CITY OF PORTSMOUTH

City Newsletter
Friday, July 9, 2021



OUTDOOR POOL CLOSED TODAY – Due to the heavy rain and winds in the forecast, the pool is closed today, Friday. Reopening planned for tomorrow. There are no capacity restrictions or hour limits. Portsmouth residents are admitted free. Non-resident guests are welcome at the previous fee of Adults (18 and over) $4; Child (under 18) $2. Regular pool hours are: 11 am - 6 pm.

PRESCOTT PARK GARDEN TOURS CANCELLED FOR TODAY. Will start Fri July 16 at 11 am and 1 pm.

CHAT WITH THE CITY MANAGER, SAT JUL 10 from 8-10 am at the Farmers Market, Little Harbour School -- Stop by with your comments, questions and concerns.

Want to know more about what's happening in the City?
Click on the link below to sign up for the City Newsletter and/or individual email lists for projects. Each of these projects or programs has its own page with recent updates and background information.
https://tinyurl.com/y2p67par

TAKE A BITE OUT OF CRIME®

CITYWIDE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMITTEE PLANS "NATIONAL NIGHT OUT" AUG 3 -- Portsmouth joins more than 17,000 communities nationwide to celebrate the 38th Annual National Night Out to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness, generate support for the Police, Fire and Public Works employees who serve the City, and strengthen neighborhood spirit and community partnership. The Citywide Neighborhood Committee, is now accepting applications to participate from neighborhood representatives. Contact Larry Cataldo, CNC chair, at cncportsmouth@gmail.com for a registration form.

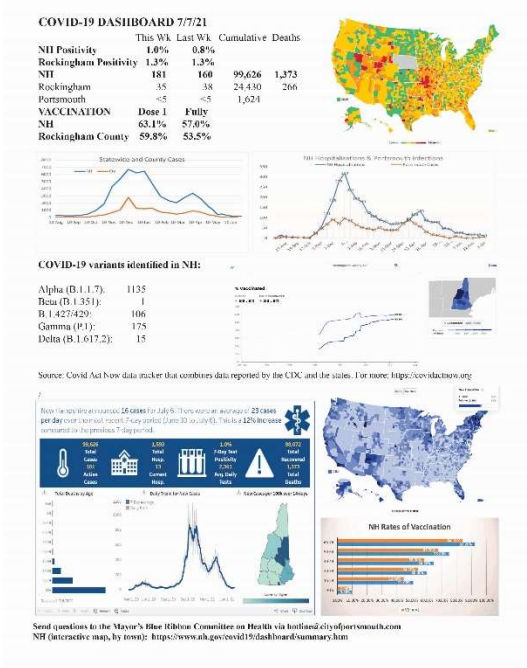
VOTER RE-REGISTRATION FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NOT VOTED SINCE 2017 -- Per New Hampshire State law, all municipalities in the state must certify their lists of registered voters every ten years. The last time this was done in Portsmouth was 2010. **The Portsmouth City Clerk has announced that any resident who was registered as a voter in the City of Portsmouth but who has not voted in the past four years (since April 1, 2017) must re-register before August 1, 2021 to remain on the voter rolls.** The City Clerk's office can process voter re-registrations and new registrations during regular office hours at City Hall (Mon 8 am - 6 pm. Tues, Wed, Thurs 8 am – 4:30 pm. Fri 8 am – 1 pm). **In addition, the Portsmouth Board of Registrars is hosting two special sessions at City Hall for these regirations:**

- **Tues, July 13, 4:30-6 pm**
- **Tues, July 20, 9-10:30 am**

Applicants for registration who possess proof of identity, age, citizenship and domicile (Portsmouth home address) should bring that proof when they come to register. Qualified applicants who do not possess proof or who do not bring proof with them may still register if they sign an affidavit attesting to their qualifications for identity, age, and citizenship and domicile. **Eligible residents of Portsmouth are always able to register to vote on election day.**



PEIRCE ISLAND WASTERWATER TREATMENT FACILITY DEDICATION TUES JUL 13 at 5 pm. Facility tours, in small groups, follow dedication remarks. NH Department of Environment Services Commissioner Robert Scott will tour the facility with DPW Director Peter Rice. The $92 million project marks a milestone in the City's history and with $75 million in state funding, is the largest in the history of the NH State Revolving Fund loan programs that support drinking water safety, water quality, and public health through low-cost financial assistance. City officials and representatives from EPA and the project design and construction firms will participate. The event is open to the public. Please park in the gravel lot at the end of Peirce Island Road.



REGIONAL COVID-19 DASHBOARD – For a larger PDF, click here. https://tinyurl.com/yfj3nav5

NH DHHS VACCINATION SITES NOW CLOSED. FOR A LIST OF WALK-IN VACCINATION OPTIONS at hospitals and local pharmacy same-day sites, click here: https://tinyurl.com/kbvemrbk

I LOST MY PROOF-OF-VACCINATION CARD. NOW WHAT? All vaccination records are kept on file in the CDC National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) system. NH DHHS advises that you can replace a lost vaccination card in either of two ways:

1. Download and complete the vaccination card replacement request form here: https://tinyurl.com/4pj4chcz Note that the completed form MUST BE NOTARIZED before sending it back to NH DHHS.

2. If your healthcare provider has access to the NHIIS, ask him/her to print out the record directly from NHIIS.

DPW CONSTRUCTION NEXT WEEK

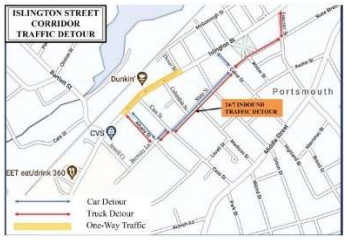
For more information on construction projects in the city, visit the DPW page on the City website, then click on the Projects tab for a dropdown menu that links to an individual page for each project with updates, project background and an opt-in email list. https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/publicworks

PEASE PAVING SAT JUL 10 – Corporate Drive, Grafton Drive, New Hampshire Avenue to Hampton Drive. MON JUL 12 continue paving New Hampshire Ave to Newington Dr. at Pease Blvd. TUES JUL 13: paving International Dr. from Oak to Rye.

DENNETT STREET – Construction underway, removing manhole covers on the section from Hunters Hill to Maplewood, in preparation for removing and replacing the gravel underlay then grading the road for binding and the overlay. Project is expected to take three weeks. Parking limitations in place where posted.

BANFIELD ROAD CONSTRUCTION – Single lane traffic for pipe installation under the road.

MAPLEWOOD AVE COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT – Project now complete.



ISLINGTON STREET CORRIDOR DETOUR NOW IN PLACE 24/7 – For the weekly update and to subscribe to the weekly eblast, click here: https://tinyurl.com/hb4wn9s



ALLIANCE FOR GREATER GOOD SUPPORTS CITY WELFARE DEPT. BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE – The Alliance hopes to raise $1,500 for the purchase of 30 backpacks for high school students, who are often overlooked. Any additional funds raised will be donated to the Portsmouth Welfare Department "Back to School" drive.

By making a donation of any amount to attend one of two Yoga @ Sunset classes on July 20 or 22, participants help fund the purchase of new backpacks and school supplies for children who would otherwise go without. Led by Kathryn Garcia, a certified yoga instructor, the all-levels yoga classes will take place from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on the porch of the beautifully-restored Carey Cottage overlooking Sagamore Creek. The classes will be held rain or shine.

Space is limited and advance registration is required. Donations are welcome from those who do not plan to attend one of the yoga classes but would like to support the effort. Purchase a "Donation Only- No Admission" ticket and enter a donation of any amount.

To register and/or donate, click here: https://tinyurl.com/2c7mvpuw

BOARD AND COMMISSION VACANCIES – The following positions are open. If you are interested in applying for a Board or Commission, please complete this application and submit it to the City Clerk's Office. https://tinyurl.com/2unv4wax

- 1 Regular Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals (Pending submission of renewal application)
- 1 Alternate Member to the Building Code Board of Appeals –electrical engineer or master electrician
- 2 Alternate Members to the Conservation Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Historic District Commission
- 1 Alternate Member to the Planning Board
- 1 Regular Member to the Trees and Public Greenery Committee (pending submission of renewal applications)
- The Sustainable Practices Blue Ribbon Committee is also welcoming new members



For DHHS VACCINE FAQs, click here: https://tinyurl.com/tkvaksnw

For Kids & COVID FAQs, click here. https://tinyurl.com/49anabp9

For COVID-19 Treatment FAQS, click here. https://tinyurl.com/5bhmksy2 Ask your health-care provider about avoiding hospitalization once infected with COVID-19, by receiving the monoclonal antibody treatment described in these FAQs.

FAQs: "I Had COVID-19, Now What?" https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/health/after-covid-19-faqs

For Testing FAQs click here. https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/testing-faqs

For Ventilation FAQs click here. https://www.cityofportsmouth.com/city/ventilation-faqs

For Daily Life During the Pandemic FAQs, click here. https://tinyurl.com/5h55s48k

For "I've Had COVID-19, Now What?" FAQs, click here. https://tinyurl.com/2755pf8f

For more information, visit City's page on COVID-19: https://tinyurl.com/2ywcu6ab