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TOWN OF MEDFIELD

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

KRISTINE TRIERWEILER



Thank you to Starbucks and the Medfield Police Department for hosting *Coffee with a Cop* on October 2nd.

Town House

Civic Ready

- Please sign up at https://www.town.medfield.net/1841/Alerts-Notifications for emergency notifications from our CIVIC READY Alert System.

Tri Valley Regional Vocational School Groundbreaking

- The Select Board is invited to attend the groundbreaking of Tri-County Regional Vocational Technical School on **Friday, October 18, 2024, at 10:00 AM**.

Proposed 40B Development, 86 Plain Street

- The Town has received an extension to submit comments until October 30, 2024
- Residents can submit comments directly to Mass Housing Partnership by email to **KMiller@masshousing.com.**

114 Causeay Way Street Auction

Georgia Colivas, Treasurer/Tax Collector, will hold an auction on October 25, 2024, at 12:00 PM, for the property at 114 Causeway Street. The property was taken into tax title in 2015 for non-payment of real estate taxes and the Town recently received a final judgement for foreclosure on the property. The link for the auction and more information on the property can be found here: https://www.zekosgroup.com/auctions/detail/bw128172

Public Works

Roadway Design Projects

West Street and Route 27 Intersection

- The intersection design has passed ICE Level 1 Evaluation by MassDOT
- The next step is ICE Level 2 Review by MassDOT

Harding Street Intersections Under Review

- As part of the Trinity Financial Project at MSH, the following off-site intersections are being evaluated for design changes:
  - Harding/North
  - Harding/West
  - Harding/Hospital
- Design Options should be in front of the SB before the end of the year

Downtown Pedestrian Improvements

- Maria De La Fuente, Land Use Director, presented to the SB last month to kick off the downtown pedestrian improvement project that will including additional traffic calming measures and additional crosswalks
- Maria has applied for an additional grant from MassDOT for free Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons as part of this project
- The Federal Highway Safety Administration estimates that RRFBs can increase motorist yielding rates up to 98%.



The Dale Street School was built in 1942, with a substantial addition completed in 1962. The Medfield School Building Committee has been charged with addressing the current physical conditions of the Dale Street School. Please join us on a tour to view firsthand the concerns of the MSBC.

Next Tour will be held Tuesday, October 22th at 4:00 PM.

Click here to reserve your spot on the tour: Dale Street Tour Sign-Up

Town Clerk/Election 2024



IMPORTANT DATES

- October 26, 2024, at 5:00PM is the LAST day to register to vote for the Presidential Election on November 5, 2024. If you have a question about your voter status please check here
- Early Voting will take place from **October 21st to November 1st** at the Medfield Town House. Please use the rear entrance and take the elevator to the 2nd floor.
- If you requested a *Vote by Mail Ballot,* please return the ballot to the Medfield Town House by **8PM** on **November 5, 2024**. You may use the drop-off box on Janes Avenue behind the Town House or the drop box on the first floor of the Town House.

MAIL-IN BALLOTS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AT THE POLLS

Trinity Financial Update



The MSH Development team has been diligently advancing both infrastructure and building design while coordinating closely with Town officials on various issues, including off-site intersections. Recently, the project secured its first allocation of state historic tax credits, with the Massachusetts Historical Commission awarding $100,000 per building, totaling $2.7 million. The team is preparing to submit another application for tax credits at the end of August

Announcement from Senator Becca Rausch



Senator Becca Rausch invites all small business owners in the Norfolk, Worcester, and Middlesex District to the next meeting of her Small Business Advisory Council on Monday, October 21, at 10AM at Dean College in Franklin. We will be joined by Senator Michael Rodrigues, Chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means, who will provide an overview of the state's fiscal status and additional updates. There will be time for questions and answers. Please RSVP to aidan.doherty@masenate.gov

CENTER at MEDFIELD

- We invite you to attend the Center at Medfield's 2nd Annual Health and Wellness Fair on **Wednesday, October 16th** from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Admission is free and all are welcome.

- Shredding Truck to visit The Center on **Friday, October 18th** from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- Veterans Dinner on **November 11, 2024,** from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

- **Sat. Nov 9** the Lions will be using the Center for their Annual Lions ChowderFest. $10 per person, from 11-2 pm or until the chowder runs out.

- For the second year, the Medfield Fire Dept is collaborating with COA and DPW to offer/deliver sand buckets for seniors to prevent fall injuries this season. The Sand for Seniors Program provides a free five gallon bucket of sand to seniors to sprinkle on their walkways and driveways in hopes of preventing falls.



COA GARAGE Next Steps

- Four different locations for the proposed garage have been developed by Beta Engineering and reviewed by the Council on Aging Board (COA).
- COA Board has weighed in on their preferred location and will now go to the Select Board for their review and referral to the Permanent Planning and Building Committee.
- Once the location has been finalized, final plans and an RFP to choose a contractor will be developed.

Board of Health

Free Covid Tests Available

The Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR), an agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in collaboration with the U.S. Postal Service has reopened COVIDtests.gov so that households across the country can order four additional over-the-counter COVID-19 tests for free. These tests are intended for use throughout the 2024 holiday season to detect currently circulating COVID-19 variants.

Medfield Energy Committee

Town House Window Grant Awarded ($61,000)

The Healey-Driscoll Administration today awarded $1.75 million in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) competitive subgrants to 45 municipalities across Massachusetts to fund 29 clean energy initiatives that help municipalities meet their own climate goals and share the benefits of climate action equitably.

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) Program is a $550 million grant program funded through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

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