

ALEXANDRIA TODAY APRIL 2012 EDITION

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Low/Moderate Property Tax Relief:

As of April 1, Form DP-8 is not yet available from the NH Dept. of Revenue Administration. Once it is, we will post notices at the transfer station and town hall. The form must be mailed between May 1 and June 30.

April 15 is the deadline for submitting applications for elderly and/or disabled exemptions. It is also the deadline to apply for a Veteran's credit.

The 2011 Annual Report of the Town of Alexandria is available in the Selectmen's Office. We also have copies of the 49th Annual Report of the Newfound Area School District for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2011 if you would like to stop in and pick up a copy.

Did you miss the Selectboard Meeting? You can view the Selectboard Meetings on Newfound Region Media Access Channel 24 at the following times: Tuesdays @ noon, 7pm, & midnight, Fridays @ 6am, and Saturdays @ 8pm. We are also in the process of having the Selectboard Meetings posted on the Town's website as well.

Meeting minutes, newsletters, alerts and other helpful information can be found on the Town's website www.alexandrianh.com.

NH has joined the National Mortgage Servicing Settlement Agreement with the nation's five largest mortgage servicers over foreclosure abuses and fraud, and unacceptable nationwide mortgage servicing practices. For NH specific information, please visit www.alexandrianh.com/page32.php and click on "National Mortgage Settlement."

There will be a public hearing on Thursday, April 5, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Building to review the Discretionary Preservation Easement Application submitted by the Benton's. The discretionary preservation easement pursuant to RSA Chapter 79-D permits municipalities to reduce the assessed value of structures that are both historical and agricultural in return for the owner's promise to maintain and preserve the structure.

Office Hours

Selectmen's Office – 744-3220

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 11 am to 6 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 8 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Town Clerk & Tax Collector – 744-3288

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 9 am to 4 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 9 am to 7 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Transfer Station

Monday: 8 am to 12 pm
Wednesday: 11:30 am to 7:30 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm

Police Department – 744-6650

Chief Donald Sullivan

When dispatcher picks up, give dispatcher your message. They will page an officer on the radio. Cell phones are not reliable locally.

Highway Department – 744-6516

Gary Patten, Road Agent

Town Clerk/Tax Collector



All Dog Licenses expire on April 30, 2012.
2012 Dog Licenses are NOW AVAILABLE.

Dog Fees are as follows:

	Puppy	\$6.50
	Spayed or Neutered	\$6.50
	Unaltered	\$9.00
Senior (Dog owned by Senior Citizen, 1 st dog only)		\$2.00
Group (5 dog minimum)		\$20.00

Proof of Current Rabies vaccination is required.

BEACH PASSES

are now available for purchase
at the Town Clerk's office.



Adults ages 12+: \$3.00 per person
Children ages 6-11: Passes are required for each person, but at no charge
Children ages 0-5: Free, no passes needed
NH Residents over 65: Free with a NH driver's license
To purchase by mail, please send a self addressed, stamped envelope with a list of names and ages with a check for the correct amount made payable to Town of Alexandria.

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Supervisors of the Checklist

June 5th is the last day to change party affiliation before the state primary election on September 11, 2012. This can be done with the Supervisors or at the Town Clerk's office.

Alexandria After School at AVS

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Election Day Food Sale by donating time, baked goods, and money. We made \$213.00, which is very impressive, especially when considering today's economy.

We are watching our fish eggs develop day by day and will announce the time of release when the fish are sufficiently developed.

We have planted a lot of seeds in our starter pots and are watching for them to sprout.

We will soon resume our trips to the Haynes Library

The Children and Staff of Alexandria After School at AVS.

Kindergarten Registration for 2012-2013

Newfound Area School District will hold registration for all children who will be entering kindergarten in September 2012 as follows:

Monday – May 7, New Hampton (744-3221)

Tuesday – May 8, Danbury (768-3434)

Thursday – May 10, Bristol & Alexandria
(744-2761)

Friday – May 11, Bridgewater, Hebron and Groton
(744-6969)

If you have a child who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2012 please call the school in the town you reside as soon as possible. Appointment times and registration packets will be mailed to all parents with kindergarten eligible students.

Note: Children who reside in Alexandria will attend either the Bristol Elementary School or the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School. Determination is made according to physical address. You may contact either school for more information

Other News:

Annual AVFD
RABIES CLINIC
Tuesday – April 3, 2012
6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

at
Alexandria Fire Station
\$10/Pet

Benefit: AVFD John Pyne Memorial Rabies Clinic
--All cats & dogs over 3 months—
Please have pets on leash or otherwise restrained

Alexandria Historical Society

First meeting of 2012 Wednesday April 4, at 7 pm at the Tucker House. Open to all. Tucker house will reopen on Monday, April 2, for use of the internet from 4 to 5:30 pm. They will be available every 1st and 3rd Mondays.

It is with sadness that we report that long time Historical Society member, and Alexandria resident, Carol Panaggio passed away in early February. Discussion is underway to determine the best way to honor Carol's work with the Historical Society. If you should have a suggestion please let Pat Moore or Joe Kraemer know.

We would also like to extend condolences to Pat Moore and her family on the passing of her sister following a long struggle with cancer and to Mary Seager's family on the passing of Mary's nephew's wife. She was the park ranger killed in Washington's Mount Rainier in January. What a terribly small world we live in.



Recycling Committee 4/12

The sub-committee working to develop guidelines for expanding our recycling facilities met again and is making good progress. We gathered information from a couple of nearby facilities and are incorporating it into our report, which now has a projected completion date of June 30. No action has been taken by the committee on any of the recommendations presented to the selectmen in February.

Money in our Pockets

I've just learned that our selectmen have negotiated a new contract with Waste Management lowering the per ton cost to remove the solid waste (compactor trash) by just over \$7/ ton, which over the course of a year is a considerable savings. This is good news; however, it will have a slight impact on the projected savings generated directly as the result of recycling as part of the savings is how much is saved by keeping the recyclables out of the compactor. With that said, we are going to hold our objective at \$18,000, but that means that we need to increase the amount we recycle by about 15% over last year to meet that objective – I know we can do it!. Savings through February are \$1975.

What to do with your old Batteries

The main objective for recycling batteries is to prevent hazardous materials from entering landfills and eventually making their way into the environment. Lead-acid and nickel-cadmium (Ni-Cd) batteries are of special concern, and although Li-ion batteries are less harmful, the ultimate aim is to include all batteries in the recycling program and we'll be working toward that objective. Nickel-cadmium batteries can easily be confused with similar type non-hazardous batteries, plus many devices use imbedded nickel-cadmium batteries and people don't realize it. This is especially true in some small power tools, cell phones, computers and similar electronic devices. Proper disposal of these batteries is a problem because people don't remove the batteries before disposing of the device. When NiCds are carelessly disposed of in landfills, the metallic cylinder eventually

begins to corrode and the cadmium gradually dissolves, seeping into the ground water supply. Once the ground water supply is contaminated, it is almost impossible to correct. Europe has banned the use of Ni-Cd batteries in consumer products and U.S. manufacturers are moving toward replacing NiCd batteries with NiMH batteries which are non-hazardous; check product labels carefully.

Toxic batteries will continue to be with us for a while longer because we have no practical alternatives. There is nothing wrong in using these batteries as long as we properly dispose of them. A few precautions you should follow:

- Never throw any battery into a fire, it can explode and cause injury and emit dangerous gasses into the air.
- Lithium batteries can cause a fire if the casing is fractured and the contents mix with the air.
- Lead-acid batteries should always be stored out of the reach of children; simply toughing the lead posts can be harmful.
- If in doubt as to how to properly dispose of a battery call 1-800-8-BATTERY [1-800-822-8837].

Attached is a chart identifying many of the most common types of batteries and how to properly dispose of them. Please keep this for a convenient, ready reference.

Please send your suggestions, tips, and comments to: steve.whitman@metrocast.net Anyone wishing to receive electronic copies of committee business conducted electronically or meeting minutes can do so by providing me with an email address. Email your request to: alexrecycling@metrocast.net. Records of all Recycling Committee can also be viewed in that email account. Account password is **committee**.

Battery Type	Common Name	Sizes Available	Examples of Use	Classification	Proper Disposal
Alkaline (manganese)	Coppertop, Alkaline	AAA, AA, C, D, 6V, 9V	Flashlights, calculators, toys, clocks, smoke alarms, remote controls	non-hazardous waste	Place in the trash (normal municipal waste)
Button	Mercuric Oxide, Silver Oxide*, Lithium, Alkaline, Zinc-Air	Sizes vary	Watches, hearing aids, toys, greeting cards, remote controls	hazardous waste	Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site
Carbon Zinc	"Classic", Heavy Duty, General Purpose, All Purpose, Power Cell	AAA, AA, C, D 6V, 9V	Flashlights, calculators, toys, clocks, smoke alarms, remote controls, radios, garage door openers	non-hazardous waste	Place in the trash (normal municipal waste)
Lithium / Lithium-Ion	Usually has "lithium" label on the battery	3V, 6V, 3V button	Cameras, calculators, computer memory back-up, tennis shoes	non-hazardous waste	Place in the trash (normal municipal waste)
Nickel-Cadmium (Rechargeable)	Either unlabeled or labeled "Ni-Cd"	AAA, AA, C, D, ** 6V, 9V, 12V, 18V	Flashlights, toys,* cellular phones, **power tools, computer packs	hazardous waste	Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site
Nickel Metal Hydride (Rechargeable)	Either unlabeled or labeled "Ni-Li" or "Ni-Hydride)	AAA, AA, C, D, **6V, 9V, 12V, 18V	Flashlights, toys, *cellular phones, **power tools, computer packs	non-hazardous waste	Place in the trash (normal municipal waste)
Alkaline Manganese (Rechargeable)	Reusable / Renewable	AAA, AA, C, D	Flashlights, calculators, toys, clocks, radios, remote controls	non-hazardous waste	Place in the trash (normal municipal waste)
Sealed Lead Acid (Rechargeable)	"Gel," VRB, AGM, Cyclone, El Power, Dynasty, Gates, Lithonia, Saft, Panasonic, Yuasa	Multiples of 2 Volts: 2V, 6V, 12V	Video cameras, power tools, wheelchairs, ATV's, metal detectors, clocks, cameras	hazardous waste	Transfer station accepts these for recycling. NO fee for this service
Lead Acid Batteries	Autozone, Sears Die Hard, Yuasa	12V, 6V	Cars, trucks, tractors motorcycles, boats, RVs, lawn/garden tractors	hazardous waste	Transfer station accepts these for recycling. NO fee for this service
Silver Oxide	Panasonic Silver Oxide	Sizes vary	Watches, hearing aids, toys, greeting cards, remote controls	hazardous waste	May be disposed of in the normal trash; but because it is hazardous, use HW collection site whenever possible

*Cellular phones can be recycled at either the Alexandria PD or transfer station. No fee for this service

**Power tool rechargeable batteries can be recycled at the transfer station. No fee for this service