



Laconia Links

October 21, 2016 - Edition #259



View of Autumn foliage across Lake Winnisquam



Laconia Police Department

[Link to Laconia PD here](#)



The Laconia Police Department would like to wish everyone a happy Halloween! All of us at the Laconia Police Department encourage you to follow our safety tips so you can help us make this Halloween a more enjoyable one for everyone.

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!



- Set time limits for children to trick or treat (Laconia Trick or Treat hours, 5:00-8:00pm)
- Remind children not to enter a stranger's house or car
- Wear white or reflective clothing.
- Inspect candy before eating.
- Always be aware of your surroundings.

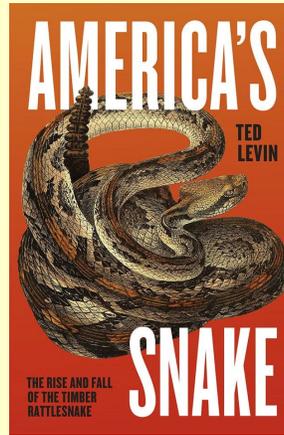
Make sure to say hello to our officers who will be patrolling your neighborhoods on bicycles, foot and cruisers.



Laconia Public Library Upcoming Events.....



Check out [Page 10](#)
for special
"Pumpkin Festival"
activities at the
Library!



Mark your calendar!! On Thursday, November 10 at 6:30 pm Ted Levin will talk about his new book, *America's Snake: The Rise and Fall of the Timber Rattlesnake*. *America's Snake* takes the reader from labs where the secrets of the snake's evolutionary history are being unlocked to far-flung habitats whose locations are fiercely protected by biologists and dedicated amateur herpetologists alike. Levin paints a picture of a fascinating creature: peaceable, social, long-lived, and, despite our phobias, not inclined to bite. The timber rattler emerges here as emblematic of America and also, unfortunately, of the complicated, painful struggles involved in protecting and preserving the natural world. Levin is a veteran naturalist and an award-winning author. Book signing to follow.



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.

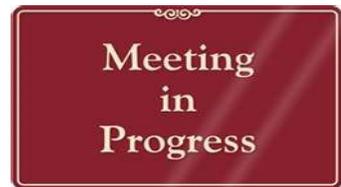
You can also contact any of the City's departments for more information on a meeting or to obtain a printed copy of the agenda. Meetings are open to the public. You are invited and encouraged to attend and provide input.

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!*



Please see below for meetings scheduled for the week of October 24 - 28, 2016:

City Council

October 24, 2016, 7 pm
City Hall, Room 200A
[Agenda](#)

Downtown TIF Advisory Group

October 25, 2016, 10 am
City Hall, Room 200B

Capital Improvements Program

October 25, 2016, 6:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200A

Board of Assessors

October 27, 2016, 5:30 pm
City Hall, Room 200B

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](#)

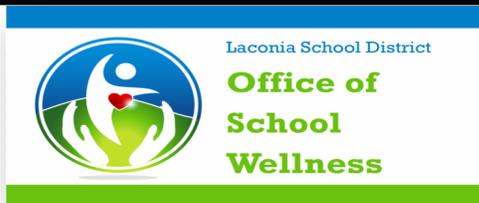


[Pleasant Street School Website](#)



[Woodland Heights School Website](#)

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR OUR
ONLINE CALENDAR



The Laconia School District Office of School Wellness is hosting a screening of Paper Tigers, a film that captures the pain, danger, beauty and hopes of struggling teens and their teachers armed with new science and fresh approaches that are changing lives for the better.

Join us Wednesday, November 16th from 3 p.m. to 6:30 pm at Laconia High School. Follow this link to register: [Paper Tigers Registration](#)
Admission is free .

2015-2016

Laconia School Board Members

Ward at-large

Michael Persson

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Mal Murray (Vice-Chairperson)

mmurray@laconiaschools.org

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Ward #6

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PROJECT EXTRA



The Associate Director of Laconia's Office of Extended Learning, Beth Vachon reached out to Amanda Lamper of the Enterprise Laconia branch office asking for donations to supply Pumpkins for all the Project EXTRA students in preparation for Laconia's Second Annual Pumpkin Festival. Not only was Project EXTRA able to purchase over 250 pumpkins for their students, but for the elementary students at Woodland Heights School. Volunteers from Enterprise and the Project EXTRA team loaded and delivered the pumpkins using two Enterprise trucks. The Office of Extended Learning and the Laconia School District wish to thank the following for their generous donations: SkyBright; Irwin Automotive Group, Mills Industry, and most of all the Enterprise staff.

Mills Industry: \$500.00

Sky Bright: \$200.00

Irwin Motors: \$100.00

Enterprise Customers/Staff \$200.00



Reminder!

The next recycling collection week begins October 31st!

Recycling Made Easy

CITY OF LACONIA

TRICK

OR

TREAT

October 31st

5pm to 8 pm

Genesis Behavioral Health

ONLINE AUCTION

2016



10.14 THROUGH 10.29

WWW.BIDDINGFORGOOD.COM/GENESISBH



NHPumpkinFestival.com

Be Part of the New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival!

Saturday, Oct. 22nd

[Events Schedule](#)

[Activities Happening in the area!](#)

Bringing your pumpkin on Saturday? Bring it along to the festival and drop it off at any Welcome Center. **Don't forget your candles!** Walgreens at the intersection of Court St & Main St has plenty available at special pumpkin festival pricing. Donating candles is also a great way to support the festival.



There will be so much to do, see and explore at the 2016 NH Pumpkin Festival in Downtown Laconia!



Nutcracker Christmas Fair

St. André Bessette Parish

31 Gifford Avenue, Laconia

St. André Bessette Parish Hall (Gym)

Friday, November 4, 2016 5 - 8 P.M.
Saturday, November 5, 2016 9 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Children's Sugar Plum Place
With Games, Prizes,
Face Painting,
& Santa



Fritz's
Food Baskets

Snow Queen
Raffle Table

Mother Ginger's
Cookie Walk

J & M's Cafe
Opens at 11:00 A.M.



Land of Sweets
Baked Goods

Herr Drosselmeyer's
Magical Surprise
Theme Baskets

Nutcracker
Baby Items

Clara's
Gifts-To-Go

Unique Crafters

Tchaikovsky
Jewelry Room



"Merry Christmas" Decorations!

16th Annual Community Spelling Bee



Thursday
October 27, 2016
6:30 PM
Laconia High School

Help us
spell success
for our local students!

Proceeds benefit the



Friends of the
Foundation Operating
Fund

Why not "Bee" involved!

- Come and cheer for the teams or
- Put a team together or
- Sponsor a spelling team
- Become a corporate sponsor or
- Purchase a Program Ad or make a donation

Free Admission
Door Prizes after each
round
50/50 Raffle

For more information, please contact the Lakes Region
Scholarship Foundation
527-3533 or Email: scholarship@metrocast.net

NEWS

From the City
Clerk's Office

ATTENTION! WARD 1 VOTERS

It's moving day! Your polling location will be moving to a new home at the Beane Conference Center (35 Blueberry Lane) beginning with the November 8, 2016 State General Election.

Please share this information with your neighbors and friends within Ward 1 and we will see you at the Beane Conference Center on November 8!

Questions? Please
call the City
Clerk's office
at 527-1265.





LACONIA PLANNING BOARD

The Laconia Planning Board will hold a public hearing on November 1, 2016 regarding the CR2 (Commercial Resort Corridor) proposal as referred by the City Council to add to the City Zoning Ordinance/Map. Language of the proposal can be found at the City website: <http://www.city.laconia.nh.us/> or in the Planning office in the basement of City Hall. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend the Public Hearing. Written comments are always welcome for those who cannot attend either by email at planning@city.laconia.nh.us or by mailing them to the Planning Dept. at 45 Beacon Street East, Laconia NH 03246.

**The Public Hearing will be at the next
Planning Board meeting on November
1, 2016 at 6:30 pm in City Hall, Room
200A, 45 Beacon Street East,
Laconia, NH.**



**On behalf of the Lois Roy-Dickerman Fund and
The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation**

FOOD DRIVE FOR LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES

Please help our local food pantries

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The Laconia and Gilford-Belmont Football Teams

Donate non-perishable food at the Gilford-Belmont vs. Laconia Football Game

When: Saturday, October 29, 2016 at 1:30 p.m.

Place: Gilford Meadows Football Field, 263 Intervale Road, Gilford

Collection point: Parking Main Entrance

All non-perishable items that are collected will be distributed to local food pantries. The Water Street Café will donate \$1.00 for each item; the proceeds will be split between the two non-profit booster organizations:

Laconia and Gilford-Belmont football

Non-perishable food items: Canned fruits and vegetables, dry pasta, Kraft Macaroni & Cheese, plastic jars of peanut butter or jelly (no glass please), etc.

Thank you in advance for your support.



**29th Annual
Debra Bieniarz Award**

This award is presented annually by the Laconia City Council to a resident of the City based on his/her outstanding service to the youth of the community. This award was established 29 years ago in memory of Police Officer Debra Bieniarz who served the City and its youth with devotion, dedication and distinction.

Written nominations will be accepted until 4:30 p.m., Friday, November 4, 2016. Please send nominations to the City Manager's Office, City of Laconia, 45 Beacon St. East, Laconia, NH 03246. Nominations may also be e-mailed to brownn@city.laconia.nh.us. Be sure to include details as to why you feel your nominee should receive the award.

Please call 527-1270 if you have any questions.

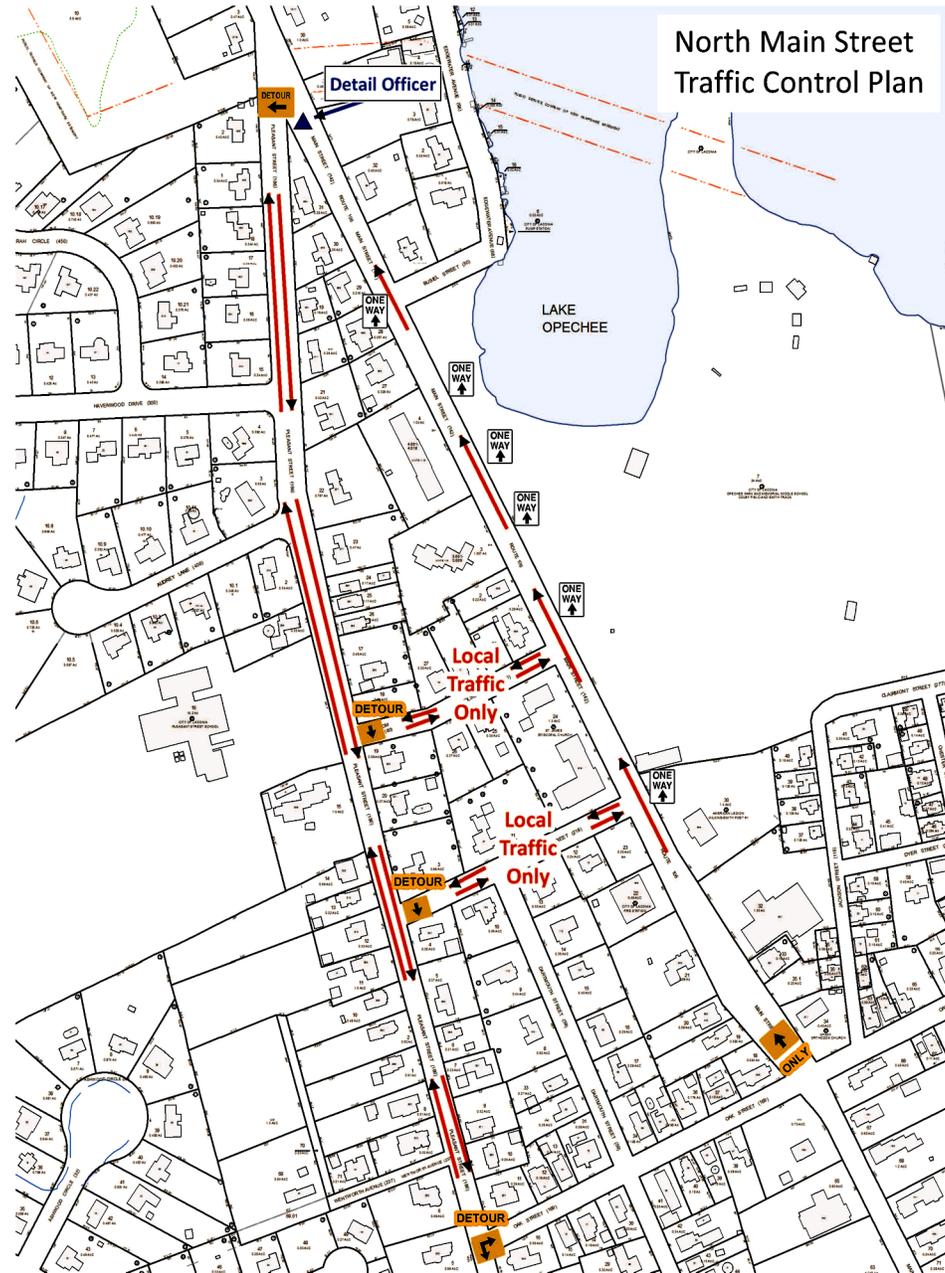


**Antique Appraisal Day
Laconia Antique Center
601 Main Street, Laconia, NH**

Saturday, November 5, 1-4 p.m.

**Proceeds to benefit the
Laconia Historical & Museum Society**

**Appraisals are \$5.00 per item.
Call 527-1278 for more information.**



North Main Street Traffic Control Plan



News & Updates

SANITARY SEWER CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

The City of Laconia Department of Public Works has hired a local contractor, John H. Lyman and Sons, Inc. to replace a section of the sanitary sewer main in North Main Street from the Central Fire Station to Opechee Cove Beach.

The work will cause traffic restrictions daily including two-way alternating traffic in one open lane and temporary road closures. Traffic delays will occur especially during commuting hours. The Department of Public Works asks commuters to seek alternate routes.

The duration of the project is approximately three weeks. Alternate routes include the following streets:

- Church Street, Union Ave., and Elm Street
- Church Street and Pleasant Street
- Various local side streets

We appreciate your patience!





The City of Laconia proudly welcomed the NH Pumpkin Festival last year and celebrated with over 40,000 visitors from all over New England. The Belknap Mill's "Mayhem at the Mill" welcomed hundreds of excited guests for a haunting tour of the frightfully renovated 3rd floor of the Mill, with all proceeds benefitting the Belknap Mill's preservation and commitment to programming for children and adults.

The Belknap Mill Society is proud to once again host "Mayhem at the Mill - a Russ Davis Production". This super-scary professionally designed haunted house has been expanded to include Friday and Saturday of the Pumpkin Festival (October 21st and 22nd) as well as Halloween weekend (October 28th and 29th). You won't want to miss it! Come check it out!

Friday, October 21st - 7pm - 11pm

General Admission: \$5.00

Saturday, October 22nd - 3pm - 7pm

Fast Pass: \$15.00

Friday, October 28th - 7pm - 11pm Unlimited

VIP Pass - All Day \$35.00

Saturday, October 29th - 7pm - 11pm

All 4 Nights VIP - \$100.00



The Capital Improvements Committee Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 6:30 PM in Room 200A of City Hall. All members of the public are welcome to attend!



On-line Registration is now open!!!

Please go to www.laybl.net and click on the REGISTER NOW button to register your child for the upcoming 2016-17 season

All payments must be processed on-line unless other arrangements are made

Registration and payment must be complete prior to evaluations in November



Happy Halloween

Trick-or-Treat at City Hall!
October 31st
3:00 to 4:30 pm

WE HAVE CANDY & NON-FOOD TREATS!

Food Allergy Research & Education
TEAL PUMPKIN PROJECT
We support kids with food allergies. Our teal pumpkins means we have non-food treats available!

It's that time of year to get dressed up and have a great time. Bring your little goblins, critters & characters to City Hall for a special "Trick or Treat" all around the building!
(We will also have non-candy treats available)

We can't wait to see you!

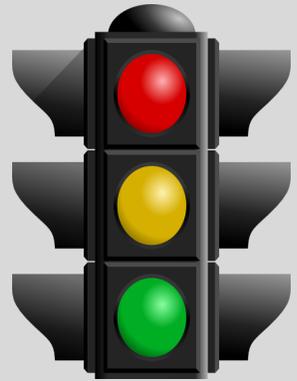
PUBLIC WORKS

News & Updates

The traffic signal at N. Main Street and Oak Street will be turned off on October 27th beginning at 10:00 pm as Eversource will be working on the electrical system in that area. The signal will be turned on no later than 4:00 am Oct 28th.

In the event the work is delayed by rain on October 27th, the work will be done on October 28th.

Thank you for your patience!



PAPER TIGERS

One high school's unlikely success story.



The Laconia School District Office of Safe Schools/Healthy Students is hosting a screening of *Paper Tigers*, a film that captures the pain, danger, beauty and hopes of struggling teens and their teachers armed with new science and fresh approaches that are changing lives for the better.

When: Wednesday, November 16, 2016
3:30 to 6:30 pm

Join us!

Where: Laconia High School Auditorium
345 Union Ave., Laconia

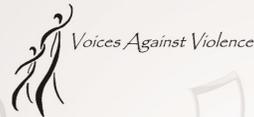
Why: There is hope.

To register for this FREE event go to papertigerslaconia.eventbrite.com or email jbrough@laconiaschools.org



TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL'S "WE CARE" 2016 PRESENTS

VOICES THAT CARE AN ONLINE SING-OFF BENEFITTING:



GET YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY, OR CO-WORKERS TOGETHER AND SHOW OFF YOUR TALENT (OR EFFORTS) TO RAISE MONEY FOR A GREAT CAUSE

THREE EASY STEPS

SING AN EMPOWERING SONG

CREATE AN ACCOUNT

UPLOAD, SHARE, AND VOTE

REGISTER AND UPLOAD BY OCTOBER 22 AT:

VOTDO.COM/CAMPAIGNS/VOICES-THAT-CARE

MORE INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

TBINH.ORG

ONE FREE ADMISSION TO THE 'WE CARE' GALA WITH ENTRY!

NORTH SHORE ACAPPELLA
PERFORMING LIVE NOV. 19
GO TO TBINH.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION



CITY OF LACONIA - SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST - NOTICE OF SESSION

In accordance with RSA 654:27, 28 the Supervisors of the Checklist will meet on Saturday, October 29, 2016, 11 am to 11:30 am at the City Clerk's Office for the purpose of making final corrections/ changes to the checklist prior to November 8, 2016 State General Election. No other changes or registrations will be accepted until November 9, 2016, however same day voter registration will be accepted at the polling locations on Election Day.

City Manager Updates

The following update has now been posted to the City's website to keep you up-to-date and informed on what's happening in your City!

Be sure to check out the [Project Updates](#) report which provides a concise update of projects in the community. In this report you will find everything from road projects proposed for 2016 to the latest information on the Master Plan update.

We hope you find this report helpful and informative!



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

Pumpkin Festival at the Library!



Laconia Public Library invites families to some special events on October 22nd! At 10 am there is pumpkin storytime for families (snacks provided!). These stories are suitable for families with young children. At 1 pm join us to decorate a pumpkin hand puppet. Both events offered free, first come first served basis. Sign up is not required. An adult must accompany any child under 10 years old.

Please note there will be no parking at the Library the day of the Pumpkin Festival.

News

From the Laconia Water Department

HYDRANT FLUSHING NOTICE



As part of our continued effort to maintain drinking water quality, Laconia Water Department will be flushing hydrants

October 24th through October 28th

While this may produce discolored water, it is not harmful. Simply run the cold water until it clears. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us at 524-0901.



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!





On Friday, October 14th two groups of students from Pleasant Street School visited City Hall where they enjoyed a tour of the building led by Mayor Ed Engler.



THE LACONIA PUTNAM FUND
PRESENTS

ADAM TRENT

MAGICIAN REINVENTED

TOP 10
MOST INFLUENTIAL
YOUTHS IN COUNTRY
U.S. News
(magazine)

SMALL VENUE
ENTERTAINER
OF THE YEAR
CA
Magazine

7:00 PM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2016
LACONIA HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
FREE ADMISSION
FIRST COME, FIRST SEATED

Like us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/LaconiaPutnamFund>



FALL LEAF PICKUP



During the Weeks of
October 24th
& November 7th
CITY CONTRACTOR
WILL PICKUP AN
ADDITIONAL 10 BAGS
DURING THESE TWO
WEEKS (On your
normal trash day)

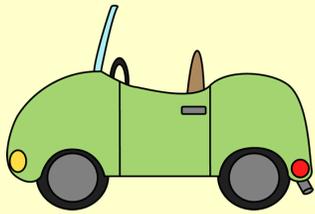
All materials MUST be placed in PAPER COMPOST BAGS.

Please note that yard waste will be collected by a separate truck, **NOT** the normal trash collection truck.
Questions? Please call Ann at 528-6379, Ext. 300



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

Volunteer Driver Program!



If the Laconia or Meredith bus doesn't accommodate your needs, this program just might!

Rides are available week-days 5am to 6pm. Call the Volunteer Driver Coordinator at 224-8043, or if you are interested in becoming a driver, call the Senior Center at 524-7689.

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

*We hope you have enjoyed this
Edition of **Laconia Links***

*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
<i>Assessor - Deb Derrick</i>	
City Clerk.....	527-1265
<i>City Clerk - Mary Reynolds</i>	
City Manager	527-1270
<i>City Manager - Scott Myers</i>	
Code Enforcement.....	527-1293
<i>Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin</i>	
Conservation	527-1264
<i>Conservation Technician - Evan Rathburn</i>	
Finance	524-3877
<i>Finance Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Licensing	528-6331
<i>Licensing Clerk - Cheryl Hebert</i>	
Planning & Comm. Dev.	527-1264
<i>Asst. Planning & Zoning Dir. - Brandee Loughlin</i>	
Tax	527-1269
<i>Tax Collector - Lindsey Allen</i>	
Welfare.....	527-1267
<i>Welfare Specialist - Suzi McCormack</i>	
<i>Welfare Director - Donna Woodaman</i>	
Fire Dept. (Central Station)	524-6881
Fire Dept. (Weirs Station)	366-2229
<i>Fire Chief - Ken Erickson</i>	
Library	524-4775
<i>Library Director - Randy Brough</i>	
Parks & Recreation.....	524-5046
<i>Parks & Rec. Director - Kevin Dunleavy</i>	
Personnel	524-3877
<i>Personnel Administrator - Paula Baumol</i>	
Police (Administration)	524-5257
Police (Crime Line)	524-1717
<i>Police Chief - Christopher Adams</i>	
Public Works (Main Office)	528-6379
Public Works (Transfer Station)	528-5822
<i>Public Works Director - Wes Anderson</i>	
Water.....	524-0901
<i>Superintendent - Seth Nuttelman</i>	

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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

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www.city.laconia.nh.us