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**TOWN OF BOLTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
BOLTON TOWN HALL - 222 BOLTON CENTER ROAD**

A Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for the Town of Bolton for Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2022 will be held on April 26, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. at Bolton Town Hall located at 222 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, Connecticut.

Copies of the Proposed Budget will be available for public inspection beginning April 22, 2022 at the Town Clerk's office at Bolton Town Hall during normal business hours.

Emily Bradley, Chair
Board of Finance

**RECYCLE/TRANSFER STATION
PUNCH TICKET CHANGES**

Starting Monday, April 11th all Transfer/Recycle Station tickets purchased will be good only for the current season (April - November 2022).

Each ticket will still have (4) punches - but all (4) punches must be used before the end of the season (November 2022) or the ticket/punches will expire.

Current ticket holders that have unexpired tickets with punches will still be honored.

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SCRAP METAL PICK UP ~ First Full Week of May (May 2ND-6TH)



Curbside scrap metal collection will be held the week of May 2-6, 2022. **Items for collection must be curbside by 6 a.m. on Monday, May 2ND.** If your items are not collected by Friday afternoon, please call the Selectmen's office the following Monday. Noncombustible appliances and other metal items weighing up to 100 pounds are acceptable. Refrigerators and freezers should have the doors removed. **Unacceptable** items include motor vehicle parts, machinery, gas grill propane tanks and items weighing more than 100 pounds. **Please remember this collection is for scrap metal only, not for bulk waste.**

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, May 21ST



The Town of Bolton will hold its annual Shredding Event - **Saturday, May 21st** from **9 a.m. to noon** at the recycling/transfer station. Residents from the Town of Bolton can bring documents for shredding to the recycling center. All rings and binders must be removed. Staples do not need to be removed. There is no limit to the quantity of documents to be shredded.

DIVERSITY COMMISSION COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Bolton Board of Selectmen recently authorized the creation of a Diversity Commission. We are conducting a survey about your experiences in our local community which can be found here: <https://forms.gle/Cd1hcd83rHeTDfdz7>. The purpose of this study is to gather information from people who currently live, work or have lived, worked and gone to school in our community to help us identify strengths and challenges related to diversity, equity and inclusion. Each person should only submit one survey, though each individual in a household may submit their own survey.

Please check out this link <https://forms.gle/v79D6EDW1StLjKJU7> to access the special survey for middle school and high schoolers in your household to contribute their thoughts.



MAINTAINER I (SEASONAL)

Seasonal Maintainer I for Buildings & Grounds department, end of June through Labor Day. Performs work in the maintenance, repair and construction of parks, grounds, recreational areas and facilities including custodial and maintenance duties. Please complete an application and paperwork and submit to Kathy McCavanagh: Selectmen's Office, Bolton Town Hall 222 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT 06043 or hr@boltonct.org.

TICKET TAKER (SEASONAL) BOLTON NOTCH STATE PARK

Seasonal Ticket Taker for Bolton Notch State Park, mid- June through Labor Day. 8:45 am to 5:45 pm. Collects appropriate fees and issues daily passes, checks seasonal passes, enforces park rules and regulations, balances and records daily collections, records daily attendance and turns in daily receipts and records.. Please complete an application and paperwork (see link above) and submit to Kathy McCavanagh: Selectmen's Office, Bolton Town Hall 222 Bolton Center Road, Bolton, CT 06043 or hr@boltonct.org.

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CAMP COUNSELOR (SEASONAL)

The Bolton Recreation Department is seeking both full time and part time seasonal summer camp counselors. Under the direct supervision of the program coordinator a Counselor is responsible for the supervision of campers, promoting and actively participating in all camp activities, providing a safe and fun learning environment, and serving as a positive role model for campers. We are seeking motivated team members who believe deeply in the organization's mission and who display a record of achievement in effective supervision & management of youth as it pertains to this position, building positive relationships and ensuring the safety and well-being of people of all ages. Applicants must be a minimum of 16 years old. Applicants must be available Monday through Friday June 20th - August 12th as well as a few preseason early June mandatory training dates. First year camp counselors begin at minimum wage. For more information and an application please visit www.town.boltonct.org/employment.

LIFEGUARD (SEASONAL)

The Bolton Recreation Department is seeking both full time and part time seasonal summer lifeguards. Under the direct supervision of the head lifeguard, lifeguards are responsible for the everyday safety and wellbeing of patrons at Indian Notch Lake. Lifeguards will strictly enforce all policies procedures and regulations with all patrons. Staff will work closely with other town staff on a daily basis and performs all rescues and follow up procedures including the use of follow up procedures, paper work and other available equipment. For more information and to apply visit www.town.boltonct.org/employment.

PART-TIME CAFETERIA WORKERS

Bolton Public Schools Food Services is seeking employment for part-time cafeteria workers, Monday - Friday, effective immediately. The work schedule follows the school calendar. The hourly rate for this position will be \$13.00 an hour. Job duties include: food preparation, serving and cashiering. ServSafe or HACCP training preferred.

Qualified candidates must submit an on-line application at www.boltonpublicschools.com under Central Office/Human Resources/Employment, job # 473. Applications should include a letter of intent, resume, three (3) references. Candidates will be contacted by the hiring administrator; no phone calls please.

SUBSTITUTE CAFETERIA WORKERS

Bolton Public Schools Food Services Program is seeking employment for substitute kitchen/staff workers. The rate of pay is \$13.00 per hour on an as needed basis for scheduled and on-call absences.

Qualified candidates must submit an on-line application at www.boltonpublicschools.com under Central Office/Human Resources/Employment, job # 369. Applications should include a letter of intent, resume, three (3) references. Candidates will be contacted by the hiring administrator; no phone calls please.

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NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE ELDERLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED TAX RELIEF

Elderly and totally disabled tax relief program applications must be filed with the Assessor's Office between February 1 and May 13, 2022.

The State of Connecticut Program, and a matching local program, are available to residents of Bolton who:

- Have attained the age of 65 on or before December 31, 2019 or be totally disabled as defined by Social Security guidelines.
- Reside at the property for a minimum of 6 months plus one day. Only a primary residence is eligible for the program.
- Received a total income not exceeding \$38,100 for a single person or \$46,400 for a married couple last year. This includes taxable as well as nontaxable income.

The programs allow a credit on the July tax bill.

Those persons who are already on the programs but are due to renew this year will be mailed reminders that they must refile.

Applications can be filed at the Assessor's Office, Town Hall, 222 Bolton Center Rd., during Town Hall hours.

Proof of income, including Social Security 1099 forms are required; if an income tax return is filed or will be filed, a copy must be presented.

Income based programs allowing increased exemption benefits are also available to veterans and applications for eligible taxpayers will be taken at the same time as the elderly relief programs.

NOTE:

A new local option program has been implemented, in addition to the above programs. The new program allows an eligible person to "freeze" their property taxes at last year's amount, but income (married must be less than \$75,000; single must be less than \$50,000) and age (over 70 years of age) limits apply, and a lien is placed on the property by the Town in the amount of the abated taxes.

If you have any questions concerning these programs, please call the Assessor's Office at 860-649-8066, ext. 6100.

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NEWS FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE - 04-01-22

Online Payments and payment history lookup-
860-649-8066 x6101

Email us at taxcollector@boltonct.org

Please see below for frequently asked questions and the best ways to pay your tax bill.

Finding out what you paid in calendar year 2021 is as easy as going online using the link above. Search your name (last name (space) first initial) click the IRS Button  IRS Payment Records for Year 2021. On the blue tab above your accounts click again on IRS and then click on View IRS. It will come up with a printable statement with your account information. You will need to put the first initial in separate for each person you are looking for.

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Delinquent Motor Vehicle bills have been reported to the DMV and it will be necessary to have all accounts paid to be able to register a vehicle. Please make sure you pay your taxes at least 2 weeks before you need to register your vehicle to make sure you have no compliance issues. You can check DMV's online services under compliance issues to ensure you are clear before you go to DMV. If you need clearance before the 2 week period of time then you will need to make your payment online with a credit card or in the Tax Collector's office with cash, money order, or certified check as well as let me know that clearance is needed, so that I can do a manual take off for you.

An online payment does not automatically release a DMV hold at the time of payment.

Payment Options:

Option 1: Online- Save time and pay from home and receive your receipt of payment directly to your email.

You may pay by credit card or electronic check over the internet. A nominal fee will be charged by our vendor, Invoice Cloud and is non-refundable.

Online payments will take 3-5 days to process. The account will not show as paid online until after this processing time. Please make sure you receive a confirmation to your email that shows your payment is starting to process.

Please make sure you enter the correct account number and routing number so that the transaction does not get returned. Additional fees will be added to any payment that is returned unpaid.

View and/or pay your taxes using this link:
[Online Tax Payments.](#)

Option 2: In person in the lower level of Town Hall, 222 Bolton Center Rd

Please go to the tax collector's door to the left of Town Hall. Press the button to the left of the door to be let in.

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Please add your phone number to your check so if there are any problems we can get in touch with you quickly.

TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM, Tuesday 8:30 AM - 6:30 PM and Friday 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Option 3: Drop Slot

A drop slot is located to the side of the Tax Collector's door at Town Hall for tax payments.

Please enclose payment in a sealed envelope addressed to the Tax Collector's office.

Please put the best phone number to get in touch with you either on your check or the envelope.

DO NOT PUT PAYMENTS IN THE TOWN MAILBOX.

Option 4: By Mail

Please make checks payable to: **Tax Collector, Town of Bolton.**

***please add your phone number to your check so if there are any problems we can get in touch with you quickly.**

Mail tax payments to: Tax Collector
222 Bolton Center Rd.
Bolton, CT 06043

If a receipt is desired please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope along with a request for a receipt.

Additional information and Frequently Asked Questions can be found on our website under Tax Collector's Department. The link is <https://town.boltonct.org/departments/tax-collector/faqs>

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SENIOR & SOCIAL SERVICES

BOCCE



Spring is here, let's get outside and get on the Bocce courts! Join us for Thursday, April 28 at 2 p.m. (weather permitting). Sign up ahead of time so we can create teams or come as a spectator. 860-647-9196.

BENTLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Bentley Memorial Library is OPEN to the public.

Hours

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Library Programs

To register, call 860-646-7349 or email bmlprograms@biblio.org.

The following programs are free of charge and open to residents and nonresidents.

Shampoo, Conditioner and Body Wash Collection - Supporting Vernon/Rockville and Willimantic Shelters

Bentley is collecting full-size, unopened bottles of shampoo, conditioner, and body wash throughout the month of March.

Tax Forms



Stop by the library for a copy of the 1040 (and 1040-SR) instruction booklet and forms 1040 and 1040-SR.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION SERIES - APRIL Adult Book Discussion.

Save the date for the remaining discussions in our series.

April 28 - "I'll Be Seeing You" (reissued as "Home Front Girls") by Suzanne Hayes & Loretta Nyhan **with author visit by Suzanne Palmieri (Hayes).**

May 19 - "Meet Me in Monaco" by Hazel Gaynor and Heather Webb. **With author visit by Heather Webb.**

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COVID 19 BOOSTER AND VACCINE CLINIC - 2ND BOOSTER PLUS VACCINE AND FIRST BOOSTER AVAILABLE

Monday, May 19th



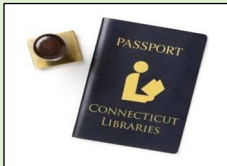
1:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Bentley Memorial Library 206 Bolton Center Road
Register through Hartford HealthCare to book an appointment for our
May vaccine and booster clinic. You must register for the type you plan

to receive: **Pfizer boosters click here** and for
Moderna Boosters click here.

Remember to bring your vaccination card, ID, and if applicable, your insurance card. To ensure you are eligible to receive a booster, visit the Hartford HealthCare website.

PASSPORT TO CONNECTICUT LIBRARIES



Go on an Adventure with the Passport to Connecticut Libraries Take a tour of Connecticut libraries. Explore, browse and enjoy the architecture, atmosphere and collection unique to each library. The program is open to adults and children, and the hope is that it encourages residents to explore the amazing diversity of our public libraries. To participate, visit

Bentley, or any participating library, with your library card and pick up a passport, collect your first library passport stamp, and receive a token gift. Take your library card and passport to at least five participating libraries to be eligible to win a \$150 gift card for adults or a \$100 gift card for children. The drawings will take place at the Woodbridge Town Library on June 1, 2022. Winners need not be present. Pick up your passport and let the adventure begin!

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

HOME ALONE SAFETY FOR KIDS

Saturday, May 7, 2022



Who: Ages 8-13

When: Wednesday May 4th, 2022 - 4:30pm-6:00pm

Cost: \$45.00

Where: Herrick Park Building, 29 Hebron Rd Bolton CT 06043

ABOUT THE COURSE:

Home alone safety for kids is a unique two hour interactive class for both boys and girls who are left home alone. The course will cover safety concerns parents have when their children are home by themselves. Participants will learn to be more aware of potential dangers they may face when home alone. Each student will receive a workbook that covers house key safety, indoor and outdoor safety (including kitchen), gun safety, fires and gas leaks. They will also review first aid kit essentials, as well as phone, door and internet safety.

Registration can be done online [HERE](#)

Registration is due 4/27/2022

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BOLTON SUMMER CAMP 2022 - REGISTRATION OPEN!



Ages 3—6, 7—12

Both Residents and non-residents are welcome to join our summer camp!

When: Monday-Friday day camp for 8 weeks

Where: Herrick Park, 29 Hebron Road, Bolton Ct 06043

Registration Due by May 30 2022

Limited spaces are available each week.

Weekly Cost: 9:30am-3:30pm —\$180.00, Field Trip Weeks: \$240

Add-ons:

Extended Am Care: 7:30am—9:30am \$20.00

Extended PM Care: 3:30pm - 5:30pm \$20.00

Early Bird: March 30—April 15

\$10.00 off full week registrations only

Late registration May 30—Monday at 12:00pm prior to week IF SPACE IS AVAILABLE

Additional \$20.00 late fee for all registrations per Recreation Department Policies.

Go to <https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/> for more information and to register!

NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY

Saturday, May 21, 2022 @ 10:00am



With Bolton Recreation Department and Bolton Conservation Commission

Join Bolton Recreation Director Stephanie Crane and Conservation Commission Chair Rod Parlee for the 12th annual kids to parks day this

May!

Kids to Parks day helps kids and families develop more active, healthy life styles and create lifelong memories and educational opportunities. All ages are welcome to join in the kids to park day events.

The Hike will begin at 10:00 am, please dress appropriately for the weather and arrive to Herrick Park early to ensure you do not miss us.

Sturdy water proof footwear is highly recommended. The hike will be 1.5 miles long and take about an hour and a half. Dogs are not permitted on the hike. If there is heavy rain the hike will be cancelled, any cancellations will be posted to the Bolton Recreation Department Website. Bring a picnic for lunch prior to the hike and spend the afternoon in the park! Scavenger hunts and activity booklets will be provided on a first come first serve basis following the hike.

The event is free to the community! Invite your family and friends to come along.

Go to <https://boltonrec.recdesk.com/> for more information and to register!

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FOOD EXPLORERS SPRING BAKING

Wednesday, June 1st



Who: grades 2-5

Where: Herrick Park building
29 Hebron Rd Bolton CT 06043

When: Wednesday June 1st 5:00-7:00pm

Cost: \$45

Join Food Explorers for an evening of spring baking! You'll create two delicious recipes inspired by spring: Blueberry Pancake Pops and Cannoli Cones. You'll also learn all about food and nutrition by taking part in some fun games and activities. Each child will make their own portion, recipes are nut free but will contain dairy and/or eggs.

Registration can be done online [HERE](#)

Registration is due 5/25/2022

OTHER EVENTS AND INFORMATION

BOLTON MOBILE FOODSHARE



The Bolton Mobile Foodshare will be held from 10:00 to 10:30 AM at St. George's Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, CT. This is an outdoor food distribution that assists families in need.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, April 26

Tuesday, May 10 and 24

Tuesday, June 7 and 21

HOP RIVER STATE PARK TRAIL CLEAN-UP DAY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday, April 23rd



Bike Walk Bolton and The Hop River Trail Alliance Group will hold a Hop River Trail Clean-Up Day on Saturday April 23rd from 10am to 12pm (rain or shine). Volunteers will clean up specific 1-2 mile sections of the 20 mile Hop River Trail. Volunteers will meet at 10 meeting points in the 7 Towns

the trail runs through: Manchester, Vernon, Bolton, Andover, Coventry, Columbia and

Willimantic. A cook out will follow the Clean Up. Sign up at this

link <https://forms.gle/gDKRbNfnUraJSP4L9> or send email

to HopRiverTrailAlliance@gmail.com to sign up or get more info.

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BOLTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION'S EARTH DAY FAMILY CELEBRATION Saturday, April 23rd



Don't miss the Bolton Conservation Commission's Earth Day Family Celebration with the Sixth Annual Fairy House Building Contest and a Wildflower Walk in Freja Park from 10:00 AM - Noon

On Saturday, April 23rd, meet at the Bolton Commuter at 10:00 AM (Rt 6/44 across from Georgina's Pizza).

Hike to beautiful Freja Park and enjoy the Sixth Annual Fairy House Building Contest followed by an Ephemeral Wildflower Walk led by Leslie Alexander concluding with a tree planting and Freja park volunteer recognition.

Join an Entry Level Fairy House Building Workshop and win a prize for the most uniquely built Fairy House! Adults, boys, and girls of all ages are invited to build miniature shelters. Bring your imagination, creativity, and love of nature to Freja Park.

Led by Leslie Alexander, participants on the Wildflower Walk will search out and identify Freja Park ephemeral wildflowers, the perennials which flower in spring, then go dormant by mid-summer. We'll also identify invasive plants which start their growth before much of our native woody vegetation. Leslie Alexander has been a horticulturist for over 40 years. In addition to her position at UCONN as State Master Gardener Program coordinator, some of her favorite jobs included a position as the Wetland Agent for the Town of West Newbury, MA, Horticultural Director of Fuller Gardens, a public garden in New Hampshire, and as an adjunct professor of biology at MCC.

Participants may then help plant a tree and the Bolton Conservation Commission will recognize former members of the Freja Park Trail Improvement subcommittee that helped improve the park dramatically from 1998-2010.

Freja park (pronounced Fray-ya) is a popular 21-acre park that serves as a gateway to the Bolton Notch Valley Falls watershed leading to a myriad of trails and open space. Without the efforts of the members of the Freja Park Trail Improvement subcommittee; Ron and Deb Beaudoin, Kris Treat and Mary Lou Amenta the park would not be as pristine and offer so much as it does today.

This is a FREE event; registration is required by emailing TOBCC@aol.com or call the Bolton Conservation Commission 860-649-8066, extension 6110, leave name address and phone number of participants. No Dogs please - Heavy Rain Date is Sunday, April 24th at 1:00 PM.

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VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION FOR SMALL BUSINESSES
A UCONN AND 4-TOWN INITIATIVE
RECRUITING AND HIRING STUDENTS
TUESDAY, APRIL 26TH 7:30 A.M. TO 8:30 A.M.

The Towns of Bolton, Coventry, Mansfield, and Tolland have partnered to create a Regional Economic Vitality Action Plan. This plan explores new opportunities that align with a unified regional vision to better develop and promote key industry areas and to grow strategic partnerships, with the goal of retention, expansion, and attraction of businesses to and within the region.

Fill out this [form](#) to register.

If you are an individual who requires an accommodation to participate, please contact University Events and Conference Services at rsvp@uconn.edu.

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Presenters:
UConn Center for Career Development

Lisa McGuire
Associate Director
Corporate Partner Relations

Beth Settje
Associate Director
Experiential Learning

Fill out this [form](#) to register

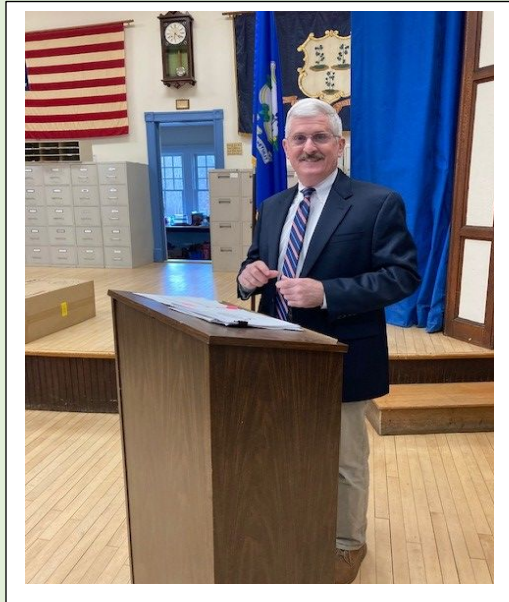
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WELCOME TO BOLTON'S NEW TOWN MODERATOR!



Bolton's new town Moderator Mark Altermatt, at the Special Town Meeting, on April 19th, where Board of Education dollars for a new set of locks for high school security were voted to be moved from one account to another for transparency and accuracy. Mark was elected in November and replaces long time veteran Moderator of 53 years, Kay Peterson.

CALENDAR

APRIL	23 rd	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	25 th	Fire Commission 7:00 p.m.
	26 th	Public Hearing - 7:00 p.m. Town Hall & Board of Finance Special Meeting (If Necessary) 7:00 p.m.
	26 th	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.
May	2 nd	Bolton Heritage Farm Commission 7:00 p.m.
	2 nd	Conservation Commission 7:00 p.m.
	2 nd -6 th	SCRAP METAL PICK UP WEEK - All items for collection should be curbside by 6 a.m. on May 2 nd
	3 rd	Annual Town Meeting - 6:30 p.m. (Town Hall)
	3 rd	Board of Selectmen 7:00 p.m.
	5 th	Board of Finance (if needed) 7:15 p.m.
	7 th	Recycle/Transfer Station OPEN - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
	10 th	Temporary Building Committee 7:00 p.m.
	10 th	Zoning Board of Appeals 7:00 p.m.
	11 th	Planning & Zoning Commission & Public Hearing 7:30 p.m.
	17 th	Branding Committee 6:30 p.m.
	17 th	Diversity Commission 7:00 p.m.
	19 th	Board of Finance 7:15 p.m.
	24 th	Referendum - 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. - ST. MAURICE CHURCH - RYBA HALL
	24 th	Inland Wetlands Commission 7:00 p.m.
	30 th	MEMORIAL DAY PARADE - 10:00 a.m. - Details Coming Soon!

All agendas and minutes are posted on the Town's website at: <http://town.boltonct.org>