



Municipal Matters

New London, New Hampshire

December 2017

WELCOME SIGNS IN NEW LONDON!



There have been a number of requests for welcome signs to the Town of New London. After much discussion at a Planning Board meeting last summer, it was decided to recommend to the Selectmen to have signs created. The Selectmen agreed the signs would be a nice addition to the Town.

Jeremy Bonin, Planning Board member and principal of Bonin Architects & Associates, LLC, offered to have one of his associates design the sign and appropriate landscaping. All of this work, including purchasing and planting, would be donated by Mr. Bonin's firm. Gregory Rusnica, landscape architect, designed the signs and created the specifications for the bidding process. Five firms were contacted, and Clark Roberge of Roberge Sings was awarded the contract.

Meetings were held with Mr. Bonin, Mr. Rusnica, Public Works Director Richard Lee, Town Administrator Kim Hallquist and Selectman Janet Kidder. The sites for the signs were chosen and Ms. Hallquist and Mr. Lee worked with the State of New Hampshire to obtain approval to locate the signs in the State's right of way.

The signs were installed by the Public Works Department in October and the landscaping will be done next spring.

The Town of New London is grateful to Mr. Jeremy Bonin, Mr. Gregory Rusnica, Public Works Director Richard Lee and Town Administrator Kim Hallquist for their time and generosity in seeing this project completed.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Town Boards and Commissions

The Planning Board

Members of the Planning Board are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. Planning Board members are responsible for the review and approval or denial of development applications utilizing the, Zoning Ordinance, Site Plan Review Regulations & Subdivision Regulations.

The Recreation Commission

The Commission provides advice and community perspectives regarding recreation services and programming for the residents and assist in the organizing of recreation programs.

Those interested please fill out a [Volunteer Interest Form](#) on the last page and submit it to the Town Administrator via Email:

TownAdmin@nl-nh.com or mail to 375 Main Street

Emergency Management Department

The Town of New London is establishing a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) to enhance our local and community wide ability to respond to emergencies and disasters.

If you're interested, please contact Lou Botta at EMD@nl-nh.com or call (603) 526-1242.

FY2019 Budget Preparation Well Underway

The Selectmen have completed their work on the FY2019 budget and have forwarded it to the Budget Committee. The Selectmen's budget represents a 2.93% increase over the previous year. The Budget Committee will now prepare its budget for consideration by voters at Town Meeting on March 14, 2018.

The public is encouraged to attend Budget Committee meetings to learn about the budget. Meeting dates are listed on the town calendar: www.nl-nh.com. Budget materials and meeting minutes are also posted on the town website, or you may come to the Selectmen's Office to review the budget and/or speak with the Town Administrator .

RECREATION NEWS

DON'T MISS DINNER WITH JACK FROST - tickets are now on sale! Visit www.nlrec.com or call.

BOB ANDREWS SKATING RINK should be opened soon. Check the Rec's facebook page: [NewLondon-RecreationDept](#) or website for rink conditions.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help maintain the rink, including shoveling, snow blowing, and flooding & conditioning the ice.

Scott Blewitt, Recreation Director
603-526-6401
email: recreation@nl-nh.com

December Library Programs

- * **Story Time with Ms. Kristine**
Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 10 am starting December 27
- * **LEGO Club**
Wednesdays 3:00 - 4:00 pm
- * **PJ Holiday Stories, crafts & refreshments. Visit from Santa too. Wear your favorite pajamas if you wish!**
Tuesday, December 19 @ 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Please note the library is CLOSED on Monday & Tuesday, December 25-26th.

EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1st, 2017

BRUSH AND METAL DISPOSAL CENTER 2017-2018 WINTER HOURS

Every Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
& the following Sundays, Noon - 4:00 p.m.

December 17,
January 21,
February 18,
March 18

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON SELECTMEN'S OFFICE



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Mon, Dec. 18 — Board of Selectmen @ 6:00 PM
 - Tues, Dec. 19 — Planning Board @ 6:30 pm
 - Wed, Dec. 20 — Conservation Commission @ 8:30 AM—**CANCELLED**
 - Wed, Dec. 20— Budget Committee @ 6:30 PM
 - **Mon, Dec. 25 — Christmas — Town Offices CLOSED**
- 2018 Begins**
- **Mon, Jan 1—Happy New Year-Town Offices CLOSED**
 - Tues, Jan 2— Property Taxes Due

Unless otherwise noted, meetings take place at the Town Offices, 2nd floor. For a complete list of meetings go to the town website: www.nl-nh.com

February 1-3, 2018

Winter Carnival 2018

New London, New Hampshire

Thursday

2pm - 4pm | Bridge Tournament
at the Lethbridge Lodge at Colby-Sawyer College

3pm - 8pm | Lincoln Ice Castles Trip
RSVP required, contact Scott Blewitt

6pm; 8pm | Double Feature Film
at Wheeler Hall at Colby-Sawyer College
Groundhog Day; Spiderman: Homecoming

Friday

Winter Festivities at Colby-Sawyer College

5:30 - 7:30pm | Dinner with Jack Frost on the CSC Quad *

tickets required
information and purchasing at www.NLREC.com
firepits and free s'mores

Wagon Rides and Snow Sculptures
CSC Basketball Games at Hogan Sports Center
Hotshot Halftime Competition

8pm - 9pm | Comedian Jessi Campbell in Sawyer Center *

* Child care provided from 6:30-9:30pm
\$10 per first child, \$5 every additional child

Saturday

9am - 12pm | Otter Pond Ice Fishing Clinic
Bring your own fishing license

1pm; 3pm | CSC Basketball Games at Hogan Sports Center
Outing Club Basketball Teams at Halftime

12pm - 2pm | Sled Dogs on Ivey Field
with CSC student Bailey Friedman
Behind CSC Curtis L. Ivey Science Center

3pm - 4pm | Tracy Memorial Library Magic Show

3pm | Knights Hill Nature Park Snow Shoeing
with Mark Vernon
RSVP at mtvernon@ttds.net

5pm | S'mores at Cougar Court
Behind Peter Christian's

6pm | Fireworks at Cougar Court

All events are free unless otherwise noted

Council on Aging - New London Recreation Department - New London Police Association - Friends of Tracy Memorial Library - New London Outing Club
- CSC Campus Activities Board - CSC Student Activities Office - CSC Residential Education

For more information, contact activities@colby-sawyer.edu or Scott Blewitt at recreation@nl-nh.com (603-526-6401)



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ICE SAFETY TIPS

Now that ice is forming on lakes and ponds, it's important to remember a few safety tips:

- * Even if the weather has been below freezing for several days, don't guess about ice thickness. Ice does not form consistently across a water body. A water body's size, temperature, depth, currents, springs and wind exposure affect ice formation. Early season snow cover can insulate ice from cold temperatures and slow down ice formation.
- * Even if there are others on the ice, use an auger, spud, or axe to make test holes. Check the ice in several places; start at the shore and continue testing as you go towards the middle.
- * We recommend 4 to 6 inches of solid bluish-black ice. This depth can support a few well-dispersed people.
- * Eight to 10 inches of solid bluish-black ice can support OHRV activity.



If there is an ice/water emergency, call 911 ASAP, as seconds do count. The NLFD has the proper equipment and training to conduct safe rescue operations. Most of our past calls have been dogs that have fallen through the ice. It's tempting to try to rescue an animal on your own, but remember, if your animal has fallen through, the ice will not support your weight.

Have fun! We live in a great area for outdoor recreation.

The New London Fire Department wishes you a great New Year.

Many thanks to those who help keep New London's trails explorable!



Elkins Fish & Game Club members were out at the Esther Currier Wildlife Management Area Low Plain trail to add an eleven foot section of planking to the bridge on Davis Path. This extension will provide a better hiking experience for visitors to the trail, while helping maintaining water flow in that area which is important to the health of the ecosystem in the spring.

The club installed the original span in 2016. Club members are very involved in maintenance projects at the Low Plain. Their work is focused on improving the health of the land for wildlife habitation, and creating an interesting and enjoyable place for visitors to observe wildlife and appreciate nature.





TOWN OF NEW LONDON
Volunteer Interest Form
Town Committees, Boards, and Commissions

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Street Address (if different): _____

Home Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

1. Board/Committee on which you would like to serve: _____

2. Why do you want to serve on this board? _____

Please send completed application form and resume if available to the Board of Selectmen's Office, 375 Main Street, New London, NH 03257 (telephone: 526-4821; fax: 526-9494).

Appointed Boards/Positions

- Archives Committee
- Board of Firewards
- Citizen's Advisory Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Energy Committee
- Planning Board
- Recreation Commission
- Regional Planning Representatives
- Zoning Board of Adjustment