



The Monthly Hilltopper News & Happenings



City of Somersworth
One Government Way
Somersworth, NH 03878

City Hall Hours

***Monday - Friday**
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
***Wednesday**
8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.



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City Council Meetings

Tuesday, July 5 at 7:00 p.m.

City Manager's Report for the City Council Meetings available [here](#)



**Missed the Meeting?
Catch it again
Online**

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council,

School Board, Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting on Channel 22, you can catch them again, online and demand

Simply **watch Somersworth** to begin watching meetings on demand.



Save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online. Online vehicle registration is

property tax or utility payments or other drop off business. It is available and secure 24/7. If you have a question, please call the City Clerk's office at 692-9511 or 692-9512.

easy, safe and secure!

For your convenience, you can pay motor vehicle registration by credit cards. For more information on E-registration process, click [here](#)

Board & Committee Meetings this Month

Site Review Technical Committee (SRTC) [view agenda](#)
Wednesday, July 6 at 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday, July 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Zoning Board of Adjustment [view agenda](#)
Wednesday, July 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Conservation Commission [view agenda](#)
Wednesday, July 13 at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Board [view agenda](#)
Wednesday, July 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Historic District Commission [view agenda](#)
Wednesday, July 27 at 7:00 p.m.

The Mayor's Corner

Memorial Day 2022

Today we stand;

We stand as a united people, a people of many ethnicities, many religions, and many views. All bound together by the single thread to the dedication of liberty and justice for all.



Today we stand, stand testament to the generational journey which began 246 years ago. A journey to explore, a journey to grow, a journey to fail and succeed. A journey for what every human yearns for, what every human is entitled to; to live free of oppression, to live free to be oneself, to live free to speak, worship, and love.

Today we stand; we stand and acknowledge that our journey will never end, and that the world will continue to be filled with those who wish to extinguish the guiding light from liberties torch. However, we stand, we stand to reaffirm that this nation will carry forth on its commitment as the defenders of liberty. That the breath of freedom will continue to flow into each person who is committed to the democratic values which have defined us. The values which our brothers and sisters who are no longer with us so valiantly fought for.

Today we stand; stand to remember, stand to say thank you, stand to acknowledge. We honor our heroes, our heroes who gave their final breath of freedom so we could continue to fill our lungs with the air of liberty, justice, and

equality.

Today we gather, gather as a grateful nation, a grateful community, a grateful people. With each step, with each year, with each generation we come closer. Closer to who we said we would become and closer to the goals we said we would achieve. It is the guiding hand of our departed souls who fought to defend our journey who will ensure we achieve **our** goals.

Today we stand, stand to salute you, and let you know we will never forget all you have given. We let you know, that “**We the People**” will continue the journey, that journey you fought to defend.

May God forever shine his great light upon our nation, and may God forever bless these 50 United States of America.

Somersworth International Children's Festival **Opening Night**



40 years of commitment
40 years of celebrating the arts
40 years of celebrating cultural diversity
40 years of celebrating Somersworth
40 years of continuing to improve the home we call Somersworth

40 years ago, the vision began to breath life back into our community. To celebrate our great past, our heritages and ethnicities that make us strong, and to give the next generation of Hilltoppers an understanding of what makes Somersworth such an amazing community.

The Festival Association has never wavered from their commitment to our community. Nor their mission to bring to life each day our Hilltopper values of “neighbor helping neighbor”.

Today the Association is stronger than ever, ready to continue forward on the mission of honoring our “Proud Past” while investing in our “Bright Future”

Somersworth Stand, Stand and yell thank you to the remembers who for the last 40 years have never given up on our home

Stand to show we are “One” one people, one community, who together will continue to honor and support each other.

And stand, stand to celebrate you, your family, your neighbors, and the city we love, Somersworth.

Thank you, Festival Association!

Thank you for never giving up on your home, and continue to remind us to celebrate all of the wonderful blessing we have been given.

Congratulations on 40 amazing years, now let us all, untied as “One” community continue to celebrate each other.

Graduation Speech for the Class of 2022

Mayor Dana S. Hilliard

Each of us are blessed.

We are blessed with the surrounding of life, our loved ones, and a rich abundance of other species, all reminding us that we are alive.

The universe is vast, it is never ending, yet with the darkness and silence of space, to date, we know that our home, our planet, our Earth is the only one with the echoing sounds of life.

The sounds of the trees, moving in the wind. The sounds of birds in the dawn of morning welcoming the arrival of a new day. The sounds of us; laughing, crying, celebrating, rejoicing. The sounds of us living and alive.

Our sounds, the sounds of joy, anger, sadness, happiness, all remind us of the experiences which are part of life. To be alive is to feel, to feel is to celebrate. Celebrate each of our accomplishments, each moment that we have been blessed with along this journey. Celebrate that we are part of a journey which has continued in motion since the first humans began their quest to obtain an understanding of the world we are part of, and the interconnections that each living thing holds to each other.

The absence of sound is silence.

There is power in silence, it allows us to recall, to reflect, to honor and to come closer to the forces of life that surround us.

It allows us to become closer with ourselves and with God. It allows us to be guided, guided by those who have taken our hand and given us a gentle nudge in the direction of our personal success from the world beyond. **Read More**

Pride Speech State Convention 2022

We are a nation of hope.

We are a nation of dreams.

We are a nation of color and diversity.

The two hundred and forty-six years the success of the American experiment has been built upon a foundation amassed by the threads which compile the nation we call home. Each of us comes to the table with our own unique thread. Our threads are interwoven adding to the beauty of our Nation's masterpiece. We come forth with our talents, our struggles, our experiences, our love.

We add.

Add to strength of the society, the strength of the creed, as we continue the journey forward. Forward to forge a society we promised we would build.

A society that will protect, a society that honors, validates, and celebrates the differences with which it draws its freedoms, its liberties, its breath from.

For two hundred and forty-six years we have continued our march.

Our march towards our destiny; march towards becoming our brothers and sisters' keepers, and our march towards the equality we echoed to the four corners of the

world on that hot summer day in Philadelphia.
We have overcome.

Overcome some of the demons which have torn the very fabric we've created.

The savagery of slavery, the denial of right of suffrage to women, the oppression of immigrants and the disparity of Jim Crow. Two hundred and forty-six years later, our nation continues to move forward as we march together, ensuring that the unalienable rights bestowed to us by the creator and reaffirmed by our independence, will continue to be protected for all.

This month, we celebrate, we honor, we echo our pride!

We celebrate all members of the LGBTQ+ community who have continued to carry the torch of justice, despite acts of bigotry and violence. [Read More](#)

For Somersworth we are "On the Move"! and our "Future is Now"
" We are a Community" " We are Achieving Progress and Greatness" "Let our
Journey Continue" as we Venture Forward United as Hilltoppers!

WE ARE SOMERSWORTH!

Mayor Dana S. Hilliard

What's Happening at Somersworth Library

July Events at Somersworth Public Library



Adult and Young Adult Activities:

Wednesday July 6 at 5:30, Advanced

Master Gardener Ruth Axelrod will talk invasive plants. Learn what defines them, their ecological characteristics and tactics to control their growth.

Tuesday, July 12 at 5:30, discuss the book Colorless by Haruki Murakami

The present is dull. Tsukuri must address an incident in his past before life can have color. Gain a Japanese perspective on social relationships and identity. Copies at the library.

Friday, July 15 at 2:00, discuss the short story Zero Meter Diving Team by

Jim Shepard. How does a Ukrainian family process the events of Chernobyl? We gain a perspective into Soviet thought and culture nearing the end of the cold war. Sad, interesting & gripping. Pick up your copy at the library.

Wednesday, July 27 at 5:30, make art with Dina from The Gathering Place.

June's program was a massive success. Check back for info on the specific project. Just 10 spots are available - sign up soon.

Summer Reading for Middle and High Schoolers – complete a book bingo row and choose a small prize. Earn raffle tickets towards gift certificates and goody baskets.

Every Tuesday from 11-2, Eli from Health Market Connect, a nonprofit funded by the Affordable Care Act, is here to **inform you of health insurance options and assist your enrollment**. Have questions? Concerned about your eligibility? He's your guy.

We always have **cards, games and coloring** available. **Cornhole** skills getting rusty? Ask and we'll set it up outside. We'd love to set a time for board game participation or **Dungeons and Dragons**. Interested? Tell us when you're available.

Activities for Younger People:

Summer Reading through August – Sign up at the Library

Pre-K - engage in 25 singing, talking, reading, writing and playing activities to earn a free book. K-5 – track your minutes, get a brag tag and earn beads for your keyring or necklace. Earn raffle tickets towards gift certificates and prizes.

Tuesdays at 10:30, Family Storytime. Michelle will read some favorites.

Saturday, July 23 from 11-noon, Lego Engineers. Build, build, build. Work alone or with new friends. We'll post your creation on Instagram, if you'd like.

Coding fun – Check back with us about the date & details.

Use the art cart in the children's room to create a masterpiece. Color, play with blocks, complete puzzles, read and have fun.

More detail on these programs is available at

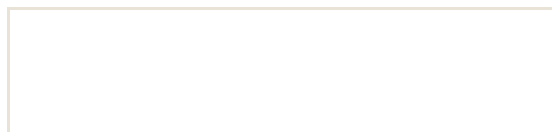
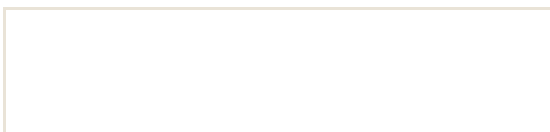
<https://www.somersworth.com/somersworth-public-library/pages/library-services-programs>.

Somersworth Police Department

Somersworth PD News

Random Acts of Blue

Chief McLin has instituted the Topper Support Program and Random Acts of Blue. These programs encourage community policing and engagement with our City youth and residents. Below is an example where officers surprised youth with a popsicle treats at a City Park. The program will expand and become an important part of our Community Policing Program.





This program is funded by our Hilltopper Pride patches and stickers through the Somersworth Police Association. Should you wish to support the program by buying a patch or sticker, please email Sgt Lefebvre at Nlefebvre@Somersworth.com, Officer Fuller at Afuller@Somersworth.com or Chief McLin at Tmclin@Somersworth.com.

YOU CAN TEXT 9-1-1 IN NEW HAMPSHIRE!

HOW:

Type 911
in the 'To' field

Type short description
of the emergency
(no pictures, videos, emojis or group texts)

Type exact location
of the emergency

Answer 9-1-1
call taker's questions

Be brief and concise -
Follow instructions



WHEN:

If you are deaf, hard
of hearing or have a
speech disability

If you cannot speak
due to an injury or
medical condition

If you are in a
dangerous situation
and it's not safe to call

If you cannot make a
call because of poor
cellular service

If your battery is low



Visit: www.nh.gov/nh911 for more information

SPD Episode of Panic 9-1-1 will be Showing Soon

On March 7, 2021, we received a 911 call for assistance for a citizen who had fallen through the ice near Buffumsville Road while he was ice skating. He was able to call 911 from his Apple Watch which he feels saved his life.

When news of that rescue went viral, Apple picked up on it and then the A&E show, Panic 9-1-1, also showed interest in the story. Fast forward... Dispatcher Abby Davis, Officer John Singletary and Sgt. Joe Geary were interviewed by A&E. We received an email yesterday announcing the airing of the show on 6/25/22 at 10:00 pm. You can watch episodes at:

www.imdb.com/title/tt2738058/

Tri-City Christian Academy Field Day

June 13th was Field Day at Tri-City Christian Academy. Somersworth Police and

Stewards Ambulance were on hand to lend support. Officers Seawards and Major are shown below enjoying the fun.



Field Day at Idlehurst

June 10th was Field Day at Idlehurst Elementary. Officer Fuller joined the fun.



Did you License your Dog with the City?

Just a reminder to dog owners in Somersworth: the City does require you to register your dog every year. We are currently preparing our annual forfeiture notices where additional fees and fines are levied and you could be summonsed to court.

If you haven't licensed your dog yet, it is easy and licenses can even be renewed online if you have the dog's tag number at www.Somersworth.com and click on the Online Services and then Dog Licensing.

If you are unable to complete it on line, City Hall staff will help you. Just bring your current rabies certificate. City Hall is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Summer Pet Safety

We receive calls every day from caring citizens about animals left in vehicles on warm days. It takes only minutes for a pet left in a vehicle on a warm day to succumb to heatstroke and suffocation.



Even when the outside air temperature is in the 60's, temperatures inside some vehicles can reach the danger zone on bright, sunny days. Many experts recommend not leaving pets or children in parked cars even for short periods if the temperature is in the 60's or higher.

Rolling down a window or parking in the shade doesn't guarantee protection either, since temperatures can still climb into the danger zone. And if the window is rolled down sufficiently, the pet can escape.

Animals are not able to sweat like humans do. Dogs cool themselves by panting and by sweating through their paws. If they have only overheated air to breathe, animals can collapse, suffer brain damage and possibly die of heatstroke. Just 15 minutes can be enough for an animal's body temperature to climb from a normal 102.5 to deadly levels that will damage the nervous and cardiovascular systems, often leaving the animal comatose, dehydrated and at risk of permanent impairment or death.

Precautions: Please leave your dog at home on warm days.

National Night Out

- Save the Date -

National Night Out 2022 will be held on Tuesday, August 2nd from 4:30 pm until 6:30 pm at Jules Bisson Park. National Night Out is a community event that promotes police-community building partnerships that is being held throughout many communities in the United

States. It enhances the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. There will be family activities, food and prizes. Come and join the fun!! Together, we are making communities safer, more caring places to live.



We send out **Nixle Alerts** for parking bans and other important information to cell phones and emails. You can sign up for *free* Nixle at www.Nixle.com.



Somersworth Police Facebook Page

Check out Somersworth Police Department's Facebook page. We use it to let you know about important community information including

crime information, road closures, snow emergencies/ parking bans, and community events. Here is the link: <https://www.facebook.com/SomersworthPoliceDepartment/>



Somersworth Crime Line: You can leave crime tips or anonymous information at 603-692-9111

Somersworth Fire Department

Somersworth Fire Department & Emergency Management

A safety message from the Fire Chief's Office

With Independence Day and the majority of summer in front of us, everyone is reminded that thousands of emergency room visits a year throughout the country occur due to fireworks injuries. More than 30 percent of those injuries are blamed on sparklers. Sparklers are exciting for children but burn at 1,200 degrees. Children should always be supervised around fireworks. When using sparklers remain at least six feet away from one another and have a water bucket close by to dispose of the spent sparkler. Do not simply drop spent sparklers on the ground especially if children are running around with bare feet. Improper use of fireworks can change a life in an instant - even a sparkler.

Don't let the number of hand and eye injuries SKYROCKET

Please see the following safety messages.

Feel free to call the Fire Station regarding questions about any emergency management, fire prevention, or life safety topic.

Please stay safe, be careful, and look out for each other.

Yours in service

George Kramlinger

Fire Chief/Emergency Fire Management Director

FIREWORKS start over 19,000 fires and send over 9,000 people to the Emergency Room each year in the US. Don't be a statistic. Celebrate with **safe alternatives!**



Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector.

Use glow sticks, they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler.

Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.



Take 60 Seconds to Save a Child's Life

Pool Safety Tips



Always Supervise Children

Nothing can substitute constant supervision



Keep Children Away from Pool Drains and Openings

Small children can become entrapped by their powerful suction



Have a Phone Close

Use for emergencies only, don't be distracted by calls, texts or games



Shut and Lock Gates, Doors and Screens

Unlocked doors leave nothing between your child and the pool



Establish a 'Pool Watcher'

Have a designated person to watch the pool and enforce rules



bit.ly/take60seconds

Drowning is 100% Preventable

Drowning is the number one cause of death in children ages 1-4. Adults must supervise children at all times when near or in the water, and adults must not let distractions interfere with that supervision. Children should always wear a properly fitting personal flotation device (PFD).

A graphic with a dark background and a bright orange sun. On the left, a silhouette of a person wearing a hard hat and safety harness is shown. On the right, a list of safety tips is displayed in a light-colored box.

EXTREME HEAT

- When temps rise, get inside
- Stay hydrated
- Never leave anyone in a closed vehicle
- Check on loved ones and neighbors
- Rest often and protect yourself from the sun



Department of Public Works & Utilities

Metal Pick-up: 2nd Tuesday of each Month

When - next Curbside Collection: Tuesday, July 12th

How: Call Public Works **no later than 3:00 pm on**

Monday, July 11th, place curbside with the proper number of Bulky Waste Stickers on each item. Typical TV's require three (3) stickers - \$12.00 and PC's require one (1) sticker - \$4.00.

Residents may also opt to drop off metal and electronic items with proper bulky waste stickers at the Public Works Facility located at 18 Lilac Lane from 7:30 am-2:30 pm Monday –Friday. ***Note that weather emergencies may delay collection.***

Curbside MSW/Household Garbage & Recycling Collection

City trash bags and recycling containers must be at the curbside no later than 7:00 am & no sooner than the evening before your designated collection day.

As a reminder – Trash and Recycling Collection for the week of July 4th will be delayed one day for Independence Day. Monday, July 4th collection will take place on Tuesday, July 5th, Tuesday collection will take place on Wednesday, July 6th and Wednesday collection will take place on Thursday, July 7th.

Malley Farm Facility

Malley Farm is now open for disposal of brush and leaves, Monday – Friday 7:30am – 2:30pm and Saturday and Sunday 8:00am-6:00pm. **Please note: Any Contractor serving a Somersworth residence with leaves and brush hauling, will need to obtain a permit from Public Works to dump at Malley Farm.**

Root balls and wood larger than 5" in diameter and 10' in length are not permitted. Please call the Public Works Department at 603-692-4266 for further information.

Driveway, Obstruction & Trench Opening Permit Reminder

As a reminder, **any work done within the Right-Of-Way requires a permit and a Digsafe.** Trench Opening and Obstruction permits will also require a Certificate of Insurance and Bond. If you have questions on the work you intend to complete within the Right-Of-Way, please call the Public Works Department at 603-692-4266. Permit applications can be located at the City website on the Public Works & Utilities Engineering page. www.somersworth.com

Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Spring Reminder – Pet Waste

Dog waste negatively impacts our water quality; please remember to pick up your pet waste.

This message is being conveyed as part of the City's outreach and education requirements for our stormwater discharge permit issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.



Forest Glade Cemetery

The Cemetery Trustees and City Staff held a memorial tree planting in honor of Maggie Roberge, who passed away suddenly on May 2nd, 2022. Maggie was not only the Chair of the Cemetery Trustees but also an active member of the community. The tree planting took place on June 13th, which would have been Maggie's 70th birthday. Pictured below are the current Cemetery Trustees and members of Maggie's family.



Rocky Hill Road Culvert Replacement to occur mid-summer

City Council awarded a contract to Wickson Construction to replace a culvert located on Rocky Hill Road, close to the intersection with Winter Street and Maple Street. The project involves replacing an old failing corrugated metal culvert and a segment of water and sewer lines in the vicinity of the culvert. The project will involve a temporary road closure from the first week in July through the beginning of October in this area. Rocky Hill Road will be closed at Winter Street; during the temporary road closure period.

Adopt-A-Spot

Somersworth residents are encouraged to participate in the City's Adopt a Spot program. Subject to review by the Public Works staff, any public space may be a candidate for volunteers to "Adopt" and help the City reduce litter along City streets, improve and maintain landscaping at a corner traffic island, a garden in Forest Glade Cemetery, or a raised flower bed in the Downtown District. Volunteers interested in applying for a "spot" may complete an application and submit to the Public Works Department. Further materials including the application can be located on the City's website at www.somersworth.com

Green Grass & Clear Water



Did you know that you can have a healthy, green lawn that is both attractive and safer for the environment?

Some lawn care practices create local water quality problems. Excess nutrients (including nitrogen and phosphorus found in fertilizers) that run off our properties into nearby waterbodies can trigger harmful algal blooms.

Many of us enjoy the time we spend working on our lawns and are willing to try new practices as long as our lawns continue to look good. This information card shares simple and easy tips, customized for northern New England, that can lead to **Green Grass & Clear Water**.

For more details about these tips and others:

extension.unh.edu/tags/home-lawn-care



1 Choose the right grass seed. The best seed mixes include low maintenance varieties with higher % of fine-leaf fescues and turf- or compact-type tall fescues, and lower % of Kentucky bluegrass and perennial rye grass.



2 Mow smart. Leave grass at least 3" high. Cut no more than one-third (1/3) of the blade each time you mow to encourage longer, stronger roots. Leave the grass clippings after mowing so they can return nutrients to the soil.



3 Don't overwater. 1" of water per week (from rain or irrigation) is usually enough. Overwatering can cause nutrients to move out of root zones and into waterbodies or groundwater.



4 Have your soil tested to learn more about specific characteristics and needs of your lawn. Contact UNH Cooperative Extension: extension.unh.edu/programs/soil-testing-services

Only if your lawn requires added nutrients from fertilizer:



5 Avoid overapplying. Measure the area where you plan to apply and calculate the square footage. For lawns 10+ years old, apply half (1/2) the amount recommended for your square area one time per season. New lawns may need another application. Apply no more than 4 times per season.



6 Choose the right fertilizer. Select fertilizers with zero or low phosphorus unless a soil test says otherwise. Slow release nitrogen fertilizer is generally preferable. Over-applying fertilizer (any type) can cause water quality issues.



7 Know when and where to apply. Apply only after spring "green up" and before mid-September. Avoid applying in mid-summer. Never apply near waterbodies or storm drains.

DO I HAVE A SEPTIC SYSTEM?

You most likely have a septic system if:

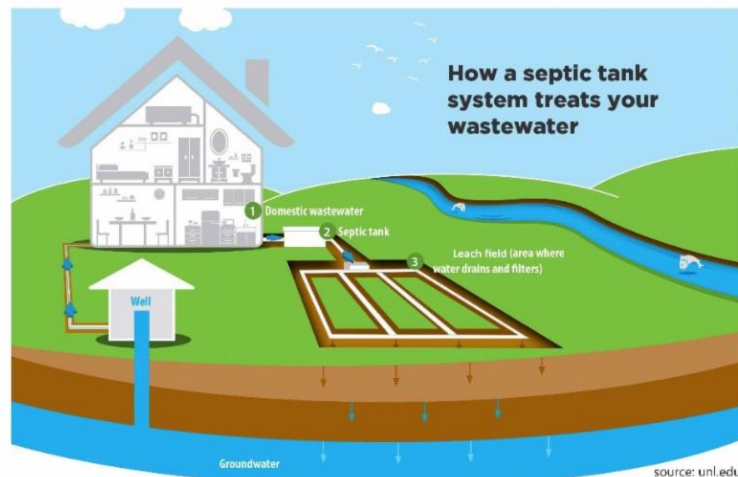
- You are on well water and you don't pay a water or sewer utility bill.
- Your neighbors have septic systems.

HOW DO I FIND MY SEPTIC?

- Check your yard for lids or manhole covers.
- Have a NHDES-licensed septage hauler to help you find the system. Find one here: https://www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wweb/documents/nh_septage_haulers.pdf
- Request records through the NHDES Subsurface Systems File and Archive online form: <https://onlineforms.nh.gov/?FormTag=NHDES-W-05-OIO>



HOW DOES IT WORK?



1 Whatever goes down the drain is your **domestic wastewater**. All drains in your house lead to one large drainage pipe that empties into your septic tank.

2 The **septic tank** is a buried, water-tight container, usually made of concrete or polyethylene. It holds the wastewater long enough for solids to settle to the bottom, while oils and grease float to the top. Special compartments keep the solids from flowing into the leach field.

3 Liquid wastewater leaves the tank and enters the **leach field**, where special pipes allow the water to slowly seep into the surrounding soil, naturally removing harmful bacteria, viruses and nutrients before it reenters the groundwater.

SEPTIC SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

It's not just about pumping! Here are every-day things you can do to help maintain your system.

- **Conserve water** Fix leaky faucets and toilets to prevent washing away the healthy bacteria your system needs.
- **Space out water use** Spreading out washing machine loads and other large water uses (showers, dishwashers, etc.) gives your system a chance to work between loads.
- **Only flush human waste and toilet paper** "Flushable" may only mean that it fits down the drain... if in doubt, throw it out.
- **Don't park or drive on your system** This can easily damage the septic system.

Development Services

Resiliency Academy

Molly Donovan of the *UNH Cooperative Extension Program* and Elizabeth Gray, from the *Small Business Development Center*, established a partnership to bring

the 2022 Resiliency Academy to Somersworth. This program was cooperatively created by the Community Development and Planning Department, because resiliency is at the core of a healthy, vital, and vibrant community of which (it was agreed by all) Somersworth is an extraordinary example for the entire seacoast. *Resilience* is the ability to respond, adapt and recover from the challenges of a sudden shock such as major staff changes, a fire, natural disaster, or pandemic. Often it is described as *getting back to where you were*, and *getting back to normal*, or strategically creating a *new normal*. In this time of COVID-19 we are seeing an expanded definition the pandemic has disrupted the economy, employment, and community vibrancy.

The morning program held on Thursday, June 16, was attended by approximately 40 seacoast professionals from a variety of fields and professions, all of whom are seeking a better understanding of resiliency itself, and what that may mean to both their business and community. We are deeply grateful to our extraordinary panel of seacoast business leaders who discussed and demonstrated resiliency in their business model and best practices. Thank you to John Libby – Favorite Foods. Katelyn Carrington – Career Technical Center, Patrick Kelly – Stripe Nine Brewery, and Sherry Norton - Profile Bank.

After the panel discussion, attendees took a walking tour around Somersworth past, present, and future concepts for change and development toward the future, all who attended noted that Somersworth is a “beautiful city “and that it is as “rich in history and charm “, and many commented too on how friendly the people are. Most important is that all noted how resilient Somersworth has been in the past, and is in the present, which is the foundation of a wonderful, highly desirable thriving community.



Recreation Office News & Updates

Pee Wee Soccer registration is open! Registration forms are available on the website below and in the Rec Office at City Hall. We are seeking volunteers. Please contact the Rec Office at 603 692-9507 if you can help!

SOMERSWORTH RECREATION PEE WEE SOCCER

**CHILDREN AGES 3 & 4
SATURDAY MORNINGS**

SEPT. 10- OCT. 22

NO SOCCER 10/8

9:00-9:45AM

NOBLE PINES PARK



Join us for this exciting 6-week beginner program where players will learn the basic fundamentals of dribbling, passing, & shooting through a series of fun games and instructional drills. Parent participation is required for this age group. Registration forms are located on our website and at City Hall. For more info contact the Rec Office- 603-692-9507

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

**we rely on volunteers to run all of our youth programs. Please
contact us if you can help~ 603-692-9508**

REGISTRATION

Early Bird Fee:

**Register & pay in full by July 22
\$45 residents/ \$55 Non-resident**

Fee After 7/22:

**Deadline to register is August 15
\$60 residents/ \$70 Non-resident**

Space is limited. First come, first serve. Please call to ensure space is available prior to mailing in forms or stopping by the office. Registration forms are available on website below or in the Rec Office at City Hall. 603-692-9507

Register by mail: Mail registration form & check to: 1 Government Way Somersworth, NH 03878 Attn: Recreation

Register in person: Cash or checks only. Rec Office is 2nd floor of City Hall

www.somersworth.com/parks-recreation/pages/youth-programs

Granite State Track & Field Program Update~



On Saturday, June 18th our **Granite State Track and Field** team competed at the District Meet at Spaulding High School. We're so proud of our athletes for working hard all season and for representing the Somersworth community with great sportsmanship and outstanding performances in their individual events and team relays. Blake D (50M, 100M, & 4x100 relay), Kamden T (50M & 4x100 relay), Parker K (4x100 relay), and Everett L (4x100 relay) all qualified to compete at the State Meet final.

We had 4 athletes represent Somersworth at the GST State Finals Meet at Winnisquam Regional High School in Tilton on Friday, June 24th. Congratulations to our 9/10 Boys relay team who took 2nd place!! Congratulations to Blake D who took 3rd in both the 50 & 100 Meter Dash & to Kamden T who took 6th in the 50M. Way to go, we're so proud of you!



2022 Kids Camp Program ~

Our Kids Camp program started on June 27th. We are excited to bring back State Park field trips this year! Our Directors and Staff have lots of fun activities planned this summer!





All Parks are Open for the Season

Take advantage of the nice weather and the walking trails at Mast Point Dam and Willand Pond. The Dog Park is open and waiting for your furry friends.

For more info on our parks visit our website: <https://www.somersworth.com/parks-recreation/pages/city-parks>

Somersworth Splash Pad is open for the 2022 season!



We're excited to announce the Somersworth Splash Pad at Noble Pines Park is now open for the season! The Splash Pad will be open daily 10:00 am-7:00 pm; weather permitting. Happy Summer!



What's Happening at Somersworth Farm to School



Maple Wood student Parker Kinneavy, bringing his classmates local produce from the SAMM Van.



Somersworth Middle School's Hug a Tree Sustainability Club starting gardens at the Malley Farm Community Garden plots.

Somersworth Students Learn

the Value of Local

May and June were a windfall of local food opportunities for Somersworth students in all of our schools.

As we continue featuring local produce sampling in our cafeterias following the NH Harvest of the Month calendar <https://www.nhharvestofthemonth.org/>, Desi Brown's HS Marketing students spotlighted their local foods marketing campaign during lunch at the High School. They surveyed fellow students, asking questions such as "Do you eat fruits and vegetables?", "What are your favorites?", and "Have you ever been to a Farmer's Market?" As we try to incorporate more local foods into our school meals program, Ms. Brown is teaching the value of knowing your consumer.



Maple Wood students helped pilot the Seacoast Area Mobile Market(SAMM) <https://www.seacoasteatlocal.org/samm/> new education program, which includes nutrition, farming-as-a-business, local food resources, and NH Indigenous food history. Every Maple Wood student brought home a bag of locally grown produce to share with their families. Students received a variety of produce— there was kale, greens, potatoes, scallions, turnips, radishes, and strawberries to name a few. A lucky few even brought home jam made with locally grown berries!

The Middle School Hug a Tree Sustainability Club has ventured into new territory this spring, planting vegetables and pollinators at the Malley Farm Community Gardens. Students getting their hands dirty, planting seeds, spraying each other with the hose, and tending to their crops' steady progress is what it's all about!

It's summer vacation, so enjoy! Be kind, eat well, and have a fun, relaxing, and safe summer.

SOMERSWORTH READY TOGETHER EARLY CHILDHOOD COALITION

IMPROVING SCHOOL READINESS
FOR SOMERSWORTH CHILDREN



JOIN US THIS SUMMER FOR

THE BEACH BUGGY BOOK MOBILE!

LISTEN TO A STORY

PLAY GAMES

ENJOY SNACKS

TAKE HOME A BOOK

AND LEARN ABOUT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS!

SEACOAST EARLY LEARNING CENTER

WIC / GOODWIN COMMUNITY HEALTH

STRAFFORD COUNTY CAP

YMCA OF STRAFFORD COUNTY

NOBLE PINES PARK

July 12th & July 26th from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

JULES BISSON PARK

July 19th & August 2nd from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.



Somersworth Festival Association



Somersworth Festival Association's

KIDS' CONCERTS 2022



Join us at the Festival Pavilion
(Somersworth High Football Field)
on Wednesdays starting in July.

July 13th ~ Wayne from Maine
Sponsored by American Legion Post #69

July 20th ~ Steve Blunt
Sponsored by DF Richard

July 27th ~ Tricky Dick's Magic Show
Sponsored by Service Credit Union

August 3rd ~ Wildlife Encounters
Sponsored by Kennebunk Savings

Aug.10th ~ Rockin' Ron the Friendly Pirate
Sponsored by Spence & Mathews Insurance

Bring your blankets and watch the show!
Food will be available for purchase,
including our "meal deals."

All shows start at 6:00 p.m. at the
Festival Pavilion. In the event of
inclement weather, the show will be
held indoors at the Middle School.

Free Admission

City of Somersworth Employment Opportunities



Finalist must complete pre-employment screening to include:
physical, drug test &
background check. Detailed postings available online at:
<https://www.somersworth.com/human-resources/page/employment-opportunities>

A completed City of Somersworth Employment Application is
required for all job openings.

For more information please call Linda Corriveau at (603) 692-9529 or email
Linda

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Position Title: Code Compliance Officer
Starting Pay: \$24.22 to \$29.39
Date Posted: June 2, 2022
Closing Date: Open Until Filled

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

Position Title: Part-time Children's Library Assistant
24 hours week including Wednesday nights and every third Saturday
Pay Range: \$19.86 to \$24.23 DOQ
Date Posted: June 22, 2022
Closing Date: Open Until Filled with first review July 5, 2022

Position Title: Part-time Cable Access Coordinator, 15-20 hours week
Pay Range: \$440.00 to \$530.00 week
Date Posted: June 22, 2022
Closing Date: Open Until Filled, Reviewed as Received

POLICE

Position Title: Patrol Officers
Starting Pay: \$49,524 to \$66,518 \$66,518
More Information: Somersworth Police Department Job Opportunities

PUBLIC WORKS

Position Title: Equipment Operator I
Pay Range: \$21.20
Date Posted: June 28, 2022
Closing Date: Open Until Filled with first review July 7, 2022

Position Title: Executive Assistant to the Director of PW & U
Pay Range: \$21.93 to \$26.73
Date Posted: June 28, 2022
Closing Date: Open Until Filled with first review July 7, 2022

City of Somersworth, New Hampshire



**City Hall will be Closed on Monday July 4th
for the 4th of July Holiday.
City Hall will Open on Tuesday, July 5th
at 8:00am.**



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