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# Town of Peterborough Weekly Dispatch

Keeping Residents Informed During the COVID-19 Crisis

Town House offices remain staffed from 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. A list of resources for conducting Town House business is available [here](#). If necessary, appointments for in-person interaction can be made between 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM.

## ADMINISTRATION

*Main Street Bridge Update:* Activity continues around the Main Street Bridge, especially on Main Street. We will have some great photos of the construction available soon on the [Main Street Bridge Project website](#).

## TOWN CLERK

Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> is the last day to change party affiliation prior to the upcoming NH State Primary. To check your party affiliation, please visit [this page](#) on the New Hampshire Voter Information website.

Reminder: All dogs must be licensed by **Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** to avoid late fees and possible civil forfeiture fines. This can be done by mail, [online](#), or via the Town House drop box. If you would like the licenses mailed to you, include a stamped, self-addressed envelope. If you would prefer to pick up licenses, include your phone number to be notified when licenses are complete.

If your dog needs to be revaccinated against rabies, contact your veterinarian to schedule an appointment. Although many of them are closed to the public, most are making appointments for their existing patients.

The NH DMV has added three appointment-based locations: Salem, Nashua, and Keene. This is in addition to Concord, Dover, Manchester, Newport, and Twin Mountain. The Milford DMV is still closed until further notice.

Details about registrations, driver's licenses, and DMV locations can be found [here](#) on our website.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Those who are reopening after temporary closure or have had significant reduction in water usage should ensure their water systems are properly flushed. Utilities Superintendent Nate Brown has shared [this resource](#) from the NH Department of Environmental Services to help inform those who are reopening buildings and businesses about start-up and flushing procedure for water systems.

## COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Our new Community and Economic Development Coordinator Karen Hatcher has hit the ground running, helping to develop a plan for responding to Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #40 which provides guidance for restaurants wanting to provide outdoor seating or service to the public. A cross-department approach was initiated, and members of the EDA reached out restaurant owners to gather input. By last Friday afternoon, a process was put in place for businesses to apply for an expedited temporary license.

Any town restaurant interested in exploring how they might expand operations during the COVID-19 emergency can contact Karen at [khatcher@peterboroughnh.gov](mailto:khatcher@peterboroughnh.gov) or (603) 924-8000 x106. Applications for licensing are available [here](#) on the town website, or by contacting Laura Norton ([lnorton@peterboroughnh.gov](mailto:lnorton@peterboroughnh.gov)) or Tim Herlihy ([therlihy@peterboroughnh.gov](mailto:therlihy@peterboroughnh.gov))

## LIBRARY

The Peterborough Town Library is setting up their temporary location at 1 Jaffrey Road in the Monadnock Plaza. The library will stay in this location for the duration of the library construction project. The library continues to offer reference services by phone or email, [virtual programs](#), and an extensive [eLibrary](#).

## RECREATION

REMINDER: The fields and courts at Adams remain open but visitors must adhere 6-foot social distancing guidelines and to the Governor's order of limiting group gatherings to under 10, or risk the closure of those outdoor facilities.

## FIRE & RESCUE/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Residents are reminded that burn permits, which must be obtained [online](#), are required for all outside fires.

Remember to call your primary care physician with any COVID-19 related symptoms or questions. Do not hesitate to call 9-1-1 for medical emergencies.

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