

Connections

Town of North Yarmouth Maine

Special Town Meeting—Saturday October 3rd

Wescustogo Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center beginning at 9:00 am

ARTICLES OF CONSIDERATION

ARTICLE 3: Shall the Town vote to authorize the municipal officers to accept a gift of 0.5 acres a specific section of property tax Map 10, Lot 86, and to execute any documents related to the acceptance of said gift pertaining to the transfer of ownership of the property.

Explanation: Seedex, Inc. owns the property. The property is located on Delwin Drive. The owner would like to donate the property to the Town and is prepared to pay the costs relating to the transfer of ownership. The Road Commissioner endorses accepting the donation.

ARTICLE 4: Shall the Town vote to authorize the municipal officers to lease a portion of the town-owned property known as the Village Green, located at 475 Walnut Hill Road, Map 7, Lot 65, to the North Yarmouth Fire Company, a separate agency, for the construction of a storage building, for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and to execute any necessary documents relating to the matter

Explanation: The North Yarmouth Fire Company would like to construct on the premises closest to the existing Fire Rescue Station, a building for purposes of storing the Town's first fire truck and other items of memorabilia as well as for modern-day storage purposes.

ARTICLE 5: Shall the Town vote to accept the following monetary donations in accordance with MRS Title 30-A, Chapter 223 Municipal Finances § 5654 Conditional Gifts to reduce the debt service for the construction of the Wescustogo Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center, and to accept the condition of the room naming assignments of rooms one, two and three located in the Wescustogo Hall wing of the facility.

The Anderson Family \$25,000 Anderson Room (Room 1)

The Grover Family \$25,000 Grover Room (Room 2)

The Merrill Family \$25,000 Merrill Room (Room 3)

Explanation: Friends of Wescustogo, a committee established by the Select Board and charged with raising funds for the construction of the facility, sought out donors for this specific purpose. Donations are to be made in increments of \$5,000.00 for five (5) years. The first contribution from each donor has been received and accepted by the Select Board.

FACE MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIRED.

Facilities of Merit Award

The Maine Recreation and Park Association (MRPA) recently awarded a Facility of Merit award to the Wescustogo Hall & North Yarmouth Community Center. It was to be presented to the Town at MRPA's annual spring conference in Rockport, ME, in March; however, the conference was canceled due to the pandemic. Lisa Thompson, Community Center Director, recently accepted the award on behalf of the Town and presented it to the Select Board at their September 15th meeting.

Award Criteria:

- A significant recreation facility established within the last two years
- Shows the project overview, design, plan, and priority of need
- Demonstrates an increase in recreational opportunities including

types of uses

- Local commitment to the project
- ♦ Accessibility to users
- Demonstrates innovation and creativity





TRAFFIC CALMING Advisory Bicycle Lanes (ABL's) A new way to share the road.

You will find these lanes installed in two locations in the Village Center: Pea Lane and The Lane. This is how they work:

Drivers share a wide travel lane with oncoming vehicles. Each side of the road has an advisory lane marked by a dashed line. People can walk and bicycle in this lane. Drivers move into the advisory lane when space is needed to pass an oncoming vehicle. But first,

motorists must yield to people who are already walking

and bicycling in the lane. If a person is already in the lane, the driver must travel behind that person until it is safe to move back into the wide travel lane.

ABL's are suitable for low volume, low-speed neighborhood streets.

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They improve walkability and mobility for people of all ages, provide opportunities to walk for health, and provide access to daily amenities and businesses.



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Maybe you've heard this over the last couple of years, but what we all put in our recycling bin **does** matter. Especially when you put unacceptable items out for recycling.

Those unacceptable materials contamination. create which ultimately costs time and money your money. To cover the costs of contaminated recycling, ecomaine must charge the Town for loads with 5% or more contamination. During August, our average weekly contamination rate was 11%, and the Town will be billed for that contamination. Please don't "WISH RECYCLE!" go to RECYCLOPEDIA ecomaine.org/RECYCLOPEDIA or call ecomaine with your recycling questions. They are more than happy to assist.

Thank you!



Ad Space for Available

Want your local business advertised at one of our Town parks?

North Yarmouth has many parks that allow for safe recreation for both residents and non-residents. The current pandemic has made parks around the country more popular than ever. If you're interested in having your business displayed on one of the town park signs, please contact Draven Walker at dwalker@northyarmouth.org or call the Town Office. Advertisements space is \$200.00 for one year, limited spaces available, first-come, first-serve basis.

North Yarmouth HISTORIC HOMES

The Code Enforcement Office would like to take a minute to talk about the many historic homes we have in North Yarmouth. These homes hold a place in time for our

community. If you own one of our historical buildings we want to remind you that before any major renovations or demolition (no matter the size), you are required to notify the North Yarmouth Historical Society and obtain a permit from the Code Office prior to any work being done. This will allow the Historical Society



to capture our community's history before it is lost forever by having an opportunity to take pictures of the structure, which holds a value you cannot put a price on.

Thank you for doing your part to preserve the history of our great community!

Reference: Land Use Ordinance Chapter III. Sec. 3.2 § C. Demolition Permit from the Code Enforcement Officer: "No demolition of a building or structure or major portion thereof, shall commence until after the issuance of a Demolition Permit from the CEO. When demolition is proposed for a building or structure that was constructed prior to 1900, the applicant must notify the North Yarmouth Historical Society in writing, and present evidence of such notification, at least 30 days prior to demolition. This provision will allow the Historical Society time to contact the owner regarding voluntary preservation of any items or structures with historical significance."

Questions or concerns contact Tracey at (207)829-3705 option #1 or email tcox@northyarmouth.org.

ELECTION DAY

Polls Open Tuesday, November 3rd 7:00 am to 8:00 pm Wescustogo Hall & Community Center 120 Memorial Highway

FACE COVERINGS AND 6 FOOT DISTANCING ARE REQUIRED AT THE POLLS.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots are available on Monday, October 5th We strongly encourage residents to utilize the online Absentee Ballot Request service: https://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl

Ballots can also requested in person at the Town Office or by phone by calling (207) 829-3705, option 2.

You can request your ballots ahead of time, and we will mail them to you when they are available. After you receive and vote your ballots, you can drop them in the drop box located outside the front entrance of the Town Office, or you can mail them back.

The last day to request an Absentee Ballot is Thursday, October 29th.

EXTENDED HOURS

The Clerk's office will be open extended hours for voter registration, absentee ballot requests, and absentee voting in the presence of the Clerk.

- Thursday, October 22nd 7am to 7pm
- Saturday, October 24th 8am to 12 noon

TOWN OFFICE CLOSED

The Town Office will be closed to the public on Election Day, **November 3rd**, and the day following, **November 4th**. All staff will be assisting with the election processes. We apologize for the inconvenience, but these steps are necessary under the current COVID-19 guidelines and procedures.



Town of North Yarmouth COVID-19 Town Office Hours of Operation

Open to General Public (walk-ins) Monday - Thursday 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

By Appointment Only Mondays 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Tuesday thru Thursday 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm (207) 829-3705 Option #2

We strongly encourage residents to take advantage of our online services or utilize our drop-box/mail-in services. Details are available at www.northyarmouth.org



BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



The Select Board is seeking volunteers for

- ≈ Planning Board
- Economic Development & Sustainability Committee
- ≈ Zoning Board of Appeals
- ≈ Solar Study Committee New/short term

FMI: Contact the Town Manager at manager@northyarmouth.org or 207-829-3705



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