



Special Town Meeting

Tuesday,
August 8, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Memorial School
Gym

PLEASE REMEMBER

Absentee voting is not
available at this meeting.

You **MUST** be
present to vote.



ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to repeal **Article 3, Question 2, § C)** taken at the Special Town Meeting held on November 3, 2015, authorizing the Select Board to “retain the current Town Hall and land. Make renovations and additions to the building as needed over time for municipal purposes.”

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board to transfer an amount of **\$65,000** from the Town's unassigned fund balance to be placed in a dedicated fund balance account to be expended for the purpose of architectural contractual costs for the design and engineering of a new Town Office facility or see what action the Town will take. (*Approval of this article will not increase the property tax levy.*)

At this Special Town Meeting, voters will decide whether to transfer \$65,000 from the Town's unassigned fund balance to design a new Town Office on the Memorial School site. In order to do that, voters will also need to vote to repeal a portion of the November 2015 vote that mandated retaining and renovating the Town Office at its existing location.

AM I VOTING TO BUILD A NEW TOWN OFFICE?

NO. This vote only authorizes the Select Board to develop a design for a new Town Office, including an estimate for construction costs. Any completed design would still need to be approved by voters in a subsequent vote before it could be funded and before any construction could begin.

WHY NOW?

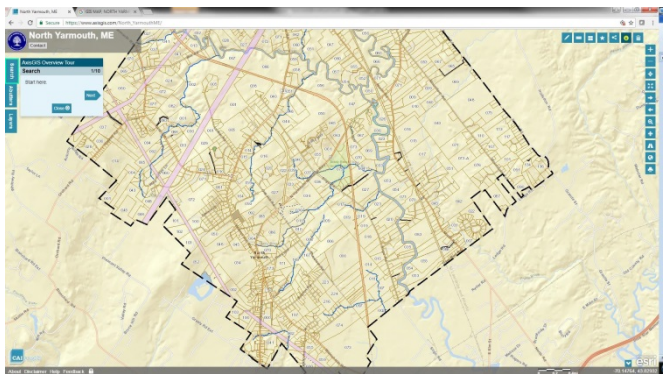
- In February 2017, the Town Office Renovation Committee concluded that renovating the Town Office would be "ineffective and a waste of money."
- The committee cited several factors, including:
 - a) high utility and building maintenance costs
 - b) inadequate storage for vital records
 - c) inadequate office and vault space
 - d) inefficient structure and layout;
 - e) the expense of bringing the facility into compliance with ADA standards
- Recent studies have identified issues with mold and poor air quality throughout the building.

WHY AM I VOTING WHETHER OR NOT TO REPEAL THE NOVEMBER 2015 VOTE?

- In order to consider other options for the Town Office, voters must repeal a section of the November 2015 referendum vote. That section mandates the retention and renovation of the Town Office at its existing location.
- Town officials are currently evaluating whether building a new Town Office on the Memorial School site in conjunction with the proposed Wescustogo Hall and NY Community Center would result in savings in labor, construction, and financing costs.
- Repeal would also allow the Town to consider other options for the current Town Office site, such as selling the property and putting the funds toward the proposed plan for redevelopment of the Memorial School site.

WILL THIS INCREASE MY TAXES?

Using funds from the town's unassigned fund balance will not increase your property taxes.



Announcing New GIS Maps for North Yarmouth

We are pleased to announce that the Town of North Yarmouth has a new GIS site to better access town real estate maps and property record information.

Some new features: Access to Property data, creation of abutter lists and mailing labels.

[For more information click here](#)



- 8-1-2017 Select Board 7pm
- 8-8-2017 Special Town Meeting @ NYMS 6:30pm
- 8-9-2017 Planning Board 7pm
- 8-10-2017 Wescustago Building & Design Com. @ NYMS 7pm
- 8-11-2017 Communications Advisory Committee 7:30am



Are you looking for a way to help out in your community? The Town Manager is looking for Volunteers for the following Municipal committees...

- ❖ *Board of Assessment Review*
- ❖ *Communications Advisory Committee*
- ❖ *Comprehensive Plan Committee*
- ❖ *Economic Development & Sustainability Comm.*
- ❖ *Joint Standing Committee*
- ❖ *Living Well in North Yarmouth*
- ❖ *North Yarmouth School Fund Committee*
- ❖ *Planning Board*
- ❖ *Wescustago Building & Design Committee*
- ❖ *Zoning Board of Appeals*

If interested, please contact the Town Manager, Rosemary Roy at 207-829-3705 or email manager@northyarmouth.org

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North Yarmouth Fire Rescue

Gregory A Payson, Fire Rescue Chief

New Dispatch Services

As of July 1, 2017, North Yarmouth Fire Rescue and North Yarmouth Public Works switched dispatch services from the Falmouth Communications Center to the Cumberland County Regional Dispatch Center located in Windham Maine. Cumberland County Regional Dispatch Center provides both Emergency and Non-emergency dispatching services for many public service agencies located in Cumberland County. Cumberland County Regional Dispatch Center also serves as the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for 19 of the 28 communities within Cumberland County. Cumberland County Regional Dispatch Center is the dispatching agency for the Cumberland County Sheriff's Office (which is our police agency).

Changes you may take notice of:

1. The Non-emergency number has changed. Please call 207-893-2810 for any non-emergency complaints
2. Monitored Fire and Burglar Systems: If you have a monitored fire and/or Burglar system, please make contact with your alarm company to ensure the call goes to the correct dispatch center. This will ensure that delays are not added to the dispatch process. The correct number is 207-893-2810
3. Life-Alarms: If you have a monitored life alert system, please make contact with your alarm company to ensure the call goes to the correct dispatch center. This will ensure that delays are not added to the dispatch process. The correct Phone number is 207-893-2810



Learn about Cumberland County's CodeRED campaign to urge citizens to enter their cell phone information into the CodeRED and be notified of emergencies in their area.

Cumberland County Public Safety agencies have engaging with stakeholders across the County to increase the number of people who sign up or download CodeRed onto their phones. CodeRed is the emergency alert system used by all Public Safety agencies within Cumberland County to notify residents of emergencies in the area. Stakeholders who have committed to encouraging their employees, clients, families and friends to take this preparedness action include Cumberland County Emergency Management, Town of Scarborough, City of Westbrook, Maine CDC, Windham Fire-Rescue, American Legion #148, Bridgton Police Department, Cumberland Police Department, Sappi, North Yarmouth Fire Rescue as well as several school departments. Additional stakeholders are signing up for this effort.

During the last two weeks in July and first week in August this group of stakeholders will be using their existing communications channels and being creative to encourage their stakeholders to take this emergency preparedness action.

In tandem, the City of Portland is doing the same effort. Stakeholders participating in the City include City of Portland Emergency Management Agency, United Way of Greater Portland, West End Neighborhood, Portland Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Portland Housing Authority, Portland Downtown District, and many other stakeholders are in the process of signing up.

An estimated total of 80,000 are expected to receive this message and take action to register with CodeRed. For more information on how to participate in this effort please contact [Bill Holmes](#), Cumberland County Emergency Management; [Caity Hager](#), City of Portland Emergency Management; or [Sara Varela](#), America's Prepareathon.

Community News

Spaghetti Dinner followed by a Concert on the Village Green Saturday, July 29th



North Yarmouth Fire Company is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner to raise funds for future emergency equipment purchases.

There is no set fee, each plate of spaghetti is by donation only.

Dinner is in the fire station between the hours of 5pm and 6:30pm.



Back by popular demand!

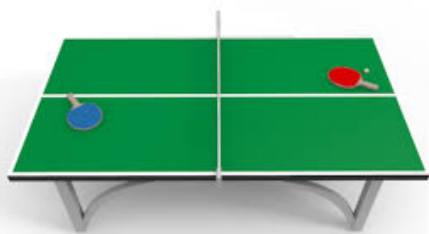
The **GHS JAZZ COMBO**. Come see some of Greely's top musical talent on the Village Green bandstand!

In case of rain, this event will be moved to the NYMS gym.

Concert starts at 6:30pm

Sponsored by the [NY Events Committee](#)

STILL SEARCHING



Ping Pong Tables

We are still looking for additional ping pong tables. We currently have 2 but ideally we need at least 6 to establish a once per week night of table tennis at the former school building. If you know someone or have a table yourself to either donate or offer on a long term loan to the town, then let me know. Tables must be collapsible and portable. Contact me best by email at shpalmer@maine.rr.com. Any folks wishing to donate money for this project kindly contact our town office staff or me, again at the above email address. Again, Living Well in North Yarmouth is promoting this project. Thank you.





Kite Festival

Planned for Oct 7th

This is an opportunity for all ages to come up to Old Town House Park and enjoy a few relaxing hours of watching or flying kites of all descriptions, colors and shapes. Professional kite flyers will be on hand to add to the excitement of special handsewn kites flying aloft. There will be games for the kids, food, beverages and music. Please set the 7th down in your calendar- a time to be together as a community, to have family fun and to try your hand at flying a kite, whether handmade at the event or one purchased locally. Event time will run from 11AM to 4PM. This is a free event sponsored by the collaboration of Living Well in North Yarmouth, Parks and Recreation and the Events Committees. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact: Jason Raven, Ken Filliter or Steven Palmer(shapalmer@maine.rr.com)

This event depends entirely on the weather. Rain will force a cancellation. There is no rain date. We simply try again next year!

Kites can be purchased at the South Portland Historical Museum at Bug Light, at Beach Funatic in York or on-line. Target, Walmart and other stores carry kites.

Flash Back Friday

North Yarmouth Little League Team – Circa 1957



Back Row: Donald Smith, Wayne Nason, Jeff McConnell, William Foster, Dennis Beckwith, Bruce Verrill, Mike Babbidge & Marvin Beckwith

Front Row: Garth Devoe, Gerald Bernard, Vernon Goff, Gerry Smith, Bobby Burrows, Nick McConnell, Cliff Gallant Jr., Authur Lowe & Rick Bowie

Upper right corner: Mark Smith and David Day

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