



TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT



July 5, 2023

ADMINISTRATION:

- The town's [new website](#) allows for residents to create a log in and register to receive notifications, alerts, and other information relative to their interests. Committee members can also request "Author" permissions to edit their specific body's webpage to be published by a town staff "Administrator".



- Town Administrator (TA) Greg Johnson and Human Resources (HR) Manager Stephanie Duggan are conducting a search for a new Town Accountant.
- Town Offices are closed on Monday July 3 and Tuesday July 4 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.
- TA Johnson and HR Manager Duggan are conducting regular collective bargaining agreement negotiations with NEPBA Police unions (Patrolmen and Superior Officers), and with AFSCME Clerical Union. Individual personnel employment agreements to be negotiated include: Police Chief; Deputy Police Chief; Planning Director; and, Human Resources Manager.

- TA Johnson is planning to attend the Massachusetts Municipal Managers Association (MMMA) Conference on Thursday July 20 in Sandwich, MA.
- TA Johnson plans to use Personal Time Off (PTO) for vacation on Friday, July 28, and August 14-18, 2023.
- TA Johnson is conducting procurement procedures for multiple contracts: Owners Project Manager (OPM) for Alumni Field Bleacher design and construction; Engineering Review consulting services for the Planning Board; Conservation and Wetland Regulation and Planning Consulting Services for the Conservation Commission; and, Town Engineering Services.

LIBRARY:

Maynard Fixit Clinic

On Saturday, June 24, the Library and Green Maynard held our first-ever Fixit Clinic, where people could bring their broken items and work with volunteers on assessment and possible repair. Forty-five attendees and volunteers participated, over 30 items were brought for repair, and most items were fixed or advice was given on next steps. Repaired items included a bike, birdhouse, doll, jacket, lamp, pants, sewing machine, snow blower, stroller, stuffed animal toys, umbrella, and weed wacker. There was a great buzz of excitement and community cooperation in the room. THANK YOU to our wonderful volunteer fixit coaches! Based on the enthusiastic turnout and feedback, we plan to hold another clinic over the coming year.





Summer Exhibits

July 5-25: Crosswalk Designs—the Maynard Cultural Council will be exhibiting designs that were submitted by community members as ideas for Maynard's crosswalks.

July 29-August 19: Back by popular demand, there will be a Tiny Art Show, featuring the creations of community members on 4"x4" canvases. Kits will be available beginning July 12, and there will be in-person creating events. Artwork should be submitted to the Library by July 26. More details can be found at <https://www.maynardpubliclibrary.org/tiny-art-show>.

August 1-31: Assabet Camera Club will display wildlife photographs taken by its members.

Tiny Art Show

Kits available beginning Wed. July 12

In-person Painting Events:

Wed. July 12, 2-4pm

Mon. July 17, 1-4pm

Tues. July 25, 6-8pm

Open to All Ages, No registration needed.



For details, go to
maynardpubliclibrary.org/tiny-art-show

RETURNING FOR
2023!

Summer Reading Programs

Teen Summer Library Club runs June 17 through Aug. 19. We're talking K-Pop and Cake Pops and Angora wool spinning using angora that you brush from actual rabbits! Find details on all the upcoming activities, events, and prizes and a link for logging your reading at maynardpubliclibrary.org/teen-summer-library-club.

Children's Summer Reading Club begins June 22 and runs through Aug. 12. There's loads of fun planned for kids this summer, including a life-size whalemobile and a ukulele class. Get all the details and a link to use for logging your reading at maynardpubliclibrary.org/childrens-src.

Maynard Truck Parade

Wednesday, July 19, 11:00am-12:30pm at the Maynard High School Field
(Rain date: Wednesday, August 2, 11:00am-12:30pm)

What are our two favorite things in the world? Books and trucks, right? But we can't fit the trucks in the library, so you're all invited to the Maynard High School field to view the third annual Truck Parade. We'll all be watching as the fire trucks, rescue vehicles, police cars, dump trucks, diggers, and the most important truck--what are we talking about?--the ice cream truck drive around us in a big procession--a true vehicular vista! Afterwards, we'll all line up for ice cream!

Adaptive Gardening

Online presentation--Saturday, July 15, 1-2pm. You can continue to enjoy the physical and mental health benefits of gardening despite the changing abilities



that come with age, fatigue due to depression or other chronic illness, or limited mobility due to injury, illness, or disability. Join us for a talk by celebrated speaker Toni Gattone, author of *The Lifelong Gardener: Garden with Ease and Joy at Any Age*, as she delivers dozens of tips, tools, and techniques enabling gardeners of all ages and abilities to adapt and be resilient. Presented by the Maynard Community Gardeners and the Maynard Public Library. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Maynard Cultural Council. Register at maynardpubliclibrary.org/calendar.

In-person demonstration of accessible gardening tools, soon to be added to the Library of Things—
Thursday, July 27, 7-8:30pm

There are many more adult, teen, and children's programs coming up! See
maynardpubliclibrary.org/calendar for details.