach to Independence Park along the route shown in the sketch attached hereto as prepared by the Engineering Department for utility purposes only. This easement shall terminate as such time as a permit granted to VW LLC by the United States Government Bureau of Ocean Management shall cease to be in full force and effect. The final form of the easement shall be approved by the Town Attorney. Agenda Item 2020-193 Order amending Chapter 240 Zoning, Article II,

Section 7 adding certain provisions pertaining to Short Term Rentals was referred to a Public Hearing on October 15, 2020. The Town Council continued its discussion on **Agenda Item 2020-192** Order amending the General Ordinances by adding Chapter 190 Short Term Rental Properties and amending Chapter 170 Rental Properties. The discussion was continued to the November 5, 2020 Town Council Meeting. *The next regularly scheduled Town Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 7:00 PM. At this time, we do not know if the October 15, 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. <u>Mr. Ells' latest Community</u> <u>Update</u> provides information about low risk communities (of which Barnstable is one) moving into Phase III, Step 2; continuing our personal responsibility as people become more interactive in the community; Barnstable Public Schools update; and the Remote Learning Center at the Hyannis Youth & Community Center. 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 <u>Governor Baker's 4-Phase Reopening Plan</u>. The Town of Barnstable continues to assist businesses with economic recovery. Past episodes of Town Manager Mark Ells' Community Updates can be viewed <u>here</u>.

## A Reminder to Take the 2020 Census NOW!

#### Self-response Opportunities End Soon

Take the Census now! The self-response opportunities end soon. Everyone who resides in the United States needs to be counted. The state of Massachusetts received approximately \$2,400 in federal aid for each person counted which goes towards schools, transportation, SNAP assistance, healthcare, housing and more. The number of people counted determines the number of representatives Massachusetts has in the U.S. Congress. If you own rental property (including vacation rentals) you should complete the Census for the address you live in for most of the year. Completing the Census helps ensure that the Town of Barnstable and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts receives that aid and maintains representation in



Congress. Representatives of the Census will continue field work (going door to door for non-responsive households) for a short period of time. To respond visit my2020Census.gov or call 1-844-330-2020. Multiple languages are available by phone. Thank You.

# Low Risk Communities May Move to Phase III, Step 2 on Monday, October 5th

Lt. Gov. Polito announced on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 that Gov. Baker signed an Executive Order stating that low risk communities may move to Phase III, Step 2. This is due to good health metrics and will apply to towns with low risk beginning Monday, October 5, 2020. Low risk communities are those

that remain on the DPH weekly reports for 3 consecutive weeks, ranked as the gray, green and yellow communities on the map. <u>https://www.mass.gov/info-details/community-level-covid-19-data-reporting</u>

- If a community remains ranked red for three consecutive weeks, that community must step back to Phase III, Step 1.
- A small list of businesses is impacted by this step and will have restrictions.
- Indoor / outdoor performance venues may operate at 50% capacity but with a max capacity of 250 people.
- Recreational businesses (such as trampolines, laser tag, roller rinks) may operate at 50%. Stadiums are not included and may not open.
- Retail may utilize fitting rooms.
- Gyms, museums and flight schools may operate at 50% occupancy.
- Gatherings are also revised:
  - Indoor gatherings are still limited to 25 people.
  - Outdoor gatherings at private residences or private venues are limited to 50 in low risk communities.
  - Outdoor gatherings at event venues and public spaces are now allowed to 100 people.

All safety protocols must continue: stay home if ill, wear a mask, maintain social distance, wash hands frequently and keep cleaning/disinfectant of spaces and surfaces. Updates will be posted on the <u>Mass.gov</u> website before the weekend.

# Hyannis Water System Named Utility of the Year by the New England Water Works Association



Hyannis Water System recently received the 2020 Utility of the Year Award from the New England Water Works Association (NEWWA), the region's largest and oldest not-for-profit organization of water works professionals. This award recognizes utilities which have made significant improvements to the water system infrastructure, customer service, staff training, and/or operations to further protect public

health of the customers they serve. Hyannis Water System received this award in the medium-sized utility category. Hyannis Water System provides drinking water and fire protection to the economic hub of Cape Cod. The system includes four water treatment facilities, 12 well pumping stations, and 107 miles of distribution piping. The water system provides drinking water services to approximately 18,000 residents through 7,249 metered service connections to residential and commercial properties. The seasonal population Hyannis Water System serves swells to over 35,000 during the summer. Supplying its drinking water from groundwater sources, this water system draws about 2.77 million gallons per day from wells. Over the past decade, Hyannis Water System has made substantial upgrades to their water system, including construction of two new water storage tanks and pump stations at the Maher and Straightway Water Treatment Plants. The system is currently constructing a \$12 million dollar, state of the art treatment plant to improve the water quality for their residents in response to contamination of their wells with PFAS and 1,4-Dioxane. The treatment plant is expected to be completed in the fall of 2020. Hyannis Water System was recognized with this award on September 23, 2020, during the virtual 139<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. Pictured above is the award with all direct contributing staff employed by Suez and the Town of Barnstable Department of Public Works. Congratulations to the Hyannis Water System!

# Remote Learning Center at HYCC Receives \$2,500 Donation from The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod

The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod presented the Barnstable Recreation Division's Remote Learning Center with a \$2,500 donation on Wednesday, September 23, to provide scholarships for Barnstable students in financial need. The new program, which will run from October 13 to June 18 inside the Hyannis Youth & Community Center (HYCC), is designed to provide a supervised safe space for eligible students to participate in remote school days who may be unable to do so at home. "This program was developed specifically for both parents who are working during the day and for students to have safe, supervised remote learning and social interaction when they are not in the classroom," said Patti Machado, Barnstable's Recreation Director. "It's an essential program to serve our community during this challenging time and I'm grateful for The Coop's help with our neediest children, and helping make

sure no child is denied access to a Program." This donation is in lieu of the annual Positively Different Soccer Clinic the Bank normally underwrites in September. For the past 10 years, The Coop has brought in Olympic Gold Medalist Kristine Lilly to lead a soccer clinic for children across the Cape ages 6 to 14. Due to the novel coronavirus pandemic, the Bank had to cancel the clinic and wanted to redirect the



funds to continue to support the community. "The Remote Learning Center is vital to supporting the

educational and social needs of this community, specifically those who may not have access to computers at home or those families with parents who cannot miss work while their young child is in school remotely." said Lisa Oliver, Chair, President and CEO of The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod. "We understand and support that, which is why we leapt at the chance to help fund the program." The program is limited to 39 students who will rotate according to their assigned school cohort group and will be required to adhere to physical distancing guidelines. Participants are required to bring all necessary school materials each day, as well as a mask/face covering. The Barnstable Public Schools Food Service will provide breakfast and lunch. For more information on the Remote Learning Center please visit https://www.town.barnstable.ma.us/departments/Recreation/ and click on the "Remote Learning Center" tab. *Pictured left to right, Lisa Oliver, Chair, President and CEO of The Cooperative Bank of Cape Cod, Town Manager Mark Ells, and Barnstable Recreation Director Patti Machado.* 

# Happy Retirement and Thank You, Tom Marcotti!

Tom Marcotti has retired after 26 years of service as the Town of Barnstable Shellfish Biologist. Tom was integral to the development of aquaculture in the Town of Barnstable, providing blue economy jobs to hundreds of people over his tenure. He perfected the art of raising oysters using remote set and provided the recreational



fishery well over 13 million delicious oysters. Always a dedicated biologist, he assisted numerous



students, interns and scientists with various studies related to shellfish. Unafraid to have a good time while at work, he will be remembered by all those who encountered him in the field as the "funny man in the big hat". At his retirement celebration Tom was presented with the Massachusetts Shellfish Officers Association (MSOA) Deputy Shellfish Constable of the year award. *Pictured from left to right is Shellfish Constable Amy Croteau, Tom Marcotti and Liz Lewis who will assume the position of Barnstable Shellfish Biologist later this month.* 

# Massachusetts COVID Operating Standards Updated as of September 28, 2020

The Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce has provided links to web pages and documents related to the updated sector-specific restaurant, retail, and indoor and outdoor workplace safety standards. Please note that these updated standards are **effective on Monday, September 28, 2020**.

#### Updated Sector-Specific Workplace Safety Standards

Restaurants Safety Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information Download Restaurant Safety Standards (effective Monday, September 28) Retail Safety Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information Download Retail Safety Standards (effective Monday, September 28) Indoor and Outdoor Events Standards and Checklist web page for current standards and other information

# **Public Health Division - Influenza Vaccination Clinics**

Wednesday Morning October 7, 2020 9:00-11:30 AM

Wednesday Afternoon November 4, 2020 3:00-5:00 PM

Drive-thru ONLY at St. George Greek Orthodox Church Route 28, Centerville.

These clinics are open to Town of Barnstable residents only (open to Centerville, Osterville, Hyannis, West Barnstable, Cotuit, Marstons Mills, and Barnstable Village residents).

Please print-out and complete the consent form before arriving to reduce waiting times.

The Town of Barnstable does NOT have the high dosage vaccine for Seniors. We provide the quadrivalient vaccine for all ages which is recommended by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

#### CONSENT FORM

For More Information: Call the Town of Barnstable Public Health Division at (508) 862-4644.

# Farm to Families Food Distribution by the Massachusetts Military Support Foundation Hosted by Cape Cod Community College



Cape Cod Community College will be the site of weekly Farm to Families food distribution events throughout the month of October. The Farm to Families program is one of the US Department of Agriculture's community grant offerings throughout the country. Volunteers with the Nicholas G Xiahros Foundation and The Family Table Collaborative (an initiative with the Cape Cod Culinary Incubator and the Cape Cod chapter of the American Culinary Federation.) The food is being distributed by Massachusetts Military Support Foundation to feed families across the Cape. Each family will receive a 32 pound box of groceries including cheese, produce, milk and meats. The food is provided at no cost to families in the area. Distribution is set for this Friday, October 2, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the College. Cars can arrive beginning at 9:00 AM. Please use the main entrance and follow the signs Parking Lot 12 where the distribution will take place.

# 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.

Starting on September 16<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM, all schools will have grab and go breakfast and lunch set-up outside. 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 <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 <u>here</u>. 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: <u>barnstablecountyhealth.org</u>. If you have questions or concerns, please email <u>COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org</u>.

# **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://haconcapecod.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.

#### Important Early Voting Information from Town Clerk Ann Quirk

Last day to register to vote and change party enrollment for the General Election:	Saturday, October 24, 2020
Last day to apply for an Absentee or Early Vote Ballot <u>BY MAIL</u> before the General Election:	Wednesday, October 28, 2020 – 5:00 PM
Last Day to apply <u>IN PERSON</u> for an Absentee Ballot before the General Election:	Monday, November 2, 2020 – 12:00 PM

#### In-Person Early Voting

Barnstable Adult Community Center ~ 825 Falmouth Rd, Hyannis

In Person Early Voting prior to General Election: Saturday, October 17, 2020 – Friday, October 30, 2020 Hours: Saturday, October 17 & Sunday, October 18 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM Monday, October 19 – Friday, October 30 – 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Saturday, October 24 & Sunday, October 25 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

# Vote at your Polling Location on Election Day – Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Hours from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

There are three ways to apply for an Absentee or an Early Vote by mail ballot: https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/elepdf/2020-Vote-by-Mail-Application.pdf

Fill out an Absentee or Early Vote by Mail ballot application, sign and send: <u>by mail</u> to Town Clerk's Office, 367 Main St, Hyannis, MA 02601 <u>by Fax</u> to (508) 790-6323 \* <u>by email</u> to <u>vote@town.barnstable.ma.us</u>

#### **Track your Application and Ballot**

Once you have voted your ballot, put it into the inside envelope, write your name, address and sign the inside envelope, put the signed envelope into the mailing envelope, you may mail it back for free or drop it into the black Lock Box on the top step of Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis (doors facing the Village Green).

Thank You and Stay Safe!

# News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

#### Medicare Open Enrollment Begins October 15<sup>th</sup>

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 15<sup>th</sup> and ends December 7<sup>th</sup>. 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 will start scheduling appointments for Open Enrollment on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Please call (508)862-4752 to schedule an appointment.

#### Savvy Caregiver Program

The Barnstable Council on Aging, in partnership with the Healthy Living Center of Excellence, is pleased to announce a fall session of **The Savvy Caregiver Program**. **This six session online training is FREE for family and friends who are active caregivers, and caring for those living with Alzheimer's or related dementias**. The fall session will be held **Thursdays, October 1st – November 5<sup>h</sup> from 10:00 AM-Noon**. The facilitator, Stacey Cullen, has been trained and certified to offer this program. For more information, or to register, please call Stacey at (508)862 – 4765 or email <u>stacey.cullen@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> Stacey will also be hosting a Meet and Greet/Zoom "Tech Talk" on September 24 2020 from 10:00 AM-11:00 AM for participants.

#### Feeling Lonely? Join our Friendly Phone Line

The most common concern that we are hearing from older adults in the community is **how much most people miss the opportunity to socialize with others.** Are you feeling a bit lonely? While it is still important to be safe and maintain that 6 foot physical distance, there are other ways that we can maintain those important social connections. **Stay Connected!!** Let us know, and a friendly staff member or volunteer will call you once a week for a social phone chat. **Please call Debbie @ (508) 888-4755 or email** <u>debbie.mckenna@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> for more information, or to sign up. There is no need to be bored or lonely – call today!

# Andrew Newman – ARTIST SPOTLIGHT at Barnstable Town Hall

Andrew Newman is currently the featured artist at Barnstable Town Hall. His often humorous titles and images are currently displayed on the walls of the James H. Crocker, Jr. Hearing Room and Selectmen's Conference Room in Barnstable Town Hall. Artwork may be viewed on the <u>artsbarnstable.com</u> website <u>HERE</u> and a video interview with Andrew Newman, produced by the Town of Barnstable's Channel 18 may be viewed <u>HERE</u>.

#### **ABOUT THE ARTIST:**

He could easily be known as the "Cod Father" for his elevation



of the ubiquitous and historically maligned codfish to an unimagined artistic level. Andrew began his career in New York City as a graphic designer, working primarily in the publishing industry. His covers have an international recognition for designs he has done for bestselling authors including Danielle Steel, Elmore Leonard, and John Gray. When Andrew moved to Cape Cod, he continued designing book jackets as well as branding, corporate and personal logos and web design. In December 2007 the cod concept was born as he began his foray into cod designs with his first, "The Christmas Cod." His "cods" are visible throughout the Cape and have been sold throughout the world as cards, prints, posters, apparel and signage. The Marstons Mills Public Library's sign is the "Library Cod".

His work is fun, whimsical and personal.

#### ARTIST STATEMENT:

"Artists and designers draw from their life and where they live. They see details, minutiae, shapes, and colors that most people don't. To be an artist living on Cape Cod is to be inspired every day."

#### ABOUT THE ARTIST SPOTLIGHT PROGRAM:

Artwork is displayed in the James H. Crocker, Jr. Hearing Room and the Selectmen's Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in Barnstable Town Hall, 367 Main Street, Hyannis.

Artwork may be viewed virtually at <u>artsbarnstable.com</u> along with a video interview with the artist. For more information on this program, email: <u>melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> or call 508-862-4767 <u>www.ArtsBarnstable.com</u>

# ArtsBarnstable.com I Seven Villages, One Town, All Things Arts & Culture

Our seven villages are art-*FULL* with plenty of arts and culture complete with seaside charm.

Be sure to visit <u>artsbarnstable.com</u> and @artsbarnstable on facebook/Instagram and discover ways to engage and be entertained year-round!



Our town has two state designated cultural districts: In Hyannis, the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District features the Walkway-to-the-Sea from Main Street through the Hyannis Village Green to Hyannis Harbor.

The Barnstable Village Cultural District is history revisited with 21st century flair; A quaint downtown and walkable to Barnstable's Harbor and panoramic views of Sandy Neck Beach and lighthouse. SPECIAL EVENT THIS WEEK

# Love Live Local Fest I Celebrating local business & community will be VIRTUAL this year Sunday, September 27–Saturday, October 3 LoveLiveLocal.com

Home grown artists, artisans, farmers, food trucks, musicians, independent makers and kid zone activities! This year is an online community shopping event on <u>LoveLiveLocal.com</u> and on social media

where you can find your Love Local Fest favorites along with some new faces, and all of the locally made products and Cape Cod brands that bring a unique flavor to our community and celebrate the special place we all love.

#### Hyannis HyArts Cultural District Happenings

#### PARK AND WALK I Main Street to Hyannis Harbor, steps away from parking lots

It is easy to spend art-FULL days in downtown Hyannis HyArts Cultural District.

Complimentary and metered parking lots are steps away from Main Street & Hyannis Harbor.

Visit the artist shanties, Main Street Hyannis –hyannismainstreet.com, museums, shops, restaurants and more.

Mobile pay to park available for Bismore Park and Ocean Street lots with the app:

#### https://www.mpay2park.com

HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTIES - 180 Ocean Street, BISMORE PARK, Hyannis

<u>Shop local – Cape Cod artists - OUTDOOR SHOPPING!</u> October weekends, Friday-Sunday, 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Artists are set up for proper physical distancing and sanitizing wares often.

Hand-made, designed or crafted in a variety of mediums: painting, jewelry, photography, ceramics,

fiber arts, glasswork, and much more!

Artists frequently open early and stay late.

artsbarnstable.com @artsbarnstable on facebook/instagram

Be sure to visit <u>HyannisMainStreet.com</u>

Barnstable Village Cultural District Happenings:

Cape Cod Art Center I gift wares and artwork | capecodartcenter.org

Open Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sturgis Library | Sturgislibrary.org

Open Monday through Saturday, 10:00am to 3:00pm

Curbside pickup service will still be available.

Plenty of outdoor activities, virtual programs, and more!

#### Tales of Cape Cod - 2020 Live Stream & recorded programs

www.talesofcapecod.org

# Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanties | Outdoor shopping!

# October weekends - 11:00am – 4:00pm - Friday through Sunday

# Call to artists to participate in 2021 applications available on-line at

#### www.ArtsBarnstable.com

#### HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTIES: 180 Ocean Street, BISMORE PARK

**Open October weekends,** Friday through Sunday, October 2 through 25, 2020 11:00 am to 4:00pm Artists are set up for proper physical distancing and sanitizing wares often.

Meet Cape Cod artists selling hand-made, designed or crafted in a variety of mediums. Artists frequently open early and stay late. @artsbarnstable on facebook/instagram

**PARKING: PARK AND WALK** Free and metered parking lots are located steps away from <u>Hyannis Main Street</u> & Hyannis Harbor.



Mobile pay to park available for Bismore Park and Ocean Street lots. Download the app:

#### https://www.mpay2park.com

#### **2021 HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY SEASON**

The Town of Barnstable is currently accepting applications for artists and artisans interested in participating in the 2021 season.

Applications are received on rolling basis until all spots are filled.

#### Application review begins November 1 of each year.

#### Applications can be submitted online: www.ArtsBarnstable.com ABOUT THE HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTY PROGRAM:

Artist shanties are located in the Hyannis HyArts Cultural District, on Ocean Street, along the Walkwayto-the-Sea from Hyannis Main Street to Hyannis Harbor. Seven shanties are located at Bismore Park,



180 Ocean Street, and steps away five shanties are located at the Harbor Overlook, 51 Ocean Street, at the corner of South and Ocean Street, overlooking Aselton Park and Hyannis Harbor. The expansion of the Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty program to two locations creates an additional attraction for visitors walking from Main Street to Hyannis Harbor through the Hyannis Village Green along the Walkway-to-the-Sea and, at the same time, provides more affordable selling space and increased exposure for local artists and artisans. The Hyannis HyArts Artist Shanty Program began in 2005, as the first in a

series of arts-oriented strategies designed to provide opportunities and exposure for local artists; enliven the economic climate in downtown Hyannis; and establish an important vibrant backdrop for year round residents and visitors. The shanties are open weekends May through mid-June; seven days a week through end of September; October weekends and special events in November and December. Artist work is hand-made, hand crafted or designed and all artists are from Cape Cod. A variety of work is represented including jewelry, paintings, photography, visual art, woodcarving, fiber arts, ceramics, rope work, glass work, literary art, mixed media, and more. This artist program is made possible in cooperation with the Town of Barnstable, and its Cultural District partners including the Cape Cod Art Center (CCAC), Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District (BID), the Greater Hyannis Area Chamber of Commerce, the JFK Hyannis Museum and Cape Cod Maritime Museum and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority. For more information contact: Melissa Chartrand, Arts & Culture Coordinator, melissa.chartrand@town.barnstable.ma.us.

# Town of Barnstable Economic Recovery Planning

Town of Barnstable staff are working to help our businesses reopen successfully, recover from this crisis, and move towards a strong and prosperous future. We are listening to and working with our businesses, residents, the Economic Development Task Force (a Town Council presidential subcommittee), the Hyannis Main Street Business Improvement District, and other community partners on developing an Economic Recovery Plan, with an initial focus on promoting the safe and successful reopening of businesses when allowed by the Governor. We are looking at ways the Town can support our local businesses, while promoting public health and safety. If there are ways we can help you succeed in the coming days, months, and in the long-term, please reach out and share your suggestions with us. Submit your suggestions on the Economic Recovery Plan website. Additionally, we encourage our businesses to take the Cape Cod Commission's online survey for Cape Cod business owners. The survey is being conducted to better understand the current and anticipated economic impacts of COVID-

19. Data collected through this survey will be used to support economic recovery now and in the coming weeks and months, and can be leveraged by businesses, towns, and other organizations in future grant applications and reports.

# \*UPDATED\* Massachusetts Department of Transportation – Highway Division Notice of a Public Hearing - Project File No. 607398 – Now scheduled to go live October 9, 2020

A Virtual Design Public Hearing will be published on the MassDOT website below to present the design for the proposed Barnstable – Yarmouth Cape Cod Rail Trail (Phase III) project in Barnstable and Yarmouth, MA.

#### WHEN: Friday, October 9, 2020

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this hearing is to provide the public with the opportunity to become fully acquainted with the proposed Barnstable – Yarmouth Cape Cod Rail Trail (Phase III) project. All views and comments submitted in response to the hearing will be reviewed and considered to the maximum extent possible.

**PROPOSAL:** This project proposes to extend the CCRT through Yarmouth and into a portion of Barnstable, to a new trail head on Mary Dunn Road in the Town of Barnstable. The route of the CCRT Phase III will follow a combination of an existing shared-use path and a newly constructed shared-use path. Bicycle accommodations consisting of a 10' bicycle lane have been provided in accordance with applicable design guides. A secure right-of-way is necessary for this project. Acquisitions in fee and permanent or temporary easements may be required. The Towns of Barnstable and Yarmouth are responsible for acquiring all needed rights in private or public lands. MassDOT's policy concerning land acquisitions will be presented in the hearing.

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. 607398. 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. This hearing is accessible to people with disabilities. MassDOT provides reasonable accommodations and/or language assistance free of charge upon request (e.g. interpreters in American Sign Language and languages other than English, live captioning, videos, assistive listening devices and alternate material formats), as available. For accommodation or language assistance, please contact MassDOT's Chief Diversity and Civil Rights Officer by phone (857-368-8580), TTD/TTY at (857) 266-0603, fax (857) 368-0602 or by email (MassDOT.CivilRights@dot.state.ma.us). Requests should be made as soon as possible prior to the meeting, and for more difficult to arrange services including sign-language, CART or language translation or interpretation, requests should be made at least ten business days before the hearing. This Virtual Design Public Hearing or a cancellation announcement will be posted on the internet at www.mass.gov/massdot-highway-design-publichearings.

JONATHAN GULLIVER, HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR PATRICIA A. LEAVENWORTH, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER

# **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\* Temporary Lane Closures for Pavement Restoration on Sections of

# Kidd's Hill Road, Merchants Way, Business Lane, and

**Thornton Drive In Barnstable Village** Robert B. Our Company (RBO) and their subcontractor are scheduled to mill (grind off) the pavement surface over a portion of Kidd's Hill Road on Thursday, October 1, 2020 between the hours of 6:30 AM and 3:30 PM, weather permitting. This work is in preparation for placing a new permanent



asphalt pavement, on a date to be determined. The milling and paving limits on Kidd's Hill Road are from Wilkens Lane to a point about 400 feet north of Merchants Way, covering the area where sewer was installed in the spring. The work zone is expected to extend a few hundred feet beyond each end of the paving limits for equipment staging. There will also be a single lane closure on Thornton Drive at its intersection with Business Lane; police will direct alternating one-way traffic past the lane closure. Drivers are advised to seek alternate routes. As always, please slow down and use extreme caution when traveling through or near construction areas, and follow posted safety signs.

# \*CONTINUES\* National Grid New Customer Hookups

Monday, October 5, 2020 Neuco crews will continue installing gas service on High School Road, Hyannis. 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 and Barnstable Village 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\* Geotechnical borings for the Rte. 28 East Sewer Expansion

**Project** The Town of Barnstable's design consultant (Weston & Sampson) will be completing geotechnical borings for the proposed Rte. 28 East Sewer Expansion Project starting on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Work will included approximately thirty-one (31) soil borings within the State Highway Layout of Route 28 (Falmouth Road) in Barnstable, MA, between the intersection with Phinneys Lane and just east of the intersection with Pitchers Way. The traffic flow will be maintained throughout the drilling, including proper signage. It is envisioned that the soil boring work within Route 28 will take up to two (2) weeks.

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

**132 National Grid** Work for installation of a new gas main in Hinckley Road in Hyannis will restart on September 15<sup>th</sup>. The project includes installation of new 10" gas main from Falmouth Road to a regulator pit within Hinckley Road and a 12" gas main from the regulator pit to a tie-in in Route 132. Work will be performed during the day, Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Hinckley

Road will be closed to through traffic. Gas line installation is anticipated to be completed by October with final restoration to be done in spring 2021.

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

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

**Way, and Business Lane in Barnstable Village** Construction is expected to end in October 2020. Normal work hours are 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. Work will involve excavating trenches in the roads, installing sanitary sewer pipes and manholes, backfilling, compacting, and paving. During portions of the work there will be road closures for construction on Business Lane, the south half of Merchants Way, and Kidd's Hill Road (about 500 feet each side of its intersection with Merchants Way).

# \*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: <u>https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP\_Final.asp</u> 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

Paving the Way in Barnstable

RSVP Today: vineyardwind.com/barnstable

Join us for a presentation and Q&A about Vineyard Wind's offshore wind projects and plans in Barnstable, Massachusetts.

October 14 • 5:30pm November 12 • 4:00pm December 15 • 12:00pm

# **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.

# Learn about Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE)

Mosquito bites can cause serious illness. Take steps to protect yourself & your family. When outdoors, always use EPA-approved repellent & wear mosquito-resistant clothing, like pants or long sleeves. Repair broken doors & window screens. More info: <u>https://www.mass.gov/mosquitoes-and-ticks</u>

#### Learn about EEE

Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) is a rare but serious disease caused by a virus that can affect people of all ages. EEE is generally spread to humans through the bite of a mosquito infected with the virus. EEE can cause severe illness and possibly lead to death in any age group; however, people under age 15 are at particular risk. EEE does not occur every year, but based on mosquito sampling, a high risk of occurrence of human cases currently exists. Learn more about EEE and how to protect yourself and your family in this <u>fact sheet about EEE</u>.

#### 2020 Season

**Routine mosquito testing** began on June 15, 2020 and will continue through October. The Department of Public Health in partnership with Local Mosquito Control Projects will conduct comprehensive surveillance activities state-wide to assess the risk of WNV and EEE in 2020. <u>Risk maps and EEE and WNV detections</u> will be routinely updated. You can watch a brief video from the State <u>here</u>.

# 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**



# Working with Barnstable Town Hall

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

A listing of Town owned buildings that have closed is listed <u>here</u>.

## **TREASURER'S OFFICE**

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

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

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

## **TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE**

Tax Collector's Office is currently closed to the public. Please call the office at 508-862-4054 or email <u>taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us</u> for any questions regarding real estate, personal property, 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 I the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. Or by appointment only.
- Please do not leave any cash in the drop box. Checks Only.

The Real Estate and Personal Property tax bills for Fiscal Year 2021 were mailed on Wednesday July 1<sup>st</sup> and the first quarter will be due on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Assessor's Office**

Abatement Applications Abatement forms are available on the town's website at

<u>https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/</u>Completed forms can be mailed to Town of Barnstable Assessor, 367 Main. St. Hyannis, MA 02601.

<u>Property Information</u> 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 <u>https://www.townofbarnstable.us/Departments/Assessing/</u> Permit applications will continue to be accepted and processed according to local and state requirements. Applications and associated materials should be submitted electronically to the extent legally possible.

## **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

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

<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.

## Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff

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

Doing Business with Planning & Development During COVID-19

# The Last Word:

# I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers. ~L. M. Montgomery, Anne of Green Gables

## Thank you for receiving and reading e-news each week!







