



Laconia Links

September 9, 2016 - Edition #253



Laconia Multicultural Festival is Saturday, September 10th...Don't miss it!

Laconia Parks & Recreation



Proudly presents:
Squam Lakes Science
Center Program:
WHY DO ANIMALS DO THAT?
Saturday, September 10, 2016
6 pm at the Weirs Community
Park Amphitheater
49 Lucerne Avenue
(Behind the Fire Station)

Free!
*Bring your
own lawn
chair*



Welcome to *Laconia Links* a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

*We look forward to keeping
you up to date on our
beautiful City!*



OPEN HOUSE AT THE BELKNAP MILL

LACONIA MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

10AM TO 4PM

Knitting Room & Power House Museums

Hall of Flags

Larry Frates | Artist-in-Residence Exhibit

Raffle

Riverside Gifts | Locally-Made Gifts

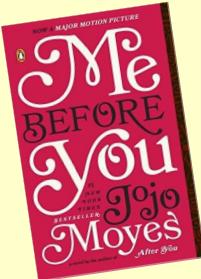
www.belknapmill.org

Laconia Public Library

Upcoming Events....

Adult Fall Book Discussion

This Fall the Laconia Public Library will host ***Living and Dying: Love, Mortality and Quality of Life***, a book discussion series. This series is part of the Laconia Public Library's ongoing effort to bring quality programming to the community and promote literature based discussions.



The first discussion will be held at the Laconia Public Library on Sept. 13 at 7 pm in Laconia Rotary Hall and will feature ***Me Before You*** by JoJo Moyes.



Beaver: Nature's Architects

Thursday, September 15

6:30 pm, Laconia Rotary Hall



The Laconia Public Library is pleased to welcome the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center and their resident beaver. Beavers are a keystone species, important because many other kinds of wildlife depend upon them for survival. Beaver dams create ponds that attract creatures as large as moose to feed on aquatic plants and as small as dragonflies to lay their eggs.

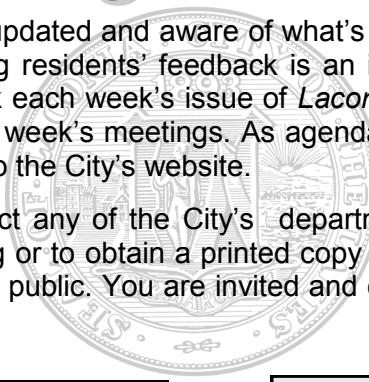


How does a beaver construct its dam? What makes beaver lodges safe from predators? What adaptations help beaver stay underwater for as long as 15 minutes? Come explore beaver country with a naturalist from Squam Lakes Natural Science Center and meet a live beaver up close. This program is open to all and admission is free!

Upcoming Meetings...

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda. Meetings are open to the public. You are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.



Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website. Click on a specific meeting for more information.

Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

Become involved in your City and make a difference!

Heritage Commission

September 14, 2016, 5:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Police Commission

September 15, 2016, 3:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Board of Assessors

September 15, 2016, 5:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Laconia Airport Authority

September 15, 2016, 4:00 pm
Airport Conference Room

Meeting
in
Progress

Please see below for meetings scheduled for the week of September 12 - 16, 2016:

Finance Committee

September 12, 2016, 6:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

City Council

September 12, 2016, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Agenda

Planning Board

September 13, 2016, 6:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Highway Safety Commission

September 13, 2016, 12 noon
Laconia Police Department

Technical Review Comm. I

September 14, 2016, 10:00 am
City Hall, Room 200A

Conservation Commission

September 14, 2016, 9am-3pm
Winnipesaukee River cleanup

LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ensuring success with every student, every day, in every way



[Laconia High School Website](#)



[Huot Career Tech Center Website](#)



[Laconia Middle School Website](#)



[Elm Street School Website](#)



[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights School Website](#)



**CLICK [HERE](#) FOR OUR
ONLINE CALENDAR**



Congratulations to HTC's Mr. Martin for securing a \$7,500 grant from the Gene Haas Foundation. This grant will support Manufacturing & Engineering at the Huot Career and Technical Center! Huot Career and Technical Center was recently highlighted in the NH Business Review on September 1st. Follow this link to read the full article: [Target: career training](#) [Career and technical education addresses the skills gap](#)



On September 2nd, LHS Varsity Football

players were under the Friday night lights!

Although the night's victory went to Hanover, Sachems maintained Laconia PRIDE! Next home game is Friday, September 16th against Plymouth. Go Sachems!



Sachems Varsity Volleyball continued success on September 7th with a 3-0 sweep of Kennett to move to 2-0 on the year in Division II. Read full article, [Here](#). **GO SACHEMS!**

Laconia School Board Members

Ward at-large

Michael Persson

mpersson@laconiaschools.org

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Mal Murray (Vice-Chairperson)

mmurray@laconiaschools.org

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Barbara Luther

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Stacie Sirois (Chairperson)

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Ward #6

Heather Lounsbury

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Dates to Remember

9/14: PSS We Walk Wednesday

9/15: LMS Picture Day

9/16: WHS Picture Day

9/21: LHS Picture Day

9/22: WHS Yankee Candle Fundraiser Due

9/23: ESS Picture Day

9/24: Homecoming Parade at 4:30pm

10/5: PSS Picture Day



ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2016

Rotary Park Stage

10 AM – Parade of Flags
10:15 – Opening Ceremonies with Mayor Engler
10:30 – 11 – Alte Kameraden German Trio
11 – 11:30 – Artsfest French-Canadian circus
11:30 – 12 – Alte Kameraden Trio reprise
12:12:30 – Ikiirenga Rwandan Group
12:30 -1 – Rui Santos & Tuff Riddim
1 – 1:30 – Ikiirenga reprise
1:30 – 2 – Rui Santos reprise
2 – 2:30 - Tara Little Irish Dancers
2:30 -3 – El Arte Flamenco demonstration
3:00–4:00 – Edwin Pabon Salsero

Inside the Belknap Mill: 10 – 4

Open House, Tour the Knitting Room & Power House, Art Exhibit & a visit with Mr. J.P. Morin. And check out The Hall of Flags in the lobby!!

City Hall Stage

11 – Noon – The O'Brien Clan
Noon – 1 – Kunnaway, Native American flutist
1:00 – 4:00 – Tyler Road

Healthlink Parking Lot

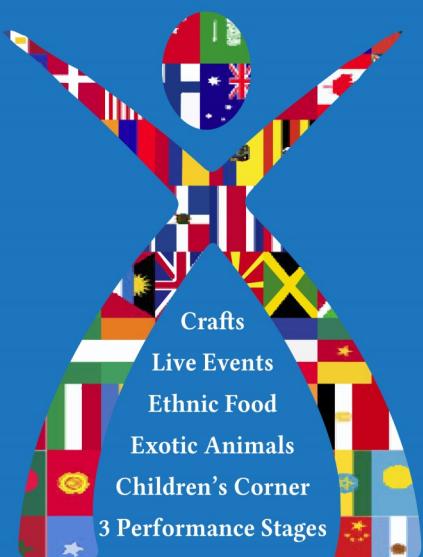
10:30 - Larry Frates "Nascimento" magic show
11 :30 – "Pound" demo by Raw Fitness
12:00 – Artsfest Hoop & Circus demo
1:00 – Lindsey's Puppets
1:30– Larry Frates, cartoon storytelling
2:00 – Lindsey's Puppets
3:00 – Caricatures by Larry Frates

AND

10 – 4 - WILDLIFE ENCOUNTERS
12-3 – Face Painting with Rosemary



Laconia Multicultural Festival Saturday, September 10



Rotary Park Downtown Laconia, NH

Sponsored by:

Laconia Human Relations Committee
and the Historic Belknap Mill

www.laconiamulticulturalfestival.org



JOIN US for the
6th Annual Autism Center Walkathon
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Sunday, September 18 ~ 10 am to 1 pm



WOW Trail & Lakes Region Community Services
719 North Main St., Laconia (Check-in starts at 9:30 am)

A Community Event Supporting the Autism Center of Central New Hampshire

The Autism Center supports parents to *educate, encourage and advocate* for their child with autism.

Walk with Us - Collect Pledges - Form a Team- Become a Sponsor

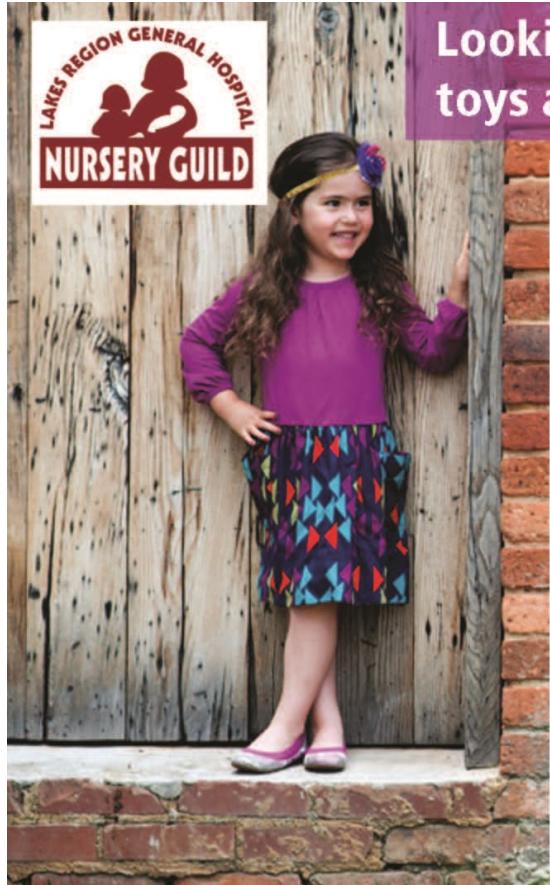
Help families with children and youth on the Autism Spectrum receive the support they need.

Raise \$25 and receive a Walkathon Tee Shirt!

Join us for lunch following the walkathon. Everyone is welcome!



For more information visit www.lrcs.org or contact Samantha Seymour at 524-8811.



Looking for gently used children's clothing
toys and furniture at an affordable price?

**LRGH Nursery Guild's
Annual Fall Children's Boutique
Saturday, October 15**

9am - 2:30pm at the Laconia Community Center

Donations/Consignments of gently used Fall & Winter children's clothing (NB-size 16) Halloween costumes, toys, books and children's furniture.

We are unable to accept
car seats, cribs and stuffed animals.

Donations/Consignments accepted at the
Laconia Community Center, Union Avenue

Wednesday, October 12 • 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Thursday, October 13 • 9:00am - 6:00pm

Proceeds from this event support women's and children's services and organizations in the Lakes Region communities.
LRGH Nursery Guild is a 501c3 nonprofit organization

For more information contact us at:
524-3211 x3018
or nurseryguild@lrgh.org

Join us at the
Laconia Main
Street Outdoor
Marketplace!



Thursdays
June 16th to September 29th, 2016
3pm 'till 6pm

Municipal Parking Lot Downtown Laconia

Laconia Farmers' Market
Live Free and Eat Local

Join us Every Saturday
June 18—September 24
8am—12 noon

Beacon Street East
Laconia City Hall Parking Lot
Laconia, NH



Tanger FIT FOR A CURE 5K
2016
RUN/WALK

Fit For A Cure 5K Run/Walk
Tilton, NH, Sunday, October 2, 2016

Online Registration Deadline: Friday, Sept 30, 2016

**For additional information and to
register, click [HERE!](#)**



Loon Preservation Committee Presentation, September 15th



Loon Preservation Committee Senior Biologist and Executive Director Harry Vogel's presentation will cover loon natural history, the threats loons face in New Hampshire and the work the Committee is doing to protect them.

The event is scheduled for Thursday, September 15 at 2 p.m. in Taylor Community's Woodside Building. Please RSVP by calling 524-5600.

Free and open to the public!



15th Anniversary

THE LRGH AUXILIARY
Annual Fall Craft Fair

October 15, 9am-3pm Laconia High School
345 Union Avenue

Bake Sale
Raffle Table
Door Prizes
**Over 65
Crafters**



Refreshments by Annie's Cafe and Catering.
Free Admission. Donations gladly accepted.

 Proceeds benefit the LRGHealthcare Breast Health Program & Auxiliary Projects

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



Wednesday, September 14, 2016
11am - 2pm

Lakes Region Fall JOB EXPO
Contigiani's Conference & Event
Center at Pheasant Ridge
Golf Club, 140 Country
Club Road in Gilford

200+ Jobs Available !



A Medication Collection and Disposal Box is located in the lobby of the Laconia Police Department for your convenience in disposing of old or unused prescription drugs in a safe manner. Open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk.
The collection box is accessible 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week!



Don't know what to do with your extra tomatoes, zucchini, squash, cucumbers, etc. from your garden?

Consider donating them to your local Harvest Box.



Harvest Box™ Locations:

Gilford Public Library

31 Potter Hill Road, Gilford, NH 03249

Franklin City Hall

316 Central Street, Franklin, NH 03235

Bessie Rowell Community Center

12 Rowell Dr, Franklin, NH 03235

Pines Community Center

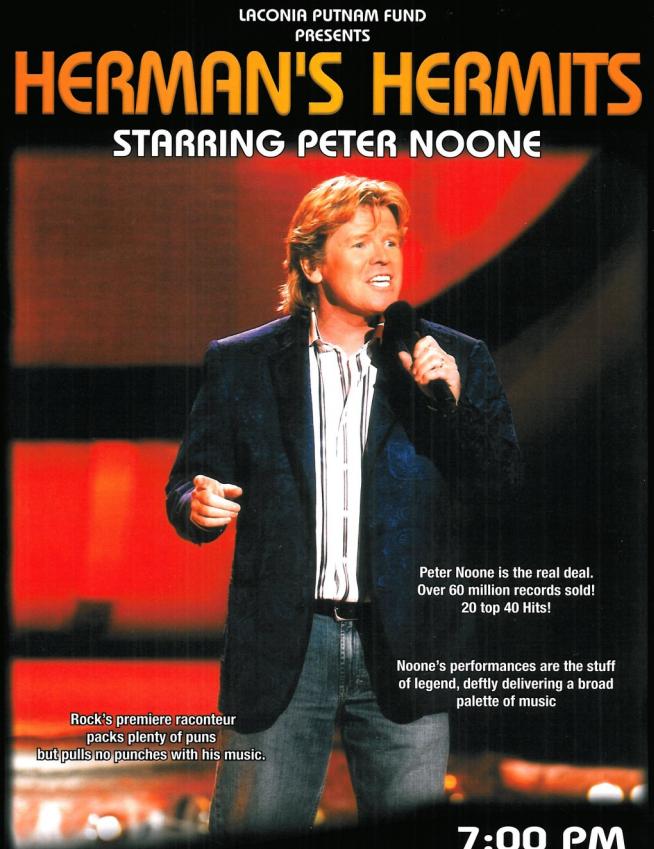
61 Summer St, Northfield, NH 03276

Laconia Community Center

306 Union Ave, Laconia, NH 03246



A Special Thanks to 



7:00 PM

September 23, 2016

Laconia Middle School Auditorium

Admission is **FREE**. First come, first seated –no tickets required

Like us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/LaconiaPutnamFund> 



Public Works Department

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM
Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

All Laconia households play a vital role in preventing neighborhood sewer system blockages. Please do your part to protect and maintain the City's significant investment in the sanitary sewer collection system. Click [here](#) to find out what is not allowed to be disposed of in the toilet or down the drain, and the proper way to dispose of such items. Questions? Please call Matt Mooney, DPW, at 528-6379, Extension 303.

**VOTE
HERE**

The Primary Election is
September 13, 2016 from
7am to 7pm for State and
County offices.

Ward 1 - Belknap County Nursing Home

Ward 2 - St. Andre Bessette Parish Hall

Ward 3 - Laconia Middle School

Ward 4 - Memorial Park Clubhouse

Ward 5 - Woodland Heights Elementary School

Ward 6 - Leavitt Park Clubhouse

**For questions, please call the City Clerk's
office at 527-1265.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Pumpkin
Festival**

October 22, 2016

LACONIA, NH

USA



COUNTDOWN TO PUMPKIN FESTIVAL!

*Stay up to date on the NH Pumpkin
Festival! Click the image above.....*



**Multi-talented George "Rusty" Locke to
Perform at Taylor Community**

George "Rusty" Locke was born in New Hampshire almost 70 years ago and has spent much of his life in this land of hard stone walls and tall pines. His music spans decades and contains bits and pieces of his life strung out in a variety of musical styles.

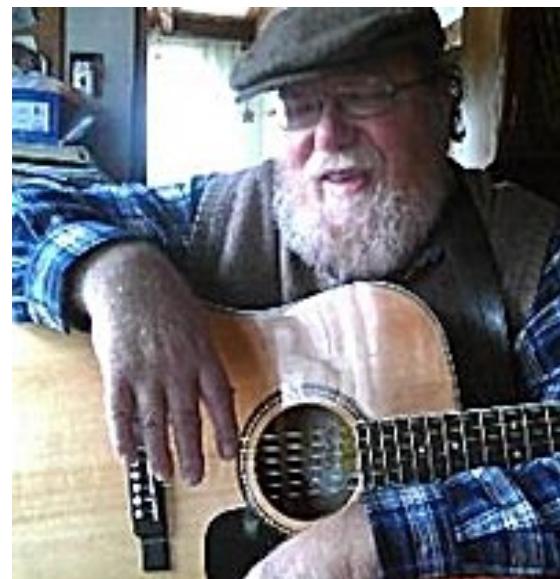
Locke is a gifted storyteller, musician, actor and writer and brings his talents to Taylor Community on Monday, Sept. 19 for a 2 p.m. performance at Taylor's Woodside Building.

This event is free and open to the public, but please RSVP to 524-5600 to ensure seating.

Locke joined the Army at 17 and went to Korea as a photographer and combat journalist in the early 1960's, writing for the 1st Cavalry Division and The Pacific Edition of Stars and Stripes. It was while he was in the Far East that Locke began writing the songs of his life.

When he returned to the states, he spent time in the southwest as a radio producer and writer at White Sands Missile Range and began performing and touring in the West Texas area where he absorbed the young folk music explosion that was taking place.

After the service, Locke returned to New England and attended school in Boston, then began a career in radio broadcasting in central New Hampshire.





OPECHEE GARDEN CLUB OPENS FALL PROGRAMS WITH "FOLKLORE OF GARDEN & WILD FLOWERS"



On Monday, September 12, 2016, at 1 P.M., Opechee Garden Club will begin its fall programs at the Gilford Community Church, 19 Potter Hill Road, in Gilford. A Business Meeting will be followed by a speaker program titled, "Folklore of Garden and Wild Flowers", presented by Marilyn Gilmour, New Hampshire's 2003 Environmental Educator of the Year.

Dedicated to bringing the beauty and importance of nature to the forefront, Marilyn had most of her formal education in Massachusetts, studying and graduating from the Hathaway School of Conservation, as well as the Essex County Agricultural School, and finally at Salem State College where she studied natural history, exotic trees shrubs, botany and geology.

In Audubon, Massachusetts, at the Ipswich River Wildlife Center, Mari was a tour guide, a director of their summer camp, and director of volunteers. She brought nature programs to the mentally ill and the criminally insane by providing wild flower and nature walks, birding, and water color paintings of nature.

More recently, she has served as a Senior Program Naturalist and Pre-K Coordinator and Director at the Seacoast Science Center of Rye, New Hampshire, where she worked for 21 years creating programs for both children and adults. Mari is currently employed at the Misty Meadows Herb Farm in New Hampshire, as a wild crafter, one who forages for wild medicinal plants, and is attending school there to become a certified herbalist. Additionally, she has been creating natural history and woodland hikes during the summer for children in nearby communities.

While she has several different program offerings available, Mari will be delivering a power point presentation that will focus on garden and wild flowers and the folklore that accompanies them.

Hospitality Chairs, Carol Block and Carolyn Dickey, along with their Committee, Rachel Achber, Lois Bolduc, Gail Brewer, Eleanor Brouillard, Priscilla Clark, Nancy Fuchs, Carmel Lancia, Nancy Leroy, Brenda O'Brien, Connie Russell, and Sharon Tyler, will provide refreshments and table décor. While the Business Meeting begins at 1:00 P.M., members and their guests are encouraged to arrive between 12:30-1:00 P.M., to chat and visit with friends before the meeting begins. Opechee Garden Club always welcomes new members!

Opechee Garden Club is a member of the New Hampshire Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., the New England Region, and the National Garden Clubs, Inc. Contact us at: opecheegardenclub2012@gmail.com





Don't forget !
ServiceLink
Resource Center
(1-866-634-9412 or
528-6945)....it's the first
number to call for
senior services.

Flu + You



Flu is a serious disease, especially for older adults. Take steps to help maintain your health during flu season. Click on the image (left) to read a National Council on Aging brochure on influenza and prevention!

*Laconia Senior Center is located at
17 Church Street in Laconia.
Questions? Call 524-7689*

We hope you have enjoyed this Edition of Laconia Links

We welcome your input, comments and suggestions!

Feel free to contact us at the City Manager's office, 527-1270, or by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers,
City Manager
City's Website:
www.city.laconia.nh.us



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

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| Assessing | 527-1268 |
| Assessor - Deb Derrick | |
| City Clerk..... | 527-1265 |
| City Clerk - Mary Reynolds | |
| City Manager | 527-1270 |
| City Manager - Scott Myers | |
| Code Enforcement..... | 527-1293 |
| Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin | |
| Finance | 524-3877 |
| Finance Director - Donna Woodaman | |
| Licensing | 528-6331 |
| Licensing Clerk - Cheryl Hebert | |
| Planning & Comm. Dev. | 527-1264 |
| Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin | |
| Tax | 527-1269 |
| Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen | |
| Welfare..... | 527-1267 |
| Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack | |
| Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman | |
| Fire Dept. (Central Station) | 524-6881 |
| Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) | 366-2229 |
| Fire Chief - Ken Erickson | |
| Library | 524-4775 |
| Library Director - Randy Brough | |
| Parks & Recreation..... | 524-5046 |
| Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy | |
| Personnel | 524-3877 |
| Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel | |
| Police (Administration) | 524-5257 |
| Police (Crime Line) | 524-1717 |
| Police Chief - Christopher Adams | |
| Public Works (Main Office) | 528-6379 |
| Public Works (Transfer Station) | 528-5822 |
| Public Works Director - Wes Anderson | |
| Water..... | 524-0901 |
| Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman | |

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| Henry Lipman (Ward 3) | 528-0191 |
| Brenda Baer (Ward 4) | 524-6349 |
| Robert Hamel (Ward 5) | 524-6360 |
| Armand Bolduc (Ward 6) | 524-2514 |
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