

# MUNICIPAL MONTHLY

JULY 2020



Recently opened NARA Park beach at full capacity with new social distancing guidelines in effect.

## TOWN HALL AND HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING HOURS OF OPERATION

### ALL TOWN BUILDINGS ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

**Sunday:** Closed

**Monday:** 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Tuesday:** 8:00 AM - 7:30 PM

**Wednesday:** 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Thursday:** 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Friday:** 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Saturday:** Closed

**CLOSED JULY 3, 2020 FOR JULY 4TH HOLIDAY.**

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## TOWN OF ACTON, MASSACHUSETTS

### TOWN MANAGER'S UPDATE

COVID-19 has without question impacted the way we all live our daily lives. The Town of Acton continues to strive to provide service at the highest levels for the community. As you may have noticed in our weekly reports on the Town website, cases continue to decline.

We will continue to actively monitor and provide information to residents through our various forms of communication including social media, town website and email list, in addition to our COVID-19 information center, which includes the Acton Town Services (ATS) Hotline. This 24/7 hotline is staffed during normal business hours by town staff and provides information and assistance for many of our town departments and services. The phone number for the ATS Hotline is 978-929-6619.

Town staff has received several questions regarding the status of public buildings. Most public buildings (including Town Hall, Memorial and West Acton Citizens Library, and Human Services Center) are still closed to the public. We are following guidance from the local Board of Health in addition to the Re-Opening Plan instituted by the Baker-Polito administration. Please stay tuned for additional information as we continue to develop plans for reopening our public buildings.

Even with COVID-19, Town projects continue to move forward. The North Acton Fire Station project is on-track and was recently sent out to bid for construction. For more information on this project, please visit [actonma.gov/firestation](http://actonma.gov/firestation). The Kelley's Corner project also is on track, and as of writing is currently awaiting Town Meeting approval for right-of-way acquisitions, which was recently reduced by MassDOT's willingness to provide more funding for the project. The NARA Sports pavilion project is also well-underway, with the bathhouse currently scheduled to open by Fall 2020.

Joan Gardner and Jim Snyder-Grant were recently elected to the Board of Selectmen at the annual town election held in early June. Peter Berry is stepping down after nine years of service as a Selectman.

Finally, the Board of Selectmen at their June 22nd meeting recognized five Acton residents for the Volunteer of the Year Awards for their countless efforts for the community: Derrick Chin from the Economic Development Committee and Planning Board, Robert Whittlesey from the Acton Housing Authority, Carolyn Kilpatrick from the Community Preservation Committee, Mike Majors from the Finance Committee and Economic Development Committee, and William McInnis from the Board of Health.

### PAVING NOTICE

Beginning the week of June 15, construction will begin on the following roads:

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|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| • School Street (Main St. to Piper Rd.)         | • River Street     | • Chadwick Street                 | • Vanderbilt Rd.                           |
| • Main Street (Nylander Way to Start of Bridge) | • Pine Street      | • Sylvia Court                    | • Fletcher Court                           |
| • Railroad Street                               | • Nylander Way     | • Tupelo Way                      | • Prospect St. (Main St. to Hennessey Dr.) |
| • Hennessey Drive                               | • St. James Circle | • Martin Street (Stow St. to end) | • Prescott Rd.                             |
| • Billings Street                               | • Overlook Drive   |                                   |  |

- o This process will involve grinding, adjusting drainage structures and putting down a final course of pavement.
  - o Please note, the duration and schedule can change depending on the weather or other conditions that may arise.
  - o While the crew is working there will be no on-street parking allowed within these areas. A police officer will be in the area to direct traffic and signs will be posted.
- We appreciate your cooperation and patience during this time. If you have any questions, you may call the DPW/Highway Division during business hours (7:00 AM – 3:30 PM) at 978-929-7740 or email [highway@actonma.gov](mailto:highway@actonma.gov)

## 2020 NARA PARK SUMMER CONCERTS

**FRIDAY, JULY 24** 8:00-10:30 PM

**Yellow Brick Road - A Tribute to Elton John**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**FRIDAY, JULY 31** 8:00-10:30 PM

**Dirty Deeds - The AC/DC Experience**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**FRIDAY, AUG. 14** 8:00-10:30 PM

**Terrapin - A Grateful Dead Experience**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 19** 6:30-8:30 PM

**Loose Connection - Free**

**SATURDAY, AUG. 22** 8:00-10:30 PM

**Into the Floyd - International Pink Floyd Show with Full Laser Light Show!**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 12** 7:30-10:00 PM

**Foreigners Journey**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 18** 7:30-10:00 PM

**Broken Arrow - The Music of Neil Young**

\$20 at the gate (10 & under free)

**FRIDAY, JULY 24** 12:00-4:00 PM

**Kids MusicFest!**

\$10 at the gate (2 & under free)

**DISCOUNT TICKETS AVAILABLE IF PURCHASED ONLINE UP TO ONE DAY PRIOR TO CONCERT!**

## RECREATION DEPARTMENT

### NARA PARK IS NOW OPEN

All patrons are required to follow Social Distancing Guidelines: Stay at least 6 feet (about 2 arms' length) from other people; do not gather in groups. Face coverings or masks are required where social distancing is not possible. This applies to both indoor and outdoor spaces. No gatherings of more than 12 people.

**Walking Perimeter:** One way only, counterclockwise from the Bathhouse.

**Playground and Upper Fields:** Open, fields soon for organized play

**Volleyball Courts:** Closed

**Beach:** Open - Daily hours of operation are 9AM - 6 PM. Please visit [actonma.gov/beach](https://actonma.gov/beach) for more information.

**Picnic Rentals:** No rentals currently; however, you may submit application. Application can be found online at [actonma.gov/recreation](https://actonma.gov/recreation).

**NARA Summer Camp:** In operation from June 29 through August 28. You may enroll for NARA Camp for youth ages 4-15 online at [actonrec.com](https://actonrec.com). Weekly themed sessions are offered with pre and post care options.

**TOWN FIELDS** including School Street, Great Hill, Little Great Hill, Jones, NARA, Robbins Mill, Veteran's, Hart, MacPherson, Elm Street and Concord Road are open with restrictions. Fields will be opening soon for organized play.

**ELM STREET TENNIS COURTS:** Open - Reservations are required for use. To reserve a court visit: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044CABAD29AFC1-elmstreet> Court use is by reservation only. Reservations are free. Court times are reserved by 2 hour increments, from 7AM and 9PM.

**ELM STREET BASKETBALL COURTS:** Closed

**PLAYGROUNDS:** All playgrounds are now open.

**TJ O'GRADY SKATE PARK:** Open

**CAMP ACTON:** Open. Accepting Permit Applications.

**COMMUNITY GARDENS:** Open-Uses must follow the Acton Water District's Watering Policy.

Please email [recreation@actonma.gov](mailto:recreation@actonma.gov) with any questions or call (978) 929-6640. The office staff is working remotely and is able to assist you. Any forms may be dropped off at the Town Hall mail drop located at the outside entryway.

## ACTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY CURBSIDE PICK UP

### STEP 1



SEARCH FOR MATERIALS AT  
[FIND.MINLIB.NET](https://find.minlib.net)

Items must be available at Acton Memorial Library

Need help or don't know what to read?

Call 978-929-6543 (Adult)

Email: [reference@acton-ma.gov](mailto:reference@acton-ma.gov)

978-929-6655 Option 4 (Children & Teen)

Email: [ACTChildrens@minlib.net](mailto:ACTChildrens@minlib.net)

Do not place a hold online - you must call the library to place holds

### STEP 3



PICK UP YOUR MATERIALS  
AT YOUR DESIGNATED TIME

Materials will be in a paper bag on a table  
in front of the library's main doors

Look for a bag with:

The last 4 digits of your library card number

The first 4 letters of your last name

Please pick materials up on time

### STEP 2



CALL CIRCULATION AT  
[978-929-6655 OPTION 2](tel:978-929-6655)

TO PLACE YOUR HOLD & SCHEDULE A PICKUP TIME

Call between 10:30 am and 5:30 pm Monday-Friday or  
10:30 am and 1:30 pm on Saturdays

Tell library staff members the materials you would like  
to check out - up to 5 Adult, Teen, or Media items  
and 5 Children's books



WE ASK FOR CONTINUED PATIENCE

Please be patient with us while we work  
out the details of contactless pick up

We are looking forward to offering this  
service to our library users!

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