



April 2, 2021 Edition

## TOWN MANAGER HIGHLIGHTS

The State of Maine just announced yesterday that COVID-19 vaccinations will be available for everyone over the age of 16 starting April 7. You can pre-register for a vaccination appointment with the State on their [website](#). The Town of Wells Public Safety team will also be hosting a vaccination clinic at St. Mary's Church on Eldridge Road from 3:00pm to 8:00pm on Tuesday May 18th. You can sign up now for this in-town [clinic](#).

Congratulations to DPW Director Carol Murray on her appointment to the Northern New England Passenger Rail Authority! Carol will serve for a five-year term and will bring her extensive knowledge of transportation and Professional Engineering credentials to the role. We are grateful for her willingness to serve on this board and to promote the needs of our community and extension of rail service for those that live in and visit Wells.

The theme for next week's National Library Week is, "Welcome to Your Library," celebrating that libraries extend far beyond the walls of a building, and that everyone is welcome to use their services. In the past year, our Wells Public Library staff has continued to serve the people of Wells through online programming and in-person service. Make sure to stop by or send a note to let them know we appreciate all they have done!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### 4/5/2021

*Planning Board @7PM*

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### 4/6/2021

*Selectmen Workshop  
@5:30PM*

*Selectmen Meeting @6PM*

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### 4/9/2021

*Personnel Advisory  
Committee @8AM*

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## PLANNING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Planning Board approved two subdivision amendments, one for Hobbs Pond Woods and another for Burnt Mill. The Planning Board also scheduled two public hearings for the April 5th meeting for an expansion to Congdons' parking and a residential subdivision off Hilton's Lane. The Staff Review Committee approved an expansion to Joshua's Restaurant and a change of use for Southern Maine Extreme and has two other applications under review.

## LIBRARY UPDATE

National Library Week is April 4-10. It's a great time to come by the Wells Public Library and say "hi." Get a library card, attend a virtual program, or check out our newly-arrived materials. Spring is time to get outside! We present Stories in the Woods in conjunction with Great Works Regional Land Trust: Thursday, April 15th, 10:00 a.m. at Tatnic Woods. Ages 2-5, siblings welcome.

Spring break is the week of April 19th and the library has fun Zoom activities to keep you entertained! **Life Drawing for Kids with Chewonki**, Monday, April 19th at 10:30 a.m. Get ready to draw with help from Chewonki's live animal wildlife ambassadors!

**Books Alive!** With Jennifer Armstrong, Tuesday, April 20th at 10:30 a.m. Come hear books in a completely new way!

**N.E.R.D. New England Reptile Distributors**, Thursday, April 22nd at 3:00 p.m. Come learn about reptiles, amphibians and more.

Email Allison at [wellspubliclibrarysrc@gmail.com](mailto:wellspubliclibrarysrc@gmail.com) for a Zoom invitation.

And for teens:

**Meditation for Teens**, Thursday, April 22nd at 1:00 p.m.

Email Meghan at [wellslibraryya@gmail.com](mailto:wellslibraryya@gmail.com) for a Zoom invitation.

Celebrate **Earth Day** with our two special adult programs:

A community book discussion of **The Hidden Life of Trees** by Peter Wohlleben, Tuesday, April 20th at 6:30 p.m. In his book, the author makes the case that the forest is a social network with the trees being like human families. Reserve a copy by calling the library or by using the online catalogue.

**Green Burials**, Tuesday, April 27th at 6:30 p.m. Joyce Foley of Cedar Brook Burial Ground in Limington, ME, will talk about the basic tenets of a green cemetery (via Zoom).

Email Stefanie at [sclaydon@wellstown.org](mailto:sclaydon@wellstown.org) for your Zoom invitations.

As always, more information on our regular book discussion groups and story times is available at [www.wellslibrary.org](http://www.wellslibrary.org).

## PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

As the Town Manager highlighted in one of her messages, please do NOT put thin plastic bags into your recycling, or bundle recycling into plastic bags. There is a blue barrel at the transfer station marked by a sign for these bags to be deposited into. If they go into the recycling the load will be rejected as contaminated and it will be handled as trash. If thin plastic bags make it through to the recycler and they enter the grinder, they will bind up the star shaped grinding gears and they will then have to be cut out by hand. Please either return these bags to the store, or place them in the blue barrel at the transfer station.