

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.



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



Visit our
website for all
our Library
events.

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

Prescott Farm

Environmental Education Center

928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, NH • (603) 366-5695 • info@prescottfarm.org

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

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

Additional programs, series, and registration details

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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
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



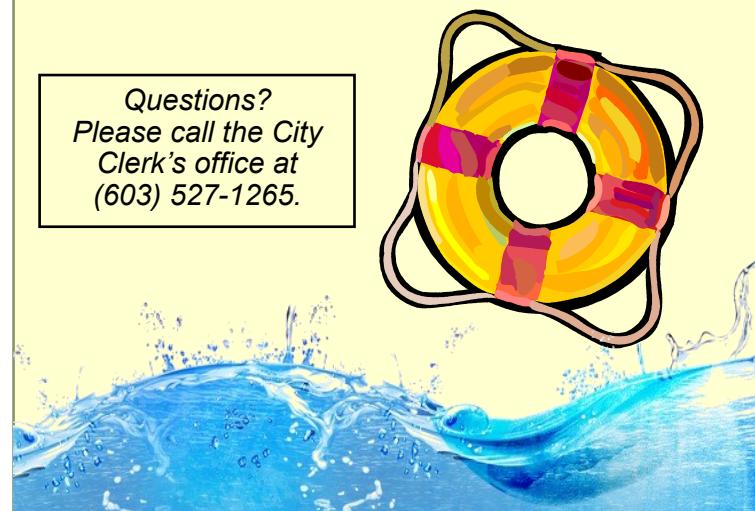
Now is a Good Time to Get Your Boat & Jet Ski Registration!

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.

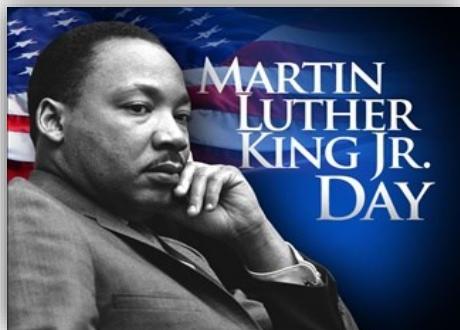
Please do not place your containers out for collection before 7 pm the night before your scheduled collection day, and bring them back to the residence or business at the end of the collection day. Do not leave your containers on the sidewalk so that pedestrians can use the sidewalk. If collection is 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.



**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.



When Seconds Count...



**Which would you rather have
to protect your home?**

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 Strafford 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. 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, 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.

Information about obtaining an

ABSENTEE 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
1 Happy New Year! The center is closed today.	2 <u>10:00am</u> -Book club swap and chat <u>11:00am</u> - Indoor volleyball	3 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo <u>12:00pm</u> - Movie	4 <u>9:30am</u> - Affordable Hearing *by appointment* <u>10:11:00am</u> -Indoor volleyball <u>11:30am</u> - Congregate meal	5 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:45-11:15am</u> : Chair Yoga with Russ <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo
8 9-11:00am-Foot and Blood pressure Clinic - Granite VNA *By Appointment* 10-11:30am- Open Mike (singing, poetry, Etc.)	9 <u>10-11am</u> - Book club swap and chat <u>11:00am</u> - Board Games	10 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo <u>12:00pm</u> - Movie	11 <u>10-11:00 am</u> - Pictionary Game <u>11:30am</u> -Congregate meal with special guest, Mayor Andrew Hosmer	12 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:45-11:15am</u> : Chair Yoga with Russ <u>10-12:00pm</u> - Bingo
15 The center is closed today	16 <u>9-10:00am</u> - Card games <u>10-11:30am</u> -Indoor Bad Minton	17 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo <u>12:00pm</u> - Movie	18 <u>10-11:00am</u> -Trivia <u>11:30am</u> -Congregate meal	19 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:45-11:15am</u> : Chair Yoga with Russ <u>10-12:00pm</u> - Bingo
22 10-11:00am- How to get up from a fall and falls risk education	23 <u>10-11:30am</u> - "Open Mike" (singing, poetry, Etc.) <u>11-12:30</u> - Hawaiian Luau pot luck	24 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo <u>12:00pm</u> - Movie	25 <u>11:30am</u> -Congregate meal <u>1:00pm</u> - History of Belknap County Farm & Cemetery w/ Laconia Historical & Museum Society	26 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:45-11:15am</u> : Chair Yoga with Russ <u>10-12:00pm</u> - Bingo
29 9:30-10 am- Activities meeting to discuss new programming- bring your ideas! <u>10-12:30 pm</u> Movie and Popcorn	30 <u>8-10:00am</u> - Chamber of Commerce <u>9-11:00am</u> - Foot Clinic w/ Maddy <u>9:30-11:30am</u> - Empire Beauty School trip (please register)	31 <u>9:45 am</u> - Strength and Balance with Jena <u>10:12:00</u> - Bingo <u>12:00pm</u> - 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:

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.



Laconia
CITY ON THE LAKES

December 27, 2023

Transfer Station Customers

Re: Change in procedures to dispose of construction and demolition debris & blown-in insulation at the Laconia Transfer Station

Effective: January 8, 2024

Asbestos:

The City of Laconia's Transfer Station is not permitted to accept asbestos or asbestos containing materials. Beginning on January 8, 2024, all vehicles bringing construction and demolition debris to Laconia's transfer station for disposal generated from the demolition or renovation of a building must have a copy of the qualified asbestos inspector's written report for the project to dispose of the load. Any vehicle after this date that does not have a copy of the report from a qualified asbestos inspector will not be allowed to dispose of the load.

Background:

Per RSA 141-E and Env-A 1800, Asbestos Management and Control, asbestos must be managed in a manner that prevents the release of asbestos fibers to the environment.

State law requires that a licensed asbestos inspector be hired to survey the proposed demolition or renovation project areas for the presence of presumed asbestos containing materials (ACM) that would be subject to disturbance during the project. Only persons who have received the required training covering the identification of asbestos-containing materials (ACM), and the hazards associated with them, are qualified under Env-A 1802.14 to conduct the required inspection. The qualified inspector is required to prepare a written report detailing the inspection findings along with a list of all known or ACM.

See fact sheet ARD-59: Asbestos: What Homeowners, Contractors, Property Managers and Landlords Need to Know. It is available on the NH DES website.

Blown-in insulation:

Blown-in insulation presents a hazard to the personnel and equipment who operate the transfer station regardless of ACM (asbestos containing material) content. Beginning on January 8, 2024 building owners or contractors with small renovation projects can bring in 2 bags of blown-in insulation per day. The bags must be at least 6 mils thick. The blown-in insulation must be

Department of Public Works
27 Bisson Avenue • Laconia • New Hampshire 03246
603-528-6379 • Fax: 603-527-1298
e-mail: publworks@leconia-nh.gov

A Message From:

DEPARTMENT —OF— PUBLIC WORKS

Regarding asbestos disposal

City of Laconia
Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc.

December 20, 2023

Laconia Transfer Station Operational Notice

Improper disposal of blown-in insulation presents a hazard to the personnel and equipment who operate the transfer station regardless of ACM (asbestos containing material) content.

Property owners/contractors desiring to dispose of small quantities of blown-in insulation (fits in two 55-gallon trash bags) must have the insulation in two minimum 6-mil contractor trash bag (double bagging).

Contractors, haulers desiring to bring in quantities over this amount must coordinate with Waste Management at (603) 726-6160 to determine if the bagging method for the insulation can be safely loaded into the tractor trailers at the Laconia Transfer Station or must be taken directly to a landfill or disposal.

If this material is observed on the tipping floor after disposal, it is the responsibility of the customer to remove and clean the material from the floor.

Asbestos or Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM)

As a reminder, the Laconia Transfer Station does not accept materials that contain Asbestos (ACM).

NH DES fact sheet (see reference) lists those materials that may contain asbestos and the procedures for ensuring construction and demolition debris does not contain asbestos. Only material not found to contain asbestos can be brought to the Laconia Transfer Station. A copy of the project's written report from a qualified asbestos inspector must accompany the vehicle delivering construction and demolition debris that contains asbestos materials.

If the inspection report indicates that the material contains asbestos, it must be disposed of at a landfill permitted to accept that type of material. There are three landfills that are open to the public that accept ACM. Please contact the respective facilities to determine their site-specific procedures for acceptance and disposal of ACM.

- Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc. Turnkey Landfill - 176 Rochester Neck Road, Rochester, NH 03839
 - For information regarding disposal, visit www.wmsolutions.com or call 833-667-5458
- Mount Carberry Landfill, 122 Hutchins Street, Berlin NH 03570 or call 603-752-3342
- Four Mills Landfill, 840 W. Hollis Street, Nashua 03062 or call 603-589-3412. (Asbestos waste only accepted from commercial haulers and Nashua residents.)

For Reference:

ARD-59 Asbestos: What Homeowners, Contractors, Property Managers, and Landlords Need to Know

This New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) ARD-59 fact sheet (attached) provides a list of the types of materials that may contain asbestos (ACM) as well as proper management practices.

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

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Local Warmline: 1-800-306-4334 Open 5-10 PM 7/365 days For when you need someone to talk to!	1 CLOSED/HOLIDAY 	2 10a "Member Meeting" 11a Kai Chi Do w/ Amina via Zoom 12p Journaling 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships	3 10a TED TALK 11a Self Kindness 12p Ice Breakers Jenga 1p Coping Skills 2p Creative Art & Talk	4 10a Healthy Boundaries 11a Nutrition w/Ayssa via Zoom 12p Creative Writing 1p Rock Painting 2p Let's Move 5-6:30 Recovery Group
Local Mental Health Agency: Lakes Region Mental Health Center (603) 524-1100	8 10a How Was Your Weekend? 11a Chair Yoga/Meditation 12p All About Music 1p Advocacy 2p Meal Prep & Recipe Sharing	9 10a Mutuality 11a Kai Chi Do w/ Amina via Zoom 12p Journaling 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships	10 10a TED TALK 11a Self Kindness 12p Ice Breakers Jenga 1p Coping Skills 2p Creative Art & Talk	11 10a Healthy Boundaries 11a Let's Move 12p Creative Writing 1p Rock Painting 2p Laughing Group 5-6:30 Recovery Group
CALL OR TEXT 988 24/7/365 days For when you are in crisis, feeling suicidal, or need professional assistance!	15 CLOSED/HOLIDAY MLK DAY 	16 10a Mutuality 11a Kai Chi Do w/ Amina via Zoom 12p Journaling 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships	17 10a TED TALK 11a Self Kindness 12p Ice Breakers Jenga 1p Coping Skills 2p Creative Art & Talk	18 10a Healthy Boundaries 11a Rock Painting 12p Creative Writing 1p Let's Move 2p Laughing Group 5-6:30 Recovery Group
	22 10a How Was Your Weekend? 11a Chair Yoga/Meditation 12p All About Music 1p Advocacy 2p Meal Prep & Recipe Sharing	23 10a Mutuality 11a Kai Chi Do w/ Amina via Zoom 12p Journaling 1p Self Care 2p Healthy Relationships	24 10a TED TALK 11a Self Kindness 12p Ice Breakers Jenga 1p Resumes w/ Ryan 2p Creative Art & Talk	25 10a Healthy Boundaries 11a Nutrition w/Ayssa via Zoom 12p Creative Writing 1p Let's Move 2p Laughing Group 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
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[https://
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City Meetings



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](#). 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	

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Andrew Hosmer	496-2078
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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