
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

September 10, 2019



ADMINISTRATION:

- Town Administrator (TA) Greg Johnson attended the visitation of Chronicle TV Channel 5 at Art Space-Maynard's hosting of the Poetry Mobile.
- TA Greg Johnson visited the reception of the "Play/Toy" exhibit by the Council on Aging's Senior Watercolor Class on display in the Roosevelt Room in the Maynard Library.
- TA Greg Johnson, Assistant Town Administrator Megan Zammuto, and Town Planner Bill Nemser met with staff members of MassDevelopment to review the town's economic and infrastructure conditions.

COUNCIL ON AGING:

- Maynard seniors enjoyed a visit to the Virginia Thurston Healing Garden in Harvard on August 27. The Healing Garden Cancer Support Center is a beautiful facility located in 8 acres of woodlands and gardens. Don Rota, a beekeeper for four years and a member of the Middlesex Beekeepers Association, maintains two hives on site. Don gave a presentation on pollinator gardening and honey bee products and their health benefits. Following his talk there was an opportunity to view the hives. On the way home the group stopped for dinner at Slater's Restaurant in Bolton. This was the grand finale to a month of celebrating National Honey Bee Day.



- On August 28 a reception was held in the Roosevelt Room at the Maynard Library to celebrate the art exhibition “Play/ Toy.” The Council on Aging’s Senior Watercolor class teamed up with Green Meadow’s second grade students for artistic interpretations of toys. The children chose meaningful toys for their acrylic on canvas paintings and the seniors chose from the toys selected by the children for their watercolor paintings. This project has culminated in a show of 21 pairs of “Play/Toy” paintings. The seniors and children were able to meet each other for the first time this evening. Many thanks to Sandy Wilensky, COA watercolor class instructor, Susan Arcelay, Green Meadow art teacher, and Deb Holly’s class of second grade students.



Office of Municipal Services:

- The Economic Development Committee has scheduled a public meeting on September 5 at 6:30 in Town Hall to review the proposed Minimum Maintenance Standard By-law. The purpose of the meeting is to review the By-law draft. The draft incorporating input from business owners, residents and town boards and committees.
- 42 Summer Street has completed the Site Plan, Special Permit and Design Review for the multi-family project with 6 of 24 the units designated “affordable”.

- Beijing Royal School Chairman and President Guangfa Wang will be attending the Economic Development Committee of September 12 from 8-9AM in Town Hall.

Police Department:

- On August 5th, 2019 the Maynard Police Department was notified by the FBI they intended to serve a warrant to Steven Hardy, 32 of Maynard. The Maynard Police Department, the Acton Police Department alongside FBI Agents formed a perimeter in the area and began searching the woods for Hardy after he left the residence on an ATV. After a lengthy search, Hardy was located by Sergeant Duggan of the Maynard Police Department and taken into custody without further incident. Please see the press release issued Department of Justice US Attorney's Office of Maine for details in regards to the case.
- On August 26th, the Maynard Police Department began to receive reports of damage to windows of Main Street businesses. Additionally, entry had been gained into two of these businesses McDonald's Restaurant and Oliver's Wands and Wizarding Wares. Additionally items were taken from Oliver's Wands and Wizarding Wares. Maynard Police Department Detectives conducted a thorough investigation, and were able to obtain the identity of the individual responsible. Please see the statement below issued by Chief Mark Dubois:

Chief Mark W. Dubois is pleased to report that, after a thorough investigation, the Maynard Police Department has arrested a suspect in last week's spree of vandalism that left five Main Street businesses damaged. JEREMY BEARSE, AGE 27, OF ACTON was arrested on Friday after police served a warrant at his home. He has been charged with:

Breaking and Entering in the Nighttime (Two Counts)

Malicious Destruction of Property (Five Counts)

Larceny from a Building

Breaking and Entering into a Depository

Attempt to Break into a Depository

Maynard Police detectives initiated an investigation on Monday, Aug. 26 after five Main Street businesses were vandalized or broken into overnight Sunday into Monday. Several businesses had windows damaged by shots from a BB or pellet gun. At least one business had been entered, with various items thrown around and damaged. One business had several items reported missing as well. Investigators obtained helpful surveillance footage from a McDonald's restaurant that was vandalized. The investigation led police to BEARSE and police applied for and received a search warrant for his residence and vehicle. BEARSE is known to police and is currently on probation for armed robbery. A probation violation warrant is being sought. BEARSE has been held since Friday at the Middlesex House of Correction and Jail in Billerica pending arraignment Tuesday morning. The Acton Police Department assisted Maynard Police in apprehending BEARSE. Maynard Police Detective Trista Manchuso was the lead investigator. Chief Dubois praised the work of detectives in bringing a resolution to this disturbing case.

"I am pleased with the hard work and dedication of our investigators who have worked to identify and arrest a suspect in this brazen crime spree that damaged several businesses in Maynard's downtown," Chief Dubois said. "The Maynard Police Department exists to ensure the safety, security and well-being of our citizens, visitors and businesses, and I want to reassure our business community that this case is an example of our commitment to that duty."

- Ofc. Maskalenko attended the annual Maynard Public Library's Summer Reading Raffle hosted at the Thoreau Club in Concord.
- On August 6th, Chief Dubois co-hosted a presentation at the Assabet Valley Boys and Girls Club alongside

Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan.

- Ofc. Maskalenko attended the bike rodeo on August 22nd at the Fowler School.

Department of Public Works:

- The sidewalk was repaved on Great Road toward Erikson's Ice Cream

