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Town Manager Newsletter

Sudbury residents and volunteers have shown an outpouring of support to our first responders during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fire Chief Whalen highlights some of the innovative equipment and greatly appreciated supplies that have been generously donated to the Fire Department.

**THANK YOU,
SUDBURY**



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Message from the Town Manager

To all who shall see this, greetings. I wanted to take some time to reflect on my first few weeks in the Town of Sudbury. I know that there are a lot of other things on people's mind related to what our new normal will be, I anticipate some people are eager to go into the next phases of reopening, while others dread the reprehensible potentials. I too cautiously anticipate and look forward to what is next for all of us.

My request to you is this, please continue to be courteous to our Town employees during the phases. Looking at the news across the Nation, and within the Commonwealth, I see more and more evidence of frustration. Partly due to fear, some related to the need to take back their life's control and others just want the pressures to end.

Our teams are working diligently to provide for the needs of a thriving community. I am very proud of the

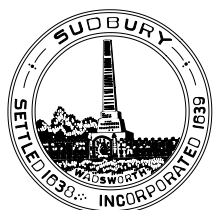
results provided through limited crew sizes, their own fears and at times, exposure to multiple hazards... but have not failed to be there for the Town!

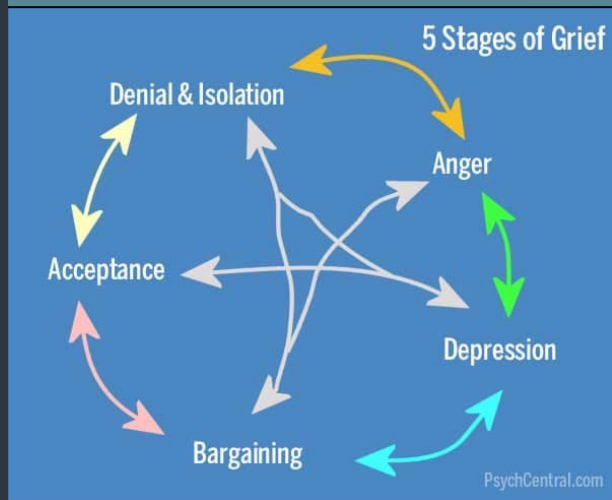
We will continue with our commitment to sustain a Safe, Secure, Serviced & Strong Sudbury!

In the meantime, I wanted to share that I have found many of the jewels in scenic Sudbury, I've spent some time in Heritage Park, Wadsworth Cemetery, the Revolutionary War Cemetery, the Police and Fire Departments, gorgeous Goodnow Library and various other locations, to include a walk on one of our conservation sites.

I look forward to our future, as we walk carefully through the phases of recovery. Be well.

Henry L. Hayes, Jr.
Town Manager





Health Department

Message from
Sudbury Town Social
Worker Bethany
Hadvab

*As the impacts of COVID-19 touch our lives,
we experience grief and trauma.*

COVID-19 & Our Mental Health

As we continue to adapt to the impacts of COVID-19 in our local community and the world, together we are experiencing upheaval unlike anything we have experienced before. We are all experiencing grief and trauma as we adjust to losses big and small. From losses of freedom of movement, anticipated trips or plans, and family events, to losses of employment and income, we all have things big and small that we are grieving. In addition, many are experiencing anticipatory grief as they worry about illness or loss of loved ones, and grief when they see healthcare workers, first responders, and others struggling on the news.

Understanding how grief and trauma can impact us and how we can help ourselves be more resilient as we cope during this time is incredibly important. Grief and trauma impact our brains and bodies in ways that can leave us more tired and make us feel like we cannot function at the same levels we normally do.

Symptoms of trauma can include decreased concentration, hopelessness, insomnia, feelings of numbness, loss of interest and motivation, irritability, anxiety, emotional overwhelm, nightmares, and physical aches and pains such as headaches.

The experience of grief, often described as a linear, phased

process, can actually be quite unpredictable as we move erratically among the phases including denial and isolation, anger, acceptance, bargaining, and depression, often revisiting phases repeatedly as we process our losses.

The most important thing you can do for yourself and for those around you is to be mindful that, during this time, being productive, creating and sticking with routines and engaging in activities you have once enjoyed, may be particularly challenging. This is very normal!

The best gift you can give yourself and those you love right now is to take care of yourself like you would a good friend. Be forgiving of yourself and allow yourself a lot of space to process everything you are experiencing. Some great self-care practices include:

- getting regular exercise
- making a regular practice of meditation, yoga, prayer, or mindfulness
- maintaining a consistent sleep schedule
- expressing gratitude
- spending time outside if it is safe to do so
- eating well

- maintaining a routine
- limiting your news and social media diet

Activities that can be restorative and invigorating include:

- giving to your community
- planning regular social connections through online tools, letters, or phone calls
- indulging in enjoyable hobbies and creative activities
- learning a new skill

The most important thing you can do right now is to take the time to listen to your body and your heart, and treat yourself with kindness, patience and understanding. If you need additional support during this time, please visit the social work office's **Comprehensive COVID-19 Resource Guide** for additional resources related to mental health, emotion support and self-care resources:

<https://sudbury.ma.us/socialworker/?p=1581>. The guide also contains various other resources to support Sudbury residents as they are impacted by the COVID-19 situation.

*Submitted by: Tara Edelman,
Social Work Intern and
Bethany Hadvab, Town Social
Worker*



Assessors Office

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

Sudbury's Tax Office issued over 16,000 excise tax bills in February. As expected, the Assessing Department fielded many telephone calls, email inquiries, and abatement requests after the bills were issued. Many vehicle owners are not familiar with the provisions of auto excise abatements. This month's article is all about excise: the requirements to obtain abatements as well as some general information.

ABATEMENTS

During any given year, circumstances arise which, in some instances, cause vehicle owners to become eligible for motor vehicle excise tax abatement. A motor vehicle excise abatement may be in order if:

- There is an error in the valuation (see FAQ How is excise valuation determined?).
- The vehicle was sold or traded during the year in which it is being taxed, and the registration was properly cancelled or transferred to a subsequent vehicle.
- The vehicle was stolen and the appropriate cancellations and forms have been filed with the Police and Registry of Motor Vehicles.
- The owner moved from the Town of Sudbury to another Massachusetts city or town, before January 1. There is no provision for abatement when moving from one municipality to another during the calendar year. Excise is paid to the municipality where the vehicle is garaged and registered from on January 1 of the calendar year. Unlike other fees and charges, base excise amounts do not vary from one municipality to another. Vehicle owners pay the same base excise regardless of which municipality collects the tax.
- The owner moved to another state and cancelled the registration in

Massachusetts. In order to meet the criteria for abatement, the MA registration must be cancelled and the vehicle must be registered in the subsequent state. Moving out of state is not in itself a reason for abatement.

- A vehicle lease ends and the registration has been cancelled or transferred to another vehicle. In the case of a leased vehicle, the leasing company typically applies for the abatement.

EXCISE TAX GENERAL INFORMATION AND FAQ'S

Chapter 60A of Massachusetts General Laws imposes an excise on the privilege of registering a motor vehicle or a trailer in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The excise is levied annually in lieu of a tangible personal property tax.

The excise is levied by the municipality where the vehicle is principally garaged. The revenue becomes part of the local community treasury.

Where does billing data come from?

The Registry of Motor Vehicles prepares data for excise bills according to the information on the motor vehicle registration and sends it to cities and towns. Municipalities then prepare bills based on excise data sent by the Registry in conformity with Department of Revenue requirements.

How is excise valuation determined?

Valuations are based on the manufacturers' list prices for vehicles in their year of manufacture. Present market value, price paid, and condition are not considered in the valuation process. The excise tax law (M.G.L. c.60A, s.1) establishes the formula for valuation for state tax purposes whereby only the manufacturer's list price and the age of the motor vehicle are considered. Various percentages of the manufacturer's list price are applied. The percentages are as follows:

- Year preceding the designated year of manufacture (brand new car released before model year): 50%
- Year of manufacture: 90%
- Second year: 60%
- Third year: 40%
- Fourth year: 25%
- Fifth & succeeding years: 10%

How is excise tax calculated?

Once the value of the vehicle is established, the excise rate of \$25.00 per thousand is applied to the valuation. Excise tax is assessed annually on a calendar year basis. If the motor vehicle is registered after January 31, it is taxed for the period extending from the first day of the month in which it is registered to the end of the calendar year. For example, if a vehicle is first registered on April 30, it will be taxable as of April 1, for nine months of the year (April through December) and the excise due; therefore, will be 9/12 of the full excise. In no event shall the excise be assessed for less than \$5.00, nor shall an abatement or refund under Section 1 of Chapter 60A reduce an excise to less than \$5.00.

Who collects the motor vehicle excise?

Local tax collectors are responsible for collecting the motor vehicle and trailer excise. Taxpayers should be prepared to pay the full amount due as there are no special considerations for financial hardship.

How do I change my address for excise tax?

The Mass Registry of Motor Vehicles now hosts an Online Service Center. Address changes and corrections, as well as many other transactions can be managed online at the [myRMV Online Service Center](#).

How do I cancel a registration?

There is no longer a need to return license plates to the Registry. Registrations are easily cancelled online at the [myRMV Online Service Center](#).

How do I file an Excise Abatement?

Complete the [Motor Vehicle Abatement Application](#) (short form) and return by mail or email as indicated below.

Mail: Town of Sudbury, Assessors Office, 278 Old Sudbury Rd., Sudbury, MA 01776

Email: assessors@sudbury.ma.us

Questions? Please give us a call at: 978-639-3393 or 978-639-3395

Submitted by: Cynthia Gerry, Director of Assessing



Building Department



The Northwoods Age Restricted Condominium Project is nearing completion.

The Building Department continues to be busy, having received 200 building permit applications between January and April.

I would like to thank my office staff and Inspectors for the great job they are doing to keep our department operating under the difficult circumstances we find ourselves in.

Construction Projects

The age restricted housing at Northwood Drive is nearing completion with the last building of Townhouses underway for a total of 19 new units.

The Coolidge Phase 2 at 187 Boston Post Road, another age restricted apartment complex, is also moving right along.

A major addition and renovation at 83 Boston Post Road, Herb Chambers Land Rover, has broken ground and the structural steel has been set.

For the health and safety of our staff and the general public, residents are asked to delay any non-essential construction and renovation projects until the work can safely resume.

*Submitted by: Andrew Lewis,
Building Inspector*

Memorial Day & July 4th Parades Cancelled

For many Sudbury residents, the annual parades celebrating Memorial Day and July 4th are treasured hometown traditions. The decisions to cancel them this year were difficult, but necessary in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

On Memorial Day, a flag raising ceremony was held at the historic Wadsworth Cemetery. To watch the moving tribute, please visit

<https://tinyurl.com/ycxm8y3z>

We look forward to wonderful summertime celebrations in 2021!



Department of Public Works

- April Wind & Rain Storm
- New Stone Wall at Mount Pleasant Cemetery
- New Fuel Island
- 2020 Pavement Management Program

Wind & Rain Storm on April 13

High winds brought down multiple trees and large limbs throughout Town as a result of the storm on Monday, April 13, 2020. The Public Works Department responded to over 35 calls that afternoon and into the night-time hours. Many limbs and trees were blocking roadways, hanging in electrical wires or falling on cars. The Public Works crew worked tirelessly to clear the roadways and remove fallen limbs and debris to ensure the safety of the residents.

Mount Pleasant Cemetery Stone Wall

The Public Works Department recently took on the task of constructing a new stone wall adjacent to the Veteran's section of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery. This new wall replaced an old, unsightly wall made from recycled granite curbing. The project was undertaken by the Cemetery Division with guidance and expertise from internal masonry craftsman, Brian Hawes, from the Drainage Division. Thank you to the Public Works team entire team for the beautifully crafted stone wall

and surrounding landscaping to pay proper respect to the Veterans section of the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.



The newly rebuilt stone wall at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

New Fuel Island

The new above-ground fuel island at the Public Works Facility is substantially complete with only minor landscaping and punch list items remaining. The fuel management and dispensing system is fully operational and is a welcome upgrade from the aged, underground system it replaced. Upon start-up of the new above-ground fuel island, the old fuel island canopy was demolished, the underground tanks were removed, and the soils around the tanks were sampled. No environmental issues were identified during the removal of the tanks. The project is a success.



DPW crews worked day and night to clear roads of fallen trees and other hazards after the powerful storm that occurred on April 13.



Roadway Resurfacing

The 2020 Pavement Management Program is well underway. This year, DPW was able to take advantage of reduced vehicular traffic (resulting from school closure and the stay-at-home order in place due to COVID-19) to begin roadwork earlier than past years. The program uses industry-leading methods to assure the work is completed as efficiently as possible and that the road surface improvements last for many years.

For details, please see the [Roadwork Schedule](#).

Submitted by: Dan Nason, DPW Director

The fuel island is used by a number of Town departments including DPW, Police, Fire, Health, Schools and more.





Goodnow READS

Sudbury's library patrons have access to premium online content.

Grab your library card and click below to get started!



Reading Challenge: COVID-19 Fundrasier

Hello from my home office, everyone! As we collectively work through this new reality, the library is busy providing resources, reading material and enrichment to everyone in our community. **Please be sure to check our [webpage](#) daily for new content and updates.** In the next few weeks we will be working on a strategy to safely resume service. In the meantime, take advantage of our virtual offerings while you stay at home. Stay safe, stay healthy and be well!

Books, Audio & More Online

Start exploring the world of digital media today! We have an array of free choices for downloading e-books, e-audiobooks and music.

Minuteman's Digital Catalog, powered by **Overdrive**, provides access to a large collection of eBooks, eAudio and streaming video. Available to all Minuteman cardholders.

Kanopy* is an on-demand streaming video service that works directly with filmmakers and film distribution companies to offer thousands of award-winning documentaries, training films and theatrical releases across diverse subjects and disciplines. Kanopy provides access to more than 30,000 films and documentaries from a variety of independent filmmakers and distributors, including the BBC, PBS and the Criterion Collection.

Hoopla* is an online service for Goodnow patrons that allows you to check out an awesome selection of digital music, movies, and audio books FREE. No Waiting, no holds or overdue fines. Just instant access.

Here's how it works: Hoopla operates in the cloud, meaning, once you create an account, you can stream or download titles to any internet-enabled device. There are Hoopla apps for iOS and Android and you never have to juggle formats. It just works.

To create an account, [click here](#). You'll need your library card number to register, and you'll soon be on your way to digital downloading heaven!

FOR HELP WITH ANY OF THESE PRODUCTS, PLEASE CONTACT THE REFERENCE DESK AT 978-440-5520 OR reference@sudbury.ma.us.

*Submitted by: Esmé Green,
Goodnow Library Director*

**These services are available to Sudbury residents only.*

Virtual Programming

The library staff have been busy creating online content to keep your children healthfully occupied while they are staying at home. In the Children's department, the staff have produced the award-winning Music Makers, story times, and virtual yoga for little ones!

Our Teen Services Librarian, Lily, has begun to run virtual book groups on Zoom, as well as a Teen Cardio Dance Party.

Ferrell, our NOW Lab Coordinator has been busy demonstrating the features of a new online crafting resource called [Creativebug](#).

Goodnow Children's Department This week on Facebook

Monday at 10:00 AM

Music Makers

Songs and fun for children ages 0-5 and their caregivers



Tuesday at 2:00 PM

Family Yoga

Beginner class for walking children through age 5 and their caregivers



Wednesday at 10:30 AM

Wee Reads

Lapsit storytime for children from birth - 18 months



Thursday at 10:30 AM

Tales for Tots

Toddler storytime for children ages 18 months - 3 years



Park & Recreation



Sudbury Summer Camp

We hope that you and your family are healthy and safe! Even though things are difficult right now with the Coronavirus, we are still hoping to hold Sudbury Summer Programs.

To get ahead of the game, we ask that you complete the following forms:

- Authorized Pick-Up Form
- Camp Health History Form
- Buddy Request Form
- Authorization to Administer Medication Form

We understand that it may not be possible to get a copy of your child's Physical & Immunization Records from your doctor, but if you do have an updated copy please upload it to your account. A reminder that medical records are good for one year from your child's appointment.

Please note that Physical &

Immunization Records that are dated July 2019 will expire during camp! It is recommended to get a new record prior to the expiration. We understand, given the current conditions, it may not be possible to set up an appointment with your child's doctor. We will be contacting parents to remind them of this as camp gets closer.

- Log into your SudburyRec account
- Click on child's name
- Once on their profile, scroll to the bottom of the page
- Click on the link for the appropriate form
- Upload form from your computer
- Hit submit!
- Please leave expiration date blank

If there are any changes to Sudbury Summer Programs, Park & Recreation staff will be notifying parents as soon as information becomes available.

Program Offerings

Our current classes and workshops include "To Go" Pottery Glazing Kits, Dining Etiquette Online Workshop, Chess Wizards Club and more. Learn more and sign up at sudburyrec.com.



*Submitted by: Dennis Mannone,
Park & Recreation and Atkinson
Pool Director*

Military Appreciation Month

May is Military Appreciation Month in Sudbury. The Board of Selectmen's Proclamation recognizes that the sacrifices of members of the United States Armed Forces and the family members that support them have preserved the liberties that enrich this nation. Please join us in showing our gratitude to those who gave their lives in defense of freedom and the men and women of all of our Armed Services who have served and are now serving our country.

Read the full Proclamation at:
<https://sudbury.ma.us/boardofselectmen/?p=5014>





Cold Brook Crossing apartment rendering.

Planning & Community Development

- Cold Brook Crossing
- Master Plan Update
- Microtransit Pilot Initiative
- Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Design Update

Although Town buildings are closed to the public, the Planning and Community Development Department continues to be busy processing development permit applications; responding to inquiries from residents, businesses, developers, and property owners; and continues to staff numerous Town boards, committees, and commissions so they are able to continue to conduct their business. Current project highlights are as follows:

Cold Brook Crossing Residential Development

Formerly known as the Quarry North or Melone property at 16 & 36 North Road/Route 117, the Cold Brook Crossing residential development began its permitting process with the Planning Board on April 8, 2020 at a joint meeting with the Design Review Board. The 274 unit proposed project would contain 81 age restricted units and 26 affordable units in townhouses and multi-family buildings on approximately 26 acres of land with associated parking, amenities, and infrastructure. Peer reviews of the project's stormwater management system and traffic analysis are currently underway. Please see the [Cold Brook Crossing Development](#) page for more information.

Master Plan Update

On April 17, 2020, the Master Plan Steering Committee held their last of a series of brainstorming meetings which had focused on four critical topics which will lay the

foundation for the goals, objectives, and recommendations for the [updated Master Plan](#) document. The Town's project consultant, the Horsley Witten Group, will now be writing the action items section of the Master Plan. Upon completion of a draft of this section of the plan, the Master Plan Steering Committee, Town staff, and the consultant team will present this section to the public for further refinement. Subsequent to this public review, the last section of the updated Master Plan, implementation, would be developed with a targeted goal of having the entire updated Master Plan document approved by the Planning Board in June or July of 2020.

Microtransit Pilot Initiative

The Transportation Committee remains hard at work fine tuning the details to implement a pilot program that would provide door-to-door transportation services for seniors, people with disabilities, financially vulnerable residents, and veterans – connecting them to health and other local services as well as employment opportunities. Through this transportation pilot, funded by a state Community Compact grant, the Transportation Committee aims to learn more about the needs of these vulnerable populations and what demand may exist for additional local and regional transportation services. While a launch date has not yet been established, it is hoped the pilot program can begin in the next few months.

Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Design Update

We realize people are using public lands and trails more than ever during these challenging times and look forward to the Sudbury Bruce Freeman Rail Trail (BFRT) advancing to construction in the coming years. The Town is working diligently to advance to the 75% design phase of the BFRT from the Concord Town line to near Station Avenue off Union Avenue. The path design, as well as the structural (bridges and boardwalk) design, required at the 25% design stage have been submitted and reviewed by MassDOT. The Town, the design consultants, and MassDOT are working collaboratively to resolve the MassDOT comments that have been made and hope to schedule the Design Public Hearing in the coming months.

MassDOT and the Boston Metropolitan Organization (MPO) continue to support the project for construction funding in Federal fiscal year 2022, and have endorsed the 2021-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which covers an increase in the BFRT construction estimate associated with changes to the boardwalk design. More information on the TIP development can be found at <https://www.ctps.org/tip-dev>.

To learn more, please visit the [BFRT Project](#) page.

*Submitted by: Adam Duchesneau,
Planning & Community
Development Director*

Police Department

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our residents and business partners alike. All of the well wishes, donations and expressions of kindness have gone on long way in keeping personnel positive during unprecedented times! I often say we truly work for the silent majority who quietly go about their lives while being appreciative of the service we continue to provide. During times like these, the silently majority with their kind hearts reach out in ways that are truly humbling! Many thanks to all who have taken their responsibilities seriously while endeavoring to maintain a positive attitude moving forward. THANK YOU!

Submitted by: Police Chief Scott Nix



Officer Al Hutchinson, Student Resource Officer for Kindergarten – Grade 8 students, hosts “QuaranStory Time” on the Police Department Facebook page.

Senior Center

The Sudbury Senior Center continues to be closed to the public until further notice. However, the Senior Center staff are working remotely and available for your questions, concerns and suggestions, or just to talk! Please call the Senior Center or email us, and we will respond!

We miss all of the participants in our programs, our volunteers, our extended staff and people at home who are participants in our various volunteer programs! We are anxious to connect with you while we wait out the social distancing aspect of the COVID-19 pandemic. We do urge everyone to continue to follow safety guidelines issued by both Governor Baker and the Sudbury Board of Health. We are doing the same.

We are looking forward to a time when we will reopen. However, we understand that when other businesses reopen, we may need to move more slowly and evaluate how we begin to offer programming again. We are researching our options and

consulting with the Sudbury Town Manager and Sudbury Board of Health as we move forward. In addition, we are looking for guidance from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs and Department of Health and Human Services as to what will be safe for all of us.

We are offering limited services due to safety considerations. Please call and leave a message if you need help with Medicare, as we are able to schedule SHINE phone appointments. We are also now offering appointments for Legal Clinic over the phone with our volunteer Elder Law Attorneys. Please contact the Senior Center for these and any other needs at 978-443-3055 or senior@sudbury.ma.us.

For those who would enjoy a weekly phone call from a neighbor volunteer, become part of the **Phone Buddies** program! Please contact Janet Lipkin, Volunteer Program Coordinator, at 978-639-3223 or lipkinj@sudbury.ma.us to learn more.

Phone & Web Resources

Alzheimer's Association – 24/7 Helpline
800-272-3900 or www.alz.org/manh

Mass 2-1-1 – Resource/Information Line
Dial 211 or visit www.mass211.org

BayPath Elder Services – Home Delivered Meals & other services – 508-573-7200

Caregiving MetroWest – Web-based resource database maintained by BayPath Elder Services
www.caregivingmetrowest.org

Springwell Elder Services – Elder Protective Services (Elder Abuse/Neglect) – 617-926-4100

REACH Beyond Domestic Violence
24 Hour Hotline: 800-899-4000
Outreach Office: 781-891-0724

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
800-273-8255

Sudbury Coronavirus Information
For information from the Town of Sudbury Board of Health about the COVID-19/Coronavirus pandemic and its effects in Sudbury, please visit www.sudbury.ma.us/coronavirus.

Submitted by: Deb Galloway, Senior Center Director



NOTE BY MAIL



Town Clerk

- Annual Town Election
- Vital Records
- Census & Dogs
- Voter Registration

Although the Town Clerk's Office is temporally closed to the Public, we are still carrying out our responsibilities and duties to the best of our ability. While we have had to modify some of the services that we regularly provide to our residents and non-residents, we are still available by phone and [email](#), to answer your questions or concerns. Click this link for details on [Town Clerk services](#) available while social distancing measures are in place. The 2020 Federal Census was mailed to all households in April. This is different from the Town census. It should be filled out and mailed to the Federal government.

Annual Town Election

Due to the Coronavirus, the March 30th Annual Town Election has been postponed to June 23, 2020. Because of a new law, most voters will be able to vote by mail, either Absentee or Early, at the rescheduled election. Applications to request an [Absentee Ballot](#) or an [Early Ballot](#) are available on the [Annual Town Election](#) web page.

Vital Records

Birth, Marriage and Death records can now be ordered on-line. Click on the following link: <https://epay.cityhallsystems.com/s/election>. We hope that this will be especially helpful during this time of social distancing.

Census & Dogs

If you have not returned your census form, we encourage you to do so either by mail or by hand-delivering it to one of the drop-off boxes at Town Hall (322 Concord Road), in the rear entry vestibule. You can also register your dog on-line at www.sudbury.ma.us/dog.

For information on how to license a dog, including associated fees, please see our [dog licensing](#) page.

Are you registered to vote in Sudbury?

The deadline to register or to make changes to an existing voter registration is twenty days before an election or the Annual Town Meeting and ten days before a Special Town Meeting.

Click this link to check your [Voter Registration Status](#).

If you find that you are not registered to vote, and you have a MA driver's license, you may [Register to Vote](#) online.

You also have the option of downloading a printable [Mail-In Voter Registration Form](#) and returning it to our office.

For further voter information on any of the above, please visit our [website](#).

Submitted by: Beth Klein, Town Clerk

Municipal Minute Video Series

In April, Town Manager Hayes began a video series which provides brief and informative updates from Town departments and committees. The videos are produced by SudburyTV.

Episode 7 features Town Clerk Beth Klein!

Watch all the episodes at sudbury.ma.us/MuniMinute.



ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

**RESCHEDULED TO
JUNE 23, 2020**

ELECTION DAY

Polls will be open 12PM – 8PM

Fairbank Community Center: Pct 1, 1A, 2 & 5

Town Hall: Pct 3 & 4

VOTE BY MAIL

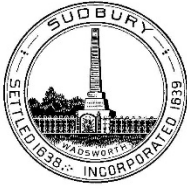
***Voters encouraged to vote by mail
as a COVID-19 precautionary measure.***

ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION

OR

EARLY BALLOT APPLICATION

<https://sudbury.ma.us/VoteByMail>



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Town Manager

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June 1, 2020

Dear Sudbury Resident,

I am saddened, sickened, and unsettled... but unfortunately not surprised at the state of unrest going on across our Nation that we all love dearly. In addition to senseless killing, injurious actions by people we should trust, and violent protests, we are in the midst of a hideous pandemic.

2020 has presented so many hardships, the weight, at times, may feel unbearable. During these times, I hope you feel you can rely on your Town government. We are working tirelessly to provide guidance and tools to help keep Sudbury safe and protected. But we need your help. I am asking every citizen to be vigilant and diligent - the epitome of a true patriot.

The consequence of destruction of public and private property, businesses and equipment is the loss of much needed services, vital to our community. Historic records could be lost forever, a patient may be unable to obtain life sustaining medications on time, a house may be lost in a fire with rescue vehicles diverted by road hazards, and our senior citizens and those who are immunocompromised may be further impacted by COVID-19 infection acceleration. On top of these tragic circumstances, the expense of rebuilding or replacing structures and systems would be a burden on all of us.

The people of Sudbury are affected by the deplorable actions of others as seen in Minnesota, Maryland, Michigan, and all across the country. As a community, we cannot and will not support the diminishment of human life. We must all be an example of what proper vocalization and systematic influence looks like. Our young people must be empowered to demand more *now*, as well as prepare themselves to serve as legislators and public servants, for the sake of their own future and for the future of generations to come.

I have hope that Sudbury will continue to model the daily extension of dignity, respect, opportunity and praise to all that we encounter. The principle of unity and solidarity across all people is what was birthed in 1776, from this area! Our committed leaders across the community, school superintendents, police, and clergy, have given me reassurance that we can and will get through this season of immense pains, but we can only succeed in a unified effort safely, particularly during the COVID-19 emergency.

Let's sustain a safe, secure, serviced and strong Sudbury, together.

With hope for our future and depending on your assistance,

Henry L. Hayes, Jr.
Sudbury Town Manager

CONGRATULATIONS, GRADUATES!



CLASS OF 2020 DAY

JUNE 7, 2020



BOARD & COMMITTEE OPENINGS

Learn More & Apply:

<https://sudbury.ma.us/selectmen/?p=2274>

Agricultural Commission
Board of Registrars
Capital Improvement Advisory Committee
Commission on Disability
Conservation Commission
Design Review Board
Earth Removal Board
Energy & Sustainability Committee

Finance Committee
Land Acquisition Review Committee
Memorial Day Committee
Permanent Building Committee
Ponds & Waterway Committee
9/11 Memorial Garden Oversight Committee
Sudbury Housing Trust
Town Historian
Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)

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