



The Town of Sudbury, Massachusetts  
Town Manager's Weekly EMAIL – October 17, 2005

*Town staff and committees are constantly working to improve the quality of life in Sudbury. This weekly email is designed to share information with Town staff and committee members about the many programs and efforts that are underway.*

#### **Flynn Building Improvement Project Showing Results!**

The Flynn Building is looking better and better, thanks to a hard working committee headed by Mary Daniels of the Selectmen's office. This past week, seasonal flowers were planted in the front of the building in two spots and in urns at each of the front doors. Other decorative fall touches have been added in hallways and a new sign indicating location of offices has been installed inside the front doors. Thanks to Cavicchio Gardens for donating the plants, as well as Mary's subcommittee on landscaping - Martha Lynn, Cynthia Gerry, Elaine Taranto, and several others, for planning and implementing these improvements.

#### **Fire Fighters back from Gulf Area**

Doug Stone and Gary Bardsley have returned from their work for FEMA in the Hurricane region. When FEMA asked for volunteers from local fire departments to serve up to a 30 day deployment, Doug and Gary were quick to volunteer their efforts and Chief Ken MacLean and Assistant Town Manager Wayne Walker were equally quick to make all the arrangements necessary to allow Sudbury employees to perform temporary services for a Federal agency. It's good to have them back, but even better to know Sudbury was represented by them in the efforts to get the Hurricane region back on its feet.

#### **Maintenance Work Gets Done For Low Cost**

With budgets so tight, Fire Chief Ken MacLean found a way to get some much needed improvements accomplished at the Town's fire stations. Inmates from the Middlesex County Sheriff's Office are made available to Towns and Chief MacLean made arrangements to use this program. Fire headquarters is looking great after much landscape maintenance was done, and Station Three got a new coat of paint in the bedroom and bathroom. This work is done for the cost of materials and food. This is a great program, although sometimes the quality and skills of the inmates will vary. Bill Place has also used the inmates for work in the past.

#### **League of Women Voters Forum**

Selectman Larry O'Brien, Town Planner Jody Kablack and Planning Board Chairman Michael Fee are invited speakers at a Forum hosted by the League of Women Voters, titled "Sudbury Snapshot: A look at Development Projects in Town". As those of you who serve on land use committees or who work in the land use permitting offices of the Town know, there are always a number of projects in Town at some stage of planning or construction in Town. Some of these major projects are Town generated, and are consistent with the Master Plan of the Town or other goals that have been set, such as the new Town Centre project, or the ongoing efforts to find a way to bring sewer capacity to the Route 20 downtown area. Other projects are brought to

the Town by developers, such as the three current 40B affordable housing projects, or the several Senior Residential developments. In the latter case, Town staff and committees must work with the developers to try to make the project fit in with Town goals and character as best as possible. This forum is a chance for Sudbury residents to learn about the various projects going on in Town, and it will be taped for broadcast on Channel 8. The Forum is scheduled for October 18 at 7:30 pm at the Goodnow Library and the public is invited.

#### **40B Projects Put Demand on Board of Appeals Staff**

Speaking of major projects, I'd like to send a public acknowledgement and thank you to the Board of Appeals and to Mary Corley, who provides clerical and other support services to this Board. The Board of Appeals is the permit granting authority for Town for the three 40B affordable housing projects that have been the subject of numerous public hearings and discussions in recent months. This is an unprecedented work load for this Board and for Mary, who still must handle their regular work load at the same time. Town Planner Jody Kablack has been asked by the Board of Selectmen to assist the Board of Appeals as well on these projects.

#### **HOPEsudbury Telethon is on October 29, 2005**

I hope everyone has their calendars marked for the Telethon. The 2005 Telethon promises to be a fun, entertaining event showcasing a variety of local talent and featuring a host of great items and services for auction. Best of all, it's an opportunity for hundreds of friends and neighbors from our community to come together for a common cause—to help others in need. I've already volunteered to work at the Telethon and once again I will be donating "Lunch with the Town Manager" as an auction item. This has become a most enjoyable event for me as I get to meet and talk over issue with six residents of the Town and in the process I've gotten to know some terrific people. If you have a talent or item you can donate, please contact the HOPEsudbury committee through their website <http://hopesudbury.org/>. And don't forget to tune in and bid on the terrific items that are offered at the telethon.

#### **Senior Center News**

Senior Center Director Kris Kiesel announced that influenza vaccination clinics sponsored by the Sudbury Senior Center in cooperation with Parmenter VNA Community Care, will be held at the Senior Center on two dates this fall. Both clinics will be held from 1:00 to 5:00. On Monday, November 28, 2005, people with last names beginning A-L will be served. To prevent overcrowding, please come during the time slot allotted for your name: 1:00-2:00: A, B, C; 2:00-3:00: D, E, F; 3:00-4:00: G, H, I and 4:00-5:00: J, K, L. On Thursday, December 1, 2005, people with last names beginning M-Z will be served. Again, to prevent long wait, please come during the time slot allotted for your name: 1:00-2:00: M, N; 2:00-3:00: O, P, Q; 3:00-4:00: R, S, T, U, and 4:00-5:00: V, W, X, Y, Z. Kris reminds seniors to be sure to bring health insurance cards, since the cost of the vaccine may be billable to your insurance.

*My thanks to all the staff and volunteers who work hard to make these good things happen. You make Sudbury great!*

*Maureen Valente, Town Manager*