



Sunrise at Sandy Neck on Thursday, September 17, 2020.

Photo courtesy of Donna Bragg, Sandy Neck Beach Park Operations Manager

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September 18, 2020 Color-Coded Guide:

New

Updated

Same as previous week(s)

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

Town Council Meeting – Thursday, September 17, 2020

The September 17, 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 [Town Council Meeting](#) with Town Councilor Kris Clark leading the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Town Councilor Jennifer Cullum offered a Moment of Silence in honor of Hyannisport artist Elizabeth Mumford who lost her battle with cancer on September 13th. Public Comment was received by Zoom. Town Manager Mark Ells presented his Town Manager Communications for the period September 4-17, 2020:

1. Ann Quirk, Town Clerk, provided an update on the Census and Elections.
2. Meg Mayo Brown, Superintendent, provided an update on Barnstable Public Schools.
3. We continue to monitor FY 2021 revenues and expenses. We are maintaining the strict controls in our efforts to respond appropriately as we progress through FY 2021. I want to thank Town Council for allowing Superintendent Mayo-Brown, Assistant Town Manager Clyburn, Attorney Nober, Finance Director Milne and myself to participating in the Town Council Strategic Planning session on September 12, 2020. We look forward to incorporating the Town Council Strategic Plan into our budget preparation for FY 2022. For information on our fiscal year budgets please view the Town's Open Budget website at <http://budget.townofbarnstable.us>.
4. As a reminder the Town of Barnstable continues to follow the Orders and Directives of our Governor. We are in Phase 3 Step 1 of the Governor's four phase recovery plan. We are required to adhere to proper social distancing and if we can not to wear face covering. The Governor has updated 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. Thank you for your continued adherence to these requirements.
5. 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 September 22, 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.
6. David Anthony, Director of Property and Risk Management, provided an update relative to certification as a Green Community.
7. The construction of the Maher Drinking Water Filtration Plant is nearly complete. Currently the equipment testing and operator training is being done. Final DEP inspection and local permit sign-off activities are being scheduled. Start-up is anticipated for late September / early October. We are approximately 30 days ahead of our original schedule and within budget. We would be happy to provide a tour to interested Councilors.
8. Dan Santos, Director of Public Works, provided an update relative to the status of the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan.

Mark Milne, Finance Director, provided an overview of ***Fiscal Policy for Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budget Planning*** to the Town Council with a desire to receive feedback in a workshop following Town Manager's communication. **OLD BUSINESS** began with DPW Director Dan Santos presented **Agenda Item 2021-009** Appropriation and Loan Order in the amount of **\$8,500,000** for the purpose of funding the Solids Handling Upgrades Construction Project as outlined in the Fiscal Year 2021 Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Improvement Plan which was approved. Under **NEW BUSINESS**, DPW Director Santos

presented **Agenda Items: 2021-012** Resolve to accept the grant of an electric easement from Festival of Hyannis, LLC for electric service for new traffic signal at the intersection Attucks Lane, and Wilkens Lane; **2021-013** Acceptance of a Fiscal Year 2021 MassTrails Grant in the amount of **\$180,950** from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for design of the Cape Cod Rail Trail; **2021-014** Acceptance of a Coastal Zone Management Fiscal Year 2021 Coastal Pollutant Remediation Grant in the amount of **\$173,255.50** from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; **2021-015** Acceptance of a 2020 Massachusetts Dredging Grant in the amount of **\$500,000** from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Dead Neck / Sampson's Island Dredging Project; and **2021-016** Resolve to accept the grant of a roadway improvements easement from Cape Cod Hospital for new traffic signal at the intersection Attucks Lane, and Wilkens Lane, Hyannis – all of which were approved. Town Councilor Eric Steinhilber presented **Agenda Item 2021-017** Approval of a contract and its execution for Mark S. Ells as the Barnstable Town Manager which was approved. **Agenda Items 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 received first readings and were referred to Second Readings on October 1, 2020. **Agenda Item 2021-120** Resolve to endorse the actions of the Town Manager to prepare the application to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for designation as a Green Community was tabled (to a date uncertain) so the Town Council could have a workshop on the subject. ***The next regularly scheduled Town Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM. At this time, we do not know if the October 1, 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).***

Important Information from Marine & Environmental Affairs

Friendly reminder regarding individuals and life jackets after Sept 15th on the water...

- Canoeists and kayakers from September 15 – May 15 (including waterfowl hunters) are required to wear a life jacket!

As usual:

- Youth under 12 years old
- Personal watercraft users
- Water-skiers

For Boating Safety information, visit: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/boating-safety> .

Public Health Division - Influenza Vaccination Clinics

Wednesday Morning October 7, 2020 9:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday Afternoon November 4, 2020 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

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.

[CONSENT FORM](#)

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

GRAB & GO MEALS

Remote Learning Schedule

Beginning Wednesday
September 16

Food Service will be providing
Grab & Go Lunch and Breakfast
at ALL our schools **FREE** of charge.

Contact your school for times and locations.

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 16th 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 [Cape Cod Medical Reserve Corps' Delivery Service](#) will help people who should stay home receive groceries and critical household goods.

See a list of participating grocery stores with pre-ordering and curbside pickup options [here](#). Slowing the spread of COVID-19 is essential for "flattening the curve" of infections, which will curb the outbreak, prevent hospitals from getting overwhelmed with patients seeking treatment, and ultimately reduce the number of deaths. For current information on the novel coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19), please visit the Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment's website: barnstablecountyhealth.org. If you have questions or concerns, please email COVID-19@barnstablecounty.org.



Bus Pass Pick-Up BHS, BIS & BUE

*If you applied for your bus pass and paid for it or qualified through other means and we have **NOT** called you personally to inform you of no seat availability, you may pick up your bus passes as follows:*



BHS Students

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

September 21 - 23 | 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Barnstable High School, 744 West Main Street, Hyannis



We will be located in the rear of the school in the main cafeteria. We will have tables set up to allow social distancing.

BIS Students

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

September 21 - 23 | 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Barnstable Intermediate School, 895 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

We will be located in the main lobby by entering the main doors, where we will have tables set up to allow social distancing.

BUE Students

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

September 21 - 23 | 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Barnstable United Elementary School, 730 Ost.-W. Barnstable Rd. Marstons Mills

We will be located in the rear of the building on the right hand side. Drive up to the garage door where we will have tables set up to allow social distancing.

PLEASE NOTE:

- You **MUST** go to the school where your child attends to get your bus pass.
- We will **NOT** be handing out any other school passes at any of these locations.
- We cannot take applications, changes, or requests at any of these locations, this is strictly for bus pass hand out to those that have already applied.

Elementary Students: If you are a pay student at any of our five elementary schools and are waiting for a seat on the bus; you will be receiving a call from our office on when to pick-up your bus pass.

Still Need to Apply for a Bus Pass: Call our office at 508-790-6478 to make an appointment.

Reminder: All buses have limited seating. We cannot accommodate requests for alternate stops at this time. Bus stops have moved to be more centrally located to keep the time children are on buses to a minimum.

Make Your Voice Count in the 2020 Federal Census

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

Only 10 minutes of your time now has a great impact on our community for the next 10 years!

There are just 12 days left to fill out your Census online or over the phone.

The last day to participate in the U.S. 2020 Federal Census is now September 30, formerly October 31.

This announcement further jeopardizes Congressional representation, redistricting, and critical federal funding for things like education, housing, food programs, and more in the Town of Barnstable during the next 10 years. It could lead to a significant undercount. Only 56.9 percent of Barnstable's households have responded to date. The census is quick, easy, and important, and all of your answers are confidential. You can respond to the U.S. Census by going online to

my2020census.gov, by phone at 844-330-2020, or by mailing

back the paper form delivered to you. Multiple languages are available. Please respond and be counted today. **Currently the self-response rate nationally is 65.9%. Massachusetts has a 68.4% self-response rate; Barnstable County 50.1%; and the Town of Barnstable 57.5%.**



Channel 18 Introduces “Municipal Matters”

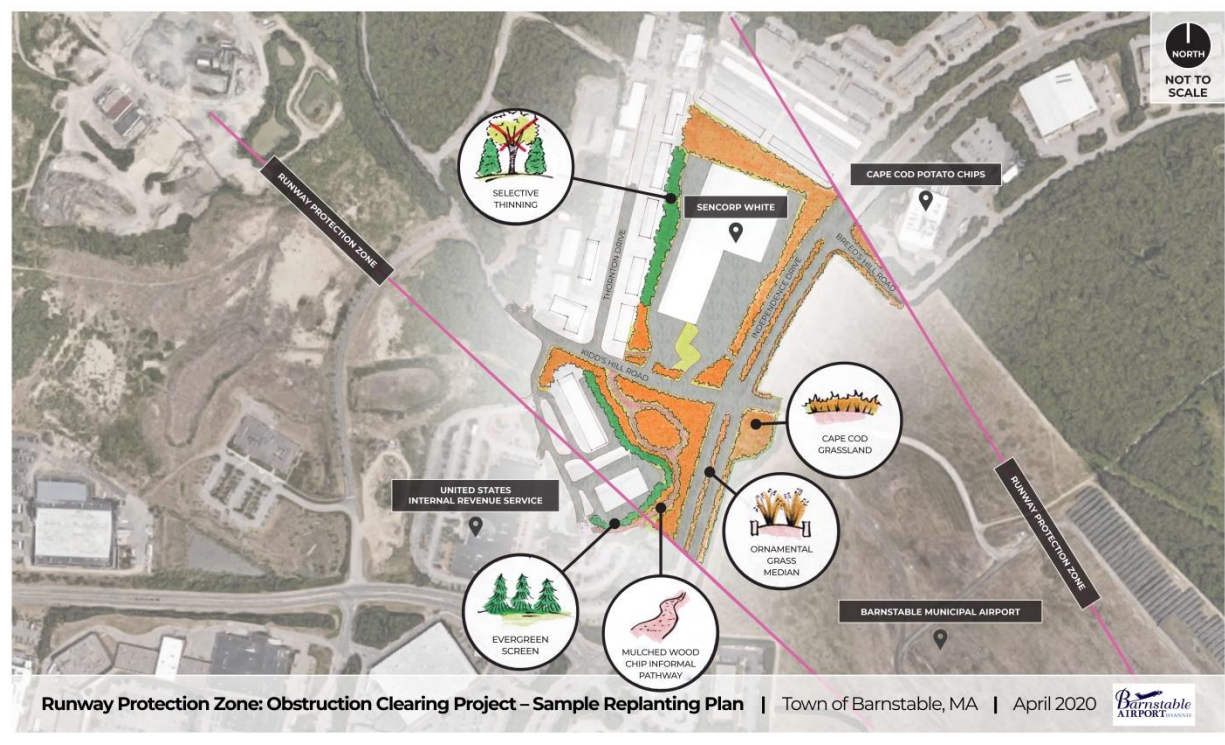
First Episode a Deep Dive on Census 2020

With dozens of departments and divisions, the largest school system and police department on Cape Cod and a regional airport and transportation center, the Town of Barnstable is a hub of activity every

day. Municipal Matters is a show dedicated to helping residents and visitors stay informed, educated and safe. This first episode is a deep dive on Census 2020 and how [#CapeCodCounts](#) [WATCH NOW](#). *Have an idea for a show?* Send Assistant Station Manager, Paula Hersey an email paula.hersey.@town.barnstable.ma.us.

Barnstable Municipal Airport to Clear Trees Near Runway Approach Areas to Comply with FAA Regulations

Barnstable Municipal Airport (HYA) has completed the process of clearing trees impacting the approach surfaces of two runways to meet Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations as well as airport safety and certification requirements. At this time the project is transitioning to a focus on the post-clearing landscaping plan. The project supports the existing runway approaches and maintains the necessary safety conditions. Tree removal began on May 27, 2020 and was funded by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT). Our initial press releases went out on May 11, 2020 and June 17, 2020 outlining the project and identifying post project landscaping to occur. The initial landscaping plan seeding that occurred immediately following the tree clearing has struggled to become established due to the drought conditions that have persisted on Cape Cod. **Beginning Thursday, September 17, 2020 Airport Maintenance staff will be working in the previously cleared areas to prepare for an additional round of seeding.** It is important to note that no additional mature trees will be cleared during this project phase. The airport staff will complete trash/debris removal and a rough cut of regrowth and sapling growth that has followed the initial tree removal. Additional work will include the leveling of man-made mounds along the airport fence line. This work in the previously cleared areas will facilitate an additional round of seeding by the contractor to further establish the planned landscape. The reseedling of the airport properties and roadway median in the area of Independence Drive and Kidd's Hill Road is planned to occur during October to allow for germination prior to the winter season. At this time any plantings that have not survived since installation due to the drought conditions will also be replaced. "Safety is always our top priority at the airport, and managing vegetation is an important part of that priority," said Airport Manager Katie Servis. "As trees and other vegetation grow taller, they create safety hazards for pilots and can limit visibility between the aircraft the runway environment and the control tower. The FAA requires that certain areas of trees and shrubs surrounding airports must be cut. Post tree clearing includes a landscaping plan with native plants and shrubs to replace taller growth that must be removed." FAA regulations and standards require that airspace Protection Zones (PZs) must be achieved and maintained in order to assure an appropriate level of safety at every airport. PZs are crucial elements of aviation and public safety because they ensure unobstructed flight paths and views for pilots, air traffic controllers, and ground crew, enabling safe takeoffs, landings, and ground movements. Trees that were cleared included a total of approximately seven acres around Runway 24 (along Willow Street in Yarmouth) and Runway 15 (along Independence Drive in Barnstable). Most trees were within airport-owned property or property in which the airport has existing easements that allow for tree cutting and maintenance of vegetative growth. The project now transitions in a phase of ensuring the establishment of the post-clearing landscaping plan that includes replanting with native grassland species and/or low growing shrubs. See sample replanting plan below.



Public Notice – Scudder Bay Boat Ramp

Material delivery and construction to begin on September 15th, ending October 31st, on three private erosion control projects located at 203, 211, and 205 Scudder's Lane SE3-5789, SE3-5788, SE3-5790. Permission has been granted by the Town for the contractor to deliver materials using the Scudder Lane parking area for #203 Scudder Lane (DE3-5789), with the other two properties pending license agreements, following these conditions:

1. Rock delivery is anticipated to be on Tuesday and Thursday of each week to minimize any disruption to use of Scudder Lane and the boat ramp.
2. Rock delivery to occur as close to high tide as possible.
3. Rock will be delivered to the left of the parking area as you face the water, using steel plates and sand to protect the edge of the parking lot. Vegetation will be replanted. The boat ramp will not be used for any material deliveries. The contractor will have personnel in the parking area to help manage and minimize traffic disruptions during rock delivery.
4. No machinery or equipment will operate to the East of the boat ramp.
5. On Wednesdays, no work or deliveries shall occur from two (2) hours before and then through two (2) hours after low tide.
6. No machinery, equipment, or materials will be stored in parking areas or on ramp. Staging areas will be on the upper portions of the beach near the toe of the coastal bank, or in the homeowner's driveway in the event of a storm.
7. No work to occur within the salt marsh.
8. Vegetation removal was approved on the bank prior to this notice.

Public is welcome to continue to use the ramp during this time, however, please be advised there may be a delay in access during a delivery. Please stay out of construction zone if walking the shoreline to the left. We appreciate your cooperation during this process. You are welcome to contact Conservation at 508-862-4093 or MEA at 508-790-6727 with questions.

Cape Cod Celebrates Bay State Bike Month

Annual celebration of cycling moves from May to September

The Cape Cod Commission and the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority will join regional and state-wide efforts to celebrate bicycling as an alternative to driving motor vehicles during Bay State Bike Month in September. Typically held in May, this year's Bike Week was postponed to September due to the COVID-19 pandemic. New this year, the week has been expanded to a full month to raise awareness about bicycling for transportation, fitness, and fun. Key events are being held the week of September 21st-27th and will abide by social distancing requirements. The highlight of Bay State Bike Month on Cape Cod encourages participation in a Cape Cod Bike Month Bingo challenge. Check off bingo squares by riding on different bike trails within the region, replacing a car trip to your favorite coffee shop or ice cream shop with a bicycle trip, and getting a bike tune-up at a local bike shop. [Download the bingo card](#) and share your rides on social media using the hashtag #BikeWeekBingo to be entered into a prize raffle. In addition, the Cape Cod Commission will be highlighting bicycle projects and initiatives with a special newsletter released during the month. Bike Month activities also include giveaways on select Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority bus routes during the week of September 21-25 for transit riders who mount their bikes on the buses. A table will be set up at the Hyannis Regional Transportation Center with free bike gear giveaways including bike lights and bells to keep residents safe while bicycling Cape Cod roadways. Additional Bike Month events being held throughout the Commonwealth are posted on the Bay State Bike Month online calendar (<https://www.baystatebikemonth.org/>), including MassCommute's Bicycle Challenge. Bay State Bike Month is supported in part by the Federal Highway Administration, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, and MassBike.

News from the Barnstable Council on Aging

Medicare Open Enrollment Begins October 15th

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 will start scheduling appointments for Open Enrollment on September 15th. 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^h 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 stacey.cullen@town.barnstable.ma.us 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 debbie.mckenna@town.barnstable.ma.us** for more information, or to sign up. There is no need to be bored or lonely – call today!

Massachusetts Department of Transportation – Highway Division

Notice of a Public Hearing - Project File No. 607398 – September 24, 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: Thursday, September 24, 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-public-hearings.

JONATHAN GULLIVER, HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR

PATRICIA A. LEAVENWORTH, P.E., CHIEF ENGINEER

TODAY at 4:00 PM! Vineyard Wind Hosts Virtual Information Sessions

A promotional poster for a virtual information session. The top left features the Vineyard Wind logo (a stylized green and white 'V') and the text 'VINEYARD WIND' in white. Below this is 'Virtual Information Session' in white and 'Paving the Way in Barnstable' in green. A green banner in the center contains the text 'RSVP Today: vineyardwind.com/barnstable'. The background is a photograph of a beach with a lifeguard stand and the ocean. A white box in the bottom right corner contains the date and time: 'September 18 4:00pm'.

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.

**September 18
4:00pm**

Barnstable Affordable Housing Growth & Development Trust Announces New Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

The Barnstable Affordable Housing Growth & Development Trust (the "Trust") is pleased to announce the issuance of a new Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), which is being funded by Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds. The available funds are being offered for the creation, preservation, rehabilitation and support of affordable rental and homeownership housing. The Trust will entertain qualified proposals on a rolling application basis beginning August 1, 2020. The Trust will evaluate the success of the program quarterly. The NOFA offers three categories of funding opportunities:

Predevelopment Activities, Development Activities, and Affordable Homeownership Preservation Program. The NOFA and Applications can be accessed at:

<https://townofbarnstable.us/boardscommittees/AffordableHousingGrowth/>

Questions regarding the NOFA or any of its programs shall be directed to Ruth Weil, ruth.weil@town.barnstable.ma.us.

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

Our seven villages are art-FULL with plenty of arts and culture complete with seaside charm! 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. Be sure to visit artsbarnstable.com and @artsbarnstable on facebook/Instagram.

[Hyannis HyArts Cultural District Happenings](#)

PARK AND WALK | 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 museums, shops, restaurants and more.

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

<https://www.mpay2park.com>

WALK DOWN MAIN STREET!

Spread out along the **Pedestrian Walkway**, created this summer to accommodate physical distancing

while strolling along the street!

HYANNIS HYARTS ARTIST SHANTIES - BISMORE PARK

LOCATION:

OUTDOOR SHOPPING! Spend Art-FULL days in downtown Hyannis.

Open daily: Bismore Park, 180 Ocean Street, Hyannis

SEVEN DAYS A WEEK: Now through September 27, 2020, + fall weekends

11:00 AM - at least 8:00 PM, July & August and until 6:00 PM in September

Artists frequently open early and stay late. October weekends & holiday events

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

artsbarnstable.com @artsbarnstable on facebook/instagram

Cape Cod artists work and sell their wares in the heart of Hyannis' working waterfront. **Artists change weekly, discover new faces and work each visit!** Hand-made, designed or crafted in a variety of mediums: painting, jewelry, photography, ceramics, fiber arts, glasswork, and much more!

HyannisMainStreet.com

OUTDOORS, PHYSICAL DISTANCE - FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES:

Discover Barnstable Journal - Fun activities for all ages - Collect summer memories!

A colorful journal filled with activities and ways to collect all your summer experiences and memories.

Available online and free to KIDS OF ALL AGES. From eye spies, scavenger hunts, to fun facts and word searches, Learn and Discover Barnstable in a new way!

<https://www.townofbarnstable.us/departments/parkingdivision/Projects/discover.asp>

Discover Barnstable Fun Pack: for ages 14 and under, FREE, while supplies last.

An exciting, educational and an entertaining collection of items including a copy of the Discover Barnstable Journal, shellfish activities, Frisbees, water bottles, crayons and other fun items packaged in a drawstring bag. Perfect for exploring and discovering Barnstable!

Get yours today, while supplies last at the Bismore Park Welcome Center!

Bismore Park Welcome Center | Bismore Park, 180 Ocean Street, Hyannis

Information Take-Out Service Window at Bismore Welcome Center:

The Gateway Greeters at Bismore Welcome Center now are safely serving all visitors through a take-out window style operation. Stop by 7 days a week between the hours of 8:00 AM-8:00 PM* to get maps, menus, transportation schedules and other information about all the fantastic ways you can enjoy Barnstable and our neighboring communities here on beautiful Cape Cod.

*Hours vary by month, currently Sunday-Thursday 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Fridays & Saturdays 9:00 AM-7:00 PM

OUTDOORS, PHYSICAL DISTANCE - FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES:

Kennedy Legacy Trail | Main Street to Hyannis Harbor

A self-guided walking trail featuring 10 sites, Hyannis HyArts Cultural District.

Informational signs uncover stories and history about the Kennedys on Cape Cod.

Trail on line at ArtsBarnstable.com

Birdie Riddle Boxes | Cape Cod Trivia

Look for the 11 brightly colored, birdie 'riddle' boxes as you stroll from Main Street through the Hyannis



Village Green to Hyannis Harbor and learn fun facts about Cape Cod along the way. Designed/painted by local artist Donna Rockwell.

Heritage Trail info kiosks | Information along Main Street

Seven blue info kiosks with custom weathervanes dot the street from east to west end of Main Street. Each kiosk features three panels: navigation (map) ; events and a heritage panel filled interesting facts and images with historical significance of Hyannis Main Street and the surrounding community.

Barnstable Village Cultural District Happenings:

Cape Cod Art Center | gift wares and artwork!

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

Tales of Cape Cod - 2020 Live Stream & recorded programs

ALL PROGRAMS \$10.00 Sign up at www.talesofcapecod.org

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.

Dead Neck Sampson's Island Dredging & Beach Nourishment Project – Phase 3

The Town of Barnstable, working with Barnstable County Dredge, will be starting Phase 3 of the Dead Neck Sampson's Island Dredging & Beach Nourishment project on Monday, September 14th. The project includes dredging of approximately 40,000 cubic yards of sand on the west end of the island, which will be re-used onsite for habitat and beach nourishment. Vessels for the transport of Barnstable County Dredge and general contractor employees will be anchored at the Cotuit Town dock for the duration of construction. Dredging operations are anticipated to begin on **September 21, 2020** and anticipated to last through **November 20, 2020**, with beach nourishment activities anticipated to last through **December 30, 2020**. Weather pending, construction/dredging will be on-going, Monday through Saturday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM until completion of this phase of the project. Boat operators in Cotuit Bay and the Seapuit River are encouraged to use caution when operating in this area during dredging and nourishment operations.

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* Drainage & Pavement Improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville/Barnstable Village**

Pavement improvements on Huckins Neck Road in Centerville and Barnstable Village are scheduled to begin on Monday, September 21, 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. Work is expected to be complete by November 20, 2020. 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.



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

Monday, September 21, 2020 through Friday, September 25, 2020 Neuco crews will install gas service on West Bay Road, Osterville. Typical natural gas service installation includes marking out underground utilities within the project area, excavation of the street, laying gas main, relaying customer's individual gas service and connecting those services to the main and installing meters. 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* 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 14th. Work will include approximately thirty-one (31) soil borings within the State Highway Layout of Route 28 (Falmouth Road) in Barnstable, MA, between the intersection with Phinney's 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 15th. 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. Night work in Route 132 will take place on Thursday, September 17th for one night. This work will take place from 6:00 PM to 7:00 AM. 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.

***UPDATED* 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: https://townofbarnstable.us/WaterResources/CWMP_Final.asp any questions regarding this survey effort, or the Town's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan, should be directed to the Barnstable Department of Public Works at 508-790-6400.

MEMA Offers Resource of Testing Site Map

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

Cape Cod Healthcare Mid-Cape COVID-19 Testing Location at Cape Cod Hospital

Cape Cod Healthcare's mid-Cape drive-through testing site is located on the campus of Cape Cod Hospital. A second testing facility on the campus of Falmouth Hospital continues to supplement testing access by serving the upper Cape community. As a reminder, testing is available to any person on the Cape and Islands with a doctor's order, including those with a physician not affiliated with Cape Cod Healthcare and/or not located on Cape Cod. Individuals without a primary care physician can call the dedicated call center (508-862-5595) to be screened for testing by a clinical provider by phone. For more information about COVID-19 testing at Cape Cod Healthcare, see capecodhealth.org/coronavirus.

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: <https://www.mass.gov/mosquitoes-and-ticks>

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 [fact sheet about EEE](#).

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. [Risk maps and EEE and WNV detections](#) will be routinely updated. You can watch a brief video from the State [here](#).

Are You on the Town's Emergency Notification System?

The Barnstable Police Department has an emergency notification system. This system has been used to provide information during the ongoing COVID-19 event and for the recent COMM Water District issue. Did you know that only landlines are part of the federal and state Reverse 911 system and you must register cell phones which are not public records? Make sure you are on our list. Sign up [here](#) today. **What is CodeRED and why is it important to me?** CodeRED is an emergency notification service by which town officials can notify Barnstable residents and businesses by telephone, cellular phone, text message, or electronic mail about time-sensitive emergency situations or important community alerts. The system is capable of sending messages only to specific neighborhoods or the entire town. Only authorized officials are allowed access to use the system. Frequently asked questions can be reviewed [here](#). Be sure to take a moment to learn more about this important notification system.

Hurricane Preparedness

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS
Be Ready Before the Storm

Hurricanes and tropical storms can impact the entire Commonwealth, not just coastal regions

Use MEMA's interactive map to find out if you live or work in a hurricane evacuation zone	Know Your Zone	Have a predetermined emergency plan tailored to your family's needs	Make a Plan
Build an emergency kit that can sustain you and your family for 3-5 days	Build a Kit	As a storm approaches, closely monitor media reports and promptly follow instructions from public safety officials	Stay Informed

Visit mass.gov/mema for more hurricane preparedness resources

Mass.gov

Extra steps to prepare for hurricane season during COVID-19

Include face coverings, disinfectants & hand sanitizer in emergency kits
Sheltering at a hotel or relative's house may be safer than a large shelter, especially if you are in a high risk population

Visit mass.gov/mema for more hurricane preparedness resources about hurricane evacuation zones, emergency plans, emergency kits, and staying informed

Mass.gov

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 [here](#).

TREASURER'S OFFICE

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

For **Tax Title Account information** please call Treasurer's office at 508-862-4656. Payments for lien 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 taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us 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 in 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 1st and the first quarter will be due on August 3rd.

ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

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

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

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

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

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

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff If you would like to make an appointment with a staff member, please call 508-862-4044. Appointments will not be made with any person experiencing cough, fever, or shortness of breath; anyone tested positive for COVID-19; anyone who has been exposed to a tested positive COVID-19 case; or anyone directed to self-quarantine. Staff will ask you to confirm you do not meet any of these criteria upon making the appointment and upon arrival at the appointment.

200 MAIN STREET

Instructions for Dropping Off Permit Applications

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

Instructions for Making an Appointment with Staff

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

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

The Last Word:

Always walk through life as if you have something to learn, and you will.

~Vernon Howard

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

