



The **Something to Crow About** RICHMOND ROOSTER

October 2016

Notes from the Select Board

Sale of Town-Owned Land, Logging the Allen Lot

The Selectmen put three parcels of town-owned property up for bid last month. Two of the parcels sold, bringing in \$52,000 to the town. Each parcel consisted of land only (no buildings) and each had been taken by the town for back taxes more than ten years ago.

We will be putting additional properties up for bid next Spring. Solicitations for bid will be posted in *The Keene Sentinel*, *The Rooster*, and on the town website. The minimum bid on properties sold by a town is generally well below market value. Please let the Selectmen's office know if you would like to be on an email circulation list for the bid solicitation offerings when they are posted to the public.

Logging has been underway on the Allen lot – this is the town-owned land on Route 32 just south of Town Hall. We expect it to be completed this month and will report in a future article on the amount of revenue generated for the town from the logging.

Road Improvements

Repaving has been completed on Sandy Pond Road and Tully Brook Road. These roads have been the source of many complaints for several years now. Take a drive and check it out – it was desperately needed; it is the most major repaving the town has done in many years and it is a big improvement.

County Tax Bill due from Richmond

We have received the Cheshire County tax bill for 2017. Richmond's 2017 bill for county taxes is \$343,251, an increase of approximately \$19,000 from the 2016 tax bill of \$324,224. This increase will impact our tax rate

in the future, but may be offset or dwarfed by other changes we cannot yet ascertain. The largest component to our tax rate, by far, is our school tax. In 2016, for example, our total tax rate of \$28.35 per thousand dollars of valuation was allocated as follows: local education tax, 15.11; state education tax, 2.29; municipal tax, 7.52; county tax, 3.43. It is an unfortunate reality that the largest portion of our tax rate goes to obligations that the town alone cannot directly control. In addition, the total valuation of the town also impacts the tax rate, as does a town's alternate sources of income (i.e., timber tax, sale of town land, state revenue allocations such as highway block grants, meal and lodging tax, etc.).

The Selectmen try to keep our town portion of the tax rate low while delivering the services the town needs and desires at a price that the town can afford. We will be formulating a town budget for 2017 in the next few months, beginning in November when we review the budget requests of all the town departments, committees, and commissions. We will present a proposed budget to the town in early 2017 at pre-warrant budget hearings. We hope everyone will attend and ask questions and provide input. More on this in next month's *Rooster*.

Dates to Remember

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

November 7, 2016	Open until 5:00 pm for absentee ballots only
November 8, 2016	State General Election Day Polling hours: 8 am – 7 pm at the Veteran's Hall
Nov. 23 – 24, 2016	CLOSED for Thanksgiving Break

General Election
November 8, 2016
8 am to 7 pm
Veterans Memorial Hall

**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR
RICHMOND
GENERAL ELECTION
NOVEMBER 8, 2016**



INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- To Vote.** Completely fill in the oval ☐ to the right of your choice. For each office vote for not more than the number of candidates stated in the sentence: "Vote for not more than ____." If you vote for more than the stated number of candidates, your vote for that office will not be counted.
- To Vote by Write-in.** To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write in the name of the person in the "write-in" space. Completely fill in the oval ☐ to the right of your choice.

Offices	Democratic Candidates	Other Candidates	Republican Candidates	Write-in Candidates
For President and Vice-President of the United States Vote for not more than 1	Hillary Clinton <input type="radio"/> Tim Kaine <input type="radio"/>	Green Jill Stein <input type="radio"/> Ajamu Baraka <input type="radio"/> American Delta Roque "Rocky" De La Fuente <input type="radio"/> Michael Steinberg <input type="radio"/> Libertarian Gary Johnson <input type="radio"/> Bill Weld <input type="radio"/>	Donald J. Trump <input type="radio"/> Michael R. Pence <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> President and Vice-President
For Governor Vote for not more than 1	Colin Van Ostern <input type="radio"/>	Libertarian Max Abramson <input type="radio"/>	Chris Sununu <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Governor
For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1	Maggie Hassan <input type="radio"/>	Libertarian Brian Chabot <input type="radio"/> Independent Aaron Day <input type="radio"/>	Kelly Ayotte <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> United States Senator
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1	Ann McLane Kuster <input type="radio"/>	Independent John J. Babiarez <input type="radio"/>	Jim Lawrence <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Representative in Congress
For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1	Dan Weeks <input type="radio"/>		Dave Wheeler <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Executive Councilor
For State Senator Vote for not more than 1	Lee C. Nyquist <input type="radio"/>		Andy Sanborn <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> State Senator
For State Representatives Cheshire District 12 Vote for not more than 2	Barry Faulkner <input type="radio"/> Miguel Picanco <input type="radio"/>		Jim McConnell <input type="radio"/> Richard Sainsbury <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> State Representatives Cheshire District 12 <input type="radio"/> State Representatives Cheshire District 12
For State Representative Cheshire District 15 Vote for not more than 1	Bruce L. Tatro <input type="radio"/>		Stephen K. Malone <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> State Representative Cheshire District 15
For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1	Eli Rivera <input type="radio"/>		Earl D. Nelson <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Sheriff
For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1	D. Chris McLaughlin <input type="radio"/>			<input type="radio"/> County Attorney
For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1	John G. Wozmak <input type="radio"/>		Joseph W. Bendzinski <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> County Treasurer
For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1	Anna Z. Tilton <input type="radio"/>			<input type="radio"/> Register of Deeds
For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1	Jeremy LaPlante <input type="radio"/>		Susan J. Castor <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> Register of Probate
For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1	Stillman D. Rogers <input type="radio"/>		Joseph H. Cartwright <input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> County Commissioner



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - VOTER ID LAW
RSA 659:13

[effective September 1, 2015]

EXPLANATORY DOCUMENT (RSA 652:26)
PROOF OF VOTER IDENTITY INSTRUCTIONS (RSA 658:29-a)

What type of ID will I need to vote?

- Driver's license issued by any state or federal government;
- Non-driver ID card issued by NH DMV or motor vehicle agency of another state;
- Photo ID card for "voting identification only" issued by NH DMV (RSA 260:21);
- United States armed services identification card;
- United States passport or passcard;
- NH student ID card (see more information below);
- A photo ID not mentioned above, but determined to be legitimate by the moderator, supervisors of the checklist, or clerk of a town, ward or city. If any person authorized to challenge a voter does so under this provision, the voter shall be required to fill out a challenged voter affidavit before obtaining a ballot.
- Verification of the voter's identity by a moderator or supervisor of the checklist or clerk of a town, ward or city (not a ballot clerk). If any person authorized to challenge a voter does so under this provision, the voter shall be required to fill out a challenged voter affidavit before obtaining a ballot.

An acceptable photo ID must have an expiration date or date of issuance. The ID will remain valid 5 years beyond the expiration date unless the voter is 65 or older in which case an acceptable photo ID may be used without regard to expiration date. The name on the ID shall substantially conform to the name on the checklist.

More on student ID cards:

Acceptable student photo ID cards must be issued by:

- A college, university, or career school approved or licensed to operate in New Hampshire
- A public high school in New Hampshire
- A non-public high school in New Hampshire accredited by a private school accrediting agency that is recognized by the NH Department of Education
- Dartmouth College
- A college or university operated by the university system of New Hampshire or the community college system of New Hampshire

Beginning in 2014 all colleges or universities operated by the university system or community college system of New Hampshire must include the date of issuance on the student ID card. Student ID cards without a date of issuance will be accepted until September 1, 2018. Each August the Commissioner of the Department of Education will provide to the Secretary of State a list of all approved, licensed, and accredited schools from which a student ID is acceptable.

What if I do not have an approved photo ID?

Any voter who does not present an approved photo ID will be permitted to vote after executing a challenged voter affidavit. In addition, the voter shall have their photograph taken by the moderator or assistant moderator, which shall be attached to the challenged voter affidavit. If the voter objects to the photograph requirement because of religious beliefs, the voter may execute an affidavit of religious exemption that will be attached to the challenged voter affidavit instead of the photograph. A voter who does not have an approved photo ID may obtain a free photo ID for voting purposes only by presenting a voucher from their town/city clerk or the Secretary of State to any NH DMV office that issues identification.

Is there any post-election action required by me after I vote without an approved photo ID?

If you filled out a challenged voter affidavit in order to vote on Election Day, you will receive a verification letter from the Secretary of State requesting confirmation that you voted in the election. If you do not respond in writing to the Secretary of State within 90 days of the date it was mailed, the Attorney General will conduct an investigation to determine whether fraudulent voting occurred.

Where can I get more information?

Your town or city clerk or the Secretary of State.
Secretary of State: Website: www.sos.nh.gov elections@sos.nh.gov

August, 2015

TURN OVER FOR RSA 659:34 WRONGFUL VOTING; PENALTIES FOR VOTER FRAUD —————>

Dates to Remember

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

The State General Election will be held on November 8, 2016 at the Veterans Memorial Hall. The polls will be open from 8 am to 7 pm.

The Town of Richmond saw an 82% voter turnout in the previous two Presidential General Elections. This translates to almost 700 ballots cast at each of these elections. It is anticipated that this year's General Election will be comparable. With an estimated one voter per minute arriving at the polls, please bring the following documents. This will help to minimize any waiting or lines that might occur.

If you are not yet registered to vote, you can register on Election Day. Please bring a photo ID, such as your driver's license, and either a birth certificate or a US Passport. In addition, if your photo ID does not show your current Richmond domicile, please bring a document, such as a current utility bill or lease agreement. Without these documents, you will need to establish your identity, your domicile, your age and/or your citizenship by completing the appropriate affidavit.

In addition, if you are already a Richmond registered voter, please bring a valid photo ID (see the Voter ID Explanatory Document in this issue) to present when you check in with the ballot clerks.

For those who will not be able to come to the polls on November 8 and who meet the qualifications to vote by absentee ballot, absentee ballots are available at the town clerk's office. You can view your status as a registered voter in Richmond or the status of your absentee ballot by going to <http://app.sos.nh.gov/>. Click on "Voter Information Look-up" and follow instructions.

I welcome any questions or concerns that you may have. Please feel free to contact me at 239-6202.

See you at the polls on November 8.

Your vote counts!!

Things and Thoughts from the District –

Neil Moriarty

Student Population Falls to 1676

The official student population (October 1, 2016) fell to 1676 for Fiscal Year(FY) 2016-2017. From FY 2010-2011 to current we have fallen from 1957 to our current 1676 or 14%. Without Gilsum, which is just students moving schools, the middle/high school had the largest impact falling from 775 to 733. Note: this decline at the

high school population is not attributed to student dropouts which has actually gone down by a full percentage point to 2.17%. Good job on kids staying in school – they won't be sorry.

\$510,000 Teacher's Insurance Pool – some of it Hijacked; and the Saga continues...

As I stated last month, in spite of requests from the Select Boards of Fitzwilliam, Richmond, Swanzy, and Troy, your school board voted to give about \$230,000 to the teachers by paying 100% of their entire health insurance.

The actual expense for last year's health insurance and income tax, and FICA was revised to about \$168,000 (per our SAU 93 business manager – Ms. Jane Fortson). Teachers filed an Unfair Labor Practice to get the entire \$510,000, then withdrew it and are now in arbitration.

Again it is worth repeating. Isn't our lawyer Mr. O'Shaughnessy wonderful how he gets us in these situations that these items even come up? How about the ½ paid lunch for support staff employees who are out – not working? Another blunder by our lawyer. But our school board keeps hiring him. Only at Monadnock!

In 2005 You, the Voters, voted to have the Town Selectmen appoint School Board and Budget Committee replacements.

If someone (school board or budget committee) resigns between elections, you the voters said that the selectmen of the affected town should appoint the replacement(s). This was mainly for the towns that would have no representation (but all towns voted for it and are impacted by select-person appointments) on a board or committee if someone resigned; example Richmond. This appointment lasts only until the next election. Your school board has said that the added paragraph to the RSA makes the statement in the original paragraph: "(quoted here)... unless there is another way (the other way being what you voted on in 2005)" Now your School Board is trying to say that this is a violation of the current law.

Free Breakfast and Lunch for Everyone – Only At Monadnock

A proposed Warrant Article would have you, the voter, pay for everyone's breakfast and lunch regardless of financial need. This would cost you, the taxpayer, over \$400,000. **This extra \$400,000 expense is beyond the**

\$2,000 per student over the State average cost per pupil we already pay at Monadnock! Board policy (see board policy BCB) says board members that will profit by a discussion / vote should not participate in the discussion or vote – well, the Board Chair and Assistant Chair, both, would profit from this warrant, yet they led the discussion and voted for it. Many other board members violated policy BCB!

Thanks for reading my article – any thoughts, or comments will be appreciated: cmoriarty@ne.rr.com; or 782 Old Homestead Hwy; 239-4031. Jim Carnie will also answer questions on the district 239-4948.

October Update

Jim McConnell – State Representative
Cheshire 12 – Richmond & Swanzey

Legislative activity this month in Concord has centered on the completion of Interim Studies. Interim Studies result when the committee assigned to consider a bill is unable to reach a conclusion, either that the bill be recommended for passage or defeat. Two of my pipeline bills were the subject of Interim Studies.

The first was HB 1101, which barred electric ratepayers from paying for the construction of a natural gas pipeline. I am pleased to report that the House Ways & Means Committee's Interim Study Statement, not yet issued, will recommend that the issue be the subject of future legislation. Assuming I am reelected, I will be submitting appropriate legislation to that end. As many of you will recall, I regard this bill as the most important of the various pipeline bills I submitted last year.

The second bill, HB 1148, was a different approach to achieve the same end as HB 1101. Unlike HB 1101 which was retained in the House for Interim Study, this bill was retained by the Senate and turned into a Senate House study of Stranded Costs. Stranded Costs are, simply stated, the financial obligations taxpayers assume

when the legislature guarantees, generally for a utility, something the utility has persuaded the legislature it can't assume itself. As a general rule, I have difficulty with the notion that the legislature should assume such obligations except in the most extraordinary circumstances. The Joint Committee charged with considering HB 1148 deemed it moot, as both the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court and the New Hampshire Public Utility Commission, have recently issued decisions which denied pipeline company applications to have power generating companies purchase capacity on their proposed pipelines which would then be passed on to electric ratepayers. Here in New Hampshire, this decision was reached by an agency (the PUC) based on their reading of New Hampshire law. In their ruling the Public Utility Commission suggested that the legislature consider additional, clarifying, legislation. While the Joint Committee will not recommend it for future legislation, that does not affect my ability to submit legislation to address the matter, particularly in light of the House Ways & Means Committee's recommendation and the Public Utility Commission decision's language.

I am also pleased to report that the County Executive Committee has recommended the expansion and refurbishment of the County Nursing Home (Maplewood) in Westmoreland. Maplewood's mission is to care for the county's medically neediest, a job it does extremely well. There continues to be a small but vocal sentiment arguing for a change in the nature of the facility and its relocation to Keene. The notion that the county would construct, at taxpayer expense, a hybrid facility to compete with the private nursing homes in Keene and which, given the 150 bed limit the county operates under, would necessarily care for fewer of the most medically needy, is both irresponsible and an inappropriate use of taxpayer funds.

I can be reached at 903-3878, which is my cell

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phone. I have decided it is much more efficient to use my cell phone as I'm frequently away from my desk and I'd rather take a call than return one. My personal email is mcc@mindspring.com Please use my personal email as my legislative email is inundated from both out of state interest groups and individuals and I'd like to make sure that you, my constituents, can reach me when you want to and not get lost in the shuffle.

Stillman Rodgers

County Commissioner, District 3, Cheshire County.

I have had the honor of serving as County Commissioner for the past four years and I seek your support so that I can continue our work to make Cheshire County a safer and more prosperous place to live. County government, while little known by its citizens, does not legislate nor put restrictions on people but it does provide vital services critical to the safety of and security of its citizens.

The Sheriff's Department not only serves legal papers, but also performs law enforcement and emergency services, including dispatch of all police in the County, except for the City of Keene. The House of Corrections houses accused and convicted people charged with misdemeanors, most of whom are sons, daughters, husbands, wives or relatives of citizens of this County. Most people do not know that the H.O.C. also conducts training and rehabilitation programs to return them to a useful life in the community. Many citizens also do not know that the County is addressing the opioid crisis by working with the court system to provide diversion and recovery programs to our young people who have become trapped in the addiction cycle, and to those who suffer from mental and behavioral issues. The success of these programs has returned many to a useful life and has made this community safer. The County is also responsible for the prosecution

of all felony and most misdemeanor crimes within its boundaries. This involves investigation, analysis and prosecution, including trial of hundreds of cases annually.

Another function of County government is care for the elderly and disabled. The County operates Maplewood Nursing Home, a home for severely disabled and the aged who are not able to remain in their homes. Most people are unable to afford long-term care when the need arises (statistics indicate that 6% of us will require this care in our lifetime). Therapy and rehabilitative care, as well as daily personal care, is provided to maintain quality of life for as long as possible. Approximately 80% of the residents at Maplewood are Medicaid recipients and many of the remaining residents become recipients of that program after spending down their life savings. In short, the County serves as the safety net for people who have worked and contributed to this community all their lives.

Perhaps, as important as all of this work is, having the County become a resource for the towns to allow them to work together toward a common goal and save valuable taxpayer resources. I have pushed for this kind of cooperative effort by establishing a grants office that is available to assist towns seeking grants and, for example, forming a Cheshire County committee of County towns to coordinate and plan unified actions during the recent Kinder-Morgan Pipeline scare.

All of these functions have a direct bearing on the safety and wellbeing of residents in the 22 towns and the City of Keene, and yet most people are unaware of them because they are performed quietly, efficiently and effectively. As County Commissioner, I have worked with my fellow Commissioners, both Democrat and Republican, to keep tax rates as low as possible. For the past several years the increase of taxes to be raised has been close to zero and never over 2%. Candidates pledging to cut or eliminate existing pro-

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grams propose a false economy that will threaten the welfare and safety of this County and its residents. I will continue to work for you.

Hello Richmond Voters

Joseph Cartwright

Candidate for District 3 Cheshire County Commissioner.

Married fifty years to wife, Anne. Father of five and grandfather to eleven. Graduated from Lowell Technological Institute in 1967 with a degree in Electrical Engineering and a commission as an Officer in the US Air Force. Attended USAF pilot training and flew for USAF Airlift Command for 10 years including a year in Vietnam. Resident of Alstead, NH for 28 years where I manage a NH Tree Farm. Retired as pilot for American Airlines in 2003. Member of: VFW, Vietnam Veterans, American Legion, New Hampshire Timber Owners Assoc., and NRA. Currently serve as member of the Alstead Zoning Board.

While living in New Ipswich, NH, I served on the Mascenic Regional School Board for seven years where I helped negotiate contracts and develop budgets. With this experience I will work for you as a County Commissioner to oversee a budget that will provide for the needs of the county, and the people in our care, while working to minimize the impact to the county taxpayers.

After attending meetings, reading articles and talking with concerned citizens, I have concluded that the best solution for the patients of Maplewood and the taxpayers is to renovate the existing Maplewood Nursing Home with the addition. Everyone I have spoken with praised the care at Maplewood and wants the nursing home to remain in Westmoreland.

Please vote Joe Cartwright for County Commissioner on November 8th.

joeartwrightaa@gmail.com 756-3781

Public Notice

Richmond Supervisors of the Checklist

The Richmond Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 11 to 11:30 am at the Veterans Hall. The Hall is located on Rte. 32 just north of Bullock road. The supervisors will be available to process voter registrations and make corrections to the voter checklist in preparation for the November 8 General Election.



RCUMC News

Pastor Arnie Johnson


The Richmond Community United Methodist Church continues to be blessed with the support of our community as we reach out to all. October, once again, brought us Dan Schell from Pennsylvania and his ministry in word and song. October also brought us Teen Challenge and their Men's Choir, as they provided us with information on both adult and youth addiction in New Hampshire and the United States and methods to deal with it. Even though we are located in a small community, we attempt to bring forth ministry and help from the wider world.

November brings one of our favorite events – the Holiday Fair! As usual, it will be held in the Veteran's Hall on Route 32, Saturday, November 12 from 9 am to 2 pm. If you would like a space, call Alison Van-Brocklin at 239-4494.

November also brings Thanksgiving, a time of fellowship and feasting, enjoying each other and food. It is also a time, as the word says, to give thanks for what we have received during the past year or years, both materially and spiritually. Come join us as we celebrate Thanksgiving in church on November 20.

Looking ahead to December, we will once again celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Christmas Eve, Saturday, December 24 at 7 pm. This service is always a special time in the lives of the many who attend, as we progress through the events leading to Jesus's birth in scripture and song. Especially moving is the lighting of the candles at the end of the service and the singing of Silent Night, Holy Night. All are truly welcome!

Since Christmas Eve falls on a Saturday, and Christmas Day falls on Sunday, we have decided to cancel



Holiday Fair

Sat. Nov. 12th
9 am – 2 pm

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our Sunday Service on December 25 to allow all who might attend to be with their loved ones as they celebrate together on this special day. We look forward to seeing all again on the first day of the New Year on Sunday, January 1, 2017 as we celebrate Epiphany Sunday and the beginning of a New Year.

Please join us as we worship each Sunday at 9 am at the Old Brick Church, 11 Fitzwilliam Road, just east of the 4-Corners on Route 119. Come and be blessed! Shalom

Richmond Holiday Fair

Alison Van Brocklin

We are pleased to announce that the Annual Richmond Holiday Fair will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2016, at the Veterans Hall, Route 32, Richmond, NH. Shopping hours are from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. We have local artisans presenting a variety of wares including hand-knit and crocheted treasures, traditional German baking, jewelry, quilted items, stained glass, and a variety of seasonal gifts. Local authors will be signing books, and Richmond's own Windswept Mountain Tree Farm will offer fresh holiday wreaths.

Enjoy a hearty lunch featuring a delectable variety of soups, chili, sandwiches, dessert, and beverages in our Holly Café from 11 am to 1 pm.

The Holiday Fair is sponsored by the Richmond Com-

munity United Methodist Church. We hope you will join us for this unique shopping experience! For further information, please call Alison at 239-4494. (At the time of this writing there are still a couple vendor spaces available, please call if you are interested.)

Fitzwilliam Inn Happenings

Chelly Tighe

Happy Fall! Here you go.

Town Meeting Band

November 12, 8:30 to 10:30pm, \$10 cover

Way Up South Band

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First Annual Richmond Harvest Festival Pot-Luck

Karen Daugherty

Friends and neighbors gathered at the town pavilion on Saturday, October 15 for our First Annual Harvest Festival Pot-Luck. Kids could choose to play the lollipop game, bean bag toss, and get their faces painted by Katie Eliopoulos and Katrina Daugherty. For the adults there was basketball, horseshoes, ladder ball, and corn hole. Delicious dishes were brought for everyone to enjoy including vegetable stew, meatballs, sweet potato casserole, salad, pasta, homemade bread, cupcakes, apple crisp, apple pie, and more. The seed-spitting contest was won by Ginger Coffin with a whopping 14 feet! Wesley McWhirk came in first in the sack race. Carved pumpkins were brought to be judged, and helped to decorate the photo prop. Prizes were given out for "Most Original",

"Most Artistic" "Scariest", and "Best Fall Theme." Thanks to the families who contributed to planning, setting up, serving, and cleaning up at the event!

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Growing up at the 4-Corners in Richmond, that our parents owned, gave us the life long pleasure of knowing what a small town is all about. We have very fond memories of riding our bikes up and down Rte. 32 & 119, summers at the town beach, skating on the water hole, checking a book out at our little library and looking forward to the annual BBQ. It's a joy to share those special memories when we market your home and welcome someone new to town. Fred Blais, Broker & Ruth Blais Thompson, Licensed Agent



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Harvest Festival Pot-Luck





Richmond Community Forum Part 3 RCDA

The Richmond Community Development Association (RDCA) invites all Richmond residents to participate in a Visioning Session on Saturday, December 3, 2016 at 10 am at the Richmond Veterans Hall to explore the revitalization of a Richmond Village Store. Through Southwest Regional Planning Commission, the Town has received a grant to complete a feasibility study for re-establishing a village store on the site formerly occupied by a village store.

The feasibility study is being conducted on behalf of the Town by Catlin & Petrovick Architects of Keene who have conducted hundreds of similar studies for a variety of public and private project types throughout New England. The goal of this process and the final report is to provide the Town with a strategic plan, including a business plan, to again enjoy a full service village store including fuel, in town.

The purpose of the visioning session is to bring people together to discover the values and vision of the community. The session will look at the community's role in the region, how changes in the region are affecting the community, and more. Based on information gathered at this meeting along with information gathered in past surveys, the architects will prepare a report detailing viable business plan for a establishing a new store in the village center.

Thurs, Oct. 27, 2016. 9am-noon. Last Day to submit registration forms with the Town Clerk for the General Election.

Sat. Oct. 29, 2016. 11-11:30. You may register to vote at the Supervisors Session.

Election Day, Nov. 8, 2016. You may register to vote with the Supervisors of the Checklist at Veterans Hall. Bring valid identification.

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Chris Daugherty, Carol Jameson, Kathy McWhirk

Mon. 9 AM – 12 PM, 3 – 7 PM, 5:30 – 7 PM for business

7 PM – ? for public concerns)

Tues. 9-12 (Selectmen meet first Tuesday ONLY)

Wed. 9 AM – 1 PM, Thurs. 9 AM – 1 PM (unless posted)

Town Administrator: Heidi Wood

Assistant Town Administrator: Susan Harrington

Town Clerk: Annette Tokunaga

Deputy Town Clerk: Jennifer S. Thompson

Mon. 9 AM – 12 NOON, 1 – 4 PM, 6 – 8 PM

Wed. 9 AM – NOON, 1 – 5 PM, Thurs. 9 AM – 12 NOON

Tax Collector: Steve Boscarino

Deputy Tax Collector: Kerry A. Boscarino

Mon. 6 PM – 8 PM, Wed. 9 AM – 12 NOON

Tues. 2 PM – 5 PM in the week taxes are due

Planning Board:

Meetings held at Veterans Hall.

4th Tues. of the month – 7:30 PM

and 2nd Tues. if needed

Transfer Station and Recycling Facility: 239-8136

Tues. 8 AM – 4 PM, Thurs. 8 AM – 7 PM

Sat. 8 AM – 5 PM

Town Library: 239-6164. Paul Dobbs, Librarian

Tues. 3 PM – 7 PM, Wed. 9 AM – 12 NOON

Thurs. 3 PM – 7 PM, Sat. 10 AM – 2 PM

Police (Non Emergency): 239-6007

Fire/Rescue (Non Emergency): 239-4466

Fire Warden: Ed Atkins, 392-2027

Selectmen – 239-4232

Town Clerk – 239-6202

Tax Collector – 239-6106

Road Agent: Mark Beal – 903-2184

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