



Moultonborough Town News

Summer 2018

MOULTONBOROUGH WELCOMES NEW POLICE CHIEF

Welcome

January 15th this year the town hired John Monaghan to be Moultonborough's new police chief.

He is a 1992 Graduate of Sterling College where he received his AA in Resource Management. In 1999 John began his career in Law Enforcement. He is a Graduate of the 120th Academy class at the NH Police Standards and Training Council. He has worked as a city Police officer and State trooper.

In 2012 John became the Chief of Police in Franconia NH.

During his career John's desire to help people has grown from being a street cop and helping his community to wanting to foster and enhance the work of Police organizations from within. Realizing he needed to learn more to contribute more John entered into Antioch University and graduated in 2010 with a MS in Organizational Leadership and Management.

John had trained in Mo Duk Pai Kung Fu and Modern Arnis under Sifu Charles Blodgett. He holds the Rank of Student Black Belt in Mo Duk Pai and Brown Belt in Modern Arnis. He has trained in Tai Kwon Do under Master Bob Kline, studied Xing Yi with Tom Bisio and Muay Thai kick boxing with Kru Mark Klemm. John has competed in several triathlons. Having hung up his racing kit, he enjoys trail running, mountain biking, XC skiing and telemarking in the White Mountains with the love of his life Tricia. Most recently embarking on their new adventure as self proclaimed "ski marathoners". When not enjoying the great outdoors John spends quality time annoying his two teenage children.



MOULTONBOROUGH WELCOMES NEW POLICE OFFICER

Moultonborough Police Department welcomes Officer Cory Alberico as our newest member. He grew up in Windham, NH and later attended Castleton University in Vermont receiving his Bachelor's degree in Sociology with a concentration in Criminology and a minor in coaching; receiving his degree in 2017. He recently attended and graduated from the New Hampshire Police Academy class 175. He is currently in his FTO (Field Training Officer) phase riding with training officers from our department to "learn the ropes" so to speak. In his spare time he enjoys cycling, weightlifting and snowboarding.

PRESCRIPTION & NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUG RETURN EVERY DAY

With the addition of a MedReturn drop box in the lobby of the Town's Public Safety Building, citizens can drop off unwanted and expired prescriptions or non-prescription drugs during open lobby hours. Those hours are generally 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. **NO LIQUIDS OR NEEDLES ALLOWED.** The program is anonymous and no questions or requests for identification are made. The drugs are regularly removed from the box by Police personnel and properly disposed of. Questions about this effort may be directed to Det. Peter John at 603-476-2400 or pjohn@moultonboroughnh.gov.



Information about how to dispose of medical sharps is available at www.moultonboroughnh.gov (Click on Departments, then Transfer Station) or you can call the Transfer Station at 603-476-8800.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, August 4, 2018

**8:30AM - 12:00PM at the Highway Garage
68 Highway Garage Drive, Moultonborough**



For more information please contact David Jeffers, Lakes Region Planning Commission at djeffers@lakesrpc.org.

JULY 4TH PARADE INFORMATION



This year the July 4th Parade will be held on Wednesday, July 4th. The parade will begin at 11:00 AM starting at the Moultonborough Academy on Blake Road and will proceed to the Lion's Club via Old Route 109.

SAVE THE DATE

For the 2018 Village Area Charette July 20th and 21st, 2018. Please come we need your input!



TOWN-WIDE TREE TRIMMING

As part of the Highway Department's road maintenance program, it becomes necessary to cut roadside overgrowth from trees and brush. This cutting allows for the Town's right of way to be open/clear of obstruction and allows the sunshine to reach the roadway surface, and prevent the tree limbs and side growth brush from obstructing the roadways clear zone. The cutting operation consists of the removal of road side brush or saplings, and overhang which hangs within the right of way. The area which will receive cutting will be within the Town's right of way which is usually 33' to 50' in width, and is measured from the center of the roadway (ex: 25' from center, 16'6" center) or from stonewall to stonewall, and a height of approximately 14'.

Please note that limbs within the 14' height area will be cut back to the limbs base, located at the tree's trunk. This practice has been recommended by a local arborist, who advises that this practice will allow the tree to have a greater opportunity to heal, versus cutting the limb away from the trunk, which will cause the limb to die. We are expecting to conduct cutting on many Town roads sometime during the spring, summer and fall months, weather permitting. In preparation we will be flagging the trees slated for cutting. We would ask that if you should have a concern regarding the cutting of trees/limbs adjacent to your property, please contact the Public Works Office at 603-253-7445, so we can review your concerns and our anticipated cutting plan(s.)



RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

There are many exciting new things happening in the Recreation Department for the summer of 2018! Please check out our summer brochure for details. The brochure is available on our website at www.moultonboroughnh.gov and in hard copy at the Recreation Dept., Library, Town Hall and was distributed through MCS.

The most exciting new development is the change to our Happy Camper and RECKing Crew program, as we are finally able to offer a full day program 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with an extended day option until 5:30 PM. The half day option is still available for those who prefer that. We are also in seven, one week sessions this year rather than the seven week program. The program promises "the best of the old with exciting new fun with sessions and options for everyone". There is also a STEM program offering within the new camp structure

Also new this year is a new structure for tennis – we are offering adult clinics and lessons and 4 sessions of tennis camp for children.

Our partnership with the Castle has expanded to offer writing classes for adults and children and the annual Family Fun Day.

Our outdoor concert series runs every Wednesday evening beginning at 6:30 PM from June 28th through August 9th. They are free and open to the public; appeal to all ages and are held at the gazebo at the former Lion's Club.

We have much more than what is listed above as we are chock full of events, camps, activities, concerts, trips, tournaments, programs, lessons and celebrations for all – from toddlers through senior citizens.

MOULTONBOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESCHOOL EXPANDS

Moultonborough School District's Early Childhood Program is expanding. Beginning with the 2018 -2019 school year, preschool will be offered for ALL students between the ages 3 and 5. This will be a tuition free program for all families living in Moultonborough. Our goal is to ensure kindergarten readiness for all students in our District.

Our focus is on a play-based curriculum that is rich in language and hands on experiences. Programming will run between 3-5 days per week (3 year old students in the morning, 4 year old students in the afternoon). This is a new program, and we will plan our 2018-2019 schedule based on the number of those interested.



RUNNING START CHAMPION AWARD

Jennifer Chapman, Moultonborough Academy guidance councilor, is one of seven recipients chosen for the Running Start Champion Award. This award is given to Jen for her work with CCSNH colleges to advance the goal of bringing college courses to students at Moultonborough Academy.

The first Running Start class started at MA in 2011 with three students. In 2016, the MA seniors took more college courses than there were graduates. Out of 48 seniors, 32 students took 58 courses. This year's senior class has 38 students out of 47 seniors who will have taken 91 courses! Nine members of this graduating class will have four or more college courses completed before high school graduation. Six MA teachers offer nine courses. This is a great opportunity for students!



NEWS FROM THE LAND USE OFFICE

The Planning Board and the Town Planner have been involved with various projects and programs which have an impact on community development.

The Joint Land Use Board (JLUB) group (formed by the joint meeting of the Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Conservation Commission and Heritage Commission) has been meeting on a quarterly basis and these meetings constitute an open forum for Moultonborough's land use boards to share land use and community development concerns, operations and strategies.

One of the recommendations shared by all the land use boards was the need to energize the community development process in Moultonborough, which includes both economic development and the closely-related matter of affordable housing development.

The primary result of this JLUB recommendation is the creation of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC). This new 7-member committee was recommended by a Joint Land Use Boards forum and was then established by action of the Board of Selectmen. The CDAC is charged with focusing on economic development and affordable housing. To date the CDAC has held three monthly meetings and is energetically focusing on economic development. The staff of Moultonborough's Land Use Department provides support to the CDAC and its activities.

The Town Planner and Land Use Department staff are also providing support to the Moultonborough Bay Inlet Septic System Assessment study which is looking to deal with water quality issues in that area of Lake Winnipesaukee. Also, the Town Planner is providing assistance to efforts by the Town to develop broad consensus about how the Town-owned Taylor property should be used. A community process to focus on the use of the Taylor property has been proposed and if sufficient private donation funds can be raised this project may go forward later this year.

Applications for land development have been relatively light during the winter months, with only one subdivision proposal, a 5-lot subdivision of a 16-acre land parcel, the Tamarack subdivision, located on the south shore of Lake Kanasatka. Other Planning Board approval activity concerns multiple requests for voluntary lot mergers, all of which have been approved.

The major planning accomplishment since the first of the year was the completion of the revisions and up-dating of two chapters of the Town's Master Plan, the economic development and housing chapters. These two revised chapters are now ready for adoption at an up-coming Planning Board meeting.

Other matters currently under way include compliance monitoring of the Tamarack subdivision and the Stephens Landscaping/Avery site plan. The Planning Board also continues to meet with the developers for the Kona Mansion property on Jacobs Road.

COME AND CELEBRATE MOULTONBOROUGH'S LAKES AND PONDS JUNE 9TH

Your Moultonborough Milfoil and Conservation Committees are pleased to present a program highlighting Our Lakes, Ponds and Streams to held at the Moultonborough Town Hall from 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 9th.

Come learn more from the partners and experts about the challenges these Resources are facing and how we, as a community, are caring for them in Moultonborough.

Topics will include the following:

- **“Protecting Our Watershed”** presented by Pat Tarpey, Executive Director, Lake Winnipesaukee Association
- **“Invasive Species: Present and Future”** presented by Amy Smagula, NH DES Limnologist, Aquatic Invasive Species Program and Karin Nelson, Chair, Moultonborough Milfoil Committee
- **“Lake Hosts Making a Difference”** presented by New Hampshire Lakes Association
- **“Watershed Warriors Festival”** presented by NH Lakes. A hands-on exhibit in the parking lot (KID FRIENDLY)

Materials and displays of the tools used to protect our Lakes, Ponds and Streams will be on display. Get an up-close look at an actual DASH (Diver Assist Suction Harvesting) boat. Learn how water testing equipment is used. See actual invasive weeds and cyanobacteria samples. Examine and take home the support materials used to inform and educate our residents and visitors.





LIBRARY NEWS

The library has a wide variety of wonderful programs planned for the summer. On June 7, Kate and Mike Lancor of Old Friends Genealogy will teach us how to use the library's new online genealogy database: ancestrylibrary.com. Jean Cox from Art Escape in Laconia will return for another fun Paint Night at the Library. We will be painting James LeBaron's amazing photograph of the lake "May Morning" on June 18. Pam Weeks will share her considerable expertise in New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell on June 20. Pam's program was very engaging and informative last year. On June 21, retired teacher and local historian Brad Wolff will lecture on the NH Regiments at the Battle of Gettysburg, July 1-3, 1863. Also on June 21, our invaluable Friends of the Library group will sponsor a book discussion of the landmark biography Clementine: The Life of Mrs. Winston Churchill by Sonia Purnell. Our gigantic Book Sale will be on July 7 & 8, 9am -5pm. We have already collected and sorted thousands of books to sell. Come spend an evening with Robert Frost (acclaimed actor Stephen Collins in a unique, interactive performance) on July 12. George Morrison's July 17 talk will focus on NH's own Robert Rogers of the Rangers during frontier days. On July 19, Judy Crosley of the Speaking for Wildlife Program will present Reptiles & Amphibians: Warming Up to NH's Cold-blooded Natives. Author and adventurer Dan Szczesny will entertain us with stories from his new book: The White Mountain: Rediscovering Mount Washington's Hidden Culture on July 25. Our Friends group will sponsor another book discussion on July 26: the "vivid and arresting" The Ninth Hour by Alice McDermott. Teacher, farmer and Sandwich resident Dr. Martha Carlson will speak about the Red Hill Watershed on July 30. The Moultonborough Recreation Department is planning an August trip to the Isles of Shoals, so we have booked author and historian J. Dennis Robinson of Portsmouth to lecture on their fascinating history on August 6. Julie Boardman discusses her timely new book: Death in the White Mountains: Hiker Fatalities and How to Avoid Being One on August 13. Please call us or check our website for more information. We look forward to seeing you all in the library!

Children's Programs. We are looking forward to another fun filled summer here in the Children's room at Moultonborough Public Library. Our Summer Reading Program theme this year is Libraries Rock, and our calendar is full! I am excited to announce the Boston Bruins will sponsor N.H. Libraries again this year! Our program promotes reading for fun during the summer months with a chance to win passes to area attractions, T-shirts etc... Programs this summer include a Magic Show, live animals, music, painting rocks, movies, a Pre-school dance party, teen trivia, crafts and many stories! Story Times with special guest readers and Lego Club will continue through the summer months. Please check out our website at www.moultonboroughlibrary.org and Facebook page to see pictures of our events, our calendar and collection.

Technology News. If you are interested in learning more about your smart device (iPhones, iPads, tablets, smartphones or laptops), sign up for one of our Technology Classes. We offer an assortment of classes, including iPhones and iPads Tips & Tricks, Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Publisher, Learn about Apps, Android Phones & Tablets and Windows 10 for Beginners. Class sizes are limited to eight participants, so please register in advance and remember, ask to use one of our tablets or laptops, if needed. Don't forget about our drop-in Technology Users Group on Mondays, when you can drop-in and ask questions about your device. Our One on One scheduled appointments for personalized instruction are also very popular; just call the library at 603-476-8895 to set one up



NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Working the past six months for the Town of Moultonborough has been a delightful experience. My goal as Town Assessor is to continue assessing properties within the Town equitably and fairly with your neighbors in accordance with the New Hampshire Laws and keep the assessing process transparent and open.

The Town has contracted with Vision to complete a statistical update of values for 2018. The update process involves: Analyzing recent qualified sales; comparing the sale price to the assessed value; implementing and testing new land and building models to reflect the ever-changing market; create new tables to reflect the State of New Hampshire, Department of Revenues ratio specification; to treat all properties fairly and equitable; and, recalculate new values utilizing the newly established models. Letters with the 2018 newly established preliminary values are scheduled to be mailed to property owners early summer. The informal hearings will be scheduled in August at the Town Hall. This process is an opportunity to give taxpayers an understanding of how property is assessed, the sales utilized to establish the new values, and answer any questions.

This year at Town Meeting, the taxpayers voted to adopt the Solar exemption (Article 16) per RSA 72:62. You can download many different forms and applications from the Town's website. You can also view tax maps, your property record card or link to the Vision on-line database. The Carroll County Registry of Deeds is also on-line! You can search for recorded documents at www.nhdeeds.com. Please feel free to call our office, if we can assist you in any way.