



TOWN MANAGER HIGHLIGHTS

This week is National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. Our Public Safety Dispatchers are the first of our first responders. It takes a very special person to be a dispatcher. Imagine having the calm and composure to talk people through the worst moments of their lives while also knowing what services need to be sent and communicating clear instructions to Fire, Police, and EMS. Thank you to all our dispatch crew; we are grateful for your professionalism, compassion, and commitment to keeping us safe!

Are you interested in serving on a committee or board? We have a seat open on the Personnel Advisory Committee. The PAC acts in an advisory capacity to the Human Resources Director and Town Manager in the establishment and administration of personnel policies. We meet on one Friday morning each month at 8:00 am for about an hour.

Plovers are here! In a sign that winter is truly over, these endangered birds have returned to Wells. Please be careful walking the beaches, the nests are small and fragile and blend in with the sand well. If you are interested in becoming a Piping Plover volunteer, please call Cindy Adamsky at 207-361-8130.

Upcoming Events

4/19/2021

Planning Board @ 7PM

4/20/2021

Selectmen Meeting @ 6PM

FINANCE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Finance Department is gearing up for Summer. Starting Monday, May 3rd the department will be back to operating fully staffed! The 2021 second installment tax bills are scheduled to mail the last week of April and beach stickers go on sale online and in the office on May 3rd. Through the end of the third quarter the department continues to see steady excise and property tax collections. Through the end of March the excise collections are at 87.7%. Property tax collections are at 57.2% and the second installment of 2021 doesn't even come due until April 23rd and the grace period before interest starts ends on June 7th.

ASSESSING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Happy Spring! The deadline for Homestead, Veterans, Widow of Veterans and all Current Use Programs have been extended until May 17th at this time. There is a link on the Assessors page to access those applications if they pertain to your situation. Please call our office at 646-6081 if you need any assistance.

Most of the campgrounds have been gone through and verified with new units that were brought in last summer or those units that have been removed. A big shout out to all the campground owners who continually give us their lists back in a timely manner and help facilitate this process every spring. It is greatly appreciated.

As of April 1st we have been working on making sure all businesses have been accounted for and get back to us the personal property declaration forms. These are very important in helping to establish the value for their tax bill in the fall.

We have completed updating our 2020 tax maps and they will be online shortly. This is a lengthy process that involves updating all the properties that have split and changed sizes, as well as adding all new subdivisions and various lot changes. They are a wonderful resource for the public to view online at their leisure.