

TOWN OF SUDBURY Town Manager Newsletter October 2018

Message from the Town Manager

Dear Residents,

I was happy to see so many of you at our Special Fall Town Meeting. There were many exciting items on the agenda, and I enjoyed the spirited and respectful debate. It's so humbling and overwhelming to see our community come together to make important decisions that will frame the future of our town.

We will gather again for a Town Meeting on December 11 to discuss the future of the Melone property and our town center. The Board of Selectmen is hosting a forum on November 27 to discuss these items as well, and I hope to see you there. We are working diligently to prepare for this town meeting and the forum, and I look forward to the discussion.

I wanted to applaud many of our Town Departments for their commitment to the Town over the past month. The Park and Recreation Department held their annual Fall Fest and it was an amazing community event. The Police and Fire Departments participated in Public Safety Day, which was enjoyed by many of our youngest residents. The Police Department also hosted a successful pharmaceutical take back event. The Town Clerk staff has been hosting early voting and should be recognized for their efforts and their success in making this such a smooth process. Finally, the Board of Health has been hosting a series of flu shot clinics and making certain that our most vulnerable populations are healthy and safe this flu season.

The Town, Sudbury Historical Society and the Chamber of Commerce are hosting a holiday celebration on December 1 in Town Center at 4:30PM. We look forward to bringing the community together for this special event. There are many sponsors of this event and we look forward to a wonderful collaboration. I hope to see you there!

Best,
Melissa Murphy-Rodrigues. Esq., Town Manager

Whether you enjoy the excitement of Election Day or prefer to skip the lines and Early Vote, Sudbury voters can choose how they cast a ballot for the November 2018 State Election.

Early Voting is available at Town Hall until Friday, November 2.

Election Day is Tuesday, November 6.



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From the Selectmen's Office

September 11

The Board began in Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Sudbury Station and collective bargaining. In open session, they issued a Common Victualler license to Peet's Coffee, signed an agreement with the Engineer's Union, discussed Special Town Meeting articles and "Pro" and "Con" authors for the local ballot questions on the November 6, 2018 election. They also voted on the three proposals provided in response to the Melone Property disposition RFP, selecting Quarry North as the best use.

September 25

The Board began in Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Sudbury Station and Melone disposition, as well as Broadacres Farm acquisition. They then discussed Town Meeting articles and executed an agreement to sell parcels of land on Water Row to the Department of US Fish and Wildlife Service.

October 2

The Board met in Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Sudbury Station and Melone disposition.

October 9

The Board approved an RFP for the Coolidge Phase 2 project. They received an update on negotiations with Quarry North and discussed the Town Forum on November 27. They heard from presenters of Town Meeting articles regarding their Town Meeting items. They called a **Special Town Meeting** for December

11, 2018. Mark Taylor from Camp Sewataro discussed plans to sell the camp property.

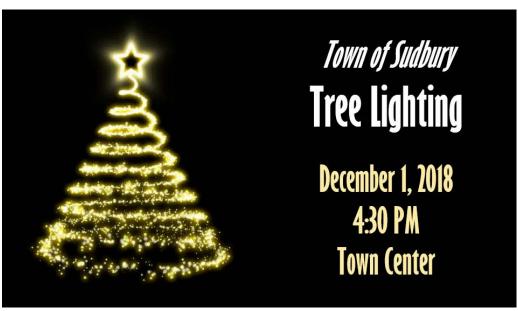
October 15

The Board met prior to Town Meeting to authorize the P&S for Broadacres Farm and discuss their positions on Town Meeting articles. Special Town Meeting began at 7:30PM. Residents voted to postpone discussion of Melone Property Disposition and funding for 420 Lincoln Rd. The Acquisition of Broadacres Farm was voted overwhelmingly and will go before a vote at the State Election (Nov. 6). Fairbank Community Center Design Funds did not pass. Both citizen petitions (Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Design Funding and Tax Rates for Above-Ground Poles and Wires) were voted. The full vote results are here: https://sudbury.ma.us/townmeeting/tmarticles/?t

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October 30

The Board began in Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Sudbury Station and Melone disposition. They moved to Open Session and received Sudbury Access Cable's FY18 reports. They discussed the upcoming Town Forum and zoning needs in preparation for the December 11 Town Meeting pertaining to the Melone property. The Town Manager presented the Financial Condition of the Town, and the Board discussed the SPS administrative space, Fairbank Community Center and Camp Sewataro property.



State Election Information

Date & Time

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 Polls are open from 7:00 AM until 8:00 PM

Voting Locations

PCT. 1, 1A, 2, and 5 – Fairbank Comm. Center, 40 Fairbank Rd. PCT. 3 and 4 – Town Hall, 322 Concord Rd.

Election Ballot

- State Offices: There are thirteen (13) State offices on the ballot.
- State Ballot Questions: There are three (3) state-wide ballot questions. Please note, Question 1 is on the front of the ballot, the rest are on the back.
- Sudbury Ballot Questions:
 - 4. **Fairbank Community Center Design Funds** <u>DEFEATED</u> at Special Town Meeting (Oct 15, 2018). Must be approved by voters at both a town meeting and at an election to move forward.
 - Broadacres Farm Acquisition <u>VOTED</u> at Special Town Meeting. 82 Morse Road must pass at election in order to proceed. Learn more at https://sudbury.ma.us/BROADACRES

Voter Registration

The deadline to register to vote at this election was Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

Absentee Voting

If you will be out of town or unable to come to the polls on Election Day, you can find Absentee Ballot information at https://sudbury.ma.us/clerk/?p=160. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot is Monday, November 5 at noon.

Early Voting

Early Voting will be available for the State Election from October 22 to November 2 at the Lower Town Hall, 322 Concord Road during these hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday – 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM

Tuesday – 8:30 AM until 7:00 PM

Friday - 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM





Sudbury Calendar

Town Meeting - 12/11/18

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Building Department

Avalon Bay Multi-Family Housing

Avalon Bay held a Grand Opening celebration earlier this month. It was a nice meet & greet social. The only downside was the rainy weather that night - it made it hard to view the walkways, landscaped grounds, fire pit, pool, and other outdoor features of the property. I did an inspection there the other morning, and as I drove in, I notice all the things I see every day in other parts of Sudbury. Folks were walking their dogs, out for a jog, taking a baby for a stroller walk, and bringing home groceries from the store. I also noticed several apartments well decorated for Halloween. It has really taken on a nice neighborhood feel.

We are seeing an increase in construction of multi-family housing across the state. These multi-story buildings help with land conservation and fulfilling housing needs.

Avalon has been moving quickly towards completion with 150 apartments that have a Certificate of Occupancy and 100 units left to go. They are hoping to complete the project by the end of March 2019.

New Barns

We have had three recent barn-style garages built in town. All three of these unattached barns have different styles of construction. Each is appealing in its own way and will serve the owners well.



A newly built barn on Willis Road.

Winter Safety Tips

As the crisp, cool air slowly creeps in, we are beginning to turn on the heat. I want to remind everyone to be sure to have your heating system serviced and inspected by a qualified

professional. This should include solid fuel (wood, pellet, etc.) stoves, chimneys and vents. Also, please test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Submitted by: Mark Herweck, Building Inspector



Multi-family housing at Avalon Bay.

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Fire Department

Merrimack Valley Mutual Aid

On Thursday, September 13, 2018, Ladder 1 responded in mutual aid to the City of Lawrence due to an over pressurization of part of the City's natural gas system. Ladder 1 responded as part of the Fire Taskforce to supply five Engine Company's, two Ladder Company's and two Chief fire officers to assist with this disaster. On Sunday, September 16th, Ladder 1 responded once again to the City of Lawrence to provide support. Sudbury is part of the State Fire Mobilization system that is set up to provide support when these types of disasters occur.



Sudbury Ladder 1 and Peabody Tower 1 in Staging during the response at Merrimack Valley.

Annual Open House

On October 13, the Fire Department held the annual open house at Fire Headquarters located at 77 Hudson Road, the day's weather was a bit wet, but the turn-out was very high. Many young visitors enjoyed pizza and had a firsthand look at the Fire Department equipment, which included the new Ladder Truck.

New Ladder Truck

On October 1, 2018, the department received delivery of the new KME 103 Ladder truck. This



vehicle was purchased with funds from the 2017 Annual Town Meeting. The Department members all received factory training during the first week of October, and we are preparing to place the vehicle into service soon.

Congratulations Firefighter Boutilier

On Monday, October 15, 2018, Firefighter/Paramedic Mathew Boutilier completed the Massachusetts Fire Academy located in Stow, Massachusetts. Matthew completed the ten-week recruit training program that teaches basic and advance firefighting skills. We congratulate Matthew on his accomplishment.



Submitted by: John Whalen, Fire Chief



Ballot QUESTION 5: 82 MORSE ROAD is Broadacres Farm

Broadacres Farm is an active 34-acre horse farm with stables, pasture, indoor arena, and riding fields located on both sides of scenic Morse Road. The property has abundant natural and cultural resources, is connected to other Town-owned properties, and offers potential for recreational use. It is a priority for protection identified in the 2009-2015 Open Space and Recreation Plan and the Heritage Landscape Inventory of 2006.

The Town has agreed to purchase the three parcels on 82 Morse Road for a total of \$5.5 million dollars, contingent on Town Meeting vote on October 15 and ballot vote on November 6. The purchase will occur in phases, and the amount to be borrowed at a future date will be \$3,562,000, as the Community Preservation Committee will fund nearly \$2 million of the purchase. *The motion to acquire the property passed overwhelmingly* at Special Town Meeting, and must pass at election in order to proceed.

Ballot Question 5

Shall the Town of Sudbury be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and a half, so-called- the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to purchase, upon such terms as the Board of Selectmen determine, the fee or other interest in the property located at 82 Morse Road, including but not limited to a conservation restriction, and all incidental and related expenses?

A "yes" vote on this question will authorize the Town to increase taxes in excess of the levy over a 20- year period in order to pay for the acquisition; and a "no" vote will mean the acquisition cannot go forward.



Learn More: https://sudbury.ma.us/BROADACRES

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Goodnow Library

Library Director Shares Stage with American Library Association President

On Thursday, October 18, Library Director, Esmé Green was invited to speak alongside Loida Garcia-Febo at the Cambridge Public Library, as part of a five-city national tour of her campaign: "Libraries=Strong Communities." Ms. Green spoke as the Vice-President and President-Elect of the MA Library Association (MLA), and talked about the ways in which the MLA advocates for libraries and librarians across the Commonwealth.



Library Director Esmé Green delivering a speech at an American Library Association event in Cambridge, MA.



The Interfaith series panel. Left to right: Father Gerald Souza, Rabbi Joshua Breindel, Shaheen Akhtar and Reverend Tom O'Brien.

Interfaith Series a Success

Over three successive weeks, half a dozen members of the interfaith community came together to discuss faith traditions in America: Christianity, Islam, and Judaism. Moderator Rev. Tom O'Brien of Memorial Congregational Church and speakers Father Gerald Souza of Our Lady of Fatima, Rabbi Joshua Breindel of Congregation Beth El of the Sudbury River Valley, and Shaheen Akhtar of the Islamic Center of Boston, Wayland spoke entertainingly and informatively and answered hard questions. We learned about how "Islam" is a verb and "Muslim" is a noun. We learned about the affect the Holocaust has had on how Judaism looks at God. And we learned about some of the complexity of issues of truth and belief in Catholicism. Attendees were impressed with the depth and complexity of the discussion.

Coming Up: Meditation for Inner Peace with D. Allan Hughes

Join Dr. Allan Hughes for this popular and engaging program. Participants will be guided through a firsthand personal experience of OCTOBER 2018 6 of 9

meditation and learn the secret to profound personal well-being and global healing. Saturday, November 3rd, 11am to 12:30pm, Library Community Room.



Free Digital Magazines Now at the Library

Visit our digital collection or use the Libby app to borrow and read magazine issues anytime, with no waiting list or holds.

Meet Libby: meet.libbyapp.com

Visit our digital library: minuteman.overdrive.com

Homebound Delivery Service

In collaboration with the Sudbury Senior Center, the Goodnow Library is now offering "Goodnow To Go," a service to supply library materials to Sudbury residents unable to travel to the Library. This service will be provided free of charge to Sudbury residents who are unable to travel to the library due to a temporary or permanent disabling condition. A Senior Center volunteer will deliver materials to locations and return them to the library when the circulation

period expires. Materials may be selected by the patron or with the



advice of Library staff or Senior Center

volunteer.

For more information, contact: Michael Briody, mbriody@minlib.net, 978-440-5535.

What do you want to learn?

The Sara Sherman NOWLab is open and they are looking for volunteers and ideas! Share your ideas via this <u>survey</u>.



Stay In Touch!

There are many ways to keep up with all the happenings at the library. Visit our <u>website</u> to sign up for our weekly newsletters, view our <u>Event Calendar</u>, or find us on your favorite

@Rakuten

OverDrive

social media!

See you at the library!

Submitted by: Esmé Green, Library Director

Magazines now available!

Enjoy eBooks, audiobooks & magazines from our digital collection.

Come to the Sudbury, MA Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

What Do I Bring??

From the Workbench:

- ✓ Oil Based Paints (NO LATEX) ✓
 Stains & Varnishes
- ✓ Wood Preservatives
- ✓ Paint Strippers/Thinners
- ✓ Solvent Adhesives
- ✓ Lighter Fluid ✓ Fiberglass Resins

From the Garage:

- ✓ Fuels/Gasoline/Kerosene
- ✓ Motor Oil
- ✓ Antifreeze
- ✓ Engine Degreaser
- ✓ Brake Fluid/Carburetor Cleaner
- ✓ Transmission Fluid
- ✓ Car Wax, Polishes
- ✓ Driveway Sealer
- ✓ Roofing Tar ✓ Swimming Pool Chemicals

From the Yard:

- ✓ Poisons, Insecticides, Fungicides
- √ Chemical Fertilizers
- ✓ Weed Killers
- ✓ Moth Balls
- ✓ Flea Control Products

From the House:

- ✓ Rubber Cement, Airplane Glue
- ✓ Photo Chemicals

- ✓ Chemistry Sets
- ✓ Furniture Polish
- ✓ Floor & Metal Polish
- ✓ Oven Cleaner
- ✓ Drain & Toilet Cleaner ✓ Spot Remover
- ✓ Rug & Upholstery Cleaner
- ✓ Fluorescent bulbs
- ✓ Hobby Supplies, Artist Supplies ✓ Mercury containing devices

How Can I Safely Transport These Hazardous Materials???

- Leave materials in original containers.
- Tighten caps and lids. ☐ Sort and pack separately: oil paint, pesticides, and household cleaners. ☐ Pack containers in sturdy upright boxes and pad with newspaper. ☐ NEVER MIX CHEMICALS.
- Pack your car and drive directly to the site.
- NEVER SMOKE while handling hazardous material.

NOVEMBER 17, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

PLACE:

Department of Public Works 275 Old Lancaster Road

What Not To Bring!!

- Ø Latex Paint
- Ø Empty Containers/Trash
- Ø Commercial or Industrial Waste
- Ø Radioactive Waste, Smoke Detectors
- Ø Infectious & Biological Wastes
- Ø Ammunition, Fireworks, Explosives
- Ø Fire Extinguishers
- Ø Prescription Medicines/Syringes
- Ø Asbestos
- Ø Propane Tanks
- Ø Batteries, Car or Household
- Ø Computers / TV's



This Collection is Operated By:
Clean Harbors Environmental Services

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Board of Health

National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month and Memory Screening

November is National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month. Alzheimer's Disease is the most common form of dementia and can cause problems with memory, thinking and behavior. About 5.7 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's Disease and it is the 6th leading cause of death in the United States. Prevention and early detection are key for positive outcomes.

In light of Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month, the Sudbury Board of Health is holding its annual memory screening on Tuesday, November 13th. Advanced sign-up for an appointment is required and can be scheduled by calling 978-443-3055. This screening does not provide a diagnosis but rather evaluates whether more follow up is needed with a medical professional.

<u>Location</u>: Sudbury Senior Center, 40 Fairbank Road, Sudbury

<u>Date and Time</u>: Tuesday, November 13, 2018

from 9:30-11:30 am

Holiday Gift Program

Are you interested in assisting a Sudbury family with gifts this holiday season? The Holiday Gift Program is a great way to give back to the community and help a family in need! If you are interested in donating or would like more information, please contact the Social Work Office at 978-440-5476 or email socialworker@sudbury.ma.us.



Seminar for Living Independently and Safely for Seniors and Care Givers of Sudbury

Come learn about the resources and programs available in Sudbury for seniors and their caregivers. Speakers include Police Chief Scott Nix, Fire Chief John Whalen, Town Social Worker Bethany Hadvab and Senior Center Director Debra Galloway. If you have any questions about this informative event, please contact Christine Dunn at 978-443-2798.

<u>Location</u>: Our Lady of Fatima, 160 Concord Road, Sudbury

<u>Date and Time</u>: Monday, November 5th, 10:00-11:30 am

Coffee and pastries will be served.



Submitted by: Esther Tandetnik, MSW Intern Sudbury Board of Health

Free Financial Coaching

The Sudbury Board of Health Social Worker and The Marlborough Community Development Corporation have partnered to develop a grant funded financial literacy program available to all Sudbury residents. This program is called Financial Fitness Sudbury.

Are you interested in working with a financial coach to evaluate your finances and work toward

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your own personal financial goals? Call Marlborough Community Development Corporation at 508-658-0880 to learn more and set up an appointment. Coaches can travel to Sudbury and can accommodate weekend and evening hours to meet your needs.

In the coming months, Financial Fitness Sudbury will be offering additional financial literacy services, including topic specific workshops and tax preparation. Please visit www.sudbury.ma.us/socialworker for up-to-date information.

Submitted by: Bethany Hadvab, LICSW, Board of Health Social Worker

Flu Shot Clinics

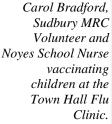
Flu season has been busy this year with increased immunization rates from 2017. The

Board of Health has conducted 12 Flu Clinics so far this year. In addition, we added the Town Hall Flu Clinic held on October 17th that saw approximately 200 residents. The Fairbank Clinic held on October 11th, vaccinating both seniors and families, saw a 25% increase from last year's attendance. Special thanks to the Medical Reserve Corps and the Community Emergency Response Team that has volunteered in many clinics throughout the Town of Sudbury. We also have two nurse interns to thank as well, Meghan Auchy and Cindy Duggan from Worcester State University. There is still time to receive a flu shot. Please contact Phyllis Schilp BSN, RN, BOH Nurse 978-440-5477 or schilpp@sudbury.ma.us for an appointment for your vaccination.

Submitted by: Phyllis Schilp BSN, RN, Sudbury Town Nurse



Luis Forte,
Paramendic,
Firefighter and
Registered Nurse
vaccinating at
Fire Prevention
Day Flu Clinic.





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Park, Recreation & Aquatics

Fall Festival 2018

The Fall Festival took place on Sunday, October 28. Activities included a 5K, a Fun Run, an inflatable corn maze, candy apple making, hot cider, live music, inflatables, field games,

pumkin decorating and "Stuff a Bear". There were 84 runners in the 5k. See the race results here:

http://www.coolrunning.com/results/.../Oct28_Sud bur_set1.shtml



MELONE DISPOSITION

QUARRY NORTH

SUDBURY TOWN FORUM

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

L-SRHS Regional High School

7:30PM



Email questions by 5:00PM on Tuesday, November 27 to townforum@sudbury.ma.us.

Please put "Town Forum" in the subject line and include your name & address. Learn about the proposed disposition of the Melone property.

Presentation followed by Q&A.



Watch live on SudburyTV Comcast Ch. 8 Verizon Ch. 31 <u>sudburytv.orq</u> **Board of Selectmen**

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