



# Town of Rye Newsletter



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## Selectmen's Message:

### Town Hall Annex, Town Wide Assessment and More

**Town Hall Annex:** On February 28, 2022, the Select Board held a public meeting to disclose the results of the RFP for the Town Hall Annex project. A single proposal was received from Triple Construction for \$698,592. Subsequent to that, the Select Board at their meeting on March 14, 2022, voted to reject the bid from Triple Construction and authorized the Town Administrator to re-engage with Triple Construction for the purpose of value engineering the project. The Town Administrator, project designer, Building Inspector and Deputy Building Inspector met with representatives from Triple Construction on March 22, 2022 to re-define the scope of the project with the intent of significantly reducing the cost. On May 18, 2022, Triple Construction provided a re-quote to the Town which the Select Board discussed at their May 23, 2022 meeting. The preliminary revised price came in at \$573,848.00. Contained in that proposed pricing are a number of items the Select Board discussed eliminating in order to further reduce the cost. At this time Triple is taking those items into consideration in order to provide a final proposed scope of work and final pricing. If all goes well we hope to have construction begin by mid to late summer with the bulk of the work done by

the end of the year.

**Town Wide Property Revaluation Update:** According to State Law Towns must reevaluate all property every five years to bring property assessments uniformly in line with market conditions as of April 1, 2022.

**Town Wide Property Revaluation and Database Preparation:** Sale inspections for the analysis period have been completed. Supervisor review of new sales are being conducted in the field and within the CAMA systems through sales analysis. Final sale surveys are being reviewed as they are returned to the town or completed online. Callback letters have been mailed to property owners which only had an exterior inspection and did not complete a sale survey. Callback appointments were scheduled online or by calling the MRI office and took place the week of May 16, 2022.

**Error Reports:** MRI staff are running numerous sales analysis and error reports to review values for accuracy and consistency. The review is necessary to catch errors and see if the percentage of increase resulting from the revaluation is consistent throughout the town.

**Next Phases:** As project phases 2-5 are finalized, MRI will seek to establish a date to present preliminary

values to the Select Board. This will most likely happen during the Select Board meeting on Wednesday, June 29, 2022. If there are questions or concerns about the revaluation project, please do not hesitate to contact MRI 603-279-0352.

**Lang Road/US 1 Intersection:** Work is finally underway to correct the safety hazard for vehicles turning left (south) from Lang Road onto Route 1 (Lafayette Rd). Construction is planned to be completed in August that will reroute traffic, planning to turn south onto Route 1 from Lang Road, onto this new road behind the Service Credit Union to Longmeadow Road and then to the traffic light at the intersection of Route 1 and Ocean Road. This will then allow traffic turning left onto US 1 to do so with the protection of the traffic signal. A slight inconvenience, but it will ensure safety for south bound vehicles from Lang Road onto Route 1. Traffic traveling west on Lang Road, that plan to turn right onto Route 1, will be allowed to continue to do so as it currently is. Unfortunately, the proximity of the US 1/Ocean Road traffic light to the intersection of Lang and US 1 precludes a new traffic light at the Lang Road/US1 intersection and thereby necessitates this change in the traffic pattern. That said, this will significantly improve the safety for Rye residents planning to travel south onto Route 1.

**Pease Cargo Facility:** At their January 2022 meeting, the Pease Development Authority (PDA) approved giving a 180-day option to Procon/Kane on two parcels of land at Pease: Hanger 227 at the end of Aviation Avenue and on property adjacent to the airports north apron (40 acres of undeveloped land). These sites would

## NO SPRAY

Residents who do not want their property treated for mosquitoes must contact Dragon Mosquito Control by sending an email to [help@dragonmosquito.com](mailto:help@dragonmosquito.com). Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number and a description of your property with boundaries OR visit their website at [www.DragonMosquito.com](http://www.DragonMosquito.com) and click on the "No-Spray Registry" tab to register your No-Spray request online. Residents who would like to have their stagnant water checked for mosquitoes may call Dragon's office at (603) 734-4144 or email [help@dragonmosquito.com](mailto:help@dragonmosquito.com). There is no charge for this service. Contact Dragon Mosquito for more information on spray dates, location, materials used, precautions and other concerns.

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potentially house over 724,000 sq feet of air cargo warehouse space. At the March Rye election, a group of Rye residents maned a table with details on the impact of this project on the residents of Rye. Rye is directly on the flight path for runway 34 which is used by 80% of all flights coming into and out of Pease. Aircraft enter Rye over Straws Point and fly directly over the center of Town at normally 1,200 to 1,800 feet high. As the majority of air freight aircraft fly at night, the noise from these aircraft would easily awaken residents in that area of Town. In addition to the night time noise, such a substantial facility would result in vastly increased heavy truck traffic and would most certainly change the quality of life for many seacoast residents. Both the aircraft and heavy truck traffic would also generate substantially increased environmental pollution.

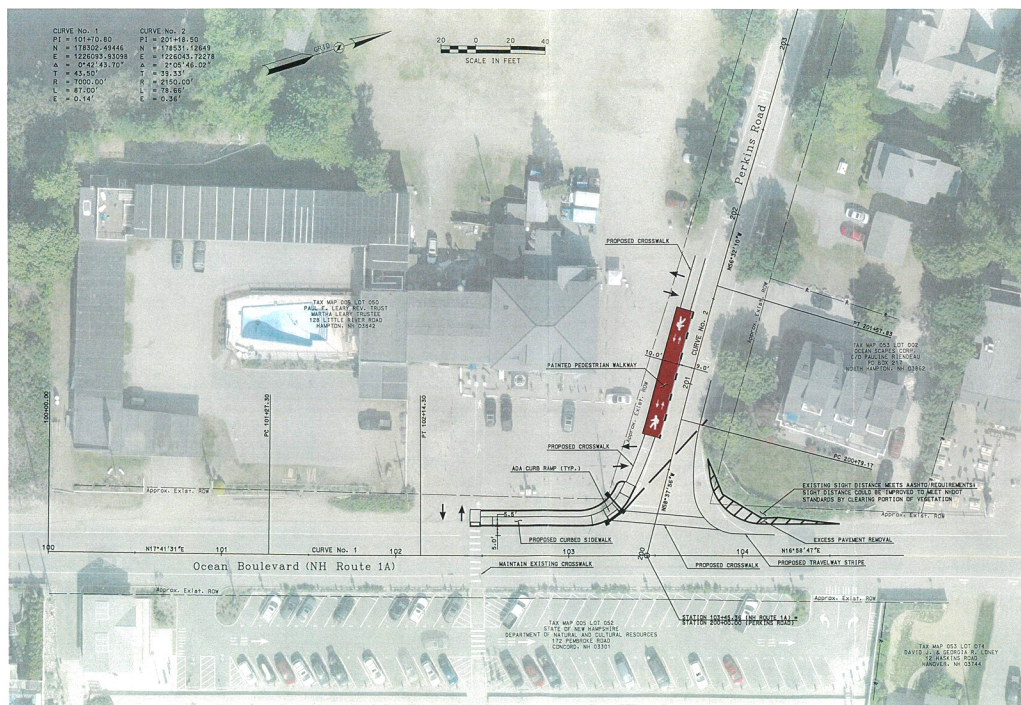
At the March election nearly 500 residents signed a petition to “Say No To Pease Cargo” and subsequently the petition has been signed by 1,000 seacoast residents. Responding to the request by a myriad of Rye residents, the Selectboard submitted a letter to the PDA Board expressing our concerns, on behalf of our residents, and objected to the cargo facility plans. The Town of Durham has also submitted a similar letter. Selectboard members have also attended and spoken at PDA meetings. Many letters to the editor of the Portsmouth Herald have been also submitted by Rye and seacoast residents objecting to the plans for the cargo facility. At the May 19<sup>th</sup> PDA Board Meeting we were pleased to hear representatives from ProCon/Kane announce that they have decided not to pursue an air cargo facility at Pease. They expressed their interest now to work with other types of aeronautical research and development companies as well as potential advanced manufacturing end users.

That said, another development company, East West Aeronautical announced that they are committed to bring an air cargo proposal to the PDA Board. **They plan to do so at the Board's June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting to**

**be held at 55 International Drive, Pease beginning at 8:30am. We encourage interested parties to attend this meeting.**

**The Perkins Road/Ocean Boulevard intersection**, with its combination of private businesses, pedestrian and traffic congestion has long been a source of concern for both Town officials, residents and business owners alike. So much so that in 2019, the Select Board appointed a group of citizens (Perkins Road Safety Committee) to study that intersection and make a recommendation to the Select Board on how to reduce the vehicular confusion and increase pedestrian safety. The Committee made several short-term recommendations most of which were instituted like the temporary bollards, and no parking striping on Perkins Road. The committee also made one long term recommendation, hire a traffic engineering firm to study the intersection. The Select Board took the recommendation and engaged the services of Hoyle Tanner to provide recommendations on how best to reconfigure that intersection to achieve the concerns of motor vehicle habits of beach goers and increased pedestrian safety. At a meeting of all the affected stakeholders on October 14, 2021, a representative from Hoyle Tanner outlined

a major and minor re-configuration of that intersection. The Select Board, after hearing both proposals, listening to stakeholder input and deliberating among themselves, requested Hoyle Tanner create a third option; a hybrid of the major and the minor engineered plans. This plan was presented at a public Select Board meeting on February 28, 2022. At the conclusion of the presentation, the Select Board requested that Public Works Director Rucker convene a site walk with all stakeholders and mark the hybrid plan with paint for all to view. The site walk took place on May 6, 2022 with all impacted stakeholders in attendance. Director Rucker and DOT District 6 Engineer Brian Schutt walked through the entirety of the hybrid concept, pointing out that any and all work to be performed will be on Town or State property. Shortly thereafter, the Select Board sent a letter to DOT Commissioner Sheehan requesting that she authorize District 6 to partner with the Town of Rye to make the necessary improvements to the Perkins Road/Ocean Boulevard intersection in conjunction with the 2022 paving of Ocean Boulevard. The Select Board is currently awaiting a response from the Commissioner but wants to emphasize this is just one of numerous intersections along Ocean Boulevard



(Perkins Road/Ocean Blvd Reconstruction Hybrid Plan)

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where safety concerns exist. Future CIP's (Capital Improvement Plans) and budgets will include requests to fund engineering studies to study other areas along the Boulevard.

**Rye 400th Anniversary:** For those who are not aware of it, Rye is celebrating its 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2023. Although the original intent was to have a town committee plan and organize events, the Select Board has decided to partner with the Rye Historical Society (RHS) for practical reasons. As an officially recognized non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization, it has the ability to receive tax deductible donations. It can also be nimbler in creating the logistical framework required to support partners, i.e. logo trademark, website creation, recruiting and scheduling. The town will assist with coordinating logistical requirements with town entities including Public Works and the Police and Fire Departments. There is also some funding available due to the generosity of our residents via warrant article.

The Select Board greatly appreciates the RHS volunteering to lead this 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration effort. You, the residents of Rye, will determine whether this celebration consists of one event or a series of events throughout the year. We challenge all town boards, committees and commissions to be creative in sponsoring anniversary themed events. Our motto is "Do what you do." We hope organizations, groups and individuals will step forward to create or include their events and activities under the Rye400 umbrella. The RHS article in this newsletter will introduce the logo and describe the planning effort. Although it may not be live at the time of this printing, the Rye400 website is [www.RyeNH400.org](http://www.RyeNH400.org). The Select Board heartily thanks the RHS Board and in particular, Andy Stecher, who will be leading this effort.

Happy Summer!

Rye Select Board  
Bill Epperson, Chair  
Phil Winslow, Vice-chair  
Tom King, Selectman

## Assessing Department Revaluation Update

Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) assessors are finishing field inspections for the April 1<sup>st</sup> tax assessment date. Any remaining open building permits issued prior to April 1, 2022, will be visited. Assessing staff will have yellow vests, identification, and information on their vehicles.

For the 2022 Revaluation Update, all properties sold between 4/1/20-3/31/22 have been visited. Owners of sale properties which received only an exterior inspection, where no interior details could be verified, will be receiving a letter requesting an inspection. Inspections can be scheduled until 5/13/22 at <http://mrischedule.as.me> or by calling the MRI office at **603-279-0352 ext. 300 or 404**. Inspections will take place the week of 5/16/22.

Once preliminary values for the 2022 Revaluation Update are finalized and reviewed by the Town, taxpayers will be mailed notices stating their 2022 preliminary assessed values. Taxpayers will have an opportunity to review their preliminary assessed values during informal review hearings which are expected to take place in July or August.

For more information or questions, please contact the assessing office at 603-379-8270 or refer to the Assessing Department page on the Town website.

## Message from the Police Chief

Rye Police and area police departments are taking calls about identity theft and scams from residents. The person will contact you in person; by phone, postal mail, e-mail; or through the internet to try to trick you into giving out personal information. To avoid scams, watch and read the news. The Federal Trade Commission Office offers information and tips on current scams, go to [consumer.ftc.gov](http://consumer.ftc.gov) and click on "Scam

Alerts". For internet scam updates, go to the Internet Crime Complaint Center site at [ic3.gov](http://ic3.gov) and click on the "Alerts" link. The Rye Police has a booklet and ID fraud card that helps you understand how identity theft occurs, what steps you can take to protect your personal information, and what to do if it happens to you.



**About dogs on Rye beaches: Starting on May 28<sup>th</sup>**, (the Saturday before Memorial Day) and ending (the Saturday after Labor Day) September 10<sup>th</sup>, dogs are not allowed on the beach from 9:00 a.m. until after 7:00 p.m. as well as on Saturdays from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Please remember, the law says you must always have your dog under control. The Town Ordinance requires that you clean up after your dog, and any dog waste must be taken with you and disposed of properly.

**Beach parking advice:** When you get your 2022 Beach Parking Permit Sticker from the Town Clerk's office, please put it on the driver's side rear window as soon as you get it. Parking enforcement will ticket vehicles without a sticker once the "Parking by Permit Only" signs are posted.



And remember, Rye beaches are dry - **NO ALCOHOL**. Town ordinance prohibits open containers of alcoholic beverages. Beaches are open from sunrise to midnight. Any permits for fires must be approved by the Fire Chief. The person obtaining the fire permit must extinguish the fire before leaving the beach. **NO FIRE SHALL BE BUILT ON ANY SAND AREA OF ANY BEACH.**



**Bicycles:** All bicyclists should ride single file. Please remember if your children are under the age of sixteen, they must wear a helmet.

Thank you for your support. Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

Kevin Walsh  
Chief of Police

# Message from Rye Fire & Rescue

**EMS Recognition:** Our Medical director, PRH Dr. Grossman was on-hand April 12<sup>th</sup> to congratulate our on-scene personnel and award Rye Fire Rescue for two successful resuscitations including:

- A successful resuscitation of a Rye Firefighter at the fire station.
- A recent successful resuscitation of an adult male.

Of significance is that on both these emergency calls the patient was treated quickly and we had 3 or more responders available making a more effective resuscitative effort. Proud of the work our EMS folks do!



**Ocean Rescue Swimmer Training:** Our Water Rescue Coordinator Firefighter Mike Rivet recently completed his Ocean Rescue Swimmer Instructor training. As we continually improve our water rescue capability, Mike will be able to instruct our own folks in Ocean Rescue Swimming. This is an important skill that complements our Jetski rescue program. Below is a photo from the training.



We are all looking forward to a terrific beach season. Here are a few safety reminders from the [United States Lifesaving Association](#).

## Guide to Safety Tips

1. [Swim Near a Lifeguard if one is on-duty:](#) While swimmers must take some responsibility for their own safety, lifeguards are trained to recognize hazardous conditions, advise swimmers how to stay safe, respond to emergencies, and provide medical care for those in need. Lifeguards work to prevent drowning and injury through constant vigilance and interaction with the swimming public. When you arrive at the beach, check with lifeguards for designated swim areas and their safety advice.
2. [Learn to Swim:](#) Every day, about ten people die from unintentional drowning. Your best insurance against drowning is [learning to swim](#). Participation in formal swim lessons can reduce the likelihood of childhood drowning death by 88%. Learning to swim means much more than learning strokes; it is learning water survival skills, water safety, and developing comfort and confidence in the water. Water safety is about having an educated respect for the water, including an understanding of the layers of protection needed to keep ourselves and our loved ones safer when in, on, and around water. If you cannot master the complete technique, at least learn to tread water so you can yell or wave your arms for attention should you find yourself in difficulty. When entering the open water remember:

- o Never overestimate your swimming ability
- o Don't rely on inner tubes, plastic air mattresses, or other inflatable toys
- o 'Don't float where you can't swim'
- o 'When in doubt, don't go out'

3. [Learn Rip Current Safety:](#) Rip currents are channelized currents of water flowing away from shore at surf beaches that typically form at breaks in sandbars and near structures such as piers and rock groins. The USLA has found that more than 80% of rescues by USLA affiliated lifeguards at ocean beaches are caused by rip currents.

If caught in a rip current:

- o Relax, rip currents don't pull you under

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- o You may be able to escape by swimming out of the current in a direction following the shoreline, or toward breaking waves, then at an angle toward the beach
- o Alternatively, you may be able to escape by floating or treading water if the current circulates back toward shore
- o If you feel you will be unable to reach shore, draw attention to yourself
- o If you need help, yell and wave for assistance

To help someone else caught in a rip current:

- o Do not become a victim while trying to help someone else
- o Many people have died trying to rescue rip current victims
- o Instead, get help from a lifeguard
- o If a lifeguard is not present, call 9-1-1, while directing the victim to swim along the shoreline to escape
- o If possible, throw the rip current victim something that floats

Learn more on the [USLA Public Education / Rip Currents Page](#).

4. [Never Swim Alone](#): Many fatal drowning deaths involve swimmers out in the water alone. Always swim with a buddy so that if one swimmer has a problem, the other can provide immediate assistance while signaling for assistance to others on the beach, including lifeguards.
5. [Designate a "Water Watcher"](#): Supervision could save a life. Watch all children and adolescents swimming or playing in or around water, even if they know how to swim. Young children or inexperienced swimmers need to be within arm's reach of an adult at all times. When enjoying the beach with a group, make sure to [designate a "Water Watcher"](#) whose sole responsibility is to

keep an eye on those in the water at all times. This is not a substitute for a lifeguard. Choose a lifeguard protected area, if available, and designate a Water Watcher. Learn more about designating a Water Watcher at [Water Safety USA](#).

6. [Alcohol and Water Don't Mix](#): Avoid water recreation when under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Alcohol influences balance, coordination, and judgment, and its effects are heightened by sun exposure and heat.
7. [Feet First Water Entry](#): Life altering injuries from spinal damage, including paraplegia, occur every year on our nation's beaches. The most common cause is diving headfirst and striking the bottom. In addition, surfing, bodyboarding, and bodysurfing can lead to spinal injuries if precautions are not taken to avoid striking the bottom headfirst. Check for depth and obstructions before entering the water, then go in feet first; and use caution when riding waves, always extending arms ahead of the body. Learn more at the [USLA's spinal injury prevention page](#).
8. [Life Jackets Save Lives](#): Children and non-swimmers should wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved, properly fitted life jacket when in or around the water and at the beach. Wearing a life jacket is the simplest life-saving strategy for recreational boating, paddling, or towed water sports. Some 77% of fatalities associated with boating accidents are from drowning, and 84% of those were not wearing life jackets. Most involve people who never expected to end up in the water, but fell overboard or ended up in the water when the boat sank. All children [age 12 and under must wear a USCG approved lifejacket](#) when on a moving watercraft. Learn more about life jacket safety at [Water Safety USA](#).
9. [Observe Signs and Flags](#): It sometimes seems as though there are too many signs, but the ones at the beach are intended to help keep you safe. Read the signs upon arrival to learn about hazards specific to that beach and local regulations.

Also, look for flags flown by lifeguards to advise of hazards and temporary restrictions in effect. The best bet is to check in with the lifeguard on duty whenever a warning flag is flown.

10. [Beat the Heat and Block the Sun](#):

While everyone loves a sunny day, exposure to the heat and sun affects the body in multiple ways. Immediate effects include:

- o Painful sunburn
- o Heat exhaustion
- o Heat cramps
- o Potentially fatal heat stroke

Long term effects include:

- o Skin cancer
- o Premature aging

To protect yourself:

- o Drink plenty of water
- o Avoid alcohol
- o Take breaks inside during the hottest parts of the day
- o Use "broad spectrum" sunscreen rated from 15 to 50 SPF and reapply throughout the day
- o Use UPF protective clothing that covers the skin
- o Protect the eyes by wearing sunglasses that block 100% of UV rays

Lifeguards are well trained to deal with heat related emergencies and, if needed, can summon an ambulance quickly, so if feeling ill request assistance.

Mark Cotreau  
Fire Chief

## Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Message

**BEACH PARKING SIGNS ARE UP.** Beach Stickers have new regulations, please visit the Town Website to view the policy. There is now a limit of stickers per parcel for two vehicles and an additional one for a motorcycle or moped. Beach Stickers are purchased at the Town Clerk's

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office only with a copy of your registration and \$25.00. Your status as a property owner will be verified at our office.

**DOGS.** All dogs should have been registered by April 30<sup>th</sup>. After May 31<sup>st</sup>, a delinquent fee of \$1.00 will be added each month thereafter. After June 1<sup>st</sup>, a \$25.00 Civil Forfeiture notice fine per dog. (RSA 466:13). Please make sure you have an updated rabies certificate.

**2022 1<sup>st</sup> ISSUE PROPERTY TAX BILLS.** Bills were mailed out May 26, 2022 with a due date of July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you have not received it in the mail by June 10th, please call our office or email [ddecotis@town.rye.nh.us](mailto:ddecotis@town.rye.nh.us) or [athibodeau@town.rye.nh.us](mailto:athibodeau@town.rye.nh.us).

Taxpayers who escrow their taxes should forward a copy of the tax bill to their mortgage company. If you feel there is a discrepancy on your bill, please call our office 603-964-8562.

**LIENS:** Impending lien notices have been sent out via Certified Mail for any 2021 unpaid property tax or sewer bills. Any property that remains unpaid will be liened on August 1, 2022. If you have any questions, please call our office.

**DEEDING:** All 2019 taxes, for which a 2020 tax lien was filed, are eligible for tax deeding on November 1, 2022, if the tax lien has not been satisfied.

**LOW AND MODERATE-INCOME HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF.** (State of NH) Forms are available at the Town Clerk's office or can be downloaded from the state's website [www.nh.gov/revenue](http://www.nh.gov/revenue). The form must be completed and returned to the state no later than June 30, 2022.

The State Primary Election is September 13, 2022 and the General Election is November 8, 2022.

We do accept checks, cash or credit cards. Please be aware that if you are paying by credit card there is a 2.79% fee charged by the credit card companies that will appear on your statement.

I would like to give a warm welcome to our new part-time assistant Lindsay Murphy.

Donna DeCotis  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

## Public Works News

**Spring Fertilization Practices:** Before we know it, another spring growing season will be upon us. As such, it is a good time to discuss appropriate fertilizing practices. Depending on the fertilizer's chemical characteristics they can have unintended harmful effects on plants, animals, and water quality. Nitrates and phosphorus from fertilizers can contaminate ground and surface water.

Practicing proper fertilizer application reduces the risk of surplus fertilizer being transported by stormwater to downstream water courses and water bodies. Minimizing application rates by employing best management practices (BMP) for both the application and handling of fertilizer helps to eliminate a significant cause of stormwater pollution.

Whenever possible, the use of slow-release organic fertilizers should be employed. Slow-release fertilizers release nutrients more slowly and contain lower concentration of nutrients, in addition they provide concentration of nutrients over a longer period of time.

There are several alternatives to the use of chemical fertilizers. Rather than mowing and collecting grass clippings the use of a **mulching** mower will break down clippings adding organic material to the soil. **Aeration** of compacted soils facilitates air, water, and nutrients to reach the root systems more effectively. Application of a thin layer (1/4" or less) of **compost** will provide additional natural nutrients and water retention.

**The following guidelines or BMPs should be followed when handling and applying fertilizer.**

- Have the soil tested prior to application to determine optimum application rate.
- Avoid application over impervious surfaces, i.e. pavement, concrete, brick, etc.
- Sweep fertilizer off impervious surfaces back onto lawn to prevent stormwater runoff.
- Apply when weather is calm and dry to prevent drift and wash off.
- Consider application in the fall rather than spring to optimize root

- growth.
- Only treat trees and shrubs in late fall or early spring when plants are dormant.
- Do not apply to bare or eroded soil.
- Do not apply near or adjacent to water courses or wells.
- Do Not Over fertilize.
- Healthy trees and shrubs do not require annual treatment.
- Determine soil pH to ensure optimum fertilizer release at minimum application rate.
- Consider alternatives.

**Dog Waste:** Disposal of dog waste continues to be a problem on the beaches, in the parks, and on the roads. The 78 million dogs living in the United States create 10 million tons of waste annually. Dog waste carries harmful microorganisms that can have a major impact on wildlife and the environment. Picking it up is not only good manners, it's the law. The longer the dog waste stays on the ground, the greater the contamination potential becomes. Bacteria, worms, and other parasites thrive in the waste. Eventually it may be washed into the local water bodies.

Picking up your and others dog waste and throwing it out properly is a small change that can make a big difference in keeping the local water bodies clean. Individual actions can result in significant water quality improvements when carried out by many people.

You can help by always bringing a plastic bag when you walk your dog, and properly dispose of your dog's waste. **NEVER THROW DOG WASTE INTO STORM DRAINS OR CATCH BASINS.**

**2021 Road Paving Schedule:**  
This year the following roads will be repaved: Washington Road (West to Grove) Grove Road (Washington to Garland) Harbor View Dr, Frontier Ave, Highland Park, Mountain View Terrace, Blueberry Lane, Surf Lane, Breakers Ave, Jenness Ave, East Atlantic Ave, Kenphil Ave. Each road will be tack coated then have a shim course of asphalt applied, to restore the road profile. Upon completion of the shim course a one-inch overlay of asphalt will be applied to restore structural value, and finally the road

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shoulders will be leveled with crushed gravel.

**Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection:** This year's collection is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, 2022. Hours are 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and will be strictly adhered to.

As in prior years, the collection will be held at the Brentwood DPW site on Middle Road, in Brentwood, NH.

The collection is paid for, and open to residents of the 53B Southeast Regional Refuge Disposal District consortium. The six town's making up this consortium are Rye, North Hampton, Brentwood, Fremont, Kensington, and Sandown.

This will be the only time this year that residents may dispose of their Household Hazardous Waste (HHW). These wastes consist of domestic hazardous wastes in small quantities (less than five gallons), which are commonly purchased at a grocery or hardware store and used in your home. They do not consist of any industrial or commercial chemical products used outside the household.

Jason Rucker  
Public Works Director

## Planning Board News

Rye's Planning Board (PB) is engaged with a host of initiatives including a review of Land Use Regulations and Zoning Ordinances by the Rules and Regulations Committee (RRC), and Attorneys Maher and Donovan. RRC will discuss Rye's 2021 Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) prepared by FB Environmental Associates and their recommendations for land use planning including strategies to minimize adverse effects of climate change. Efforts to implement the Master Plan (MP) update process continue via the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC). The PB's 2022 meetings have included review and approval of

30 2-bedroom residential condominium tri-plex units, and a 78-bed assisted living complex, both on Lafayette Road. A site development plan at 15 Sagamore Avenue proposing three single-family dwellings and two commercial buildings, an accessory dwelling unit application, a proposed Selectmen's ordinance for street names and numbering, a discussion of the NRI with RCC Chair Suzanne McFarland (3/15/22 PB Minutes), driveway applications, construction of multi-family residential units: 40 at Airfield Drive and 20 at 1244 Washington Road, have rounded out the agendas.

*Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) – Chair Rob Wright, Members Garcia and Losik.*

Julie LaBranche, Planning Consultant, presented the 2021 Master Plan power point to the PB in early February. Unanimously accepting the recommendations of the Long Range Planning Sub-Committee, the PB designated the LRPC to continue to implement the plan. The LRPC will undertake the discussion of scope of services, and preparation of Requests for Proposals for a professional planning consulting firm to assist in the development of a comprehensive MP. Presentation of a budget proposal is expected this Fall for inclusion in the 2023 Warrant. Activities recommended by the consulting firm, a Steering Committee, and maximization of citizen input throughout the process are recognized as key components to achieve the desired end result: a cohesive MP, approved by the PB in 2024, which facilitates community function and implementation. Please visit the LRPC landing page on the Town website for current updates.

*Rules and Regulations Committee (RRC) – Chair Steve Carter, Members Paul and Losik*

Recent statutory changes, clarifications and edits, new guidance associated with groundwater protections addressing lawn care and fertilizer, stormwater management, lighting, and water efficient landscaping are amongst several Land Development Regulations under discussion. Town Counsel is reviewing the Zoning Ordinances and a fairly comprehensive overhaul is expected to be taken up during the summer and fall. Please

follow the Planning Board's agendas and minutes on the Planning Board page of the Town website.

Appreciation is extended to all PB members and staff who steadfastly serve the Town: J Lord, Vice-Chair and TRC, Steve Carter, Clerk and RRC Chair, Rob Wright, LRPC Chair, Kevin Brandon, CIP Rep, Jim Finn, TRC, Bill Epperson, Selectmen's Rep, Kathryn Garcia, Alternate, LRPC, Bill MacLeod, Alternate, TRC, former member, Katy Sherman, LRPC, and Kim Reed for her consistent and tireless efforts in support of the PB.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia Losik, Chair  
Planning Board

## Sewer Department News

**Understanding Sewer Pump Station Energy Use:** The Sewer Commission has identified the need to understand the energy use at each of its three pump stations, in the pursuit of becoming more energy efficient (minimizing environmental impacts and reducing cost). With support from The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), Process Energy Services, LLC has completed an energy evaluation of each pump station at no cost to the town. The evaluation reviewed each pump stations high-energy use equipment, and the following recommendations were made:

**Energy Management Practices:** Conduct further energy management practices by recording monthly energy use data and benchmarking with operational data (EMP#1). This is accomplished by recording the monthly energy use for each station and comparing it with the flow from Church Road Station and pump run times for Jenness Beach Pump Station and Abenaki Pump Station. This will allow station performance (kWh/MG) to be calculated on a regular basis. By collecting data (monthly pump run time; peak

electrical demand and energy cost; propane cost and use) and verifying proper operation of the generator block heaters on a regular basis, the savings of proposed measures can be verified, and subsequent station upgrades can be justified based on energy savings. The cost of this measure is minimal.



**Energy Supply Measures:** Taking energy supply measures and pursuing a new propane supplier or contract could save up to \$1,043 annually (ESM#1).

Adjust Church Road Pump Station lead and leg setpoints further apart, so lead has a chance to catch up with flow before the lag pump is activated. Consider reducing the capacity at Jenness Beach Station by adjusting the belt sheaves to lower RPM value, so that Church Road Pump Station can better handle the flow. The cost of this measure is minimal with the potential savings projected at \$843 annually (ESM #2).

**Operational Measures:** At the Church Road Pump Station it is recommended that gaps in the entrance doors are sealed and that the thermostat is replaced with one where the set point goes below 50 degrees (45-degree setpoint). This measure would cost less than \$100 with the potential savings of \$168 annually (OM #1).

Install a new door seal at the base of the door at Jenness Beach Pump Station. The cost of this measure is minimal and is projected to have a savings of up to \$27 annually (OM #2).

Adjust the set points for the block heaters at Jenness and Church Pump Road Stations between 100-

120 degrees. If the set points cannot be adjusted the cost to implement this measure would be the purchase of new heater(s). The projected savings is up to \$189 annually (OM #3).

There are no operational recommendations for Abenaqui Pump Station. The overall recommendations of the energy evaluation are minimal. The Sewer Commission is committed to following industry best practices and is working diligently to improve the efficiency of sewer operation and maintenance.

In March, John McCune was elected to the position of Sewer Commissioner for a term of three years. He has a strong financial background and is from Rye. We welcome him to the Sewer Commission and look forward to his participation. The current Sewer Commission consists of David Kohlhase, Chairman, Susan Labrie, and John McCune, Commissioners and Lee Arthur, Director. The Sewer Office is found on the second floor of the Rye Beach Village District Building, 830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH.



Rye Sewer Commission

## Rye School Board Update

The Rye School District's students, staff and administration are busy finishing this year strong and looking forward a well-earned summer break. Soon we'll enjoy 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation, field days, the 5<sup>th</sup> grade "clap out" and all the other special celebrations we share together. Although the past few years have been challenging, it makes us really appreciate our special celebrations even more!

We are grateful for the support from our community especially the incredible partnerships with the Parent Teacher Association, Rye Educational Foundation, the Rye Public Library, Rye Recreation, the Police and Fire

departments and our dedicated volunteers. Thank you to everyone who has helped the Rye School District thrive – we couldn't do it without you!

Rye Schools are also undergoing some major changes. Superintendent Salvatore Petralia will be retiring at the end of the school year. Since 2014, Sal has been a steadfast mentor to our administrators and staff. His leadership throughout the pandemic resulted in Rye Schools remaining open throughout the 2020/2021 year when many districts were shuttered. We thank Sal for all his hard work over the past 8 years and wish him a happy retirement!

We will also have 2 new School Principals as Suzanne Lull is retiring and Marie Soucy is moving on to another Principalship. Suzanne has been at the helm of Rye Elementary School for almost a decade and has been instrumental in the development of many unique education opportunities. Most notable is the development of a strong outdoor education program including outdoor classrooms and the school's beautiful garden. Happy retirement Suzanne and thank you!

Marie came to Rye Junior High School in 2016 and has introduced several new programs, including the Junior High School's innovative social studies approach. We appreciate all your hard work during the past 6 years and wish you the very best in your new role!

As we turn the page and prepare of the 2022/2023 school year, we welcome our new SAU 50 Superintendent Dr. Steven Zdravec as well as new Rye Elementary School Principal Michelle Costa, both beginning July 1. In the coming weeks, we will also conclude our search for the new Principal of High Junior High School. While we appreciate and honor the contributions of our current leaders, the School Board is looking ahead and excited about our new team and entering the next chapter for Rye Schools.

Thank you to the entire community for your continued support and have a great summer!

Rye School Board,  
Matt Curtin, Heather Reed,  
Susan Ross, Jeanne Moynahan &  
Katherine Errecart





**TAKIN' IT TO THE STREETS** This national touring show is the ultimate Doobie Brothers tribute show. This incredible concert performance covers all of The Doobie's great hits and an occasional deep track or two with stunning accuracy. The Doobie Brothers concert experience doesn't get any better than Takin' It to The Streets. With amazing vocal skill and top-notch musicianship, this show will knock your socks off when they grace the stage at The Flying Monkey Theatre in Plymouth, NH

**Date:** Wednesday, August 17, 2022

**Meal:** Buffet Lunch at the Common Man Inn – Mixed green salad w/balsamic vinaigrette, creamy tomato soup, herb roasted pork loin, citrus baked haddock with Ritz cracker crumbs, roasted vegetables, buttermilk mashed potatoes, dessert, coffee/tea. **Reservation Deadline:** July 18, 2022 (space based on availability)  
**Departure Time and Location:** TBD **Fee:** \$118 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch)



**BOOTHBAY HARBOR & CABBAGE ISLAND LOBSTERBAKE (Overnight Trip)** See What Maine Is All About!!! Join us on this amazing adventure featuring some of Maine's most picturesque areas. **Day 1** We begin our adventure in Freeport, ME, internationally famous as a world-class shopping destination and home to the famous L.L. Bean. Enjoy our time here browsing at any one of almost a 100 different outlet shops or stop into L.L. Bean and take in a demonstration. Have lunch on your own before departing for Boothbay Harbor. Our next stop is the lovely Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens in Boothbay Harbor for a tour of the gardens. Then it's on to the Boothbay Harbor Inn located in the center of Boothbay Harbor, "the Boating Capitol of New England". Our home for the evening, replete with amazing views of the harbor. **Day 2** Because no trip to Maine

would be complete without a lobster bake, today we'll experience Maine's most famous lobster bake "Cabbage Island". This, the Original Downeast Clambake of Boothbay Harbor, is cooked in seaweed, steamed from top to bottom, and covered with tarpaulins and rocks in order to capture all the flavor and sweetness of Maine lobsters and clams.

**Date:** Tuesday, August 9-Wednesday, August 10, 2022 – 2 Days / 1 Night

**Meal:** New England fish chowder, two lobsters, steamed clams, corn on the cob, onion, Maine potatoes, blueberry cake, coffee/tea. **Reservation Deadline:** July 9, 2022 (space based on availability) **Departure Time and Location:** TBD

**Fee:** \$516 pp Double, \$631 Single Occupancy (Includes transportation, lodging, 1 each breakfast, lunch and dinner, evening entertainment, tour of Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens, guided tour of Boothbay Harbor, services of a professional tour director, luggage handling/taxes and tour director and step-on-guide gratuities are included).

# THE WAVE

## COMMUNITY CENTER

### AT RYE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Chair Yoga is instructed by Amelia McKenney. Rye resident, volunteer and life-long athlete. This gentle form of yoga is practiced sitting in a chair or standing using a chair for support. Build inner and outer strength while relaxing and centering the mind. Have fun with others while learning postures that help you build strength, flexibility and balance. Focusing on the relaxation response to reduce stress and promote health. Please wear comfortable clothing. Classes are held on Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00-11:30 a.m.

**Dates:** July 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28, August 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30, 2022 (17 classes)

**Location:** The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH

Please call Rye Rec for more information at 603-964-6281.

Hey kids! What are you doing this summer? Going to the beach? The mall? Well, if you're free, we'd love to introduce you to The WAVE at Rye Congregational Church with an amazing two weeks of camp for grades entering 5-8 called "WAVE Hello to Summer!" During Go Green Week, you can learn how to make flower confetti which can grow gorgeous flowers with recycled paper or learn how to make lemonade and candy from every part of the lemon! Make a custom soap just for you and make some inspiration rocks with positive messages! In a Splash of Color week, learn how to do an acrylic pour and paint some pottery with Firefly Pottery! Or participate in Color Craze, a game where campers dress in white and are given goggles and water balloons with a colorful surprise in it! Tie dye some shirts and make some stress balls because even summer can be stressful. Explore the WAVE during free time where it's about what YOU want to do! The Wave is equipped with movies, TVs, Nintendo Switches and more!

The Wave is located at 580 Washington Road in Rye and camps will run on the following weeks:

Go Green Week is July 25-29 9:00am-4:00pm \$185.00  
 Splash of Color Week is Aug 1-5 9:00am-4:00pm \$185.00.

Preregistration is required for camp. Please call Rye Rec for more information at 603-964-6281.

Let's have some fun this summer and hang out at The WAVE!



# SUMMER PROGRAMS

Credit cards are now accepted and you can register online.

Physical Address: 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH 03870, Tel. 964-6281, Fax 964-1516

Mailing Address: 10 Central Road, Rye, NH 03870

E-mail [dmartin@town.rye.nh.us](mailto:dmartin@town.rye.nh.us), Town Website [www.town.rye.nh.us/](http://www.town.rye.nh.us/)

2022



**JULY 4TH CELEBRATION**  
**FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022**  
**PARSONS FIELD**  
**7:00 p.m., Live Band**  
TBA



At dusk (9:00 p.m.) fireworks by American Thunder



**SUMMER PROGRAMS**  
**SIGN-UP COMMENCEMENT**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022, 9:00 A.M.**

**Rye Recreation Office, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH**  
**and Online [www.town.rye.nh.us](http://www.town.rye.nh.us)**

Programs are limited to a first-come, first-served basis. Registrations will not be accepted prior to 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, except for The Wave Lunch Programs and Day Trips. Non-resident registrations will be accepted on April 27, 2022.



The Recreation Commission would like to extend our gratitude to Gregg Mikolaities for his many years of service to the Commission, Rye Recreation and the Town of Rye. Gregg joined the commission initially in 2001 and has since served more than 18 years as a member, over half of that time as Chairperson.

Gregg's accomplishments for recreation in Rye are many, from overseeing improvements to the fields and structures at the Rec Area, negotiating terms and pricing on contracts to steering budgets through approval. His knowledge and passion has motivated recreation staff and guided fellow commissioners to do what's best for all the citizens of Rye. Gregg also has a long history of coaching youth sports in town including for Rye LL and RJH baseball.

Although he is leaving the Recreation Commission, we have no doubt that Gregg's legacy of public service will continue. We wish him all the best and once again thank him for his camaraderie and the indelible mark he made. He will be missed.

## SUMMERTIME HORYEZONS DAY CAMP

is a thematically based day camp for youth entering grades K-6. This year's camp runs June 27-August 19, 2022. Each week camps will be held at Rye Elementary School (downstairs), 461 Sagamore Road, Rye, NH. Weeks two, three, six and eight will be open to full-day campers only as one day trip is planned each week. Full-day campers will need to bring two snacks, drinks, and a lunch each day while half-day campers only need a snack and a drink. Prior to arrival, please apply bug spray, sunscreen, and label all belongings. *Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a t-shirt.*

### Hours:

Full-Day: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Half-Day: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Dropoff **begins** at 8:30 a.m. and pick-up is **no later** than 4:30 p.m.

Fees include t-shirt:

Weeks 3, 6, 8; Full-Day Only: \$185/wk.

Week 2; Full-Day Only (No Camp 7/4/22): \$148/wk.

Weeks 1, 4, 5, 7, Full-Day: \$185/wk.; Half-Day: \$92/wk.

### Week 1, June 27-July 1, Pirates!

Ahoy, Mateys! Come help us find hidden treasure, play pirate games and enjoy learning about pirates with entertainer Tall Jack Sparrow!



### Week 2, July 5-July 8, Weird Science

Don't forget your safety goggles! Participants will get the chance to perform unusual science experiments such as soda exploding from a bottle. The McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center will be this week's destination. (No camp July 4th)



### Week 3, July 11-15, Recreation Imagination

A trip to the Portland Sea Dogs and a Rye Wiffle Ball Home Run Derby will be balanced out with creating art on canvas, tie-dye shirts and other crafts.



### Week 4, July 18-22, Outer Space Odyssey

Join us for an out of this world adventure you will never forget! Frank DelMedico will be here to help us build table rockets and so much more.



### Week 5, July 25-29, Ocean Commotion

Are you ready to have a splash with under the sea adventures? Join us for a week of ocean-themed fun to include crafts and amazing sand creations. Entertainer TBA.



### Week 6, August 1-5, Down on the Farm

It's time for a hoe-down! Saddle-up for galloping fun games, a trip to Charmingfare Farm and hay bales of creative crafts.



### Week 7, August 8-12, Disney Adventures

Get those "magic carpets" dusted off! Measure out a "tsp" of this and a "tsp" of that, as we whip up fun creations and explore Disney themed adventures. Entertainer TBA.



### Week 8, August 15-19, Kings, Queens and Knights

Calling all knights to the Summertime HoRYEzon's Kingdom! Have fun learning to defend the King 's and Queen's treasures and castle from the invasion. A trip to Mount Major in Alton, NH for a hike will round out the week.



**FALL RECREATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE** is co-ed and open to 4 yrs. - grade 4, Rye and New Castle residents only. Held September 10 to October 15, 2022. 4 yrs. meet once a week on Saturday to practice and play as a group 8:30-9:15 a.m. Grade K meet once a week on Saturday to practice and play as a group 8:30-9:30 a.m. Grades 1-2 meets twice a week to practice and play a game each day, Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, 9:40-10:40 a.m. Grades 3-4 meets twice a week to practice and play a game each day, Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH.

Fee: \$50 for 1st registrant, \$45 for each additional registrant from the same family (includes uniform shirt). Late fee of \$45 will apply to registrations received after the July 29, 2022 deadline. *The above schedule and age groupings are subject to change based on registrations received.*



### ADULT YOGA & MEDITATION

is instructed by nationally-certified yoga teacher Jeanie Ryan. Gain inner peace while harmonizing the mind, body and spirit through the ancient practice of yoga meditation. Physically improve strength, flexibility and balance while learning stress reduction and healthy-living tips. This is a multi-level class. Beginners welcome. Held at The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH. Wednesdays, July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 2022, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: \$66 (4 classes)

**YOUTH GROUP GOLF LESSONS** are provided by Pease Golf Course. These co-ed lessons are focused on the fundamentals of golf to young, aspiring players. Learn golf etiquette, putting, chipping, pitching, full swing and course management. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH, rain or shine.



Week 1, July 11-15, 2022

Week 2, August 8-12, 2022

Entering Grades K-4, 8:00-8:45 a.m.; Entering Grades 5-12, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Fee: \$80/wk, clubs available if needed.

**WOMEN'S GROUP GOLF LESSONS** are provided by Timothy Riese, PGA Head Professional. Each session will cover set-up, full swing and short game. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH.



Tuesdays, July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2022, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$149 (4 lessons), clubs available if needed.

**YOUTH GROUP SURFING LESSONS** are provided by Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Company. Learn the fundamentals of surfing and ocean safety. These co-ed lessons are for youth entering grades 6 and up. Held at Jenness Beach, Rye, NH; weather permitting.



August 1-5, 2022, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$270/wk, equipment provided.

**ICONS & LEGENDS CONCERT** Experience a tribute show with some of the greatest hits from some of the greatest entertainers of all time - Neil Diamond, Carole King, Karen Carpenter, Johnny Cash, Roy Orbison, The Everly Brothers, Elvis, Simon & Garfunkel, The Eagles and more! Enjoy this show at Fosters Lobsterbake in York, ME.



Date: Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Meal Choice: Traditional Maine Lobsterbake or a 1/2 BBQ Chicken, corn-on-the-cob, potatoes & onions, dessert, bread and beverage.

Reservation Deadline: June 14, 2022 (space based on availability)

Departure Time and Location: TBD

Fee: \$110 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch)

### **GLOUCESTER HARBOR LOBSTERBAKE CRUISE**

Cruiseport Gloucester is our main destination for the day, where we will board the Beauport Princess and cruise historic Gloucester Harbor. The Beauport Princess has two dance floors, three full service bars, an open-air deck and indoor seating for a great time no matter the weather.



Date: Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Meal: Clam chowder, lobster, BBQ chicken, corn-on-the-cob, red bliss potatoes, coleslaw and dessert.

Reservation Deadline: June 21, 2022 (space based on availability)

Departure Time and Location: TBD

Fee: \$150 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch)

**LEGO® REACTIONS CAMP** is provided by Frank DelMedico. This camp is a mixture of science and Legos®!



Each day will start and end with Lego® serious play challenges then we will dive deep into individual and group builds exploring the days' theme including architecture, bridges, vehicles and inventions. Each day will also be chock full of gooeey, icky, drippy, sloppy fun which our staff creates and leads. Campers will create and learn a new topic each day with lots of "Mad Science". The campers will have positive scientific reaction! Activities include earth science, hot and cold, light and dark, the senses and food science. (This is not a robotics program.) Held at Rye Recreation, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH.

July 11-15, 2022, Entering Grades 3-5, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$135/wk

**WIZARD CAMP** is provided by Frank DelMedico. We have planned an exciting week full of spells, magic and enchantment for the campers in Rye! Campers will receive their acceptance letter to a famous school of wizardry and then the journey begins! After all are sorted into houses, we will take a STEM based look at "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone". Activities include: House Cups, Design Your Own Crest, Dissecting Owl Pellets, Quidditch Games and more! Held at Rye Recreation, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH.



July 18-22, 2022, Entering Grades 3-5, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$135/wk

**THEATRE CAMP** is provided by Katy Hunt, who has been performing across the New England area for the past 20 years, in theatre productions and costume events. She holds numerous awards in costume and performance in the Boston, New York City area and for the last six years, has co-directed high school and middle school productions in York, ME. Does your child/young adult love theatre? Then do we have a week planned for your child! Grades 3-12 are invited to join us for a week of theatre games, skill building and fun! During the week we'll touch base with the basics of theatre, learning monologues and performing them for peers! Held at The Wave at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye, NH.



July 18-22, 2022, Entering Grades 3-12, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$105/wk

**BASEBALL CAMP** instruction is provided by Stephen McManus, former coach at the University of Rhode Island and pro player in Europe. Learn basic skills for the beginner to advanced player. Players will be broken out into groups based on age and ability. This co-ed camp will be held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH. Participants should bring glove, a snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen.



Session 1: June 20-24, 2022, Entering Grades 2-6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Session 2: August 1-5, 2022, Entering Grades 2-6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$150/wk.

**BASKETBALL CAMP** instruction is provided by Pete Litichevsky, former physical education teacher and 35 years coaching sports at Randolph High School in Randolph, NJ. Emphasis will be placed on skill work, individual development and players will be broken out into groups based on ability. Participants should bring a snack and drink each day. Location TBA. *Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a t-shirt.*



June 27-July 1, 2022

Entering Grades 1-2 Co-ed, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 3-6 Girls and Boys, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

(Broken out into two groups and may play together.)

Fee: Grades 1-2, \$126/wk, includes t-shirt

Grades 3-6, \$135/wk, includes t-shirt

### **ADULT PICKLEBALL LEARN-TO-PLAY CLINIC**

instruction is provided by Pete Litichevsky, who is a tournament pickleball player with a 4.25 rating and currently plays in the US Open in Naples, FL. Participants should bring water and prior to arrival each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen. Saturday, June 18, 2022 and Saturday, June 25, 2022, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Location TBA; rain or shine.



Fee: No charge and equipment is available if needed.

**Registration with Rye Recreation is required** in order to attend the clinic.

# Rye Public Library Events: Summer 2022

“One benefit of Summer was that each day we had more light to read by.” — Jeannette Walls

## Ongoing Activities:

**Adult Book Discussion:** Please sign up to join these lively discussion groups.  
Fourth Wednesday of each month at 2 pm!

6/22 *The Henna Artist* by Alka Joshi

7/27 *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson

8/24 *The Downstairs Girl* by Stacey Lee

## Save the Dates! Rye Public Library Summer Concert Series! Wednesdays from 3:00 – 4:00 pm Outside on the Lawn

**June 22:** *North River Music* has an Americana sound with strong harmonies and expressive musicianship. Playing Americana rock/bluegrass, the band features long time area musicians; guitarist and singer Dan Poland, bassist Tom Kesel, multi-instrumentalist Pete Leavenworth playing pedal steel/dobro/banjo, and singer Vicky Poland.

**July 13:** *Claudia and The Good Time Charlies* come from the Seacoast area of New Hampshire and Maine. These local favorites play American Jazz standards, blues, and original music. Featuring Claudia Landell on violin, Ray DeMarco on piano, Doug Bennett on guitar, Ben Lovell on bass, and Greg Brown on drums.

**August 17:** *Max Sullivan* is a singer and guitarist based in the New Hampshire Seacoast who plays a mix of rock, soul, blues and alternative, both solo and with his band the Max Sullivan Group. Max will play with his band, drummer Barrett Goeman and bassist Anthony Li-Petri.

All events are free and open to the public. Bring your beach chair and sit back and enjoy the sounds of summer at Rye Public Library!

### Monday Movie Matinees – shown in the Community Meeting Room on the second Monday of every month at 1:00 pm

<b>June 13</b> <i>In the Heights</i> PG-13 143 min	<b>July 11</b> <i>Belfast</i> PG-13 98 min
<b>August 8</b> <i>Respect</i> PG-13 145 min	

### Wednesday, June 29 4:00-5:00 pm on the lawn -Meet poet Elaine Sexton

Rye native Elaine Sexton will read from her latest collection of poems entitled *Drive*, and invites patrons to share a poem of their own!

# FRIENDS OF THE RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY

New members welcome!

The FRPL take a hiatus in the summer. Meetings resume in September.

Third Tuesdays at 6:00PM

Museum memberships supported by *The Friends*:

Children's Museum of NH, Dover

Currier Museum of Art, Manchester

Historic New England

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston MA

Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA

Woodman Museum, Dover

Museum of Science, Boston MA

Strawbery Banke, Portsmouth

Ogunquit Museum of Art, ME

Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

Seacoast Science Center, Rye

NH State Parks parking pass

*Museum Passes Donated by the Friends of the Rye Public Library*

**ASK A LIBRARIAN about Technology** – If you have questions about your computer or how-to on your device [phone or tablet] call Rye Public Library at 603-964-8401 or email Lisa Breton [tech@ryepubliclibrary.org](mailto:tech@ryepubliclibrary.org). to set up a tech help session for a Tuesday evening or Thursday afternoon slot. These sessions are process oriented and not meant to troubleshoot device functionality. If you wonder how to download books and other materials to your device, create an e-mail account or manage storage, etc. this session is for you. If your device just crashed or won't boot up, that's beyond the scope here.

## Rye Public Library Youth Department

**Summer Reading Programming! June – August 2022**

**More details at [ryepubliclibrary.org](http://ryepubliclibrary.org) or (603) 964 – 9551**

### Youth Programs

**Story Time for Toddlers & Preschoolers**

Thursdays 10:30am

**Writers Group**

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month

**Summer Reading Challenge!\***

Monday, June 28 - Tuesday, August 3rd

**Chalk Art & Popsicles**

Tuesdays 1:00-1:45pm, runs June 29 -August 3

**Outdoor Tie Dye**

Wednesday, July 7 12:00-1:00pm

**Wildlife Encounters Presentation**

Tuesday, August 3 6:00-7:00pm

**Youth & Teen Take and Make Kits**

1st and 3rd Mondays of the month

Summer change: available every week June 28 - August 3

**Teen Book Box Subscriptions Available**

2nd Wednesday of the month

**Chapter and Picture Bundles**

Available upon request through our website

**\*We're raffling off two Kindle Fire tablets for our summer reading grand prizes. For more information and registration links, please visit our website!**

## Heritage Commission Update

Happy Spring!

Restoration work on the Town Hall monumental windows should begin later this spring. This is part of ongoing measures to restore the building.

In addition, the Commission continues to work on repairing the acquired gazebo on town hall grounds, with the hope to have a carpenter finalized soon.

In another area of our focus, the Commission continues to promote the adoption of town graveyards. If you are interested in caring for a spot, please check our page on the Town website for a complete roster of available sites for adoption.

We also continue to have merchandise such as hats, totes and umbrellas, which can be purchased at Town Hall for \$20.00. All this money goes towards funding for future projects and endeavors by the Commission



Lastly, By the publication of this letter I will no longer be Chair of Commission and former chair Bev Giblin will resume her duties.

I want to give a special note of praise to the Heritage Commission for their productive and successful work over the last ten years. From their efforts to preserve the town hall building, and seeing it placed on the National Historic Register, to being stewards of Rye's character and history.

It has been an honor to serve on the Commission and a true pleasure to work alongside each member for four years.

Cheers to you: Gail Hughes. Peter White. Bev Giblin. Mae Bradshaw, Alex Herlihy, Frank Lagana, Bill Epperson, David Choate, Elizabeth Sanborn, Tim Durkin & Karin Nelson.

With much appreciation,  
Phil Walsh, Former Chair  
Rye Heritage Commission

## 2022 Rye Memorial Day Ceremony

On Monday, May 30, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. the Town of Rye conducted a Memorial Day Ceremony at Central Cemetery. The Ceremony began with a parade from the Veterans Monument and ended on the green at Central Cemetery. Participating in the parade was the New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums, the Rye Police and Fire Departments, Girls Scouts, Veterans and vintage fire trucks.

The Guest Speaker was Veteran Jerome Gittlein of Rye Beach, NH. The music and sound was provided by Kevin Schladenhauffen, Karrie Burnett and the New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums. Songs were sung by Karrie Burnett. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Selectman Bill Epperson and a wreath donated by the Rye Lions was placed in memory of our Veterans.

Awards were presented by Selectmen Phil Winslow and Tom King to participants of the Rye Recreation Memorial Day Poster and Writing Contest who attend Rye Elementary School and Rye Junior High School. Recipients of the Poster Contest Awards are: Grade K, Jonny Kreycik; Grade 1, Henry Holster; Grade 2, Zachary L'Ecuyer; and Grade 3, Molly Kreycik. Recipients of the Writing Contest Awards are: Grade 4, Jake Renna; Grade 5, Stella Kalil; Grade 6, Kavary Daniel; Grade 7, Aidan Piela; and Grade 8, Georgia Parrott. Posters were available for viewing and the poems and essays were read. Reverend Ronald Lavoie of Rye Congregational Church gave the invocation and



Reverend Boniface Agbata of St. Theresa Church gave the benediction. Immediately after the ceremony, refreshments were provided by the Rye Heritage Commission.

The Town of Rye has lost soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines and merchant seamen in armed conflicts and the American Revolution. The Town also remembered on this occasion those firemen and police officers who were lost in the line of duty.



### RYE RECREATION ADULT TRIP



**SHADES OF BUBLÉ<sup>SM</sup>** A three-man tribute to Michael Bublé brings the swinging standards and pop hits of Michael Bublé to the stage in an unforgettable high-energy concert event. Delivering a setlist comprised only of songs recorded or performed live by Michael Bublé, this world-class tribute act honors the sophistication, retro style, and high-energy fun that Bublé himself brings to his concerts while engaging diehard fans with thrilling new three-part vocal arrangements. Enjoy the big-band standards from the jazz era, classic hits from the 50s/60s/70's, as well as Billboard chart toppers from today in a high-energy show that generates standing ovations from sold-out crowds across the country.

**Date:** Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at the Danversport Yacht Club, Danvers, MA

**Meal Choice:** Stuffed breast of chicken or baked schrod, salad, potato, vegetables, bread, dessert, coffee/tea. **Reservation Deadline:** August 19, 2022 (space based on availability) **Departure Time and Location:** TBD

**Fee:** \$110 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch)

For more information, please contact Rye Recreation at 603.964.6281.

# Rye Water District News

**Garland Well Project:** Since June of 2021 our Garland Well station (our main water supply) at 71 Garland Road has been under construction to upgrade its aged high-voltage electrical, instrumentation, process control systems, and general electrical system. The project is in final stages, and all upgraded systems have been fully tested and are operational. Loan funds have been provided by NHDES-Drinking Water Groundwater Trust Fund. Further questions: contact Supt. Arik Jones (603) 817-1344.



**Other Projects:** The District will be replacing approximately 1,100 feet of 8" water main from the intersection of Wallis Road and Ocean Blvd, to the intersection of Wallis Road and Odiorne Dr. starting after Labor Day of 2022 and the estimated completion date is late Fall 2022. We are engaged in new source water research, and several target areas have been located on Town property off West Road. We intend to replace at least five hydrants that have reached the end of their service life. We anticipate the replacement of 150 to 200 water meters over the year.

**Irrigation:** As the recent temperatures have indicated, summer is knocking on our door. When you have your irrigation system activated, please have your contractor check that your backflow device is operating properly. The irrigation system's backflow preventer must be installed correctly and tested at least once a year. If you're

not sure if a backflow device is present or installed correctly, please feel free to contact our office at 603-436-2596 to schedule an evaluation. As we get into the real heat of the summer, please use water wisely. If it is raining or has been raining there is no reason to be operating your irrigation system right away. Also, be sure your irrigation sprinkler heads are not watering the driveway or roadway. The recommended hours for lawn watering and/or irrigation are between the hours of 2:00 am and 7:00 am or between 8:00 pm and Midnight.

In the event weather conditions (e.g., lack of rain) warrant, the RWD may find it necessary to implement voluntary or mandatory lawn watering and irrigation procedures. These procedures will be structured to address the given situation(s) that may exist at the time of implementation and may be adjusted as changing conditions warrant.

Thank you for your help in water conservation.

**Water Use:** The Rye Water District would like to remind our customers, especially as summer approaches, that our water is critical for fire protection in addition to being a valuable resource for daily domestic use, such as for personal hygiene, cooking and drinking. This resource is not an endless supply and comes with limits of availability. RWD would like to remind you to conserve and limit essential and non-essential usage. Irrigation and poor usage management have put a huge strain on our system, especially in the past few years, most notably during the summer months. Please visit our website for water conservation tips and or call our office (603) 436-2596 for more information. The following graphs show the substantial usage increase by month over the year during the summer months.

**Staff:** It is our pleasure to welcome Jacob Madore to our Operational Field Staff as of May 2022. Jacob is a young intelligent and very inspired individual. We are excited to have him on our team and teach him all there is to know about our profession.

**Commissioner Positions:** At our annual meeting in March of 2022 Tom Clifford was replaced by Scott Marion on the Board of Commissioners. Scott comes to us with a variety of knowledge and background experiences. Welcome aboard Scott and we look forward to working with you! Our other two Commissioners Mr. Ditto and Mr. Hickson, whose terms expire in 2022 and 2023 respectfully, have indicated that they intend to end the service by these dates, if not sooner.

In response to these future open

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positions, the Commissioners request that any individual interested in serving as a RWD commissioner to express their interest to the RWD at this time, or at a convenient time in the near future. Contact can be made by phone at 603-436-2596 or by e-mail to [commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net](mailto:commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net)

**Commissioner's Email:** If you have any issues or concerns with the water system operations feel free to email the Commissioners directly at: [commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net](mailto:commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net)

Rye Water District Commissioners,  
Art Ditto  
Ralph Hickson  
Scott Marion

## Rye Recycling – Let's Do It the Rye-ght Way!

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Most of all REDUCE!

### Benefits of Recycling

- Prevents pollution
- Conserves natural resources
- Conserves energy
- Creates jobs, having economic benefits

There is always something you can do. Every little bit helps. Take a bag to the beach. Bring home your trash and pick up trash you find.

Go online and check out Pinterest. It's great for recycling projects, especially kids art.

Catalog Choice website is a free service where you can request removal of Mailing list of mail order catalogs. <https://catalogchoice.org/>.

Keep in mind to conserve water when we are in a drought. Here are a couple of ways to conserve water for your gardens. If you have a dehumidifier running in your basement, you can use the water from the dehumidifier for your garden. Another idea is having a rain barrel. Place the rain barrel under the downspout and each time it

rains you will have some rain water for your garden. Every little bit helps.



Compost. Try IT You Will Like IT! We have Mr. Fox Composting barrels at the Transfer Station for everyone in Rye to throw their compostable material in. Please take advantage of this wonderful program.

Some compostable items are:

- All food scraps from plates
- Sugar packets
- Eggshells
- Paper napkins, plates, & towels
- Bread
- All meats & all seafood including bones & shells
- Wax Paper liners & muffin wax wrappers
- Fruits & vegetables (remove stickers)
- Teabags & tea (no staples please)
- Coffee grounds & filters
- Flowers and floral trimmings
- Some cardboard boxes
- All plant-based cups & utensils (compostable)
- Wooden Stirrers & corks
- PIZZA BOXES!

We have only one EARTH!!

Do something small.

Do something big.

Doing something is better than nothing.

The Rye Recycling Education Committee still has openings for more members. We are meeting at the Rye Public Library on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. (not in July). All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer.

Joan Provencher, Senior Member  
Rye Recycling Education Committee

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

FOR THE TOWNS OF KENSINGTON,  
FREMONT, RYE, BRENTWOOD,  
SANDOWN & NORTH HAMPTON

Saturday, September 24, 2022

9:00 am - 12:00 Noon

Place: Highway Garage, Route 111A  
207 Middle Road, Brentwood, NH



Driver's License Required as  
Proof of Residency

## Rye Historical Society Upcoming Events

The Rye Historical Society plans the following events:

- An excursion to Star Island: Leaving Rye Harbor on the Uncle Oscar with guided tour on Star Island, July 27th and August 10th.
- The Genealogy group meets monthly, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday via Zoom
- The trolley tours, a narrated tour through Rye, will be held again this year. Trolley leaves from the Rye Historical Museum, July 4th, Labor Day and September 5th.
- Speaker Event: "Big House, Little House, Back House, Barn" Presented by Thomas Hubka, at Rye Congregational Church, 7/28 at 7:00 pm
- Annual RHS Membership meeting will be held on August 14th, 112 Washington Road, Rye

## Rye Senior SERVE is here to serve Rye Seniors.

Rye Senior SERVE can help you manage your vital errands. Our dedicated staff and volunteers will provide you with safe and dependable transportation. We provide weekly door to door service to:

- Shopping at Market Basket
- Breakfast at Hebert's
- TD Bank
- Local pharmacies

Additionally, Rye Senior SERVE offers monthly outings to local restaurants.

Rye Senior SERVE and its volunteers can also provide individual transportation to necessary local appointments.

For more information please contact Senior SERVE President Jim Delaney at 603.436.6041.



# Conservation Commission Update

**Rye Conservation Commission Pioneer Road Acquisition:** The Rye Conservation Commission (RCC), on behalf of the town, has acquired 0 Pioneer Road, Parcel 022-073. The property is a pristine 3.6217 acres with 370 feet of water frontage on Seavey Creek, which is part of the protected Berry’s Brook watershed. This parcel abuts the 59-acre Seavey Acres Conservation land (Parcel 022-074), which was conserved in 1992. This waterfront parcel at 0 Pioneer Road was owned by the Junkins family since the late 1930’s and is a favorite spot of fishermen.



**Thank you:** RCC would like to thank Greg Bauer for his donation of time and materials moving three rocks to mark the entrances to Brown Lane Farm, Cedar Run and Goss Farm. Another thank you goes to Dan Barron of DPW for his work placing the RCC plaques on the rocks. For continued tree work and trail maintenance, a thank you to residents Bob Blanchard and Joe Persechino.

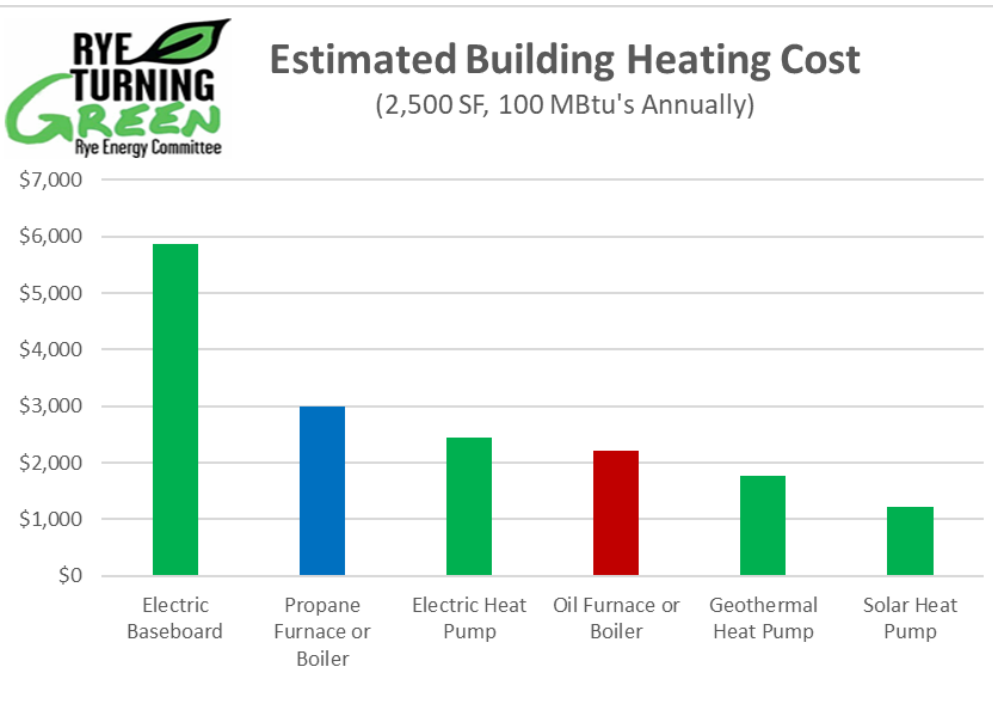
Finally, RCC recently installed a purple martin pole and nesting gourds at the Goss Farm (pictured) with the help of “Martin Mentors” John and Linda Cavanaugh. John guided RCC through the process, from deciding which components to order to installing the nesting site at Goss farm. The Cavanaughs have a successful purple martin colony at their residence off Washington Road. RCC hopes additional purple martins will find RCC’s newly installed site and start a new colony at Goss farm. During nesting season, the Cavanaughs regularly check their nests to monitor the status and health of the baby birds. They also check for intruding birds such as Sparrows. John and Linda Cavanaugh, Lee Hodson, Dave Whitehouse, Tom King and RCC members Sally King, Mike Garvan and Susan Shepcaro helped with the installation.

Karen Oliver, Alternate  
Rye Conservation Commission

# Energy Committee Update

The Energy Committee has spent time learning more about Rye building energy use and CO2 emissions. The Assessing Department provided us with a 2020 inventory of every building in Rye which included how they are heated. From this we learned not only how many buildings are heated by furnace, boiler, baseboard, or heat pump, but which type of heating fuel they use. Here's what we learned.

There are 1,806 buildings (68%) heated by oil, 651 (24%) by propane, 203 (8%) by electricity and a few are heated by wood or coal. Using this and information from the US Energy Information Agency we calculated the estimated heating cost and the CO2 emitted to heat a 2,500 square foot building using



oil, propane or electricity.

Given that the average cost per gallon of propane is about 10% higher than oil and it takes more propane than oil to provide the same amount of heat, it's easy to understand why it is more expensive to heat with propane than with oil. However, propane emits 20% less CO2 than oil, so it is a cleaner fuel choice. When we calculated the cost to heat by electricity, it is clear electric baseboard is by far the most expensive choice, however, the CO2 emissions from electric heat are 350% lower than oil.

There are 24 Rye buildings heated by electricity that use air source heat pumps, which are similar to mini-splits, or geothermal heat pumps. Although they are powered by electricity, they are so efficient their operating cost is the least expensive choice. And if a heat pump is powered by electricity provided by solar panels, it becomes the lowest cost and cleanest heating choice. Mini-splits and heat pumps also cool your home for less than conventional air conditioning which offers even greater savings. Although installing a heat pump costs about 10% more than a furnace or boiler, the cost will be recouped with lower operating cost savings over the years.

You can find this information and more details on the Energy Committee webpage: <https://tinyurl.com/ryenhec>

So, the next time you are faced with replacing your heating system, you may want to consider switching to either propane or an air source heat pump.

The Community Power Coalition of NH issued an RFP for Services and Credit Support on April 25. Those interested in learning more about CPCNH and how it will operate are encouraged to read this informative document on

their website at <http://cpenh.org>

The Public Utilities Commission is expected to release their Community Power rules soon. When the rules are released the Energy Committee will ask the Select Board to review and approve any amendments to our Electric Aggregation Plan required by the rules so that it can be resubmitted to the PUC for approval. Once the EAP is approved the Energy Committee will offer more public education sessions about Community Power before its anticipated launch in the spring of 2023.

There are open positions on the committee if anyone is interested in joining. Visitors are welcome too! We meet at 3:00 PM on the first Tuesday of the month at the Rye Public Library. Please join us!

Rye Energy Committee,  
Tom Pfau  
Howard Kalet  
Lisa Sweet  
Carl Nicolino  
Nancy Siopes

## PLANNING A YARD SALE OR AN OPEN HOUSE?

### PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

- **Selectmen's approval is required for all signs on town-owned property, including Parsons Field and Town ROW's.**
- **Sign requests will be considered only from non-profit entities holding approved events on Town or School property or are for the benefit of or are sponsored by the Town.**
- **Commercial identification or logos on signs are not permitted.**
- **Sign duration is limited to 7 days.**
- **Size may not exceed 4 square feet. For example: 2' x 2'**
- **State law prohibits signs on utility poles.**

# Town of Rye Board Meetings

**Sunday      Monday      Tuesday      Wednesday      Thursday      Friday      Saturday**

Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rye Town Hall Courtroom (first floor), 10 Central Road. Other board meetings are also held at Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Rd., unless otherwise noted. Because meeting schedules are subject to change, check the bulletin board at Town Hall or the Town website: [www.town.rye.nh.us](http://www.town.rye.nh.us) for up-to-date information.

<b>June 2022</b>				<b>1</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Rye Water District</b> 60 Sagamore Road 5:30 p.m. <b>Rye Town Center Committee</b> 7:00 p.m. <b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b>	<b>2</b>  5:30 p.m. <b>Heritage Commission</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Recreation Commission</b>	<b>7</b> 3:00 p.m. <b>Energy Committee</b>	<b>8</b> 5:30 p.m. <b>Historic District Commission</b>	<b>9</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Conservation Commission</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 6:30 p.m. <b>Select Board</b>	<b>14</b> 6:00 p.m. <b>Planning Board</b>	<b>15</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Rye Water District Work Session</b> 60 Sagamore Road	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	
<b>19</b>  <b>Father's Day</b>	<b>20</b>  6:30 p.m. <b>Beach Committee</b>	<b>21</b> 8:00 a.m. <b>Sewer Commission</b>  5:00 p.m. <b>Mosquito Control Commission</b>  6:30 p.m. <b>Recycling Education Committee</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Rye Water District Work Session</b>  6:30 p.m. <b>Select Board</b>	<b>30</b>			
<b>July 2022</b>						<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
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<b>31</b>	<b>August 2022</b>						
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Library Trustees, first Thursday every month 5:30 pm at the Library

Additional Civic Meetings: Rye Lions Club, First Wednesday every month, 7 pm at the Rye Library  
 Friends of the Library, second Tuesday every month, 7pm at the Library

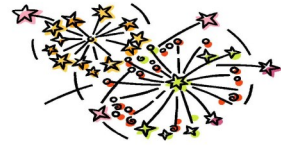


**Did you know that Rye will be celebrating its 400th anniversary in 2023?** The Rye Historical Society (RHS) is acting as the umbrella organization for Rye's 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. We will be celebrating this significant milestone as a town with a series of events from Odiorne Point to the Isles of Shoals, from Goss Farm to Parsons Field all throughout the year! We are planning the festivities to begin with the Holiday Parade and a candlelight stroll in December 2022 and are planning to include an educational speaker series and many opportunities to gather in various outdoor locations across our beautiful town. There are even plans to bring back Rye Day on July 1st at Parsons Field! Stay tuned for more information and check out the **official website** for all the latest updates at <http://www.ryenh400.org>.

We are actively soliciting volunteers and organizations who would like to participate in a variety of roles. RHS is also a 501-c(3) tax deductible organization for those who would like to contribute monetary donations.



**TOWN OF RYE**  
**4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION**  
**FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022**



**PARSON'S FIELD**  
**7:00 P.M. LIVE BAND**



**AT DUSK FIREWORKS BY AMERICAN THUNDER**

**Weather Permitting - No Rain Date**

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RYE, NH 03870

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ECRWSS  
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Permit #10

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**RYE, NH 03870**