

What's Going on in Dunstable?

The goal of this newsletter is to share information from the town's municipal departments as well as volunteer boards & committees. Please note, that some information could be subject to changes.

Summer 2022

1. Route 113 Highway Project

- Route 113 project is active even through the warmest summer days. Construction around town center and Westford / Hillcrest Streets will continue. Stone wall work on the wetlands side of Rt. 113 is coming together to help increase roadway width and stability. Road cuts are happening as a regular occurrence with the installation of new electrical poles, other utilities, and grade alterations. Currently this project is going according to schedule but please continue to be patient with traffic delays, road detours, and reduced access to the town. Construction workers and police officers are working to guide traffic.

2. Larter Field Irrigation

- Larter Field Irrigation has been reactivated. The Parks and Recreation group have been working tirelessly to get the water on the field(s) again. Each morning the system is working to get parts of the field green again. A larger discussion on well viability is likely to be addressed in a thorough review process by the committee and *experts in the field* for potential next steps. More info is to follow.

3. Dunstable Fire Department:

- Dunstable Fire Department has narrowed down its pool of potential Chief candidates. The Selectmen have interviewed candidates and are reviewing next steps for a potential hire. We hope to come to an agreement on a new hire soon.

4. MUD/Affordable Housing Project

- The RFP received two responses for the MUD / Affordable Housing project. The Affordable Housing Committee is working through its project criteria to determine next steps. Criteria aspects were defined by the group to find a developer that can accommodate size, scope, character of Dunstable to help us achieve the most impactful benefits to Dunstable.

5. SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION – JULY 19, 2022 – Election Results

- Dunstable held a special election on July 19, 2022. 367 Registered voters cast a ballot in this special election. The question being asked was related to Town of Dunstable being allowed to assess an additional \$188,974 in real estate and personal property taxes for the purposes of paying for capital expenses in relation to the Groton-Dunstable Regional

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School District. This vote *passed* to support the Schedule of Capital Improvements on file with the Dunstable Town Clerk for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022. Official election results are available here - <https://www.dunstable-ma.gov/home/news/official-special-town-election-results>.

6. Gas Line Utility Work

- Work is happening on Hall Street with the construction of a natural gas line. Boston Gas and NEUCO are overseeing the work. Please be on the lookout for various detours (as needed) and utility workers just past the Hall / School / Lake Street connection.

7. Town Bandstand

- The town bandstand (gazebo) needs repair. More information to follow about needs. The town is interested in potential sponsorship opportunities as well as public funding to properly restore and stabilize the building. For potential sponsorship opportunities please contact interim Dunstable Town Administrator – Mr. David DeManche @ ddemanche@dunstable-ma.gov.

8. Town Hall Employment Opportunities

- The Town of Dunstable has several open positions for those looking and those who many know someone looking for employment. Please scan this QR Code to view openings. Please note that openings are subject to change as applications and positions are filled.



9. 350th Anniversary Committee Update

- 350th Anniversary Committee has been regularly attending Dunstable events and offering residents ways to connect with one another. There is even some great 350th Dunstable gear available at the Concerts at the Common on Wednesday nights! Check out their sites to learn about events in the future. Please visit their website:

<https://www.dunstable-ma.gov/350th-anniversary-celebration-committee>