



**IN THIS ISSUE:**

**TOWN BUSINESS**

Hudson &  
**ARPA**

Page 6

**RECREATION**



Page 8

**BENSON PARK DONATION**



Page 9

**NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Page 15

# - MEMORIAL - DAY

## TOWN ACTIVITIES - MAY 30, 1949

In 1949 Memorial Day observations for Hudson were held over a two-day period. The activities were under the direction of American Legion Post #48 with Roger L. Boucher as Chairman of the Memorial Day Committee. On Sunday, May 29th the Legion and Auxiliary attended Mass at St. John The Evangelist Church. In the afternoon Post members joined with veterans' organizations from Nashua and parishioners of St. Patrick's Church Parish in the dedication of The War Memorial at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Hudson.

On Monday Morning, May 30, the parade assembled on First Street with the line of march proceeding to Ferry Street and down the hill to Library Park assembling near the World War I and World War II honor rolls. This parade included a police escort, parade marshal and representatives from veteran's and service



*Sherman Tank on Ferry Street 1949*



*Memorial Day Parade 1949*



*War Memorial at Library Park 2016*

*Continued from page 1*

organizations from Hudson and Nashua. In these photos we see a modified Sherman tank. According to newspaper write-ups the next day, there were actually six such tanks included in the Hudson parade. At Library Park Harry Salvail Past Post Commander was the Master of Ceremonies.

The guest speaker of the day was Elliot A. Carter of Nashua. Wreaths were placed on three markers in honor of those who gave their lives for their country.

On Monday afternoon American Legion Post 48 participated in the Memorial Day Program in Litchfield where a tablet was unveiled in honor of the war dead of Litchfield. The Sherman Tanks, at least five of them, proceeded to Nashua to participate in the Memorial Day parade through the streets of Nashua.



## **FIELD OF FLAGS LIBRARY PARK - 2023**

As has been the custom for the past few years, the American Legion Post #48 will sponsor the “Field of Flags” at Library Park. There will be some 138 flags displayed in honor of veterans or first responders. Flags will be proudly displayed along the Ferry Street side of Library Park in honor of those who served. Adjacent to the war memorial is a designated area for flags in memory of those who did not make it home. This “Field of Flags” is an ongoing collaboration spearheaded by the American Legion with assistance from numerous individuals and organizations.

Residents within the Hudson area are welcome to sponsor a flag to honor a service veteran or first responder. The deadline for adding flags for this year was March 30; however, applications can be made for next Year’s display. This is a nice way to honor a loved one on a special day! Applications are available by contacting the American Legion at 603-889-9777; if no answer leave a message and your call will be returned. Flags are displayed a few weeks prior to Memorial Day and remain on display until Flag Day on June 14. Flags are then removed and safely stored for another year. Each flag is expected to be serviceable for about 5 years. When your flag is no longer serviceable the Legion will contact you with an option to replace your flag.

Speaking for myself, viewing the “Field of Flags” at Library Park from any direction is truly awesome and inspiring!

*- Ruth Parker*

## **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MAY 29, 2023**

Don't forget this year's Memorial Day parade May 29! Parade assembly will occur at the Hannaford's parking lot on Derry Road; including the Alvirne High School Band, the Legion Band, and a firing squad. “Step out” will be at 2:00 pm and will proceed to Library Park for a memorial service after which will proceed to the American Legion building on Central Street. In case of rain a memorial service will be held at the American Legion.





# HAPPY Retirement!

## Jess

Jess is a lifelong resident of the Town of Hudson. He was hired by the Highway Department as a truck driver/laborer in 1987.

Due to his work ethic and dedication, Jess rapidly ascended the chain of command to the position of Public Works Director. He was responsible for planning, directing, conducting and administering all functions of the Public Works Department, the Drain/Sewer Division, the Equipment Maintenance Division, the Parks Division and the general activities of building, grounds, cemetery and Solid Waste Disposal.

Jess, along with his wife Jean, are looking forward to chillin' at their campsite with their beloved grandchildren and family.

Thank you Jess Forrence for your 36 years of service, you truly will be missed!

# Welcome

## DILLON!

We would like to welcome our newest member to the Board of Selectmen, Dillon Dumont.

Born in Nashua, Dillion has been a resident of Hudson for 28 years. He works for his family business and has served on the Town of Hudson's Planning Board for more than eight years.

Dillion and his wife Kayla have two young sons and they live in Hudson.



# Electronic Device Collection

Your one-stop-shop to keep electronics out of the landfill

May 13, 2023  
8AM to Noon  
25 Crown St.  
Nashua, NH

Bring your:  
Tablets  
Toasters  
TVs up to 72"  
Printers  
Computers  
Batteries  
Phones  
VCRs  
DVD/CD players  
Fans  
Lamps  
Cameras  
Computer cables  
and more!

## Donate, Repair & Recycle

### Donate:

Working electronics, small appliances:  
items that work well but you no longer need.

*Charitable donation receipts available.*

### Repair:

Electronic items you think can be fixed.  
Skilled volunteers will take a look and  
return to you after the event.

*Free!*

### Recycle:

Broken electronics, cords, batteries, etc.

*Tax-deductible donations suggested to help pay  
for responsible recycling. Cash or check.*

Questions?

[info@makeitlabs.com](mailto:info@makeitlabs.com)

NRPC: 603-417-6570

**Make**  **Labs**



# Hudson ARPA &

Throughout the United States, local units of government are working to determine how to spend funds from a piece of federal legislation passed in 2021 called the American Rescue Plan Act. These funds have been distributed to nearly all municipalities, and reflect a once-in-a-generation opportunity for cities and towns to address needs that have been underfunded for decades. However, many people do not know what is in this legislation, or why it is so important. Below, describes what ARPA is and answers how Hudson is utilizing the allocated monies.

## What is ARPA?

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) is a \$1.9 trillion stimulus bill passed by the US Congress and signed into order March of 2021. The bill was a response to the COVID-19 Pandemic and sought to speed the United States' recovery by addressing both the health and economic impacts of the pandemic. In addition to provisions like direct checks to individuals, an expanded Child Tax Credit, and enhanced unemployment benefits, the bill also included \$350 billion in funding to states and local governments to address losses in revenue that they had during the pandemic. In addition to filling these gaps, much of this funding is available to be spent on key projects in cities and towns across America.

## How is Hudson Utilizing the Funding?

ARPA funded projects are covered 100% with a zero cost to Hudson residents. These are a few of our projects already in progress:

- **Flagstone Drive Drainage:** Rehabilitation of 1600 linear feet of 30"-32" drainage pipe along the business district in the Executive Drive area.
- **Lowell Rd. Bridge over First Brook:** This bridge is listed on the "red list" by the state and work is scheduled to begin early this summer.
- **Transfer Station Infrastructure:** An upgrade, including the removal of a failing block wall, drainage improvements, access improvements, compliance with today's industry standards and much needed expansion of our collection capabilities and more. This job has been completed.
- **HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) Repair:** Two locations, Town Hall and the Community Center, are currently having the HVAC and compressors replaced.
- **Gas & Diesel Tank Design and Construction:** Replacing the current aging fuel and diesel tanks located at the Department of Public Works (DPW) with a new pump station which will provide all town vehicles, DPW, Fire and Police, with a new facility for fueling.

- **Catch Basin Cleaning:** Currently out to bid, catch basin cleaning in sensitive areas will aid the town in meeting EPA standards improving watershed areas.
- **Storm Water BMP's:** Executing the design and construction of Best Management Practices (BMP) for projects along watershed areas improving water quality via treatment swales. Swales are channels with soft slopes preventing water from rushing through and disturbing vegetation during storms.
- **Robinson Pond Phosphorus Reduction:** Currently out to bid, this design project is affiliated in identifying engineering solutions to reduce phosphorus found in local bodies of water.

**State ARPA** funded projects are an 80/20 percent split match from the state. This means the state funds 80% of the project and the other 20% is funded by the destination town or city. Here are a few projects in Hudson currently in progress using State ARPA funding:

- **Taylor Falls & Veterans Memorial Bridge Construction:** This a Hudson and Nashua rehabilitation project to be split 50/50 for cost repair to the two bridges. The estimated cost for repairs is 2.5 million dollars. Two million dollars (80%) will be funded with federal funds (FHWA, Federal Highway Administration), by means of the state, and the remaining half million dollars (20%) will be split with Hudson and Nashua each paying \$250,000 (10%). Hudson's cost will be fully funded by a one-time surplus of \$677,288.37 the state forwarded to the town specifically defined as a Bridge Work Program. Taxpayers will not pay one penny for this project.
- Currently, there are three other ongoing bridge repairs using these funds:
  - ◊ Lowell Rd. and Birch St. Bridge (over Second Brook)
  - ◊ Melendy Rd. Bridge (over First Brook)
  - ◊ County Rd. Bridge (over Second Brook)

The remainder of the Bridge Work Program money will be used in future bridge work in Hudson.

### **What can funds not be spent on?**

The uses of state and local funds from ARPA are intentionally broad, but there are clear categories that are not allowable uses of these funds. According to the Department of the Treasury, funds may not be used for:

- A reduction in taxes
- Payments for debt service
- Replenishing "rainy day funds" (government savings accounts)
- Satisfaction of settlements and judgements
- Any other uses that contravene or violate ARPA, conflict of interest requirements, and other federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

### **When must funds be spent by?**

All funds must be used for costs incurred on or after March 3, 2021 and funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026.

# Hudson Recreation Department

In partnership with **USTA**  present...

## Summer TENNIS IN THE PARKS



This program is for brand-new or beginner tennis players. Led by a SafeSport approved coach, we focus on FUN and learning the basics. We use age-appropriate equipment that makes learning easy.

*This program is presented by Wilson.*

Every first-time player receives a free tennis racquet and a ball!

### Program Details:

July 24 - July 28

Monday – Friday

- Grades 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> - (Red Ball) - 4:00pm - 5:15pm
- Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> - (Orange Ball)- 5:15pm - 6:30pm
- Grades 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> - (Green Ball)- 6:30pm - 7:45pm

Location: Alvirne High School Tennis Courts 200  
Derry Rd Hudson, NH

**\$80 Registration fee online at**

[www.hudsonnh.gov/recreation](http://www.hudsonnh.gov/recreation)



Registration  
opens on

**May 5**

**@ 7:00pm**

and expected to fill  
fast!

**8 spots per level!**



# Benson's Park Wooden Lithographic Printing Plate Makes Its Way Home



The Benson's Park wooden lithograph is a donation from the Estate of Richard B. Ahlquist, originally of Saugus Massachusetts.

Richard passed away in June 2022 in Melbourne Beach, Florida. His niece by marriage, Judy Ahlquist, found the wooden lithographic plate when cleaning out Richard's estate this past November. It is not known how he came into possession of the lithographic plate. He may have acquired it when he still lived in Saugus and brought it to Florida when he moved there or he may have purchased it from an auction in Florida.

As a child in the 1940's and 1950's, Richard visited Benson's Wild Animal Farm many times with his family. This memento meant a lot to Richard. It could have been because of the memories he had of visiting the Animal Farm and also because "Benson" was his grandmother's maternal name.

We thank the family of Richard B. Ahlquist for making the donation of this item in his memory. We also thank Judy's cousin Peggy Keenan of Madison, CT, who assisted in researching the lithograph plate was instrumental in facilitating its return to Benson Park.



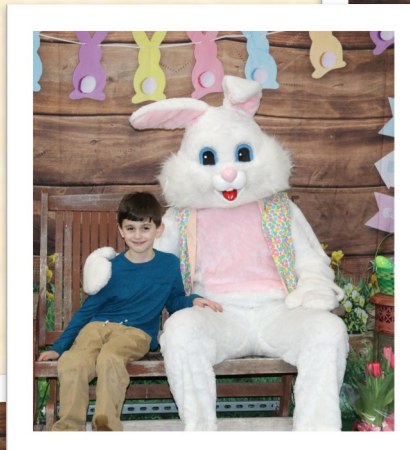
*From left, Benson Park Committee Chairman, Jack Madden, Friends of Benson's park Chairman, John Leone and Friends of Benson's Park Secretary, Natalie Newell, accepting the wooden lithograph.*

# Easter Bunny Brunch Bash



On April 8, 2023, the Recreation Department hosted our second annual "Easter Bunny Brunch Bash". The event took place from 11:00am – 2:00pm at the Community Center. Over 160 adults and children enjoyed a waffle breakfast with a self-serve topping bar, arts and crafts, games, goody bags, and complimentary pictures with the Easter Bunny.

A special thank you to our amazing group of community volunteers who helped to make the event a success. We look forward to next years.




# HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE

The Town of Hudson Water Utility will be performing the annual town-wide flushing of the water distribution system. The flushing will be completed by WhiteWater, Inc., the certified operator of the Town's water system. Flushing is scheduled to start on **Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, from 10:00 PM to 4:00 AM** and will likely continue into June. The intent of the flushing program is to clean out the sediment that collects in the water mains, to examine the areas that might have lower water pressure and to inspect the fire hydrants for fire protection.

WhiteWater will begin flushing at the Litchfield town line and proceed into Hudson and into individual pressure zones moving toward the extremities of the town. The Hudson Water Utility will keep customers informed of the flushing areas by posting on our website & on our Facebook page.

If possible, customers should avoid using water when hydrants are being flushed in your area such that discolored water is not drawn into the building. If you experience discolored water the best remedy would be to flush exterior hose bibs and if you don't have one, use kitchen faucets, until the water clears. If you are a landlord, please see that your tenants receive this notice.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to contact the Town of Hudson Water Utility at 603-886-6002 (hours 8:00am to 4:30pm).



**HYDRANT FLUSHING BEGINS:  
Sunday, May 7th, 2023  
10:00 P.M. to 4:00 A.M.**

2023 Memorial



Day Parade



The **Hudson America Legion** will be hosting a Memorial Day parade on May 29th, 2023. The parade will begin at 2pm in front of Hannaford's parking lot and proceed to the Hudson Common for a short service. When the service is over, the parade will continue on and finish at The American Legion Post 48.

We hope to see you there to

**HONOR THE VETERANS WHO DIED BRAVELY SERVING OUR COUNTRY.**



SIGN UP NOW TO RECEIVE

**NEWS**  
Public Notices  
**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

BY EMAIL!

**GET THEM NOW!**

## Town Hall Announcements

Public Works will be adjusting Sewer Covers on Lowell Road from Central Street to Flagstone Drive starting Monday November 15 at 7am

Please Use Caution



**TOWN OF HUDSON**  
Planning Board  
Timothy Malley, Chairman     Robert Casselard, Selectmen Liaison  
12 School Street     Hudson, New Hampshire 03051     Tel: 603-885-0015     Fax: 603-894-1142

**MASTER PLAN PUBLIC HEARING:**  
March 22, 2023

The Town of Hudson Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, March 22, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Buxton Meeting Room at Town Hall, 12 School Street, Hudson, NH for adoption of updates to:

1. Community Facilities Chapter of the Master Plan
2. Historic Resources Chapter of the Master Plan.



In your role as Board or Committee member, you will review various Town topics and issues assisting the Board of Selectmen in making informed decisions and formulating policy.

### CURRENT OPENINGS

Board/Committee	Member	Alternate
Benson Park Committee	0	2
Cable Utility Committee	4	0
Conservation Commission	0	1
Planning Board	1	1
Recreation Committee	2	1
Sustainability Committee	3	2
Zoning Board of Adjustment	0	2

To find out more, simply click on the name of the Board or Committee of interest. For an application, click [here](#).

## We're HIRING

Thank you for your interest in joining the Town of Hudson Team.

Paper applications are available at the Town Administration Office or online. You can email, snail mail, or apply in person. Applications are accepted only in response to listed vacancies.

We appreciate your interest with the Town of Hudson.

### CURRENT OPENINGS

**FIREFIGHTER-EMT/AEMT/MEDIC** - Fire Department

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR** - Land Department

**ASSOCIATE PLANNER** - Land Department

**DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS** - DPW



## WE ARE HIRING!

The Hudson Fire Department is looking to add to our team of hardworking, committed individuals with a passion for public service.

Applications are now being accepted for Firefighters with EMS licenses. Must be certified to a minimum of EMT and must obtain AEMT by end of probation.

To learn more about this opportunity and all that Hudson Fire has to offer, please visit our fire [recruitment page](#).

Applications will be accepted until all positions are filed.

**Join our team, apply today!**

# A Recipe From Town Hall

## Elvis's Famous Mac & Cheese

Elvis Dhima, Engineering Department

- 16 oz. box pasta of your choice
- 2 cans Campbell's cheese soup
- 1 1/2 cans of milk (use cheese soup can)
- 1/4 - 1/2 lb. deli sliced American cheese
- 1 pkg. shredded cheddar cheese
- 4-5 Ritz crackers
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees
- Boil pasta to al dente, drain
- Add cheese soup & milk (using soup can to measure milk) to pasta, mix until smooth
- Put half the pasta in a baking or casserole dish
- Cover the pasta with slices of American cheese in rows, add cheddar if desired
- Add remaining pasta, repeat cheese layers
- Crush Ritz crackers & sprinkle over top
- Bake for 30 minutes

### Meeting Calendar

## May 2023

Cable Utility Cmte. 8  
7:00 pm  
Conservation Comm.  
7:00 pm

Board of Selectmen 9  
7:00 pm

Budget Cmte. 3  
7:00 pm  
CODE OF ETHICS  
7:00 pm

Planning Board 10  
7:00 pm

Zoning Board 11  
7:00 pm

Municipal Utility 16  
7:00 pm

Library Trustees 17  
7:00 pm  
HEAC  
7:00 pm

Benson Park Cmte. 18  
7:00 pm

Sustainability Cmte. 22  
7:00 pm

Board of Selectmen 23  
7:00 pm

Planning Board 24  
7:00 pm

Zoning Board 25  
7:00 pm

**TOWN HALL** 29  
**CLOSED**  
Memorial Day

*Click on any meeting to view the agenda for that specified date.*

**SUBSCRIBE NOW**

**Click here to receive The Town Crier!**

**Have Something to Say? Send Us a Comment!**



# NEWS & Announcements

## Contact Us:

- Administration ..... 886-6024
- Assessor ..... 886-6009
- Board of Selectmen ..... 886-1224
- Fire Department ..... 886-6021
- Finance Department ..... 886-6000
- Human Resources ..... 595-6518
- Information Technology ..... 886-6000
- Inspectional Services ..... 886-6005
- Land Use ..... 886-6008
  - ◇ Engineering
  - ◇ Planning
  - ◇ Zoning
- Police Department ..... 886-6011
- Public Works ..... 886-6018
- Recreation Department ..... 880-1600
- Rodgers Memorial Library 886-6030
- Sewer Utility ..... 886-6029
- Town Clerk ..... 886-6003
  - ◇ Car/Boat Registrations
  - ◇ Taxes
  - ◇ Voter Registration
  - ◇ Vital Records



### **BLASTING NOTICE**

GM Drilling & Blasting will be blasting this month. Click to see location.



### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION**

Check out our Summer Program page for details and to register!



### **LOW INCOME HOMEOWNER TAX RELIEF AVAILABLE**

New Hampshire's Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief program.



### **CURRENT BIDS & REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS**

See the list of Bids and RFPs the town is currently seeking.

## Board of Selectmen:

- Kara Roy**
- Bob Guessferd**
- Marilyn McGrath**
- David Morin**
- Dillon Dumont**



# hudsonnh.gov

*For ALL current News & Announcements*