



The Town Crier



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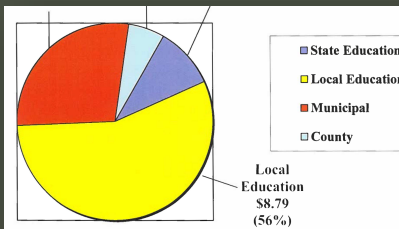
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Remember - Honor - Teach

These three words: **Remember-Honor-Teach** are the hallmark of Wreaths Across America. **Remember** the Fallen...**Honor** those who serve...**Teach** our children the value of Freedom.

The 2023 Annual Wreath Day Ceremony will take place at the Hills House at 211 Derry Road on December 16 at 11 AM. This is an outside ceremony, so bring a folding chair if one is needed. Following the ceremony snacks and hot drinks will be available inside the Hills House, providing an opportunity to visit one another and view the downstairs of the House which has been decorated for the holiday season.

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*2022 Hudson Police Department Color Guard
at Hills House*



Wreath entrance at Westview Cemetery

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This is the fifth year Wreaths Across America, Hudson, NH has participated in this national event which includes over 40,000 locations nationwide and overseas. Following the ceremony, in Hudson, previously registered volunteers will proceed to seven of our cemeteries and honor each veteran by placing a wreath at their gravesite. The volunteer will state the name of the veteran and a few words about his/her service. By the end of the day 400 buried in Hudson remembered. Wreaths are also placed at the several veterans' monuments throughout the Town.

Location Coordinator, Christina Madden, and sponsor, Hudson Memorial VFW Post 5791, thank the many organizations and individuals who help with this project, including, Hudson Police Dept., Hudson Fire Dept., Town of Hudson DPW, American Legion Post #48, Alvirne High JROTC, Hudson Historical Society, Knights of Columbus, local Boy and Girl Scouts, Town of Hudson Selectmen, HCTV, the active duty and retired service members who take part in the Wreath Day Ceremony, and all our faithful volunteers and their families who place wreaths on the graves starting at noon.

Hudson Cemeteries

Last month's newsletter showed how the founding of each of our five ancient cemeteries was influenced by the town boundaries and settlements. Of these the Ford, Blodgett, Senter, and Old Hudson Center cemeteries are maintained by the town under the jurisdiction of the Town Cemetery Trustees. The gravesites of veterans, mostly from the Colonial Wars, Revolutionary, War of 1812, and the Civil War have been identified and will be honored on Wreath Day. The Town Cemetery Trustees can be contacted via their page on the [Town website](#).



2022 Hudson Police Department Color Guard at Hills House

Hills Farm Cemetery remains active and is under the jurisdiction of the Hills Farm Cemetery Trustees. 118 veterans from all wars and conflicts are remembered here on Wreath Day

The **Cemetery of the Unknown** was a part of the town poor farm located in the northwest section of Hudson on what is now Old Derry Road. There are no headstones, and no records to identify who is interred there. The farm was purchased by the town in 1828, in the days when the resident poor were kept at the town farm. Any resident who spent their final months there likely found their final resting place within the cemetery at the end of a field behind the house.

The farm and the cemetery were sold in 1868. The perimeter of the cemetery is now identified by a chain fence and a single monument erected in memory of all interred there. For Wreath Day a single wreath will be placed for all veterans who may be buried there. This cemetery is under the jurisdiction of the Town Cemetery Trustees.





VFW Honor Guard at Sunnyside Cemetery

Sunnyside Cemetery—As the town grew and burial space in the older cemeteries became limited, the need for this cemetery arose. It is located on the north side of the highway at 98 Central Street with a stone wall and an entrance from Central Street. On Wreath Day some 75 veterans will be honored. This cemetery is closed to future burials. It is in the process of becoming a town cemetery under the jurisdiction of the Town cemetery trustees.

Westview Cemetery—Located at 19 Burnham Road, this cemetery was organized in 1849 when burial space was unavailable in the Old Hudson Center Cemetery. Westview is a private cemetery managed by a Board of Trustees. Burials are permitted as space is available for families who have previously purchased a plot. On Wreath Day some 132 veterans will be honored.

St Patrick's and Holy Cross Cemeteries—St Patrick's was established about 1857 by the St Patrick's Church of Nashua on Derry Road. Holy Cross was established about 1910 by St, Cashmir's Church of Nashua nearby on Ledge Road. Since Wreaths Across America is not allowed to place wreaths in these cemeteries, veterans buried there will not have wreaths placed at their graves. Instead, at the Wreath Day Ceremony, two members of the Knights of Columbus will present ceremonial wreaths for those veterans.

Each town owned and private cemetery has a contact for information and assistance. These contacts are identified on the Cemetery Trustee page of the [Town website](#).

For further history on each of our cemeteries go to the following website: [Remember Hudson NH When](#).

On the right side of the home page, you will see a "category" box with a pull-down menu. From this menu click on "cemeteries". Written by Ruth Parker, Volunteer for Hudson Historical Society with inputs from and thanks to Cristina Madden. ♦

RECYCLE YOUR LIGHTS!

November 22, 2023 – January 7, 2024

Drop Off Locations:

- Town Hall: 12 School Street
- Rodgers Memorial Library: 194 Derry Rd.
- Rotary Club Representative's House: 9 Campello St

PLEASE NOTE:

- Place string lights loose in the marked boxes (do not bag them!)
- Be sure strings are free from any debris.
- Sorry, we cannot accept pre-lit trees or garlands.



Troop 20, Hudson NH

Hudson Sustainability Committee
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle
 
Hudson Sustainability
hudsonsustainability@gmail.com



Hudson Litchfield Rotary Club

Hudson to Upgrade Sewer Cameras

The Town of Hudson Department of Public Works is seeking equipment which will provide the means to inspect the sewer mains and private sewer services with higher quality. At this time, the department is out to bid for the cameras and will receive bids until the beginning of this month. Requirements for the new equipment will include a command vehicle and a 16 foot long truck with a camera connected to a control room. This equipment will replace the outdated equipment we currently have and will be used to inspect sewer mains and drainage mains as well as future mains we take ownership of. Other requirements the winning bidder should have are a truck mounted sewer camera inspection system, a pan, tilt and zoom camera, a high definition robotic tractor with large and small pneumatic tires, and importantly, an advanced computer system for optimum control. The winning bidder will be announced on our [Bids and RFPs page](#).



TOWN OF HUDSON, NH BLASTING NOTICE

**GM Drilling and Blasting will be
conducting blasting at the
following location:**

**Robinson Road
Map 105 Lot 17-2**

**Blasting will occur on and off from
12/1/2023 through 2/29/2024.**

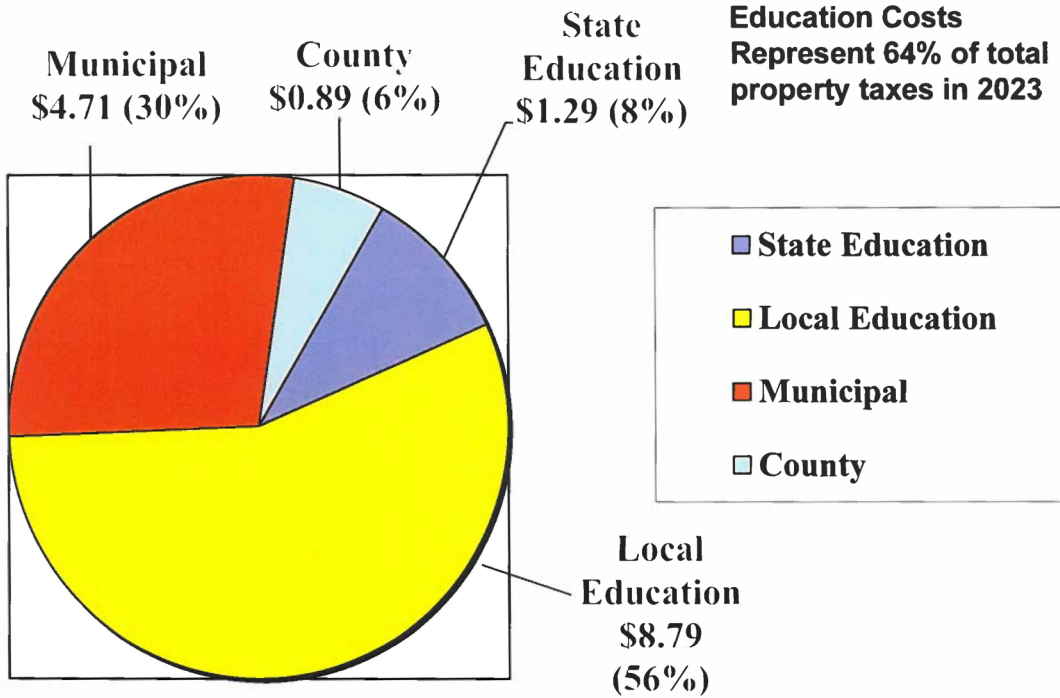


OUR FACEBOOK FAMILY

*See what's going on in each
department on social media!*

- ◆ [Town Hall](#)
- ◆ [Rodgers Library](#)
- ◆ [Recreation](#)
- ◆ [Police](#)
- ◆ [Fire](#)
- ◆ [HCTV](#)

2023 Property Tax Breakdown: \$15.68



The Town of Hudson’s tax rate for 2023 has been set by the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration at \$15.68 per thousand of valuation. This rate is \$0.99 higher than the 2022 tax rate of \$14.69.

As indicated above, the breakdown is:

County	\$0.89 (6%)
State Education	\$1.29 (8%)
Municipal (Town)	\$4.71 (30%)
Local Education	\$8.79 (56%)

HOW TO CALCULATE PROPERTY TAXES

PROPERTY TAXES =
(Assessed Value x Property Tax Rate)/1000

EXAMPLE:

Assessed Value of Home: \$500,000
 Property Tax Rate: \$15.68
 (\$500,000 x 15.68)/1000 = \$7,840

Property Tax Of Home Is: \$7,840

COMPARISON TO SURROUNDING FY23 TAX RATES

Derry \$20.68	Londonderry N/A	Merrimack ... \$19.45	Pelham\$18.19
Litchfield \$20.94	(\$18.48 for FY22)	Nashua \$18.23	Salem\$16.96

The Hudson Recreation Department presents..

Santa Claus

IS COMING TO TOWN



You better watch out,
You better not cry,
better not pout,
I'm telling you why...



Santa Claus

is Comin' to Hudson

Don't Miss This!

Santa's Sleigh Ride Through Hudson!

Sunday December 10th
Starting at 12:00pm

save the date



Because Hudson is on Santa Claus's Nice List this year again, he has teamed up with the Hudson Recreation Department to make a special trip to our town before Christmas!

Check out Santa's route! He may be riding down your street!
You can track him during the route only on the Recreation Facebook page!



Any questions please email Recreation Director, Chrissy Peterson @ cpeterson@hudsonnh.gov

Hudson Recreation Departments Santa's Sleigh Ride Through Hudson

Santa Claus
Comin' to Town!



On Sunday December 10th, beginning at 12:00pm, **Santa Claus** will be riding through the streets of Hudson! Santa will start his sleigh ride on the south end of town at the Ayotts's lot, and will follow the route below. He will also pass through the NWEST, Community Ctr. and AHS parking lots for anyone who wants to go see him, but street is not on his route. He will also drive right past the Burns Hill Fire Department. Make sure to watch for him outside and wave to him! . He is excited to see everyone! To track **Santa's sleigh ride** that day, follow the **Town of Hudson Recreation Department Facebook page** for updates on his journey!



GOOD OLD MEAT PIE

- 1 recipe pastry for a 9 inch single crust pie
- 3 tablespoons margarine
- ½ cup chopped onion
- 1 potato, diced
- ½ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- ¼ teaspoon black pepper
- 1 ¼ cups beef broth
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1 cup frozen green peas
- 2 cups cubed cooked or leftover beef

1. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F (220 degrees C). On a lightly floured surface, roll the pie crust out into a 12 inch circle. Set aside.
2. Melt margarine in a saucepan over medium heat. Add potato and onion, and cook until the onion is tender, but not brown. Sprinkle the flour over the mixture, and stir to blend. Season with oregano, black pepper and garlic powder. Pour in the beef broth, and add the peas, carrot and beef. Bring to a boil. Transfer the mixture to a 2 quart casserole dish, and place the pastry over the top. Cut slits for steam, and flute the edges.
3. Place on a baking sheet, and bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until crust is golden. Let stand 10 minutes before serving to thicken.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

CURRENT OPENINGS ...

Board/Committee	Member	Alternate
Benson Park Committee	0	2
Budget Committee	1	0
Cable Utility Committee	3	0
Conservation Commission	0	1
Municipal Utility Committee	0	1
Planning Board	1	0
Recreation Committee	2	1
Sustainability Committee	2	1
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 ARE 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.

Again, we appreciate your interest with the Town of Hudson.

FIREFIGHTER-EMT/AEMT/MEDIC

Fire Department

TOWN PLANNER

Planning Department



December 2023 MEETING CALENDAR

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday



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

Highway Safety Cmte.
8:30am
Budget Cmte.
6:30pm

Budget Cmte.
6:30pm

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Cable Utility Cmte.
7:00pm

Board of Selectmen
7:00pm

Budget Cmte.
6:30pm

Zoning Board
7:00pm

Conservation Comm.
7:00pm

Planning Board
7:00pm

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Sustainability Cmte.
7:00pm

Budget Cmte.
6:30pm
Municipal Utility
7:00pm

CANCELLED—
Library Trustees
6:00pm
HEAC
7:00pm

Benson Park Cmte.
7:00pm

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- 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



HUDSON POLICE DEPARTMENT CITIZEN SURVEY

The Hudson Police Department values the feedback of citizens so we may better serve our community. Please take our survey.



TOWN PLANNER POSITION

The town of Hudson, NH is accepting resumes for the position of Town Planner. Working under the general direction of the Town Administrator, the Town Planner will be responsible for planning, organizing and directing the Town's planning function in support of the Town's business requirements.

When Calling Town Hall ...

Town Clerk — 886-6003

Motor vehicle registrations, marriage licenses, birth/marriage/death certificates, property taxes, notary public services, dog licenses, election information

Land Use — 886-6008

Planning, engineering, conservation, zoning, setbacks, determinations, property issues, driveway concerns, utilities: sewer/water, drainage

Inspectional Services — 886-6005

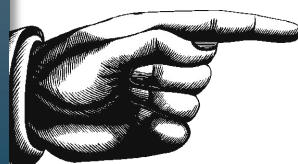
Building permits and applications, additions: garages, sheds, fences, codes and references

Public Works — 886-6018

Transfer station hours and rules, Benson Park questions, snow and ice removal, yard waste collection

Board of Selectmen:

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



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