

## Swampscott Wants to Hear Your Ideas

Please mark your calendars for January 28, 2023 from 10am—1 pm at the Hawthorne by The Sea to join all Swampscott residents and businesses at Hawthorne By The Sea. Bring your thoughts, passions and ideas!



You may know that
Swampscott has just
purchased Hawthorne by the
Sea – our landmark
restaurant on Humphrey
Street. Swampscott's Select
Board, as well as Town
officials, will be leading a
discussion, as we present and
discuss ideas for use of this
beautiful ocean front
property.

What would you like to see there? A new park, open space, more shops, a shady bench overlooking the water, public restrooms, parking spaces? The discussion will also include the future of Hadley Elementary School.

### **Community and Economic Development**

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**Important Numbers** 

#### Town Creates Climate Action Plan Committee



In December 2022, the Select Board established a formal Climate Action Plan Committee (CAPC), as a result of the work done by the Climate Action and Resilience Coalition (CARC) this past year. The coalition started meeting in January 2022 to begin work on a Climate Action and Resilience Plan for our town. The need for a plan resulted from Swampscott's Greenhouse Gas Inventory completed by the Renewable Energy Committee in 2021, along with the Commonwealth's mandate to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2050. A Climate Action Plan Resolution was unanimously approved at Swampscott's Town Meeting in May 2022. The new committee's charter is to create a plan in time for adoption at this year's Town Meeting in May.

Find out more information on the CAPC page of the Town website:

https://www.swampscottma.gov/climate-action-plan-committee

CAPC Meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the Town website. If you'd like to get involved, attend an upcoming meeting or email CARC: <a href="mailto:swampscottcarc@gmail.com">swampscottcarc@gmail.com</a>

## Home Security Alarm Registration

#### HOME ALARM REGISTRATION

We all know how important it is to keep your home and family safe.
According to a Swampscott bylaw, all residents must register their home security system if they have one, with the Police Department annually. It's easier now than ever to take that step with the new online registration process.



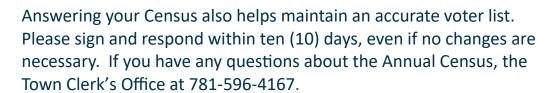
Click Here to Register

### **Town Clerk News**

#### Look for the Town Census in Your Mail

The 2023 Annual Town Census is being mailed to all residents. The census is a valuable tool, as it provides statistical information that benefits federal and state funding to the town. Compliance also verifies proof of residence, protects your voting rights, aids in veteran's bonuses, housing for the elderly and other related benefits, as well as providing information for selection of jurors.

If you wish to register to vote, change your party, or check your voter status, visit the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website <a href="www.sec.state.ma.us">www.sec.state.ma.us</a> Voter registration changes can't be changed by marking up the census form. If you are new to Town, please visit the Town Clerk's office to complete a census form or <a href="click here">click here</a> for the census form then return it to Town Hall. Please keep in mind if you move within the Town of Swampscott, our office must be contacted to make the correct address changes for your family.





#### Dog Owners-License and Pooch Pass Info

## Annual Swampscott Dog License Due 2/28/2023

All dogs in the Town of Swampscott must be licensed annually and have a copy of proof of rabies prior to licensing. To apply for a dog license online <u>CLICK HERE</u>

#### **Pooch Pass**

The <u>Swampscott Park for Off-Leash Time</u> is 15,000 sq. feet of fenced -in space for your pup to enjoy located behind the Swampscott

Cemetery. A yearly "Pooch Pass" is required for dogs using the park. This pass supports general up-keep of the park. <u>CLICK HERE</u>



## **Upcoming Events**

Come Learn and Share Your Opinions about this Affordable Housing Option



### Do You Know About Swampscott Community Power Program?

# Swampscott Community Power

Swampscott Community Power gives electricity customers in Swampscott a Town alternative to National Grid's Basic Service price and to other electricity supply offers in the marketplace without pressure or hidden fees. Through the program,

participants automatically receive 100% renewable electricity as well as long-term, stable pricing.

The program changes the price that National Grid uses to calculate the supply services portion of the bill. Through the program, participants have the potential for savings compared with National Grid's Basic Service price. Compare the costs using this <u>online calculator</u>. However, because National Grid's prices change and future prices are not known, savings cannot be guaranteed so the best source for accurate information is the <u>town website</u>.

## **Upcoming Events**

**Town of Swampscott** 

## APRIL 25, 2023 TOWN ELECTION

What Elected Offices will there be:
One Moderator
Two Select Board Members
One Board of Assessor Member
Two School Committee Members
One Trustee of the Public Library
One Board of Health Member
One Planning Board Member
One Housing Authority Member
And

Town Meeting Members



CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND DEADLINES ON THE TOWN WEBSITE

**Upcoming Events** 



#### **2023 REGULAR TRASH HOLIDAY DATES**

Pick-up will be delayed by one day on the day of the following holidays and for the remainder of that holiday week

January 16 February 20 April 17 May 29 June 19

July 4 September 4 October 9 November 23 December 25

#### **METAL RECYCLING & STYROFOAM DROP-OFF DATES**

8 am-12 pm (Weather Permitting)

March 25 April 29 May 27 June 24 July 29

August 26 September 30 October 28 November 25 December 30

#### YARD WASTE COLLECTION

On your regular trash day

April 24 June 5 July 24 September 11

October 16 November 13 December 11

#### **COMPOSTING**

There are two free <u>compost stations</u> in Swampscott or sign-up for Black Earth's paid curbside service

#### **CLOTHING/SMALL HOUSEHOLD ITEMS**

Schedule a free pick-up from simplerecycling

#### **MATTRESSES**

Recycle your mattress by purchasing a \$20 mattress recycling sticker from Town Hall or <u>online</u>. *Note: Mattresses will be picked up curbside on the 2nd and last Saturday of each month* 



Check out the town website for more information on Trash and Recycling

## **Senior News**

#### Snow Angels are back for the 2022/23 Winter Season!



If you are a senior in town who needs help with shoveling this winter contact Sabrina Clopton, LICSW at the Senior Center (781) 596-8866 ext. 3222 (or email sclopton@swampscottma.gov) and every effort will be made to connect you to a Swampscott student volunteer. Recipients will be screened for eligibility for this service and shoveling is not guaranteed, as assistance is dependent upon availability of volunteers.

#### Senior Center Offers Free Tax Prep Services



Swampscott Senior Center to offer FREE Tax Preparation Services The Senior Center will be offering free Tax Preparation services thru the Tax Counseling for the Elderly Program. Tax preparers will be available on Wednesdays from February 8th through April 12th. Contact the Senior Center at 781-596-8866 to make a reservation or for more information.

# Check out the new Senior Center New Website!!

**Click Here!** 

## School News!





# FEBRUARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FEBRUARY 2, 2023 THURSDAY 6 PM REGULAR SESSION - SHS ROOM B129 & VIRTUAL

FEBRUARY 9, 2023 THURSDAY 6 PM REGULAR SESSION - SHS ROOM B129 & VIRTUAL

FEBRUARY 16, 2023 THURSDAY 6 PM REGULAR SESSION - SHS ROOM B129 & VIRTUAL

## **New School Update!**

## **Schools**

Helpful Links

New School Update

Sign-up for Project
Update Mailing List

10 Whitman Road has been cleared, hundreds of trucks have carted debris and soil off the site, ledge is being exposed, and blasting has begun. Typically there are 2-3 blasts per day, each preceded by routine horn signals. The site-work team, Meninno Construction, will be removing and crushing stone and then dispersing it around the property. This will be happening over the next few months.





## **Swampscott Police Welcomes New Hire**



(left to right) Off B Reen, Chief Quesada, Off Reder, Lt Frayler, Off K Reen and Sgt Doyle

On January 17<sup>th</sup>, Officer Briana Reder graduated from the Lynnfield Police Academy. She was elected to serve as Class President! The Academy includes 24 weeks of comprehensive training with the Municipal Police Training Committee. We are excited to welcome Officer Reder! Congratulations



(left to right) Sgt Doyle and Off Reder

## Welcome Swampscott DPW New Hires



<u>Kevin MacDonald</u> – Is a St. Mary's High School graduate. He previously worked as a Water Filtration Specialist for H2O Care Inc. Kevin has a MA State Hoisting License.

<u>Brian Martin</u> – Comes to Swampscott after working for the Lynn Water and Sewer Commission for 18 years. Brian has a Class B Commercial Driver's License, a MA State Hoisting License, and a D3 Water Distribution License.

<u>Ryan Squires</u> – Is a Swampscott High School graduate. He previously worked as a carpenter for Groom Construction. Ryan has a MA State Hoisting License.

## Veteran News

# Lynn/Swampscott DAV Chapter 64 Serves Veterans on MLK Jr Day

**Lynn, MA**— In observance of MLK Jr's Day of Service, BG (MA) (Ret) Andrea Gayle-Bennett visited 11 residents of Habitat PLUS in Lynn. Her visit on Jan 16 included a meal from Mandee's Pizza as well as gifts of toiletries and a crocheted scarf for each resident, provided on behalf of the E.F. Gilmoare Chapter 64.

Habitat PLUS provides interim and transitional supportive housing to veterans who would otherwise be homeless. The transition is to help them be more self-sufficient to move towards independent living on their own.

Throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) sets aside time to honor local veterans and thank those who served by volunteering at the VA Medical Centers, Soldier's Homes and Habitat PLUS.

The DAV of Massachusetts offers a wide range of opportunities to assist our commonwealth's heroes. Volunteer to transport veterans to and from their VA medical appointments, help at a VA facility or assist veterans in your local community.







## **Upcoming Meetings**

Up-to-date Information about Town of Swampscott Public Meetings can be found at: <u>Town Meetings</u> on the town website



# CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP FOR IMPORTANT TOWN ALERTS

CLICK HERE TO SUBSCRIBE FOR

SWAMPSCOTT COUNCIL ON AGING

NEWSLETTER

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

CUSTOMER SERVICE	(781) 596-8850
ASSESSOR	(781) 596-8850
BUILDING	(781) 596-8857
COMMUNITY DEV.	(781) 596-8829
DPW	(781) 596-8860
FACILITIES	(781) 596-8850
FINANCE	(781) 596-8877
FIRE	(781) 595-4050
	OR <b>911</b>
HEALTH	(781) 596-8864
HUMAN RESOURCES	(781) 596-8810
LIBRARY	(781) 596-8867
POLICE	(781) 595-1111
	OR 911
RECREATION	(781) 596-8854
RETIREMENT	(781) 596-8827
SENIOR SERVICES	(781) 596-8866
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	(781) 596-8850
TOWN CLERK/ELECTIONS	(781) 596-4167
VETERANS	(781) 586-6911

#### **TOWN WEBSITE:**

WWW.SWAMPSCOTTMA.GOV

#### **FACEBOOK:**

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