



Laconia Links

May 8, 2015 - Edition #184

Springtime in Lakeport

Recycling Update

Two Week Total - April 13, 2015 through April 24, 2015

Fiscal YTD Recyclables Collected = 1,222.24		Savings to Taxpayers Fiscal YTD * (@ \$150/ton) = \$183,336.00		Lost Opportunity Dollars Fiscal YTD = \$38,152.50	
Route	Total Tons Collected (MSW + Recycling)	Total Tons Recyclables	Percent Recycled	Tonnage Required to Reach 30% Target	2 Week Lost Savings By Not Reaching Target
Remote Sites		27.32			
Monday	25.30	5.94	23.5%	7.59	\$247.50
Tuesday	42.01	11.55	27.5%	12.60	\$157.50
Wednesday	43.22	8.33	19.3%	12.97	\$696.00
Thursday	37.19	8.85	23.8%	11.16	\$346.50
Friday	37.58	7.01	18.6%	11.27	\$639.00
	Total = 185.30	Route Total = 41.68	Curbside Avg. = 22.5%	Total = 55.59	Total = \$2,086.50
*Fiscal Year to Date: 7/1/14 - present			Prior 2 Weeks = 22.6%	Recycling Saves \$\$	

Welcome to Laconia Links a weekly email newsletter update devoted to keeping you informed of City of Laconia department news, City projects, useful links, activities and events!

Look for a new edition of the newsletter each Friday. If you have already signed up to be on our distribution list to receive your newsletter by e-mail, thank you for your interest! If you would like to be added to our e-mail list (or to unsubscribe), please click [here](#).

As always, we welcome your ideas and comments as to what you would like to see included in future issues. Just give us a call in the City Manager's office at 527-1270, or contact us by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

We look forward to keeping you up to date on our beautiful City!



Laconia City Council Budget Workshop Schedule

May 11, 2015, 6 pm:
Water Dept. & School

June 1, 2015, 7 pm:
Police, Fire, Parks & Rec., Facilities

June 8, 2015, 6 pm:
Assessing, Library

June 15, 2015, 7 pm:
Planning, Code, Conservation, Public Works, Admin. & Finance

June 22, 2015, 6 pm:
Follow-up/general

July 13, 2015, 7 pm:
Budget Adoption

Meetings are open to the public - be involved in how the City spends its tax dollars! Questions? Call the City Manager's Office at 527-1270

Laconia Public Library **Upcoming Events.....**

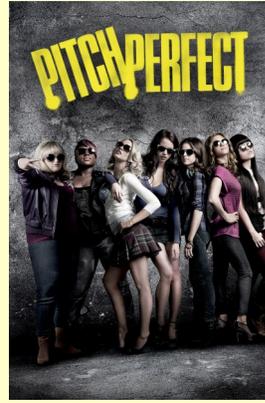
Teens - PlayStation2 Retirement



Tuesday, May 12th @ 3pm in
Laconia Rotary Hall



Teens in grades 6-12 can say farewell to an OLD friend with some PS2 gaming. Get nostalgic playing some oldies but goodies!



Teen "Pitch Perfect" Sing-along!

Friday, May 22nd @ 3:00 pm
in Laconia Rotary Hall.
Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to sing-along to this cool movie!
Admission is free.

Beca, a freshman at Barden University, is cajoled into joining The Bellas, her school's all-girls singing group. Injecting some much needed energy into their repertoire, the Bellas take on their male rivals in a campus competition.



Upcoming Meetings...

Keeping the public updated and aware of what's going on in our community and receiving residents' feedback is an important goal of the City Council. Check each week's issue of *Laconia Links* for a schedule of the upcoming week's meetings. As agendas become available, they will be posted to the City's website.

You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda. Meetings are open to the public. You are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

Follow this [link](#) to the "Calendar" page of the City of Laconia's website. Click on a specific meeting for more information.

Please check the "Calendar" page often for updated info and changes.

*Become involved in your City
and make a difference!*

Conservation Commission

May 13, 2015, 6:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

Water Commission

May 14, 2015, 8:00 am
117 Stark St., Water Treatment
Facility Conference Room

Downtown Tax Increment Financing Advisory Group

May 14, 2015, 10:00 am
City Hall, Room 200B

City Council

May 11, 2015
Budget Workshop: 6 pm
Regular Meeting: 7 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Agenda

City Council Finance Comm.

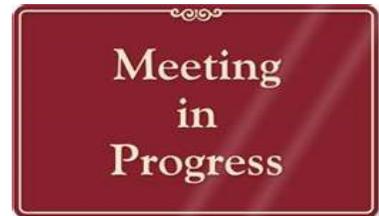
May 12, 2015, 7:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Technical Review Comm. I

May 13, 2015, 10:00 am
City Hall, Room 200A

Heritage Commission

May 13, 2015, 5:00 pm
City Hall, Room 200A



LACONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ensuring success with every student, every day, in every way



[Laconia High School Website](#)



[Huot Career Tech Center Website](#)



[Laconia Middle School Website](#)



[Elm Street School Website](#)



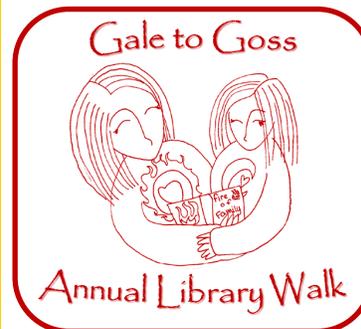
[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights School Website](#)

WEEK AT A GLANCE IN LACONIA

5/11	5/12	5/13	5/14	5/15
	ESS Student Government Meeting @3:15	PSS Walk to School Wednesday - 8:10 @ Opechee Park		Winter Wonderland LHS Junior/Senior Prom - Gunstock Mt. Resort 7 pm



3RD ANNUAL GALE TO GOSS TO GOSS LIBRARY WALK SLATED FOR 5/16

Join us for the 3rd Annual community walking tour on the WOW Trail on Saturday, May 16th, 10am starting at 695 North Main Street. We will meet on the library lawn where there will be an opportunity to have your photo taken, sign up for a library card and meet members of your community. Enjoy Laconia Middle School's original WOW Trail Mix and a beverage. Each youth participant will receive a Gale to Goss tee-shirt, a FREE raffle ticket for a chance to win 1 of 2 Kindle Fire tablets and a book to take home and enjoy with family or a friend. On the trail walk, run, skip, hop or jump and enjoy Story Trail featuring "Bear Wants More" written by Karma Wilson, sponsored by Altrusa International of Laconia. Once we reach Goss Reading Room we will give each youth participant a book to take home and raffle off two Kindles! We will end our event with a ride back to the Gale Memorial Library from Molly the Trolley. Click [here](#) for more details and contact information.



Please check out our new district website [here](#)



PLEASANT STREET SCHOOL IS ON FACEBOOK!

Pleasant Street School has jumped into the social media world to keep their families connected with events and activities that are happening there! Please take a moment to "like" their page and check out the great student and staff videos on "What I am proud of".



Follow us on Twitter

Follow Laconia School District on [Twitter](#)

City Manager Updates

Two new updates have been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

First, take a look at the updated [Financial & Operational Trends](#) report. In this document you'll find financial information for the current year compared to prior years in several departments, such as fire and rescue call data, revenue from motor vehicle registrations and property taxes, winter storm costs, police incidents, overtime costs and much more!

Next, check out the current version of the [Monthly Economic Development Report](#). This report contains information pertaining to Laconia's unemployment rate and wages, as well as business and economic development partnerships.

We hope you find these reports helpful and informative!

Contact the City Mgr's office at
527-1270, or
info@city.laconia.nh.us



When Opportunity Stops Knocking

New Hampshire's Kids and the American Dream

Join a statewide conversation to share ideas with neighbors, hear the latest research, and inform the presidential primary campaigns about the increasing barriers our state's children face in achieving their dreams.

Participants will learn about what the gaps are between the opportunities children have today compared with those of previous generations in our state. Research from the Carsey School and other sources will help frame the discussion.

Register at nhlistens.org/events.



Wednesday, May 6
Berlin
Laconia
Nashua

Thursday, May 7
Manchester
Pittsfield
Plymouth

Tuesday, May 12
Keene
Lancaster
Portsmouth

Wednesday, May 13
Concord
Lebanon
Rochester

Hosted by NH Listens, a civic engagement initiative of the Carsey School of Public Policy at UNH

News From the Laconia Water Department



In celebration of Drinking Water Week, the Board of Water Commissioners cordially invites the public to our water treatment plant. There will be tours of the treatment plant as well as a slide show of recent renovations.

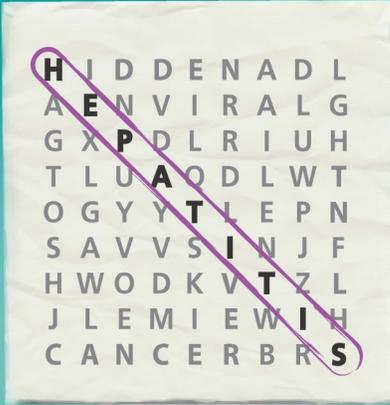
Refreshments will be served so grab a cookie and see how your water is processed to make it safe to drink and meet the technicians who perform this procedure daily.

Come learn the history of the Water Department and view our scrap books and photos albums.



A Medication Collection and Disposal Box is located in the lobby of the Laconia Police Department for your convenience in disposing of old or unused prescription drugs in a safe manner. Open 24 hrs/day, 7 days/wk. The collection box is accessible 24 hrs a day, 7 days a week!





HEPATITIS C. OFTEN HIDDEN. OFTEN THE CAUSE OF LIVER CANCER.

CDC recommends everyone born from
1945-1965 get tested for Hepatitis C.

Free Walk-in Testing at Laconia Family Planning
Saturday, May 16 9:00 - 12:00 or Tuesday, May 19 2:30 - 5:30



U.S. Department of
Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease
Control and Prevention

Laconia Family Planning Program
Lakes Region Family Center
Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties
121 Belmont Road
Laconia, NH 03246
603-524-5453 www.cdc.gov/knowmorehepatitis

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LACONIA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT



Senior/Senior Prom



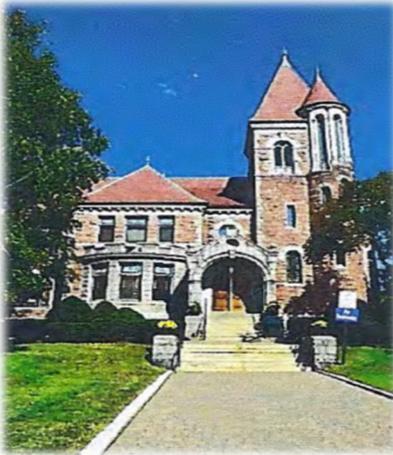
May 21, 2015
4:30 - 7:30pm
At the Laconia
Community Center
FREE, but first come
first served.
Call 524-5046
to register.

Senior citizens and senior class members have
dinner and dance together during a spectacular
evening of fun and food!

Please plan to join us!

Mark Your Calendar!

Join us on Saturday, May 16th at 10:00 am for the 3rd
annual Library Community Walk!



Celebrate the love of reading with a community walking tour on the
WOW Trail. The tour will begin at Gale Memorial Library
on North Main Street and end at the Goss Reading Room on
Elm Street. The day includes stories, a raffle, books for
youth participants, a snack, plus
much more! The event will end
with a ride back to the Gale
Memorial Library from *Molly the
Trolley!*



For information contact Randy Brough, 524-4775, Ext. 20,
rbroughlpl@metrocast.net or Regina Theberge, 524-5710,
Ext.305, rtheberge@laconiaschools.org



AARP Smart Driver Course Scheduled for May 20 at Taylor Community



The AARP Smart Driver Course, offered by AARP Driver Safety, is the nation's first and largest refresher course designed specifically for drivers age 50 and older. For more than 30 years, the course has taught millions of drivers proven safety strategies so they can continue driving safely for as long as possible.

The new, updated course is scheduled for Wednesday, May 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Taylor Community's Woodside Building, 435 Union Ave. Class size is limited to 20 people. To sign up, please call 524-5600, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The nominal fee is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members, payable the day of class. AARP members should bring their cards. There will be a break for lunch and the Woodside Café is available for dining.

This course will help participants:

- Learn research-based safety strategies that can reduce the likelihood of having a crash
- Understand the link among the driver, vehicle, and road environment, and how this awareness encourages safer behavior
- Learn how aging, medications, alcohol and other health-related issues affect driving ability and ways to adjust how to allow for these changes
- Increase confidence
- Know how to drive safely when sharing the road with other road users
- Learn the newest safety and advanced features in vehicles
- Learn when driving may no longer be safe
- Explore other ways to travel

Some automobile insurance companies in New Hampshire provide discounts to participants who complete this course. People are encouraged to check with their respective insurance agents for more information.



Laconia Police Department

The Laconia Police Department has donated \$1,000.00 to support the After Prom Party. Students Against Destructive Decisions is sponsoring the event which is being held at Funspot Arcade and the Cinema 8 Movie Theatre.

The department is happy to support this event every year and wishes everyone a safe night!

Pictured from L-R: Lieutenant Allan Graton, SADD members, Carly DeNauw and Savannah Bastis, School Resource Officer Steven Orton.



Golf Lessons! Laconia Parks & Recreation

*Must be 6 years
old to register.
Golf clubs
provided if
needed. First
come/first
served!*

Youth:
May 12, 19 & 26
and/or
June 9, 16 & 23
5:30-6:30 pm or
6:30-7:30 pm
\$50/person
(3 lessons)

Adult:
May 14, 21 & 28
and/or
June 11, 18 & 25
5:30-6:30 pm or
6:30-7:30 pm
\$70/person
(3 lessons)

**Stop in at the Parks & Rec. Office to
register. Question? Call 524-5046.**



LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR LRGS' SENIOR DIVISION!

May 10th is the last day to sign up for our 14U & 18U teams. To play for LRGS, girls must be between the ages of 13 and 18 (as of Dec. 31, 2014). Our senior divisions are open to players from all around Central NH & the Lakes Region.

Senior Division Frequently Asked Questions:

How long is the season? Approximately 6-8 weeks. Practices will start mid-late May, and end in early July. LRGS does not schedule events Memorial Day Weekend or on the 4th of July.

Will it interfere with school softball? No. While we may have a few practices, our game schedule won't start until the school season is over.

Where will practices/games take place? LRGS will use fields in Belmont & Laconia for practices & home games. Teams will travel for away games (locations to be determined).

What is the commitment level? Typically 2-3 events per week. The schedule is a work in progress and subject to change.

What if I play another sport, have a part time job or have a vacation planned? No problem! Game and practice schedules are handed out early in the season to give players and families a chance to review for any conflicts. If there are conflicts, players should let their coaches know as soon as possible.

What does it cost to play? The registration fee is \$65 per player (family discount available). Players are also asked to participate in the league fundraiser. Uniforms are provided for that fee.

Pre-registration is required. Please visit our website www.lakesregiongirlssoftball.com.

For more info - call Russ Freelove 603-581-8295 or email Angela Rodrigues
angierodrigues81@gmail.com.

BOW WOW FEST 2015!



SAVE THE DATE!

Mobile Food Pantry



Thursday, May 21, 2015 @ 4 PM

DETAILS

Boys & Girls Club-Laconia
876 North Main St.
(Distribution will take place in parking lot across street)
Laconia, NH

The Mobile Pantry brings food to share with the families of the Laconia area

Sponsored by:



Main Street Bridge
Construction



Click here for Main Street
Bridge info including
construction plans and
traffic detour maps.

Spring is here,
and work on the
Main Street
Bridge project
has resumed!

The Main Street Bridge Construction website is being updated periodically with information regarding construction progress, detour timing, special alerts and other pertinent information. The image above contains a link to a webpage relating to the construction project. Once on that page you will find the most current information by clicking on "Today's Update" (in red).

Should you have any questions about the construction project or the website please contact Paul Moynihan at Public Works (528-6379, Ext. 301) or Shanna Saunders in the Planning Department (527-1264).

Click [here](#) for
our Public Works
Dept. website

Thank you for
your patience!

Laconia Fire Department

Forest fire danger is very high! All burning permits have been revoked until we get some rain.

Be very careful outdoors with any open flame, or fireworks. The woods are extremely dry and fire is spreading quickly. If you see smoke or fire please report it quickly by calling 911!

Reminder!

The next recycling
collection week
begins Monday,
May 18, 2015!



Public Works Department

PLEASE HELP SAVE THE SEWER SYSTEM
Your assistance is greatly appreciated!

All Laconia households play a vital role in preventing neighborhood sewer system blockages. Please do your part to protect and maintain the City's significant investment in the sanitary sewer collection system. Click [here](#) to find out what is not allowed to be disposed of in the toilet or down the drain, and the proper way to dispose of such items. Questions? Please call Matt Mooney, DPW, at 528-6379, Extension 303.

**JOIN US for the
5th Annual Autism Center Walkathon
Sunday, May 17th ~ 10 am to 1 pm**



WOW Trail & Lakes Region Community Services
719 North Main St., Laconia (Check-in starts at 9:30 am)
Supporting the Autism Center of Central New Hampshire

The Autism Center supports parents to *educate, encourage and advocate* for their child with autism. **Walk with Us - Collect Pledges - Form a Team** and help local families with young children on the Autism Spectrum in need of services. **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

THANK YOU! 2015 SPONSORS

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Kara Financial, LLC
Peanuts Auto, LLC
New Hampshire Healthy Families
Syl LaPierre, Masonry
William J. White M.Ed., Educational and
Behavioral Consulting Services
Well Sense Health Care
Region III Family Support Council

Visit www.lrcs.org for further details, pledge sheets, information on teams and how to fundraise online via GoFundMe. Questions? Email: walkathon@lrcs.org or call 524-8811.

LACONIA
PARKS & RECREATION
DEPARTMENT



Calling all local bands!

Are you interested in performing at the Laconia July 4th celebration?

A group will be formed to decide which band will get to play.

Please contact the Parks & Recreation office at 524-5046 if you would like your band to be considered!



LACONIA'S SPRING
CLEAN-UP DAY

MAY 9, 2015 ~ 8 AM to NOON
FREE - BRING YOUR DISCARDS TO THE
TRANSFER STATION ON MEREDITH CTR RD.
LACONIA RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLDS ONLY.
NO COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES OR HAULERS.

Proof of Residency Will Be Required.

ACCEPTABLE: APPLIANCES, WATER HEATERS, FURNITURE, BEDS, PLUMBING FIXTURES, PAPER BAGGED LEAVES, DEMOLITION LUMBER, AUTO TIRES (limit 6 tires per customer).
NOT ACCEPTABLE: AUTO TAIL PIPES, MUFFLERS, RADIATORS, ENGINES, BATTERIES OR HAZARDOUS WASTES, PAINTS OR SOLVENTS.

Please note: Electronic waste will not be accepted free of charge at this event. If you bring in e-waste, normal fees for disposal will apply. Thank you for your cooperation!



NH HUMANE SOCIETY
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**Pet of the
Week**



BELLA LUNA

Beautiful as her name implies, **Miss Bella Luna** awaits a second chance at New Hampshire Humane Society.

Quite possibly a Boston Terrier mix, - not the type of dog we have often at our shelter- with a little mystery DNA thrown in, she is but a little bundle of cuteness in a two years young brindle body. **Bella Luna** is a lot of dog in a petite brown striped coat. We'd prefer she be the only child in a home with adults. Adopted and returned because she and the resident dog didn't hit it off - a shame because the humans loved her dearly and **she** loved the company

of the cat; they played and cuddled regularly!

Now that we are finally enjoying Spring, visit Bella Luna, take her for a walk on our trail system and really get to know her. A little dog just waiting to finally unpack her suitcase of hopes and dreams.

NHHS now offers extended hours on Thursdays and Sundays.
For more details, call 524-3252 or check www.nhhumane.org



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603-362-9800

info@madsciencenhma.com



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- Many previous campers have exclaimed, "*Best Camp Ever!*"
- Wanna see us in action? Get a sneak peek on our summer science fun? View our brand new video online for details on our summer programs, [click here for our summer fun, fun, fun video!](#)

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After-School Programs ~ Birthday Parties ~ Shows/Assemblies ~ Workshops

2015 Locations...

Bedford, NH
Bow, NH
Concord, NH
Danvers, MA
Exeter, NH
Laconia, NH
Londonderry, NH
Manchester, NH
Merrimack, NH
Methuen, MA
Nashua, NH
Plaistow, NH
Portsmouth, NH
Salem, NH
Stratham, NH
Topsfield, MA



Make Her Smile on Mother's Day



Celebrate Mom with a gift from the LRGH Auxiliary Gift Shop
Offering special shopping hours on Saturday, May 9 from 10am-2pm

Located in the lobby at Lakes Region General Hospital, proceeds benefit auxiliary scholarships and projects.

Alex & Ani® • Scarves • Jewelry • Home Décor • Flowers



NH HUMANE SOCIETY
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PAWS for
a CAUSE
AUCTION



July 30 is the Annual **Paws for a Cause Charity Auction**. Come enjoy an evening at Church Landing on Meredith Bay, dinner and entertainment!

More details provided closer to the event, but please click [here](#) for additional information and to purchase tickets!



Café Déjà Vu Pub Mania Team
Presents



Legends of the Lakes Region 2nd Annual Music Jam

Sunday, May 17th

At The Paradise Beach Club
322 Lakeside Ave., Weirs Beach

Doors open at 2:00pm

Music Kicks off at 3:00pm

Door Prizes, Raffles & 50/50

Tickets: \$15.00

Purchase tickets online at Lakesregionlegends.com

Also Available at: Café Déjà Vu, All my Life Jewelers

Greenlaws Music & Patrick's Pub & Eatery

For Info: www.lakesregionlegends.com

www.theparadisebc.com

Or Call Tony at (603) 998-1418

To Benefit
THE CHILDREN'S AUCTION



Don't forget !
ServiceLink
Resource Center
(1-866-634-9412 or
528-6945)....it's the first
number to call for
senior services.



Memorial Day Summer Lunch!

On May 21st come help us
kick off our long awaited
summer season!

Sign up at the Laconia Senior Center
or call 524-7689.



Ice Cream Social to follow lunch!

*Laconia Senior Center is located at
17 Church Street in Laconia.
Questions? Call 524-7689*

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*We welcome your input, comments
and suggestions!*

Feel free to contact us at the
City Manager's office, 527-1270,
or by e-mail at info@city.laconia.nh.us

Have a great weekend!



Scott Myers, City Manager
City's Website: www.city.laconia.nh.us



CITY OF LACONIA PHONE DIRECTORY

Assessing	527-1268
Assessor - Jon Duhamel	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
City Clerk - Mary Reynolds	
City Manager	527-1270
City Manager - Scott Myers	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Finance	524-3877
Finance Director - Donna Woodaman	
Licensing	528-6331
Licensing Clerk - Hilary Young	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
Planning & Zoning Dir. - Shanna Saunders	
Tax	527-1269
Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen	
Welfare.....	527-1267
Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack	
Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
Fire Chief - Ken Erickson	
Library	524-4775
Library Director - Randy Brough	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy	
Personnel	524-3877
Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumel	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
Police Chief - Christopher Adams	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
Public Works Director - Paul Moynihan	
Water.....	524-0901
Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman	

City Council Contact Info:

Mayor Edward Engler	630-4484
Ava Doyle (Ward 1)	393-6533
David Bownes (Ward 2).....	524-4330
Henry Lipman (Ward 3)	528-0191
Brenda Baer (Ward 4)	524-6349
Robert Hamel (Ward 5)	524-6360
Armand Bolduc (Ward 6)	524-2514
E-mail: citycouncil@city.laconia.nh.us	

Visit the City's website at:
www.city.laconia.nh.us