

MEMORANDUM – OFFICE OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TO: Board of Selectmen

FROM: Charles F. Smith, MPA, ICMA-CM
Town Administrator

RE: Weekly Report

DATE: March 11, 2024



The following report from town departments provides an update for the Board of Selectmen on the various programs, initiatives, projects, and upcoming events.

Department of Public Works

Facilities/Grounds: The crew continues with building & cemetery checks, recyclables and trash collected. The bike path was cleaned. PSB leak & faucet repair. Got everything together for the school board meeting. Leaf cleanup and Snow Removal.

Fleet: Eq23 & Trk10 prepared for license test. Trk20 reported running issue, reset system. 15-C-1 exhaust repair. Trk8 was brought to Crest Auto World for recalls. Trk10 was evaluated for check engine light, pulled front temp sensor clean and regen road test truck. Repaired auger on Trk6, Trk10 set up sander chain. Car 211 disabled battery.

Highway: The highway crew continues to check roads from heavy rain. The crew raked roads and fixed transitions with a backhoe. Plowed and treated roads during the weekend storm.

Transfer Station: This week we shipped out 1 container of municipal solid waste = 12 Tons, 1 container of single stream recycling = 2 Tons and 3 containers of construction and demolition = 18 Tons. Car Counts: Monday 259, Tuesday 260, Friday 227, Saturday 269, and Sunday 165. Total Vehicles Served 1180.

Public Safety

Moultonborough Police Department: 03/04/2024 – 03/10/2024

Activity	Last Week	This Week	Weekly Difference	Last Year-To-Date	This Year-to-Date	Yearly Difference
Log Entries	277	286	+3.14%	2122	2760	+23.11%
Calls for Service	153	163	+6.13%	1249	1508	+17.17%
Arrests	2	1	-100%	21	19	-10.52%
MV Accidents	5	5	0%	27	50	+46%
MV Stops	33	26	-26.92%	173	286	+39.51%
Offense Reports	0	2	+100%	17	18	+5.55%

Calls For Service Breakdown

Activity	This Week	Activity	This Week
Admin Services	14	Found / Lost Property	1
Alarm Residential	5	Good Morning Project	4
Assist Citizen	18	Juvenile Issue	2
Assist Motorist / Disabled MV	4	Medical Emergency	3
Assist Other Agency	21	Motor Vehicle Complaint	3
Building Check	2	Police Information	4
Call for Local PD / Officer	6	Paperwork Service	1
Community Policing	1	Sex Offender Registration	1
Criminal Records Check	2	Suspicious Activity	6
Detail	7	Theft / Larceny / Fraud / Forgery	2
Domestic Animal Related Call	4	Training	2
Fish & Game Call	1	VIN Verification	1
Follow Up	7	Welfare Check	4

Community Policing: SRO Christen Cloutier attended the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Winni Dip on Saturday March 9th, 2024. He raised \$1,672.00 and placed 9th overall for fundraising in the State of New Hampshire. This was SRO Cloutier's 4th time fundraising for the Special Olympics.

Training: On March 7th, 2024, and March 8th, 2024, Officer Andrew Strickland attended a Sexual Assault Investigation course.

Upcoming Events: None to report.

Recent Events: Attached is the press release that was posted on the Moultonborough Police Department Facebook page as well as what was given to WMUR. There is no other information to put out at this time, as the accident is being investigated by NH State Police Troop E. For further questions, please send an email to Chief Peter W. Beede, Jr. at pbeede@moultonboroughnh.gov.

Moultonborough Fire Rescue: : For the period of 03/04/2024 to 03/10/2024, there were nineteen calls for service: There was:

Fires	0
Overpressure, Explosion, Overheat – No Fire	0
EMS & Rescue Incidents	9
Hazardous Conditions – No Fire	1
Service Calls	1
Good Intent	4
False Alarms & False Calls	3
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	1
Special Incident Type	0

Total 2024 Incidents: 166

Percent of increased from 2023: 9.3%

Automatic Aid: Given once to Center Harbor.

Mutual Aid: to None

Overlapping Incidents: 2 Year to Date: 15 Percentage of Call Volume: 9%
Overlapping incidents are where two or more incidents occur simultaneously.

Call Staff participation: Call firefighters responded on eight incidents, providing an average of 2.8 firefighters per incident.

Response Times with 24-hour Coverage:

- Average Reaction Time (minutes/seconds) 1.57
- Average Response Time (minutes/seconds) 10:00

Operations: 3/04/2024 Officers Meeting with Call Officers. Captain Mark Fullerton announced his retirement after 40 years of service. 3/06/2024 Lt. Frangelli and Chief Bengtson had a Zoom meeting with a representative of Vector Solutions to view an online training platform. Captain Mark Fullerton was given a final ride home in Engine 4. 3/07/2024 Chief Bengtson and Lt. Frangelli inspected six propane tanks and piping at 338 Governor Wentworth Highway. 3/08/2024 Chief Bengtson inspected two propane tanks and piping at 47 Eden Lane.

Captain Mark Fullerton arriving home after four decades of service to the Fire Department and Town



Congratulations on your retirement Mark and Thank you for your service.

Burning Permits: Recent warm temperatures and rain have resulted in diminishing snow cover. If snow cover is not present, a fire permit is required. Fire Permits may be obtained at the Public Safety Building located at 1035 Whittier Highway or online at www.NHFirePermit.com. Or a <https://nh.burnsafeamerica.com/>

Fire permits are not required when there is snow covering the ground 100 feet in every direction around the pile of brush to be burned.

Moultonborough Recreation Department

Moultonborough Recreation hosted the annual Father Daughter Dance on Friday March 8. Girls in grades K-5 joined their dads or father figure stand ins for an evening of dancing, fun, photos, goodies, good times, and memories. With record setting registrations at over 130 attendees, the function hall was alive with music and energy. Moultonborough Recreation would like to extend heartfelt thanks to Heath's Market for donating long stem carnations for the girls, Meredith Hannaford for donating delicious baked goods and Claire Neely for being our event photographer. We are so grateful to our community partners for their support!

Moultonborough Recreation and Moultonborough Public Library are teaming up to offer an Egg Hunt for children in Grade 5 and below. Join us on Friday March 29 for some free family fun. Begin at the Library for an egg bag craft and photos with the Happy Bunny. Then hop over to the Recreation Department for the Egg Hunt, supervised games, and prizes. Will you find a golden ticket? Children in Kindergarten and younger are asked to check in at the Library at 5:30pm. Grades 1&2 check in at 5:45pm. Grades 3, 4 &5 check in at 6:00pm. Call MRD for more info 603/476-8868.

Tai Chi for adults will start a new session at Moultonborough Recreation on April 2. Board Certified Tai Chi Instructor Ernie Graffam returns to offer an 8 week/16 class session at Moultonborough Recreation Tuesday & Thursday evenings, 6:00-7:00pm. The focus of this program is arthritis and fall prevention. Tai Chi is a series of gentle exercises and stretches. Each posture flows into the next without pause, ensuring that your body is in constant motion. Tai Chi is sometimes described as "meditation in motion" because it promotes serenity through gentle movements, connecting the mind and body. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. Sign up online or in the Recreation office. Please wear sneakers or flat sole shoes, comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. Call MRD for more info 603/476-8868.

MRD is pleased to offer a spring session of Chair Yoga beginning on April 15. Certified Instructor Felicia Steriti returns for a 6 week session, Monday mornings 10:30-11:30am at MRD. We will be using a mat, yoga blocks and a yoga strap, with the option of adding very light hand weights. You are welcome to borrow ours or bring your own. Chair Yoga provides gentle, mindful movements to gain flexibility and core strength. We will also work on learning tools for quieting the mind. This practice will aid in reducing pain, stiffness, stress, and anxiety. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. Sign up online or in the Recreation office. Please wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. Call MRD for more info 603/476-8868.

Adult Indoor Drop In Basketball continues. This free program runs on Sundays noon to 2pm at the Moultonborough Academy gym through June 23. Pre-registration is required, and participants must be 18 years or older. Call MRD for more info 603/476-8868.

Adult Indoor Pickleball continues. Dates are still available. Sign up online or in the Recreation office. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited.

Beyond the Bell, after school program Session 4 continues this week with registrations at capacity.

Drop In Bridge continues. Learn to play or play a few hands @ MRD, Tuesdays 1:00-3:00pm. This is a drop-in group – no registration and no fee. Call MRD for more information 603/476-8868.

Drop-in Mah Jong continues Wednesdays @ 10am at the Recreation Department at 10 Holland Street. This is a drop-in group, no registration required and no fee. Please bring your set if you have one.

Logistics and planning continue for our 2024 Summer Camp and other summer programming.

Logistics and planning are ongoing for programming, trips, activities, and events.

Your Moultonborough Recreation staff is hard at work designing & planning programs for people of all ages. Have an idea for an event, trip, or activity? We would love to hear from you! Reach out to us at 603/476-8868 or email our staff via the links on our website: www.moultonboroughnh.gov.

For information on current and upcoming MRD activities, see our website at or call us at 603/476-8868. Check our Facebook page for cancelations or updates regarding our events and programs. Non-resident fees accrue where applicable. The Moultonborough Recreation Department is located at 10 Holland St., Moultonborough.

Moultonborough Public Library

Join us in welcoming Kaitlyn Gable to the Moultonborough Library staff. Kaitlyn is our new part-time Youth Services Assistant. Stop by the library and say hello!

We have a limited number of solar glasses which we are distributing to our library card holders who register and attend our solar science programs. There are 2 events remaining before the April 8 solar eclipse. Register for one - or both - of the programs.

The library will not have a solar eclipse program on April 8, but Castle in the Clouds will! Register for their solar watch party by visiting their events calendar on their website, www.castleintheclouds.org. The event is free but pre-registration is encouraged.

Solar Science programs in March:

- Wednesday, March 13, 6 to 7 pm. **Flights of Remembrance: A World War II Family Odyssey.** [Register here.](#) Print copies of the book, *Flights of Remembrance* available for checkout at the library.
- Thursday, March 28, 6 to 7 pm. **Historical Women: Sally Ride, first American female astronaut, performed by Sheryl Faye.** Funded by the Friends of the Moultonborough Library. [Register here.](#)

Upcoming Adult Programs:

- Thursday, March 14, 12 to 2:30 pm. **Thursday Movie Matinée: The Call of the Wild (2020).** Pizza and popcorn provided. A \$2 donation per slice of pizza is appreciated.
- Tuesdays, 5 to 6:30 pm. **Craft and Chat: Bring Your Own Project.**
- Tuesday, March 19: Make Iris Folding Cards with Wendy Shambaugh. \$10 materials fee is due at registration. Space is limited. [Register here.](#)

- Tuesday, March 19, 2 to 3:30 pm, and Friday, March 22, 10 to 11:30 am. **Tech Workshop: Android Phones for Beginners.** [Register here.](#)
- Fridays, 10 to 11 am. **Caregivers Support Group.** Helping each other.
- Fridays, 1 to 2:30 pm. **A Safe Place Bereavement Group.** Registration is closed for this 8-week session. Please contact the library if you would like to join future sessions.

Upcoming Youth Programs:

- Saturday, March 16, 10 am to 12 pm. **Family Movie: The Secret Life of Arriety.**
- Thursday. March 21, 9:30 to 10:30 am. **In the Nest Reading Readiness Program.** For children from birth to age 3, and their caregivers. [Register here.](#)
- Friday, March 29, **Egg Hunt.** Co-Hosted by the Moultonborough Recreation Department. Start at the library 5:30 to 6 pm. (Snow date: Saturday, March 30, 10 am to 12 pm.)
- Wednesdays in March, 9:30 to 10 am. **Baby Time-Board Books & Nursery Rhymes.** For children up to 2 years of age and their caregivers.
- Fridays, 3:15 pm. **Storytime with Special Guest Readers from the Moultonborough Women's Club.** [Sign up here to be a guest reader.](#)
- Fridays, 3 to 5 pm. **Dungeons and Dragons for Teens.** The group is looking for new members, ages 13 to 18. Led by an experienced Dungeon Master.
- Mondays, 9:30 to 10:30 am. **Toddler Drop-In Playtime.** Stop by the library's children's area to play with a wide variety of children's toys, read books, and enjoy the company of other toddlers for an hour of unstructured play.
- Tuesdays, 6 to 6:30 pm. **PJ Storytime.** Dress in your coziest pajamas and come to the library for read-alouds to get us in the mood for sleep.
- Fridays, 10:30 to 11 am. **Friday Storytime.** Join us for stories, music, and fun!

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to keep up-to-date with our news. @Moultonborough-PublicLibrary

Upcoming Public Meetings:

Board of Selectmen Meetings

- Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. (Cancelled)
- Thursday, March 28, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. (Work Session if needed)



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NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release
March 9, 2024

On Saturday, March 9, 2024, at 2:33 p.m., a Moultonborough Police Officer was involved in a single vehicle crash on Whittier Highway (Route 25) at the intersection of Sheridan Road. Officer Andrew Strickland was travelling eastbound on Whittier Highway (Route 25), when his cruiser left the southwesterly side of the roadway, went down an embankment, across a brook, striking another embankment on the opposite side and rolling over onto the passenger's side. The officer was initially trapped inside the cruiser, but numerous witnesses came to the officer's aid and assisted him out of the cruiser. Additional officers from the Moultonborough Police Department, Center Harbor Police Department, Sandwich Police Department, Carroll County Sheriff's Office, and New Hampshire State Police Troop E responded, as well as Moultonborough Fire-Rescue Department and Stewart's Ambulance. The officer sustained minor injuries and was transported by Stewart's Ambulance to Concord Hospital-Laconia, where he was treated and released. New Hampshire State Police Troop E is investigating the cause of the crash. The Moultonborough Police Department is grateful to the citizens who came to the officer's aid.

Authority: Chief Peter W. Beede, Jr.