

What's Happening in the 888
Department & Committee News

Public Works

Brown Bag leaf pickup begins the week of November 6, 2023. Like in the past, it will be done following the regular garbage pickup schedule. Public Works will be in your area picking up leaf bags based on your garbage day. To find out your week for leaf pickup or other information in regards to Brownbag leaf pickup, please click this link, scroll down to the Brown Bag leaf pickup and click on the article.

<https://www.seymourct.org/>

Public Works hired a new mechanic, to replace the employee who moved to a driver's position. The department hired an administrative assistant this will take the place of a laborer.

The DPW Board has signed off on the salt contract for the upcoming winter season. The town will be receiving a 156-ton credit that steamed from a previous year's overpayment. The price per ton has dropped slightly to around \$93.00. The Department is well within budget and are on target.

Municipal Elections, Voter Registration Deadline, Polling Place information

The following information can be found on the Town Website under Municipal Election 2023 or by clicking this link; <https://www.seymourct.org/departments/RegistrarofVoters>

- Copy of the Sample Ballot,
- Online voter registration,
- Voter Registration,
- All three polling places for District 1, Seymour Community Center, 20 Pine Street District 2, Bungay Elementary School, District 3 Chatfield-LoPresti School.
- Not sure where to vote click on the link that states look up your polling place and check your registration here.

Board of Finance

The Town is anticipating a surplus for fiscal year that just ended on June 30, 2023. This surplus is being driven primarily by the town spending approximately \$747,000 less money that it had budgeted.

Several key areas that came in under budget: DPW has a projected surplus of \$311,234 due to savings in snow plowing and fuel costs, general government has a projected surplus of \$272,317 primarily due to personal vacancies, utilities have a projected surplus of \$61,792 and our gasoline contingency has a projected surplus of \$90,000. These are all currently estimated numbers and may be adjusted during the audit process that we expect to be completed by mid-December.

Board of Selectperson

The Board of Selectpersons held a Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, October 17, 2023 in regards to the sale of 98 Bank Street. A quorum of 50 electors was not met, so the final decision regarding the sale was moved to the BoS to be voted on. The contracts for the sale have not yet been finalized so the BoS expects to vote at its next meeting on November 8, 2023.

Action was taken and granted regarding the Seymour Police Department weapons purchase bid waiver and purchase authorization, pursuant to Section 2-268(a) of the Seymour Town Code.

Planning and Zoning – highlights from minutes of their last meeting:

141 Main St. Site Plan Application Mixed Use: Commercial and 1S Residential Apartments

- Rosenfeld stated there is a letter from Dominic Thomas withdrawing the application stating the application is withdrawn since to go forward with the Revised Regulations would need a variance for onsite parking. Regulations require onsite parking for all uses within the CBD-1 zone with no ability for the Commission to waive or amend parking requirements based on abundant public parking. Will be
- Submitting proposed amendment to Zoning Regulations to address this issue.

312 Roosevelt Dr. /129 Squantuck Rd. Special Permit/Site Plan Application for Proposed Community Mental Health Residential Living Center

- Chairperson VanEgghen stated the Commissioners all responded in the affirmative
- Rosenfeld read memo into the record from himself and Town Engineer. Afterview of the Application, its plans, reports, expert testimony, public hearing evidence, POCO adherence and zoning compliance issues, staff reports the following: proposed use will not be detrimental to public health, safety, convenience or property values, and that those uses are in conformity with the comprehensive zoning plan for the Town of Seymour. Site is suitable for intended use considering size, shape, topography, subsoil conditions, and presence of Wetlands and Watercourses. Roosevelt Dr. has ability to accommodate existing traffic and any increase generated by proposed use. Supporting municipal services such as police and fire protection, water and sewer, storm drainage, sanitation services are available and adequate. Recommends the Commission consider conditions to vote.
- Recommendations are motion to approve the Special Permit Application for a Community Residential Living Center at 312 Roosevelt Dr. /129 Squantuck Rd. with following conditions:
 - Provide more defined details on timing (by week) on the Construction Sequence notes located on sheet C1.1 Demolition & Erosion Control Notes & Details.
 - Add a note to the plans indicating that 60 parking spaces shall be available for the abutting property owner throughout the duration of construction.
 - Add a note to plans to require the contractor to further investigate the existing downstream storm systems including downstream pipes from the catch basin in the upper parking lot and three catch basins in the parking lot adjacent to Roosevelt Drive.
 - Location of pipes, outlets and other structures shall be added to the design plan. If additional 2 structures or changes are needed, the design engineer shall provide it at the discretion of the Town Engineer.
 - Revisit parking lot extents and proposed grading at northwest corner of parking lot near fire lane.
 - Applicant to ensure an easement is in place to 129 Squantuck that encompasses both access and drainage components.
 - Drainage calculations for water quality swale at 129 Squantuck to be revisited and revised to ensure proper sizing, to be reviewed and approved by the Town Engineer.
 - All items above shall be accommodated and provided to the Town prior to the issuance of a Zoning Permit.
- Motion to approve the Special Permit/Site Plan Application for 312 Roosevelt Dr./129 Squantuck Rd. with the conditions as rendered by the Town Planner. Motion: J.
 - Motion: Niezelski; Second: R. Peck (5-0 ayes).