April 5, 2019 Newsletter

Dear Stratham Residents,

Happy Spring! This newsletter includes information about LED Streetlight Conversion, Mosquito Control, Openings on Boards and Commissions, Information about the DES Notification Process for PFAS, and Voting Results & Town meeting minutes, as well as upcoming Parks & Recreation events. Thank you for reading and remember.... Please advise your neighbors about this resource for keeping on top of information from the Town of Stratham. To sign-up for these updates and other notifications from Town, please visit: <u>https://www.strathamnh.gov/subscribe</u>.

The Select BoardMichael Houghton, ChairmanJoe Lovejoy, Vice ChairAllison Knab, Selectwoman

Transfer Station Begins Summer this Saturday

The Transfer Station is now operating under summer hours. From April 1st to November 30th the Transfer Station is open every Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Checks only please, no cash accepted on site. Please plan accordingly. For more information, including about applicable fees, please visit: <u>https://www.strathamnh.gov/transfer-station/pages/transfer-station-fees</u>.

LED Street Light Conversion

The Town of Stratham and its Energy Commission is pleased to announce an energy saving initiative with Unitil. Within the week, all of Stratham's town-owned streetlights (38 in all) will be converted to Light Emitting Diode (LED) street light technology. Stratham is the first community to implement this conversion in Unitil's coverage area in New Hampshire. On Friday, April 5th residents will see work crews installing the new equipment for the conversation. The conversion will ensure savings for the town in reduced energy costs as well as improve the quality of lighting along streets and intersections improving public safety.

Town Center DES Notification

The Town of Stratham has been made aware of a groundwater contamination notification process recently initiated by NH DES. DES will be sending a notification to affected private well and public water systems in the area of Town Center. The Town has established a landing page on its website to serve as a repository for information it receives relative to the process underway at NH DES to respond to the issue in this limited vicinity. Thanks for your patience as limited information is available at this early stage in the DES process.

Government Resources regarding Poly- and Per-fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS or PFCs)

From NH DHHS Poly- and Per-fluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS or PFCs) https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/pfcs/index.htm

From NH DES In-Home Water Filtration Options for PFCs in Household Drinking Water https://www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/documents/pfoa-inhome-treatment-20160518.pdf

Town Meeting Results are Posted

For information about Town meeting, including minutes and other results please visit. <u>https://www.strathamnh.gov/voting</u>

Boards and Commissions Openings

The Town of Stratham relies on volunteers to help run the Town through elected positions but also through many Boards and Commissions. Below is a listing of current open positions as well as an application form for interested applicants. If you have any questions concerning the opportunities at the page, please reach out to Executive Assistant Karen Richard (603 772-7391 ext. 187) who will ensure you are connected with the Department head or other representative to help answer your questions.

https://www.strathamnh.gov/town-administration/pages/boards-committee-openings

Mosquito Control Program to Begin

The Mosquito Control program begins the week of April 8, 2019. Crews from Dragon Mosquito Control will be checking areas where mosquitos are commonly found. Insecticide spraying will begin in June and continue into October as necessary. For more detailed information, please follow this link:

https://www.strathamnh.gov/sites/strathamnh/files/uploads/mosquito_notice_2019.pdf .

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use the No-Spray Registry online at <u>www.dragonmosquito.com/no-spray-registry</u> or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, a description of your house and acreage. If you have wetlands on your property and you would like it checked for mosquito activity, email <u>Help@DragonMosquito.com</u> or go to DragonMosquito.com and request a survey through the Contact link. There is no charge for this service.

Stratham Parks & Recreation

Stratham Parks & Recreation is looking for local businesses to help support our 2019 event calendar. Over the past nine years we have grown our athletic programs while at the same time have added more community events that require your support. We enjoy offering these events for our community but look for local sponsorship to help cover some expenses.

Please take a look at our sponsorship opportunities for 2019.



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Upcoming Events at Stratham Hill Park





For further information on any of these items please visit <u>http://www.strathamnh.gov/recreation</u>