

January 12, 2024 - Edition #621

*Photo taken recently from Opechee Park  
(Photo compliments of W. Stephen Loughlin)*

**JAN 14**

1 PM - LACONIA COLONIAL THEATER

**GET FREE TICKETS**

**COME  
CELEBRATE MLK**

COMMUNITY · ART · MUSIC · SPEAKERS · MARCH



The City of Laconia's Human Relations Committee proudly presents a FREE community-wide celebration in honor of the inspiring life and enduring legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The event takes place at The Colonial Theatre on Sunday, January 14, 2024; doors open at 1pm. The event will be followed by a march through the downtown area.

The program includes an art exhibition, digital showcase, live music, refreshments, speakers, and more. The event is open to the public, but attendees must obtain a free ticket from The Colonial Theater box office.

## **Welcome to Laconia Links!**

We hope you enjoy this issue of our weekly e-mail newsletter created to keep you up to date on City of Laconia news and activities. If you would like the newsletter sent to your email each Friday, or if you have changes to your email subscription, please call the City Manager's office at (603) 527-1270 or email us at [info@laconianh.gov](mailto:info@laconianh.gov).



## **REMINDER: Dumping Snow into Waterbodies is Prohibited**

Snow cleared from roads and parking lots contains debris, trash, sand, salt and other contaminants that are harmful to water quality. While snow can be stored by surface waters at least 25 feet from the high water mark, it should NEVER be dumped into waterbodies. Due to the contaminants and debris snow contains, dumping snow into waterbodies without a permit is illegal. RSA 485-A:13, I(a) prohibits discharging wastes to surface waters without a permit.





LACONIA  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

# January 15-20

Mon  
1/15

Library Closed

Tue  
1/16

Tech Help @ 10am, Fantastic Fiction Book Club @ 10am

Wed  
1/17

Toddler Time @ 10am (babies-3), Tech Help @ 2pm,  
Teen Art Club @ 3:30pm

Thurs  
1/18

Preschool Pals @ 10am (ages 3-6), Tinker Time @ 3:30pm

Fri  
1/19

Move & Groove @ 10am

Sat  
1/20

FOR DESCRIPTIONS AND MORE, VISIT OUR ONLINE CALENDAR!

<http://laconialibrary.org>  
follow us: @laconialibrary  
call: (603) 524-4775  
text: (603) 556-4666  
email: [info@laconialibrary.org](mailto:info@laconialibrary.org)



Visit our  
[website for all](http://laconialibrary.org)  
[our Library](http://laconialibrary.org)  
[events.](http://laconialibrary.org)

#### Library Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Goss Reading Room Closed



# Look what's happening at Prescott Farm!

Learn something new, enjoy the outdoors, and expand your wellness options with us!



## Snowshoe Yoga

Immerse yourself in the peacefulness of nature as you practice yoga on snowshoes! Snowshoes help keep you on top of the snow and provide a more stable base. Experience inner calm and a sense of wellness in nature with yoga poses, a guided walking meditation, and this introduction to shinrin-yoku, or "forest bathing." All experience levels welcome and accommodated.

Snowshoes available (no extra charge) to borrow or guests may bring their own.

**Saturday 10am-12 pm**

**January 20, 2023**

## Needle Felted Animals

Join us for a beginner needle felt class. We'll learn the basics of needle felting and each participant will take home a felted New Hampshire animal.

**Saturday 1-3pm**

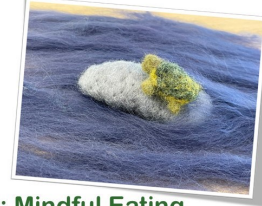


## Intro into Mindfulness Meditation: Mindful Eating

Mindfulness and meditation have emerged in recent years as a very beneficial form of self-care. Join guest instructor Clare Persson, OT to learn the practice of mindful eating and explore how this approach to mindfulness can help you feel great!

Additional programs, series, and registration details

**Saturday 1-3 pm** [prescottfarm.org](http://prescottfarm.org)



*Prescott Farm*

Environmental Education Center

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## Tracking NH Wildlife

Not all New Hampshire animals hibernate or migrate. There are lots of native animals who live in NH year round!

Join us to learn how they survive and practice reading their tracks to know what they're up to.



**Saturday, January 13th; 10 am-12 pm**

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# LACONIA HOUSING

Laconia Housing will be holding its' next  
Board Meeting on Thursday,  
January 18th, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

The Zoom invite link to join is on our  
website at:  
[www.laconiahousing.org/board-info](http://www.laconiahousing.org/board-info)  
Questions? Please call us at: 603-524-2112

## Winter Parking Ban!

**The City of Laconia's winter parking ban is now in effect. As of November 1st, no vehicle is allowed to be parked on a public street between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:30 a.m.**

**This parking ban allows our City vehicles to safely and effectively keep our streets passable during and after a winter storm. Failure to comply with the winter parking ban may result in your vehicle being towed at your expense.**

*Thank you for your cooperation!*

## City Clerk's Office



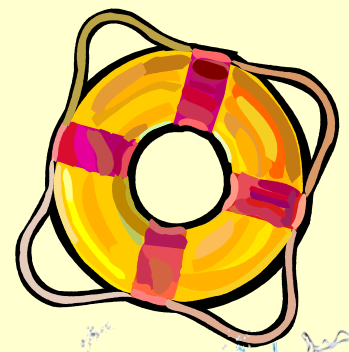
### *Now is a Good Time to Get Your Boat & Jet Ski Registration!*

Spring may seem like it's a long way off, but did you know you can process your boat registration at the same time as you conduct other business at City Hall? It's easy and convenient! Just bring in your photo identification and prior year's registration (if you have it) and we can get the paperwork out of the way so you will be ready to put your boat in the water when boating season arrives.

No waiting for your registration to be mailed back to you! Get it done early and conveniently at the City Clerk's Office. We are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**\*\*Please make checks payable to City of Laconia\*\*. In accordance with RSA 270-E:5, II (c) an additional \$5 will be collected for each registration processed as an authorized agent, and an additional \$1 Clerk fee will also apply, for a total of \$6. Please do not make out your check before coming in if you are unsure of the amount .**

Questions?  
Please call the City  
Clerk's office at  
(603) 527-1265.





# City Curbside Solid Waste Collection during the winter for residents and businesses with curbside collection

## ***Where and how to place your solid waste containers during the winter to ensure the containers can be emptied***

Treat your solid waste containers as a mailbox! What happens if you do not dig out your mailbox after a snowstorm? The Post Office does not deliver mail!

For solid waste collection if you put your solid waste containers behind snowbanks, they cannot be emptied.

### For rural area residences and businesses without sidewalks -

Place your containers in your driveway near the edge of the road, or dig out an area in the snowbank to create an opening in which to place your containers. Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers. The depth of the opening only has to be deep enough to provide 1 foot of clearance from the back of the container.

### For residents and businesses in areas of the City with sidewalks -

Place your containers in your driveway near the edge of the road.

If you do not have a driveway or the driveway is too small and:

Where the sidewalk is against the curb at the edge of the road, dig an opening through the snow bank out to the street in which to place your containers.

Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers.

If there is a grass or gravel area between the sidewalk and the edge of the road:

Place the containers in your driveway near the edge of the road, or dig out an area in the snowbank to place your containers.

Make sure the opening is 2 feet wider on each side than the containers. The depth of the opening only has to be deep enough to provide 1 foot of clearance from the back of the container.

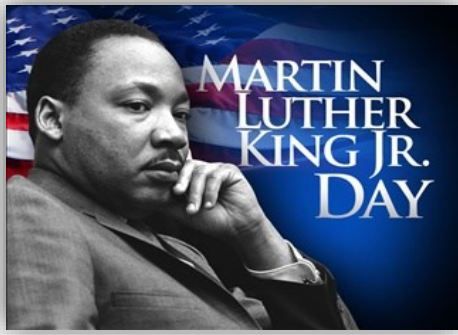
Please do not place your containers out for collection before 7 pm the night before your scheduled collection day, and bring them back to the residence or business at the end of the collection day. Do not leave your containers on the sidewalk so that pedestrians can use the sidewalk. If collection is canceled due to a major snowstorm, please bring the containers back onto your property so that the City's plow crews can keep the streets and sidewalks open for your use.

Will the contractor collect containers during a snowstorm? The contractor will provide curbside solid waste collection service during a minor to moderate snowstorm.

The contractor and Public Works consider canceling collection services when forecasters are predicting blizzard or near blizzard conditions. If the contractor decides to cancel collection due to the forecast, the City will post the cancellation notice on the City's [website](#) in the banner section on the top of the City's home page. For those residents who have signed up to receive City alerts, you will receive an e-mail informing you that solid waste will not be collected and the collection schedule for the remainder of the week. If you are not yet signed up to receive alerts and wish to do so, please sign up [here](#).

### Solid waste collection and snow plowing –

Public Works leaders and crews will adjust their plowing procedures during minor to moderate storms to minimize the impact of plowing on scheduled curbside collection. Please help the City by following the recommendations in this notice. Call Public Works at 603-528-6379 with questions or for more details.



## Public Works Department

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day is  
Monday, January 15th**

### **Notice to Residents on Curbside Collection Routes**

**There will be NO DELAY in curbside collection  
of trash or recycling on January 15th,  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.  
Collections for the entire week will be on their  
regular schedule.**

**For questions or additional  
information, please call Department of Public  
Works at (603) 528-6379.**



## **MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY**

**CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED  
IN OBSERVANCE OF MARTIN  
LUTHER KING JR. DAY ON  
MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2024**



## **WINTER**

The City asks that all residents be good neighbors and not park or block sidewalks with their cars and trucks. Blocking sidewalks with vehicles prevents the City from plowing and sanding the sidewalks which causes pedestrians to walk in the streets.

We also ask that snow plow contractors and residents not plow or blow their snow across the street. This is a hazard to drivers that could result in a driver losing control and crashing.

Please be sure to give the City's plow trucks plenty of space as they are plowing the roads. Getting too close behind them may cause salt crystals to spray against your vehicle.



**Curbside  
recycling  
will be  
picked  
up the  
week of  
January 15!**

**REDUCE  
REUSE  
RECYCLE**



# When Seconds Count...



**We need your help!**

If you're able, please shovel out the fire hydrants close to your home or business. In a fire seconds count! Remember to clear a 3 foot perimeter round the hydrant, especially towards the street. Clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work.

A common question that is asked is why do I need to clear the hydrant, won't the fire department clear the hydrant? The answer is yes, they will as soon as they can. However the fire department still has to respond to emergency calls. The City of Laconia has over 600 hydrants to clear and we could really use your help!

**The life you save could be your own!**



## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICES

Please see the Public Hearing Notices on this page which have been published in the Laconia Daily Sun.

In future issues of the newsletter we will continue to provide

citizens with notices of upcoming Public Hearings that may be of interest to our community. If you have questions regarding any Public Hearing shown, please call City Hall at 603-527-1270 and we will be happy to direct you to the appropriate department. Thank you for staying informed about what is happening in City government!



### CITY OF LACONIA Notice of Public Hearing

The City Council will hold a Public Hearing on **January 22, 2024** during the regular City Council meeting which will begin at 7:00 pm in the Armand A. Bolduc City Council Chamber in Laconia City Hall, relative to:

**ORDINANCE 2024-194-16, 194-24 – AMENDING PARAGRAPH 194-6 LICENSING TO ARTICLE II, SOLID WASTE FLOW CONTROL, AND ARTICLE III, DUMP AND DISPOSAL FEES TO CHAPTER 194, SOLID WASTE**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk



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**DISCONTINUANCE OF ALL THE PORTIONS OF RIGHT WAY PATH AND GREEN STREET RUNNING NORTHWESTERLY FROM NH ROUTE 106 TO THE INTERSECTION OF EASTMAN ROAD IN THE CITY OF LACONIA**

Katie Gargano, City Clerk

### CITY OF LACONIA, NH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Laconia City Council will hold two consecutive Public Hearings on Monday, January 22, 2024, during the regular City Council meeting which begins at 7:00pm at City Hall, 45 Beacon Street East, Laconia New Hampshire 03246. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are available to municipalities through the NH Community Development Finance Authority. Up to \$500,000 annually is available for Economic Development Projects, up to \$500,000 for Housing Projects, up to \$500,000 for Public Facility Projects, up to \$350,000 in Emergency Funds, up to \$25,000 per Planning Study grant. All projects must directly benefit a majority of low- and moderate-income persons.

The Public Hearings will comment on the following:

- A proposed application to the Community Development Finance Authority for up to \$355,000 in CDBG Public Facility Funds. Of the grant funds, up to \$25,000 will be retained by the City for administrative/labor compliance costs associated with the project, up to \$330,000 of the funds will be subgranted to Boys and Girls Club of Central NH for improvements, including handicap accessibility, to the Lakes Region Early Learning Center playground, 22 Stafford Street, Laconia. The majority of children at the LRELC are from low and moderate income households.
- The Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan for the Lakes Region Early Learning Center playground improvement project.

Provisions for persons with special needs can be made by contacting the Meeting ADA Coordinator at City Hall by calling 603-527-1265 at least 72 hours in advance of the public hearings so that the City can make any necessary arrangements.

## LACONIA HOUSING

Public Notice for Laconia Housing  
proposed changes to the  
Housing Choice Voucher Program  
Administration plan

The Laconia Housing and Redevelopment Authority (LHRA) has provided a draft of the proposed and updated agency administration plan for the Housing Choice Voucher program. We invite all interested community members to review the plan for comments/suggestions.

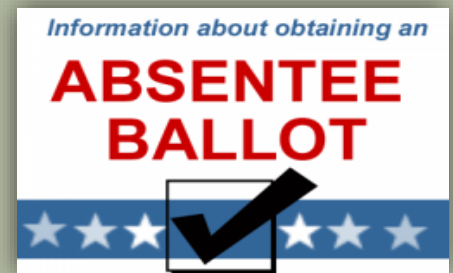
The Agency's Administration plan for the Housing Choice Voucher Program can be found on our website [www.laconiahousing.org](http://www.laconiahousing.org). A public hearing is scheduled for February 21st at 12 noon at Laconia Housing Administration Office - 32 Canal St. to receive comments/suggestions. Please go to Laconia Housing website for more information on the plan review.



# News

## From the City Clerk's Office

### Absentee Ballot Application Forms Are Now Available!



The Presidential Primary date is set for January 23, 2024.

Absentee ballots can be requested through the City Clerk's Office, or by clicking [here](#).

Completed applications can be dropped off to the City Clerk's Office, faxed to 603-524-1766, scanned and emailed to [cityclerk@laconianh.gov](mailto:cityclerk@laconianh.gov), or mailed to the City Clerk's Office, PO Box 489, Laconia, NH 03247.

Absentee ballots must be received no later than 5:00 pm on the day of the election in order for your vote to count.

Visit the [Secretary of State's website](#) to track your ballot. You can verify receipt of your application, the date your absentee ballot was mailed to you, the date the Clerk receives your completed absentee ballot, and after the election learn if your absentee ballot was rejected/not counted and why. Please contact the City Clerk at 603-527-1265 if you have questions regarding the information on tracking your ballot.

## Laconia Residents....It's time to register your dog!

Per RSA 466:1 all dogs residing in the City of Laconia must be registered with the license number issued imprinted, as well as a paper license. The tag issued must be worn on the dog's collar at all times. Please remember that a valid rabies certificate and proof of inoculation (if applicable) are required to register.

All dogs need to be registered by April 30th of each year.



We are happy to help register your dog in person here in City Hall or you can use our on-line registration. Just click the image (left). When processing your registration online, please be sure to add the two or three digit prefix (22- or VET-.)

*For the comfort and safety of all, we ask that you leave your dog at home when you come into City Hall to conduct business. Although we love seeing your four-legged family members, we would like to encourage you to be conscious of others. As always, certified service animals are welcome.*

#### Fees:

1st dog for owner 65+	\$ 2.00
Civil fine for failure to register by April 30	\$25.00
Late charge per month as of June 1	\$ 1.00
Replacement tag	\$ 1.50
Spay/neutered dog	\$ 6.50
Unaltered dog	\$ 9.00



**Laconia Senior Center 603-524-7689**

# JANUARY 2024 ACTIVITIES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b> <b>Happy New Year!</b> The center is closed today.	<b>2</b> 10:00am-Book club swap and chat 11:00am- Indoor volleyball	<b>3</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10-12:00- Bingo 12:00pm- Movie	<b>4</b> 9:30am- Affordable Hearing *by appointment* 10-11:00am-Indoor volleyball 11:30am- Congregate meal	<b>5</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ 10-12:00- Bingo
<b>8</b> 9-11:00am-Foot and Blood pressure Clinic – Granite VNA *By Appointment* 10-11:30am- Open Mike (singing, poetry, Etc.)	<b>9</b> 10-11am- Book club swap and chat 11:00am- Board Games	<b>10</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10-12:00- Bingo 12:00pm- Movie	<b>11</b> 10-11:00 am- Pictionary Game 11:30am-Congregate meal with special guest, Mayor Andrew Hosmer	<b>12</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ 10-12:00pm- Bingo
<b>15</b> The center is closed today	<b>16</b> 9-10:00am- Card games 10-11:30am-Indoor Bad Minton	<b>17</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10-12:00- Bingo 12:00pm- Movie	<b>18</b> 10-11:00am-Trivia 11:30am-Congregate meal	<b>19</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10:45-11:15am: Chair Yoga with Russ 10-12:00pm- Bingo
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<b>29</b> 9:30-10 am- Activities meeting to discuss new programming-bring your ideas! 10-12:30 pm Movie and Popcorn	<b>30</b> 8-10:00am- Chamber of Commerce 9-11:00am- Foot Clinic w/ Maddy 9:30-11:30am- Empire Beauty School trip (please register)	<b>31</b> 9-9:45 am- <u>Strength and Balance with Jena</u> 10-12:00- Bingo 12:00pm- Movie		
				* Calendar subject to change* * See other side for menu options*



## City of Laconia Inaugural Ceremony

If you were unable to attend the City Council Inauguration on January 8th, you can still watch a video of the event!

Just click on the image (left) for a livestream video.



# Our yesterdays

*Our sincere thanks to Warren D. Huse, the Laconia Historical and Museum Society, and the Laconia Daily Sun for providing a glimpse into our community's past.....*



## THEN ...

**Church Street, Laconia, is seen in winter, around 1906-1907, with the John Weymouth Busiel House at left in distance. At that time, there were several other houses between the Busiel House and Messer Street, which were removed for construction of St. Joseph Church and St. John School in the late 1920s. Gale Memorial Library Building (completed in 1903) is glimpsed at far left. Tracks of the Laconia Street Railway indicate the recent passage of a trolley car. House at right contained a grocery store. (Laconia Historical and Museum Society)**



## ... AND NOW

**The Busiel House is still there, with St. Joseph Church (built 1929) and the former St. John (Holy Trinity) School (built 1926) beyond it. A new addition to the library (left) was completed in 2005, replacing one built in 1957. In 1913, The Laconia Tavern replaced the house at right in the earlier view. Trolley cars ceased operation in October 1925. (Daniel Sarch/The Laconia Daily Sun)**





## A NIGHT OF DANCING AT THE BELKNAP MILL

ENJOY YOUR FAVORITE SONGS FROM THE 60'S, 70'S AND 80'S

**21+ EVENT FROM 7-10PM \$15 PP/\$25 PER COUPLE**

**LIGHT APPETIZERS FROM BEANS & GREENS FARM**

**CASH BAR**

Join Lakes FM and 104.9 The Hawk for a night of dancing and fun on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 7 pm at the Belknap Mill! Music ONLY from the 60s, 70s and 80s! Light refreshments and cash bar available from Beans and Greens Farm. This is a 21+ event. Don't miss the door prizes and DJ Heather Bishop from Lakes FM and Dumka Productions.

A portion of the ticket sales goes to the Belknap Mill. Tickets are limited, so be sure to [prebuy your tickets soon!](#)



## Public Works Department

### Property Owner's Winter Survival Tips!

The best place to deposit snow when clearing your driveway is to put the snow downstream of your driveway. (Downstream is the direction the plow truck travels.) When Public Works plows the street the snow will be pushed away from the driveway instead of towards it.

Be nice to your neighbor and take them into consideration when you are clearing your driveway!

Also, you can minimize the amount of snow plowed into your driveway by creating a pocket in the snow just upstream of your driveway. This pocket will allow some of the snow on the plow to fall off into the pocket, resulting in less in your driveway!

City plow trucks have wing plows on them and, like delivery companies, we always want to turn right. This causes properties on an inside corner to have areas of deep snow. Corner lot owners should take this into consideration when developing methods to minimize the impact of snow coming off from a plow blade.

Let us know if you have questions! Just call 603-528-6379. We are glad to help!





## A New Year of New Offerings at the Belknap Mill

The Belknap Mill is proud to offer many new classes, workshops and programs in 2024! Registration details are available on our website at [belknapmill.org/classes](http://belknapmill.org/classes):

On Tuesday afternoons, instructor Maryly Matthewman teaches mitten knitting for intermediate or beginner knitters. This is a drop-in class so you can attend when it works for your schedule.

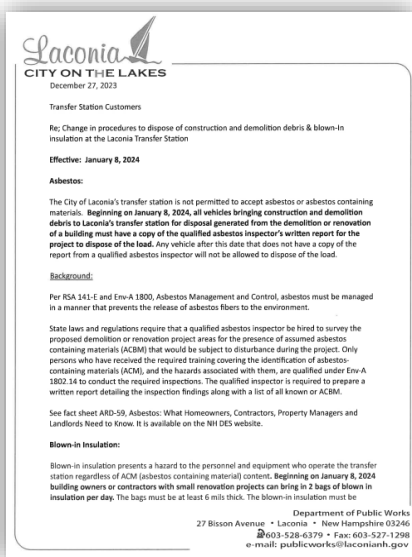
Starting January 17th local instructor Shawn Sinclair will offer another 4-week series of Beginner Cross Stitch on Wednesday evenings.

Beginning Thursday, Jan. 18 instructor Pam Bartlett will teach a 5 week series on the art of rug hooking, a traditional New England fiber art that beautifully combines artistic expression and function.

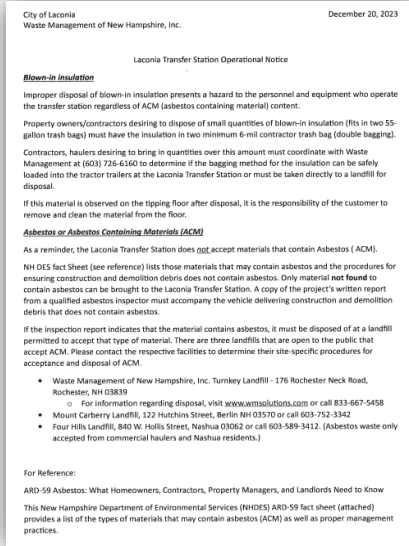
On Thursday evenings local photographer Alan MacRae will offer a 6-week series, "Exploring Photography", looking at different areas of photography, structured around the group's interests.

The Belknap Mill hosts a writer's group and a history-focused book club that each meet monthly.

Depending on the Saturday, you can find programs for families like crafting, art therapy for veterans and more.



## A Message From: DEPARTMENT —OF— PUBLIC WORKS Regarding asbestos disposal



Asbestos containing materials must be handled and disposed of according to State laws and regulations. Due to recent issues with customers bringing asbestos containing materials to the Laconia Transfer Station, the procedures for disposing of the construction and demolition debris at the Laconia Transfer Station have been modified. Additionally, blown-in insulation (even if it does not contain asbestos) presents a hazard to the Transfer Station employees and their equipment. The procedure for disposing of this material has been modified to minimize the risk. These procedures took effect on January 8, 2024.

Please click on the two documents (above) to ensure you understand the new procedures and are not turned away for having construction and demolition material that cannot be accepted at the Transfer Station.



Click image (left)  
for the January  
newsletter!

# ONE PEER TO ANOTHER - LACONIA

328 Union Ave, Laconia, NH 03246 | (603) 528-7742

## JANUARY 2024

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>IMPORTANT INFORMATION:</b>  <b>Local Warmline:</b> 1-800-306-4334 Open 5-10 PM 7/365 days For when you need someone to talk to!  <b>Local Mental Health Agency:</b> Lakes Region Mental Health Center (603) 524-1100  <b>CALL OR TEXT 988</b> 24/7/365 days For when you are in crisis, feeling suicidal, or need professional assistance!	<b>1</b>  <b>CLOSED/HOLIDAY</b>  	<b>2</b>  10a "Member Meeting" 11a Kai Chi Do w/ Amina via Zoom 12p Journaling 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships	<b>3</b>  10a TED TALK 11a Self Kindness 12p Ice Breakers Jenga 1p Coping Skills 2p Creative Art & Talk	<b>4</b>  10a Healthy Boundaries 11a Nutrition w/Ayssa via Zoom 12p Creative Writing 1p Rock Painting 2p Let's Move 5-6:30 Recovery Group
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# AUCTION

TO BENEFIT

## THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SLED DOG DERBY



The purpose of this auction is to raise funds for the World Championship Sled Dog Derby, hosted by the Lakes Region Sled Dog Club, scheduled for February 16, 17, 18, 2024. This derby holds the distinction of being the longest running sled dog race in the entire world. And it is only with your generous support that we can keep sled dog racing alive in Laconia, New Hampshire. Thank you in advance for any possible donation you can make to this auction and for your help in keeping the "Greatest Show on Snow" alive.

Please join us to support the 95th anniversary World Championship Sled Dog Derby and our auction at Axe & Ale Taphouse, Saturday, January 27, 2024. Cocktail hour from 5:30-6:30 pm. The Auction starts at 6:30 pm.

For additional details regarding the Auction just click [here!](#)



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CITY HALL HOURS:  
8:30 am to 4:30 pm  
Monday through Friday  
(603) 527-1270

## SENIOR RESOURCES

ServiceLink Resource Center  
(603) 528-6945 is the first number  
to call for senior services.

### Who pays first?



Do you have  
Medicare along with  
other health  
insurance? If so, you  
may be wondering  
“who pays first?”

Learn how Medicare  
coordinates with your  
other coverage at  
[https://  
go.cms.gov/3Qc7Hlu](https://go.cms.gov/3Qc7Hlu).



### City Meetings

Week of:  
Jan. 15 - Jan. 19

Public participation and citizen input is a vital part of City government. Below is a list of meetings scheduled for the upcoming week. As agendas become available they will be posted on the City's [website](http://www.laconianh.gov). Also, printed copies of any agenda are available in the City department in charge of a particular Board or Commission. You are invited and encouraged to participate in any of our public meetings. **All meetings are**

#### **Parks & Recreation Commission**

January 16, 2024, 6:00 pm

#### **Agenda**

#### **Zoning Board of Adjustment**

January 16, 2024, 6:30 pm

#### **Agenda**

#### **Police Commission**

January 17, 2024, 3:00 pm

#### **Board of Assessors**

January 18, 2024, 5:30 pm



## CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

(All phone numbers below  
must be preceded by 603)

Airport .....	524-5003
Airport Manager - Marv Everson	
Assessing .....	527-1268
Assistant Assessor - Tara Baker	
City Clerk .....	527-1265
City Clerk - Katie Gargano	
City Manager .....	527-1270
City Manager - Kirk Beattie	
Code Enforcement .....	527-1293
Conservation .....	527-1264
Conservation Technician	
Finance .....	524-3877
Finance Director - Glenn Smith	
Licensing .....	528-6331
Licensing - Hilary Young	
Fire Dept. (Central Station) ...	524-6881
Fire Chief - Tim Joubert	
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station) .....	366-2229
Library .....	524-4775
Library Director - Deann Hunter	
Parks & Recreation .....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Amy Lovisek	
Personnel .....	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Lindsey Allen	
Planning & Zoning .....	527-1264
Police (Administration) .....	524-5257
Police (Crime Line) .....	524-1717
Police Chief - Matthew Canfield	
Public Works (Main Office) .....	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
Public Works Director - Wes Anderson	
Tax .....	527-1269
Tax Collector - Katie Gargano	
Water .....	524-0901
Superintendent - Ben Crawford	
Welfare .....	527-1267
Welfare Technician - Cathy Raymond	

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Bruce Cheney (Ward 1) .....	491-8946
Robert Soucy (Ward 2) .....	524-7054
Eric Hoffman (Ward 3) .....	803-3425
Mark Haynes (Ward 4) .....	524-3605
Steven Bogert (Ward 5) .....	528-0613
Tony Felch (Ward 6) .....	998-1418

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