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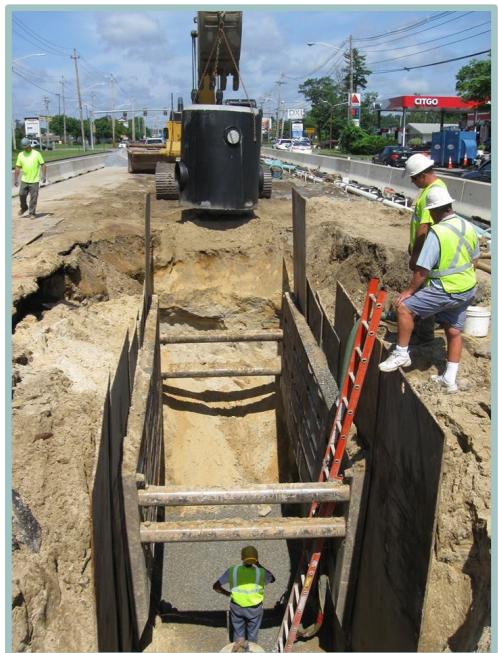
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Work continues on the South Broadway Water and Sewer project. The project involves constructing replacement sewer and water mains on South Broadway between Main Street and Cluff Crossing Road and replacing the bridge north of Friendship Drive. Work will begin south of Cluff Crossing Rd (near Target) and will proceed from south to north, extending to Main Street. It's a two-year project, with challenging construction due to deep sewer mains, so work will proceed slowly. Lane closures are necessary, so expect significant delays and seek alternate routes if possible.

These photos show crews setting a sewer manhole and chimney on South Broadway. Sewer and water work within the Cluff Road intersection will resume Monday night. Traffic patterns will be affected during the nighttime operations, but will return to existing patterns during the day.



SEPTEMBER 2018

Sun	Mo	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Schedule of Meetings

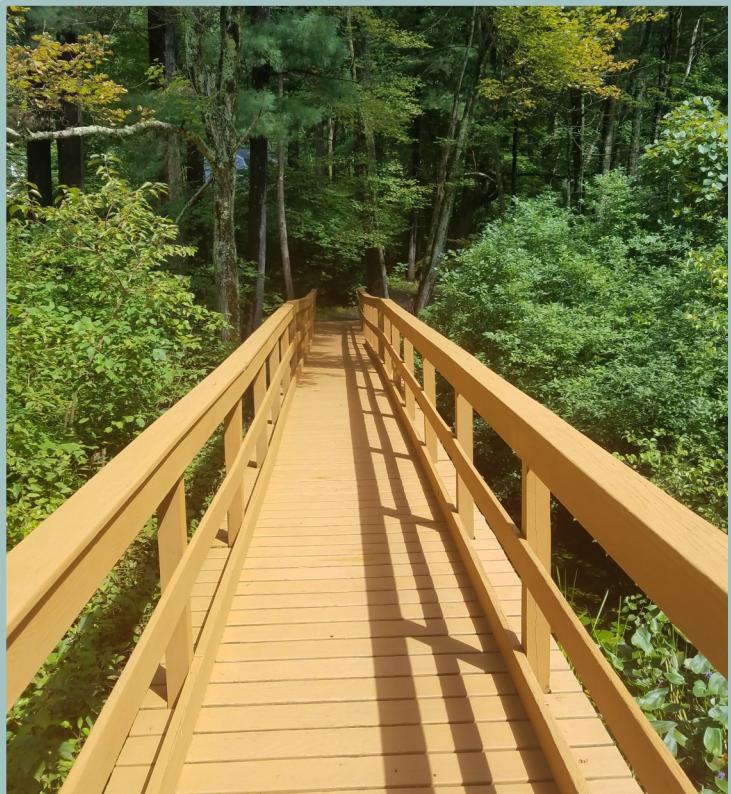
- } August 27— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } August 28— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } September 4— Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- } September 5— Conservation Commission, 7 PM
- } September 10— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 12— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } September 13— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } September 24— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 25— Planning Board, 7 PM



Conservation Commission

Keystone Club members from Salem Boys & Girls Club assisted the Conservation Commission with re-staining the William R. Schultz Foot Bridge. This is the bridge leading from the Town Forest parking lot to the trails. A fresh coat of stain keeps the bridge looking sharp and will help protect the wood from the elements in the coming years. Many thanks to the Keystone Club members and advisor for their hard work and dedication to the Salem community.

Visit this [link](#) to find more information about the Salem Town Forest.



Community Services



As summer programs come to a close, we reflect back on all the fun times had this year. Here's a collection of photos from some of the Adventure Camp activities and field trips. Be sure to check out the [Fall Brochure](#) for next season's Recreation offerings.

Finance

- The Finance Department is continuing to work on the 2019 budget. Department heads have submitted their 2019 budget requests. Finance is compiling all of the requests into one document that will be sent to the Town Manager on Thursday, August 30th. From there, the Town Manager will meet with department heads to discuss their budget requests the week of September 4th. After meeting with department heads the Town Manager will prepare his recommended budget for the Board of Selectmen.
- The State reports MS-434 and MS-I are due to the State on September 1st. These are two crucial documents that the State will review prior to the 2018 tax rate being set. The NH Department of Revenue Administration sets the Town's tax rate. The earliest that they can set the tax rate is October 1st.
- Did you know that you can pay your Utility bill online? Simply go to the Town's website and pay through our website. The online bill processing vendor we use is Invoice Cloud. If you ever have any questions about paying your bill online feel free to contact the Utility Billing Division at 603-890-2042 or 603-890-2047.
- Please check the Town's website to see all of the [Town's bid opportunities](#). We are frequently updating the website with new items.
- The Finance Department is hard at work processing payroll, paying vendor invoices, answering utility billing questions, ensuring departmental purchases comply with the town's purchasing and procurement policy, and providing support to all departments in town.

Fire Department



The Town of Salem has appointed Lawrence "Larry" Best as its new Fire Chief. Larry has been serving as the Acting Fire Chief since Chief Paul Parisi left to become the state Fire Marshal. Larry has over 30 years' experience in the fire service.

Chief Best received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Fire and Emergency Management from Rivier College, holds over a dozen fire standards and training certifications, and is Nationally Registered and NH licensed Advanced-Emergency Medical Technician.

Chief Best started his career as a volunteer firefighter in 1987 for the Village of Meriden, NH. Over his 30+ year career, he has served the Laconia Fire Department, Golden Cross Ambulance out of Claremont, the Durham Fire Department and the Town of Salem.

Chief Best was appointed as a Firefighter/EMT in 2003 for the Town of Salem. Other positions he has held for the Town include Lieutenant/EMT-Intermediate, Lieutenant/Training Officer/Advanced-EMT, Captain/Shift Commander/Advanced-EMT, and Assistant Fire Chief.

Chief Best will start in his new position Sunday, August 26, 2018.



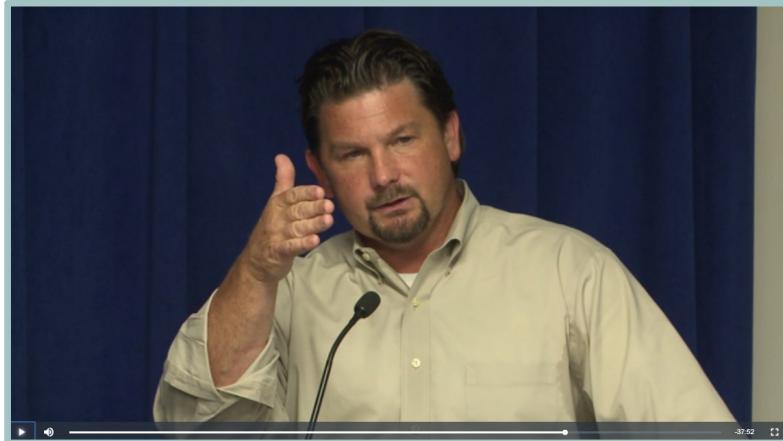
Fire Chief Larry Best

The Salem Fire Department Inspectional Services Division would like to welcome Robert Bogosh as our new Temporary Inspector. Bob brings more than 30 years of construction, project management and inspectional experience to Salem. Bob will be assisting us in continuing to provide efficient professional services to the community while one of our members is on extended leave. Welcome to the Salem Fire family.



Salem Firefighters managed a propane emergency caused by a landscape company damaging an 1000 gallon underground tank on the afternoon and evening of August 23. Because of the damage, the product is required to be flared off as the leak could not be controlled.

Municipal Services



Municipal Services Director, Roy Sorenson, presented information about the Regional Water Line project at the August 13 Board of Selectmen meeting. Click on the image to view a recording of the presentation.

The Southern NH Regional Water Interconnection Project is a collaborative effort by public and private water entities that involves development, construction, and operation of infrastructure that will interconnect the water systems of Manchester, Derry, Salem, Windham, Atkinson, and Plaistow. The objective of the project is to address current and future drinking water concerns caused by MtBE contamination. Each community respectively has lost water supply sources due to contamination adding significant stress and impacts on their water supply and needs. The primary goal is to ensure that a flow of safe and reliable source providing potable water to all through the aforementioned communities to meet the needs of the water systems and create reliability and sustainability for the present and future.

Police Department



Congratulations to Officer Cody Sharpe who graduated from the NH Police Academy after 16 long weeks. Officer Sharpe was a dispatcher and part-time police officer at the police department prior to being hired as a full-time officer. He will now start his Field Training Program which is another 12 weeks of in the field training alongside a seasoned officer. Great job Cody and good luck going forward in your career!



Last Call for 2018 Citizen's Police Academy!

The application period for the Citizens Police Academy will be closing on August 31. Anyone wishing to apply is encouraged to download the [application](#) or come to the lobby of the Police Department to obtain one.

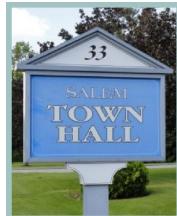
The 2018 class begins on Tuesday, September 11th. Those who have applied and been accepted will be contacted in the upcoming days. Visit this [link](#) for more information.



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West Nile Virus Information



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August 17, 2018

SALEM, NH – The State Lab in Concord confirmed that a batch of mosquitoes collected in Salem on August 9, 2018 has tested positive for West Nile Virus (WNV).

We want to reassure the residents of Salem that we are monitoring the situation closely. Mosquito trapping and disease testing will continue until October 15th. Treatment of mosquito larvae in the wetlands is ongoing.

West Nile Virus is transmitted through the bite of an infected mosquito that has picked up the virus by feeding on an infected bird. For humans, the risk of contracting the infection is low and in the overwhelming majority of cases, there are no symptoms or just mild, flu-like symptoms. If illness does occur, it happens within 4 to 10 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. If someone is experiencing flu-like symptoms including fever and headache, they should contact their local medical provider.

We want to remind all residents to continue to take steps to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes and to eliminate standing water on their property. With all of the recent rain, it is imperative that we eliminate mosquito breeding areas to help reduce the risk. Check screens on windows and doors for holes whereby mosquitoes can enter your home.

Anyone with questions about arboviruses, including WNV, can call the New Hampshire Bureau of Infectious Disease Control at 603-271-4496. Fact Sheets on [West Nile Virus](#) and other arboviruses are available on the [Mosquito-borne Diseases Publications](#) web page. For more information, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at www.cdc.gov.