

LONDONDERRY TOWN LANTERN

APRIL 9, 2024



April is Global Volunteer Month, so this is a fitting time to call attention to all the essential work done for Londonderry by our Town’s volunteers. I am proud to extend our gratitude to the dedicated residents who selflessly contribute their time and efforts to enriching our Town. Whether they are helping out at Senior Center events, fundraising for the Leach Library, donating their small business services, or sitting on town committees, these individuals embody the spirit of community and generosity that defines Londonderry.

Our 2023 Volunteer of the Year, Kevin Foley, is a prime example of such a person. The Town recognized Kevin for his outstanding efforts to support the Recreation Department. In addition to serving on the Recreation Commission, he has spent countless hours building and improving structures at Town fields. If you’ve visited the LAFA or West Road athletic fields, you’ve benefited from Kevin’s years of dedicated volunteer service.

In this edition of our town newsletter, you will find a wide assortment of volunteer opportunities available, including open board positions and upcoming special events that rely on volunteer support. Whether you have a few hours to spare or wish to immerse yourself in a long-term project, there is a place for you to contribute and make a meaningful impact.

I encourage you to consider becoming a volunteer for our Town. By leveraging our individual talents and working together, Londonderry will continue to thrive and grow.

Mike Malaguti, Town Manager

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2024 SPRING BOARD VACANCIES

Londonderry relies on its residents to fill open positions on Town boards, commissions, and committees. These groups perform work crucial for the smooth function of our Town government. Below is a list of the current open positions and their terms, followed by a brief description of each board and what it does.

Michael Malaguti
Town Manager

Kellie Caron
Assistant Town Manager



Town Council
Chair Chad Franz
Vice Chair Ted Combes
John Farrell
Ron Dunn
Shawn Faber

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The Town of Londonderry is seeking volunteers to serve on the following Boards:

Beautify Londonderry

One (1) Ad-Hoc Full Member Position

Conservation Commission

One (1) Two-Year Alternate Position
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

Heritage Commission

One (1) Two-Year Alternate Position
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

Planning Board

One (1) One-Year Alternate Position

Senior Resources Committee

One (1) Two-Year Alternate Position
One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission

One (1) One-Year Alternate Position

Zoning Board of Adjustment

One (1) Three-Year Alternate Position

You must be a resident of Londonderry to apply for one of these positions. Information regarding these boards can be found on the Town's website. There is an application deadline of **Wednesday, April 24 at 5:00 p.m.** Talent bank forms can be found on the Town website or by emailing Kirsten Hildonen at khildonen@londonderrynh.org. For more information, please call Kirsten at (603) 432-1100 x153.

Conservation Commission

Meeting Frequency: Twice a month

Meeting Days & Times: 7:30 p.m.; second and fourth Tuesday of the month

Current Chair: [Marge Badois](#)

Composition: Seven full members & three alternates

Associated Department: Planning

Purpose: The Commission is charged with protecting Londonderry's natural resources and watershed areas, while making sure that conservation lands are used properly. Members review potential conservation land acquisitions, review site/development plans and make recommendations regarding wetland impacts, oversee trail maintenance, and work together with the Planning Department to manage conservation land in Town.

Heritage Commission

Meeting Frequency: Every other month

Meeting Days & Times: 7:00 p.m.; fourth Thursday of the month

Current Chair: [Krystopher Kenney](#)

Composition: Seven full members, including one Councilor, & three alternates

Associated Department: Planning

Purpose: The Commission is charged with identifying and protecting Londonderry's significant cultural and historical resources. Members provide input to the Planning Board on site/development plans and make recommendations, oversees the Town's historic district, inventories and researches the Town's historical resources, and advises other boards, agencies, and residents on all matters affecting historic and cultural preservation.

Land Use Boards

Land use boards are the group of boards and commissions responsible for regulating development and creating land use goals for Londonderry. Each board oversees a different component of the process of building new construction, renovating existing buildings, or preserving open space.

Meeting

Frequency: Twice a month

Meeting Days &

Times: 7:00 p.m.; first and second Wednesday of the month

Current Chair: [Jake Butler](#)

Composition: Seven full members, three ex-officio members, including a Councilor, & three alternates

Associated Department: Planning

Purpose: The Board is charged with creating a Town master plan and regulating development by reviewing and approving or denying site/subdivision plans in accordance with Town regulations. Members review site/subdivision plans submitted by developers, participate in public hearings, gather input from other boards on projects, and render decisions on the applications put before them.

Planning Board

Meeting

Frequency: Once or twice a month

Meeting Days &

Times: 7:00 p.m.; third Wednesday of the month and first Thursday, as needed

Current Chair: [Jackie Benard](#)

Composition: Five full members and three alternate members

Associated Department: Planning/Building

Purpose: The Board is charged with the authority to grant exceptions to Londonderry's zoning ordinances, based on a set of five criteria. Members hear from residents and developers as to why they are requesting an exception and evaluate the request. They ask questions and solicit input from abutters. Members then vote to approve or deny the request based on those criteria.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Beautify Londonderry

Meeting Frequency: Once a month

Meeting Days & Times: 6:30 p.m.; third Monday of the month

Current Chair: [Joy Muller](#)

Composition: Five full members &

Associated Department: Engineering & Environmental Services

Purpose: The Committee is charged with identifying opportunities to improve the aesthetic appearance & environmental conditions of Londonderry's public space. Members plan and run annual clean-up days, oversee the Sponsor-a-Road program, identify opportunities to educate citizens on environmental initiatives, and work with Engineering & Environmental Services on recycling and other initiatives.

Senior Resources Committee

Meeting Frequency: Once a month

Meeting Days & Times: 6:00 p.m.; third Tuesday of the month

Current Chair: [Jim Green](#)

Composition: Seven full members & three alternates

Associated Department: Senior Affairs

Purpose: The Committee is charged with identifying, researching, and providing suggested solutions to improve the quality of life for senior citizens in Londonderry. Members plan and host an annual

Senior Expo service fair for seniors, field

questions from residents and

research their concerns, conduct outreach to seniors in the

community about available

services, and work to

create new resources for

seniors as the need for

them arises.

What does an alternate do?

Boards, committees, and commissions require a quorum (at least half, rounded up, of the total full membership) to conduct business.

Alternates step in as voting members if a full member is unable to be present for a meeting. In Londonderry, alternates attend all meetings, ask questions, and participate in hearings, even if they are not a voting member that day.

I'm in! I want to volunteer! What's next?

To get started, please fill out a Talent Bank form,

available on the Town Manager's

page at londonderrynh.gov/talent-bank.

Send the form to Kirsten Hildonen,

Administrative Support Coordinator, at

khildonen@londonderrynh.org.

Applications should be submitted no

later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April

24. Town Council appoints all members

of Londonderry's non-elected boards,

so applicants will be invited to a Town

Council meeting in May to be interviewed.

Meeting

Frequency: Once a month

Meeting Days & Times: 11:30

a.m.; fourth Tuesday of the month (virtual participation possible)

Current SNHPC Officer from Londonderry: [Art Rugg](#)

Londonderry's Delegation: Four full members & up to two alternates

Associated Department: Planning

Purpose: The Commission is one of nine regional planning commissions in New Hampshire, representing 14 communities including Londonderry. Please note that the Planning Board recommends SNHPC members, who are then confirmed by Town Council. Successful applicants usually have a land use background.

So. N.H. Planning Commission



CASUAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Not ready to jump into a board seat? Have an unpredictable schedule? Want to learn more about how it all works before committing? No problem! In addition to the ongoing volunteer commitments of a board position, the Town has a number of opportunities for casual volunteering. These roles are no less important than board seats, but offer more flexibility and make use of a wide variety of talents and skills of our community members. Find one that matches your interests and reach out to learn more.



Beautify Londonderry **SPRING CLEAN-UP**

Saturday, May 4

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Meet at Matthew Thornton School

We supply bags and gloves; just bring energy and a volunteer spirit. And.... Colbie's Cones at Sunnycrest Farm will gift each volunteer with a free small cone!

Reach out via Facebook or email:

[facebook.com/beautifylondonderry](https://www.facebook.com/beautifylondonderry)
jmuller@tolboards.org

CONSERVATION COMMISSION SEEKS TRAIL MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS

The Londonderry Conservation Commission oversees and maintains trails for recreational use throughout Londonderry's conservation land. The Musquash Conservation Area alone has more than 20 miles of trails where residents can hike, mountain bike, cross country ski, and snowshoe. However, miles of trails come with miles of maintenance, and the Commission would love your help to keep them in great shape.

The first and easiest way to help the Commission is to be their eyes and ears on the trails. Volunteers are needed to walk the trails to evaluate their conditions. Are there washouts? Missing signage? Downed trees and branches blocking the paths? An overabundance of litter that should be addressed immediately? Walking the trails and reporting back their conditions is a great way to help. enjoy the spring, and explore a bit more of Londonderry.

For those with more energy, more time, and more power tools, the Commission is also seeking volunteers whom they can recruit for trail maintenance days. The Commission arranges maintenance of pre-existing trails as the need arises, and they need a roster of people who are willing to come out and help. Additionally, the Commission recently partnered with the New England Mountain Bike Association, who created two new mountain bike trails in the Musquash that require signs and blazing. All that is needed is a willingness to work hard in conditions that can be rugged. Familiarity with hand tools and power tools is also helpful.



Volunteering does not guarantee chain saw usage!

For more information on the Conservation Commission, please visit londonderrynh.gov/conservation. If you would like to become a trail maintenance volunteer, please reach out to Commission Chair Marge Badois at mbadois@tolboards.org or contact the Planning Department at (603) 432-1100 x122.

AND MORE OPPORTUNITIES...

- The **Londonderry Arts Council** puts on events like the Arts Cafe and Concerts on the Common.
- The **Senior Resource Committee** needs volunteers to help with the Senior Expo in September and other events throughout the year.
- **Old Home Day** is just around the corner! The Town needs volunteers to help with all sorts of tasks, from staffing the info booth to parade line-up to wrangling food trucks and booths.
- The **Friends of the Leach Library** work to support the library through raising awareness about library programs and helping with fundraising to enhance collections and services.
- You probably know **Londonderry ALERT** best from the traffic and parking help they provide at elections and other events, but they assist the Town's public safety departments in all kinds of other situations, including search & rescue and emergency preparedness education for the community.
- The **Londonderry Historical Society** maintains the Morrison House Museum & Grounds on Pillsbury Road and need volunteers to help with programming, maintenance, Old Home Day, and more.
- **Londonderry Senior Citizens Inc.** fundraises to support the Londonderry Senior Center and its programming.

LEACH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBERS



The Leach Library Board of Trustees will welcome new Trustees Nancy Hendricks and Moira Ryan at their next meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Leach Library Meeting Room. Nancy and Moira were elected for three-year terms at the Town Elections on March 12.

The Board of Trustees and library staff would like to thank Betsy McKinney and Carol Introne for their unwavering support of the library. Betsy served 17 years on the Board including 11 years as Chair. Carol served 12 years on the Board and held the positions of Secretary and Treasurer for many years.

FRIENDS OF THE LEACH LIBRARY SPONSOR SECOND TELESCOPE

Due to popular demand, the Friends of the Leach Library sponsored a second library telescope to help the library manage the waitlist. The new telescope will be added to the Library of Things collection in April.



The telescope was acquired through the New Hampshire Astronomical Society's Library Telescope Program and donated by the Friends of the Leach Library. To be added to the reserve list, place a hold online through the library catalog or call the library.

IT'S NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!

We're celebrating National Library Week from April 7 to April 13! Pick up a special bookmark or sticker while supplies last. Join us for a program, get a library card, check out something new, browse the artwork on display, use a computer or the free Wi-Fi, come in to meet Oscar the tortoise... There's no better time to visit your Leach Library!



ACCESS CENTER SPOTLIGHT:

CONCORD CONVERSATIONS

Concord Conversations was created by Londonderry State Representatives Doug Thomas, Sherman Packard, Tom Dolan, and Wayne MacDonald. The show examines local, county, and state political issues of that relate specifically to Londonderry residents. Recent guests have included Town Manager Mike Malaguti, who spoke about the Town revaluation and water issues, and County Commissioner Brian Chirichiello, who discussed the function and purpose of county government. To watch Concord Conversations and other Access Center programming, please visit londonderrynh.gov/cable or on YouTube at [@LondonderryAccessCenterTV](https://www.youtube.com/@LondonderryAccessCenterTV)



NEWS AROUND TOWN

FINAL REMINDER!

Deadline to apply for Exemptions and Tax Credits – April 15, 2024

The following exemptions and credits are available to those qualifying residents: blind exemption, disabled exemption, elderly exemption, solar and wind powered exemption, and Veterans' tax credits.

For more information on abatements, exemptions, and tax credits, please contact the Assessing Department at 603-432-1100 x135 or visit our website at londonderrynh.gov/assessing.

CO-ED ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL

Saturdays, 5/11 to 6/29
Games at 1pm, 2pm, or 3pm

\$99 before 4/15, \$119 after
18+; deadline to register **5/1**

Londonderry Recreation is partnering with 22:6 Athletics, LLC to offer this league. Both team and free agency registration is available.

londonderrynh.myrec.com



Town of Londonderry Employment Opportunities

The Town of Londonderry is seeking applicants for the following positions:



Telecommunications Operator

Fire Department
Full Time



Truck Driver/Laborer

Department of Public Works & Engineering
Full Time



Summer Voyageur Camp Counselor

Recreation Department
Part Time (summer)



Town Planner

Planning & Economic Development
Full Time



Solid Waste Attendant

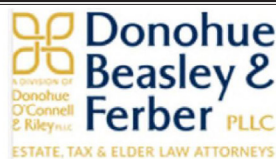
Department of Public Works & Engineering
Part Time

For full job descriptions and more information on how to apply, please visit londonderrynh.gov/human-resources.



Certified Police Officers

For info, contact Sgt. Justin Hallock at:
jhallock@londonderrynhpd.gov or (603) 425-5916
Apply at www.policeapp.com



Estate Planning



Medicaid Planning



Probate Administration

Londonderry Senior Center

535 Mammoth Rd, Londonderry NH 03053 // 603-432-8554

Thursday, April 18, 2024 // 11am–1pm

Join us for one of our invaluable seminars and learn the keys to protecting your home and life savings from an unexpected nursing home stay, how to avoid the costly and draining probate process, plus many other end-of-life planning strategies. **Attorney Edward Beasley** of Donohue, Beasley & Ferber and **Greg Gagne** of Affinity Investment group will present this powerful educational session at Londonderry Senior Center. To register, call 1-800-370-5010, sign up at the Senior Center front desk, or go online to www.doclaw.com/seminars.

This session is open to Londonderry Senior Center members and residents of Londonderry.



Town of Londonderry Third Annual RABIES CLINIC

Sunday, April 14, 2024
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Town Clerk's Office
Londonderry Town Hall
268B Mammoth Road

Register your
dog while
you're here!

\$20 per pet for dogs & cats (12 weeks & up)
All proceeds go to charity

3-year vaccines are available;
please bring proof of prior
vaccination.

Thanks to the
Londonderry Animal Clinic
for donating their
time & services



Londonderry Arts Café

Saturday, April 13th, 2024
10 AM to 4 PM

Stop by & enjoy a day of music, art and coffee!

50/50 Raffle proceeds supporting local art events



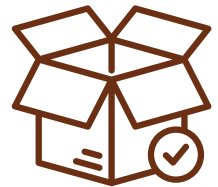
Free admission to performances
by local Musicians

Artwork for sale by local artists

Mayflower Grange -Londonderry Senior Center
535 Mammoth Road
Adjacent to Rockingham Road/Mammoth Road (Rte 28)
Londonderry, NH

FOR DIRECTIONS & INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
<https://londonderryartscouncil.org/arts-cafe>

Coffee provided by
Coffeeberries, 4 Orchard View Dr.,
Londonderry



DON'T FORGET!

Saturday, April 13 is
get-your-Amazon-
boxes-out-of-your-
garage day!

The Drop-Off
Center opens on
Saturday, April 13.

7:30 a.m. to
3:30 p.m.

For more info,
please visit
londonderrynh.gov/drop-off-center
or call
(603) 432-1100
x193.

Presented by Londonderry Arts Council



Senior Center Calendar

535 Mammoth Road, Londonderry
londonderrynh.gov/senior-affairs

April 2024						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	09:00 Cards 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Bone Builder 11:00 Meals on Wheels 12:15 Cribbage 12:00 Mah Jongg 12:30 Ceramics 12:30 Line Dancing	09:00 Cards 09:00 Yoga 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Meals on Wheels 12:15 Bingo	09:00 Cards 10:00 Knit/Crochet 10:00 Chair Exercise 10:30 Walking Club 11:00 Meals on Wheels 11:00 Acrylic Painting 12:15 Bingo	09:00 Cards 09:00 Yoga 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Meals on Wheels 12:30 Cornhole	09:00 Cards 10:00 Chair Exercise 11:00 Bone Builders 11:00 Meals on Wheels 12:00 Diamond Art 12:30 Tai Chi	
31-Mar	1-Apr	2-Apr	3-Apr	4-Apr	5-Apr	6-Apr
Easter				Off our Rockers Luncheon		
7-Apr	8-Apr	9-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr
				10-12 Hearing Test	9:30 Book Club	Arts Café
14-Apr	15-Apr	16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr
			10:00 Murder Mystery	Donahue, Beasley & Ferber // Estate Planning 11-1	12:15 Greeting Card Class	
21-Apr	22-Apr	23-Apr	24-Apr	25-Apr	26-Apr	27-Apr
			BIRTHDAY CAKE			
28-Apr	29-Apr	30-Apr	1-May	2-May	3-May	4-May

Leach Library Calendar

April 2024

Register for events at londonderrynh.gov/leach-library

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 5:00pm: Tortoise Checkup with Dr. Smiley	2 9:00am: Little Sprouts* 10:30am: Wiggle Worms* 6:30pm: Film Discussion*	3 10:30am: Wiggle Worms* 7:00pm: Board of Trustees Meeting	4 10-12: Drop-In Tech Help	5	6 12:30pm: Saturday Concert - Bob DePaolo*
8 1:00pm: Friends of the Library Meeting 2:00pm: Solar Eclipse Live Viewing Party	9 9:00am: Little Sprouts* 10:30am: Wiggle Worms* 3:30pm: Apple Byte Open Play*	10 10:30am: Wiggle Worms* 4:00pm: Crafternoon	11 10-12: Drop-In Tech Help	12 11:30am: Cookbook Potluck - The Mediterranean!*	13
15 4:30pm: Cookie Decorating*	16	17 4:00pm: NH Audubon Visit* 6:30pm: Read Local @ Pasquale's*	18 10-12: Drop-In Tech Help	19	20 10:00am: Tinker Time
22 1:00pm: All Ages Earth Day Celebration*	23 4:30pm: Magician Mike Bent*	24 4:00pm: Block by Block Coding Club and Maker Lab*	25 10-12: Drop-In Tech Help 10:00am: Duplo* 2:00pm: Books and Board Games* 4:30pm: Lego* 6:30pm: Open Mic Night*	26 6:00pm: Library After Dark - The LEGO Movie (PG)*	27
29 6:00pm: Gentle Yoga with Lauren Young*	30 				Program Key: Children Young Adult Adult * Registration Required



PUBLIC MEETINGS - APRIL 2024

In accordance with RSA 91-A:2, you are hereby notified that the following boards, commissions, and committees will meet on the indicated days at the indicated times and locations.

Traffic Safety Committee	Monday, April 1	5:30 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
LHRA	Monday, April 1	6:30 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Town Council	Monday, April 1	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Supervisors of the Checklist	Tuesday, April 2	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Town Clerk's Office
Utilities Committee	Tuesday, April 2	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Planning Board	Wednesday, April 3	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Leach Library Board of Trustees	Wednesday, April 3	7:00 p.m.	Leach Library Meeting Room 276 Mammoth Road
Recreation Commission	Monday, April 8	7:30 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Conservation Commission	Tuesday, April 9	7:30 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Planning Board	Wednesday, April 10	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Londonderry Arts Council	Thursday, April 11	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Beautify Londonderry	Monday, April 15	6:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Senior Resources Committee	Tuesday, April 16	6:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Wednesday, April 17	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Cemetery Trustees	Thursday, April 18	6:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Budget Committee	Thursday, April 18	7:00 p.m.	Sunnycrest Conference Room
Town Council	Monday, April 22	7:00 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers
Conservation Commission	Tuesday, April 23	7:30 p.m.	Moose Hill Council Chambers

Please note that this list of meetings is not meant to be exhaustive. Other public meetings may be added as need dictates, and they will be individually noticed as required by NH RSA 91-A:2. Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings take place at Londonderry Town Hall, 268B Mammoth Road, Londonderry, NH 03053.

Save the Date
125th Annual

**LONDONDERRY
OLD HOME DAY**

August 14-17, 2024

**Stay tuned for more information
Sponsorships & Registration
available April 18**

londonderrynh.gov/oldhomeday

Have a suggestion for a future issue?

Send ideas, suggestions, requests & feedback to
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khildonen@londonderrynh.org.

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