

Londonderry Town Hall Newsletter



February 2016 Edition ~ Our Seventeenth Edition

FIRST THINGS FIRST

New Londonderry Outdoor Recreation and Conservation Newsletter

The Conservation Commission just launched a free email newsletter to keep residents informed about outdoor recreation events in town, our wonderful conserved properties, ongoing conservation efforts, conservation educational opportunities, animal and plant knowledge and updates from the Londonderry Conservation Commission. Signing up is easy. You can either go to <http://goo.gl/luDcu6> or text **CONSERVATION** to **42828** to subscribe.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR TOWN MANAGER

Dear Londonderry Residents,

Over 10,000 people voted in the NH Presidential Primary – a healthy sign that our democracy is alive and well – and that more people than ever are engaged in the process. But the good news doesn't stop there as you have an opportunity to participate in the great democratic process once again on March 8th when the Town holds its annual elections and voting on warrant articles. Wouldn't it be great if we could get 10,000 or even 5,000 residents in Town to participate and have a voice in how their local government is run?! Why not! If you're planning on voting in this year's Town election, remind your friends, neighbors, and relatives to get out and vote as well!!! It's the political matters closest to home that can have the greatest effect on our daily lives – so let's not limit our participation to only voting for the national figures that come through our state every four years – rather be deliberate about having a say in local issues and get out and vote on Tuesday, March 8th!

~Kevin



SRPING FEVER??



Londonderry Lions Club Presents...

Bobby and the Sharptones

Rock and roll classics of the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's



*Free Coffee
and
pastries*

*50/50
Drawings*

*Gift Certificates
Raffles*

*Sodas and
Water For Sale*

B.Y.O.B

*Free Chips
and
popcorn*

Join us for a Spring Time themed Dance/Concert
proceeds benefit High School scholarships,
Local sight and hearing, Thanksgiving and
Christmas baskets

Date: Saturday, March 26, 2016 Lions Hall Mammoth Road,
Londonderry, NH

Time: 7-11pm

Cost \$20/person, \$35/couple ... Reserve tables available
For tickets and information call Jerry,
603-434-5307



**WELCOME
BACK!!**

Did you know our Harold Square Restaurant is back and open for business! If you can this week, give yourself a break from trying to figure out lunch or dinner and head over to meet Mike and Maureen Cook, the new owners of Harold Square!

To view their menu, visit their website at
www.haroldsquarenh.com.





WALKING AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

SAFETY TIPS FOR SENIORS



Information courtesy of Detective Chris Olson, the Londonderry Police Department & Londonderry Senior Resources Committee

Below is a list of tips that the Londonderry Police Department would like you to keep in mind as you go out for a walk through the trails in Londonderry or even down your own street....

- Walk or exercise in pairs or groups.
- Have a cell phone with you and make sure it's fully charged.
- Carry a form of identification.
- Let others know you are out for a hike. Let them know where you will be and how long you plan on being out. If you don't have a cell phone, this is a great way for first responders to locate you in case of an emergency. The person who knows where you are and what time you should have returned can provide valuable information that could save your life.
- Familiarize yourself with the area prior to the activity. Google Earth is a great way to learn the layout of an area before going.
- Don't veer off path. Know your route and stick to it to avoid getting lost.
- Avoid walking after dusk and before dawn.
- If you feel concerned for something ahead of you, turn around.
- Call 911 any time you are concerned.
- Set a specific amount of time to be out and stick to it.
- Do not overdo it. Set a daily activity goal and stick with it.
- Carry plenty of water with you.
- Dress for the weather and be prepared for sudden changes.
- Use a walking stick for balance and to ward off animals.
- If you encounter someone with a dog on or off leash, stop walking and let them pass. If you are uncomfortable, ask them to take control of their animal until they are well past you.
- Be sure to always carry your license or another form of ID with you.
- If you have a dog with you, make sure they are always under control.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, contact the Londonderry Police Department at (603) 432-1118.

LONDONDERRY ✓ VOTER INFORMATION

A Message from our Supervisors of the Voter Checklist

We will meet at the Town Hall on Saturday, February 27, 2016 from 10:00 am to noon to register voters and correct the checklist. Anyone who has not previously registered may do so for the Town/School Election. Proof of citizenship, identity, and residency is needed, or affidavits may be signed.

PLEASE NOTE: This is the LAST DAY for anyone not previously registered to do so BEFORE the March 8, 2016 Town/School Election.

NOTE: Registrations will be accepted at the election with documentation.



Londonderry's Town Election will be held on Tuesday, March 8, 2016. Voting will take place at the Londonderry High School gymnasium on Mammoth Road. The polls open at 7:00 am and close at 8:00 pm. We will be electing two members for the Town Council, a Town Moderator, two members for the Budget Committee, three Leach Library Trustees, a Town Treasurer and a Checklist Supervisor.

Due to an oversight, the open position for Town Treasurer was not advertised during the ten-day sign-up period. Thus, anyone interested in running for this position may not have been aware that it was an open position. Again, it was an oversight of human error for which we at Town Hall apologize. That said, voters will still be able to choose a Town Treasurer via write-in vote.

Since no one signed up for the position of Checklist Supervisor, that race will also be decided by a tally of write-ins. Several warrant articles are on the ballot for March 8th as well.

Anyone with questions about the election should call the Town Clerk's office at 603/432-1100 X199 or X195.

Let's all do our civic duty and vote!



LONDONDERRY ✓ VOTER INFORMATION

TOWN MEETING FAQ'S

Please visit our website www.londonderrynh.org under the 'Town News' tab on the front page to view the 2015 Town of Londonderry Annual Report. Books will be made available on Election Day, March 8th.

When do I vote for all town warrant articles, town and school elected officials, and the school warrant articles?

Tuesday, March 8, 2016
7:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Londonderry High School Gymnasium

Town of
Londonderry, NH



2015 Annual Town Report

COUNTING & TESTING OF BALLOTS



FOR.....



TOWN ELECTION


Wednesday, March 2, 2016 @ 2:00 pm

SUNNYCREST CONFERENCE ROOM

TOWN HALL FIRST FLOOR

Posted by Sherry Farrell, Londonderry Town Clerk

SAMPLE BALLOT



ABSENTEE


OFFICIAL BALLOT

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 8, 2016

BALLOT 1 OF 2



TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:

B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.

C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

TOWN COUNCIL

Three Year Term

Vote for not more than Three

JOHN FARRELL

☐

TOM DOLAN

☐

TED COMBES

☐

(Write in)

☐

TOWN MODERATOR

Two Year Term

Vote for not more than One

BOB SAUR

☐

(Write in)

☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Three Year Term

Vote for not more than Three

CHRISTINE PATTON

☐

DONALD A. MOSKOWITZ

☐

(Write in)

☐

TRUSTEE OF LEACH LIBRARY

Three Year Term

Vote for not more than Three

JOHN A. CURRAN

☐

ROBERT J. COLLINS

☐

PAULINE CARON

☐

(Write in)

☐

TREASURER

Three Year Term

Vote for not more than One

(Write in)

☐

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

Six Year Term

Vote for not more than One

(Write in)

☐

ARTICLES

ARTICLE NO. 2: [APPROPRIATION TO EXPENDABLE MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of TWO HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$210,000) to be placed in the Town's Expendable Maintenance Trust Fund with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 3: [FISCAL YEAR 2017 TOWN OPERATING BUDGET]

Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$25,591,028? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$25,594,363, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$17,924,679 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$4.17 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE NO. 4: [POLICE OUTSIDE DETAIL]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$494,678) for the purpose of covering Police Outside Details with said funds to come from the Police Outside Detail Special Revenue Fund.

(These services are funded through user fees and require no property tax support.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 5: [FUND SEWER FUND]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SIX MILLION THREE HUNDRED SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR DOLLARS (\$6,307,524) for defraying the cost of construction, payment of the interest on any debt incurred, management, maintenance, operation and repair of constructed sewer systems. Such fund shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, shall not be commingled with town tax revenues, and shall not be deemed part of the municipality's general fund accumulated surplus, all in accordance with RSA 149:1.

(These services are funded through user fees and require no property tax support.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 6: [RECREATION COMMISSION - COURT RESURFACING]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate THIRTY EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$38,000) for the purpose of resurfacing the Town's basketball and tennis courts located on Nelson Road, with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 7: [APPROPRIATE TO THE ROADWAY MAINTENANCE ETF]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$650,000) to be placed in the Roadway Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 8: [SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) for improvements to the Londonderry Senior Center with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT



ABSENTEE


OFFICIAL BALLOT

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 8, 2016

BALLOT 2 OF 2



TOWN CLERK

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE NO. 9: [APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS TO EXPAND CEMETERIES, TO REPLACE HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENT, HIGHWAY TRUCKS, FIRE EQUIPMENT AND FIRE TRUCKS, AND TO MAINTAIN GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS (GIS)]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$724,000) to be placed accordingly in the following capital reserve funds, with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance: Highway Trucks \$50,000, Highway Heavy Equipment \$30,000, Fire Equipment \$149,000, Fire Trucks \$380,000, Pitabury Cemetery Expansion \$75,000, GIS \$40,000. TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$724,000.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 10: [FUND SEWER EXPANSION]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) for the specific purpose of expanding the Route 102 sewer system along the commercial district from the area of Home Depot to the intersection with Mammoth Road with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 11: [APPROPRIATION OF LAND USE CHANGE TAXES TO THE CONSERVATION FUND AND THE GENERAL FUND]

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of RSA 79-A:25 IV, to place annually the first ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$100,000) from the Land Use Change Tax in the Conservation Fund, then 40% of revenues in excess of \$100,000 with the balance deposited into the general fund; currently, the first One-Hundred Thousand (\$100,000) from the Land Use Change Tax and Forty percent (40%) of the remainder of the revenues received from the Land Use Change Tax are placed in the Conservation Fund. The change shall be effective April 1, 2016. This article would not change the current funding formula.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 3-2 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 12: [TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT OF TAX MAP 6-97-1 FROM CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO TOWN MANAGER]

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of all supervision, management duties and responsibilities of the land surrounding the Town Common and fronting on Mammoth Road and Pitabury Road, Tax Map 6-97-1, which is sometimes referred to as the "Town Forest", from the Conservation Commission to the Town Manager, with the advice and recommendations from the Historic District/Heritage Commission, Conservation Commission and Town Council.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 4-1 recommends a YES vote.

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE BALLOT

ARTICLES CONTINUED

ARTICLE NO. 13: [APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH AN ADDICTION AND COUNSELING PROGRAM]

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000) to establish an addiction and counseling program for families in need with said funds to come from the June 30 Unassigned Fund Balance.

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote.

ARTICLE NO. 14: [APPROPRIATION TO ESTABLISH A FAMILY MEDIATION PROGRAM]

To see if the Town of Londonderry will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ZERO (\$0) and re-establish the family mediation program for Londonderry families in need. Also, establish a special revenue fund to allow and accept any and all gifts, donations and grants to support the Family Mediation Program. If approved, such funds shall be incorporated in the annual default budget calculation and only a vote at Town Meeting can defund the program. (BY CITIZENS PETITION)

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 5-0 recommends a YES vote; the Budget Committee did not vote on this item as it is non-monetary.

ARTICLE NO. 15: [TERM LIMITS FOR ALL NON-LAND USE BOARDS - ADVISORY VOTE]

To see if the voters will recommend to the Town Council to propose an amendment to the Town Charter to set term-limits on appointments to all non-land use boards. This question shall be non-binding on the Town Council. (BY CITIZENS PETITION)

(If passed, this article will require the Town to raise \$0.00 in property taxes, resulting in a tax rate impact of \$0.00 in FY 17 based upon projected assessed values.)

YES ☐

NO ☐

The Town Council by a vote of 4-1 recommends a NO vote; the Budget Committee did not vote on this item as it is non-monetary.

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

Please visit the 'Town News' section of our website to view the full size ballot. Thank you!

Town of Londonderry | 268B Mammoth Rd | Londonderry | NH | 03053

Leach Library News



Reference News Museum Passes



Are you benefitting from all that the Leach Library has to offer? We have many diverse collections of books, DVDs, audio books, databases, music, and downloadable audio and e-books, as well as enlightening and enjoyable programs for both children and adults. In addition, we also offer cultural and learning experiences outside the library through our museum passes.

We have many passes to museums in New Hampshire. The Currier Museum of Art pass includes free entry to any films, musical programs, and lectures on the day of your visit, as well as permanent and special art exhibits. Learn the heritage of the Manchester mills at the Millyard Museum and Research Center or bring the kids to the SEE Science Center in Manchester to let them explore and acquire hands on experiences to learn basic science concepts. You can get back to nature at the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center where there are animal exhibits and trails for meandering as well as Kirkwood Gardens. Feel what life in space is like at the McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center. Just a few of the captivating exhibits include CATSAT, a satellite designed by UNH students to detect gamma rays, Lunar Recon: Spacecrafts, Craters, and Cosmic Rays, The XF8U-2 Crusader, and a tribute to Alan Shepard and Christa McAuliffe.

Other museums for which we have passes are located outside of New Hampshire. The Boston Children's Museum turns interactive play into an enlightening learning experience. You can spend hours with bubbles, construction, peeps, raceway, and countless other exhibits. The Museum of Science in Boston offers live demonstrations, a butterfly garden, live animals, planetarium, an IMAX theatre and much more. The Peabody Essex Museum in Salem, Massachusetts presents a cultural experience in art and history. Some of the current exhibits include Sizing it up: Scale in Nature and Art, MegaCity: India's Culture of the Streets, Importing Splendor: Luxuries from China, and Stickwork: Patrick Dougherty. The New England Aquarium in Boston is our newest pass. Come see the giant ocean tank full of sea turtles, stingrays, eels, and fish, the daily aquarium shows, the Penguin exhibit, and much more.

Leach Library card holders may reserve passes by calling the library at 432-1132. Museum passes offer free admission or discounted rates. Check on our website or in the library for the specifics of each pass. Be sure to plan ahead, especially for school vacations and weekends, as they usually go quickly.



Dinner in 30 Minutes



Pancetta-and-Brussels Sprouts Linguini

INGREDIENTS

½ lb. linguini
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper
6 oz. unsliced pancetta (or 6 slices thick-cut bacon)
1 medium sweet onion
1 lb. Brussels sprouts
2 clove garlic
⅓ c. dry white wine
3 oz. grated Parmesan cheese



Recipe and image courtesy of Country Living at
www.countryliving.com/food-drinks

DIRECTIONS

Cook the pasta in boiling salted water according to package directions; reserve 1 cup pasta water. Drain. While pasta is cooking: Sauté pancetta and onion in a large deep skillet over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until pancetta is browned and onions are caramelized, 8 to 10 minutes. Add brussels sprouts and garlic and sauté, stirring until leaves are bright green, 2 minutes. Stir in wine, scraping brown bits from bottom of skillet. Add pasta, grated Parmesan, and 1/2 to 3/4 cup reserved pasta water, and stir until Parmesan is melted and pasta is creamy and well coated. Season with salt and pepper. Serve immediately, sprinkled with pepper and shaved Parmesan. Enjoy!!