

# Rye Civic News April 2019

from the Rye Civic League ([www.ryecivicleague.org](http://www.ryecivicleague.org))

"Informing citizens, enhancing direct democracy and supporting the will of the voters"

Please share with your Rye friends & neighbors [2018 Citizens' Handbook \(click here\)](#)

RCL Monthly Meetings & Public Forum last Wednesday of the month RPL 7pm

[RCL Facebook Page](#)

Nov. 2018: RCL Rye the last 50 years, Next 50 years: [Presentation](#) [Recorded Video](#)

## Next RCL

### Meeting:

April 24th RPL  
7:00 pm

## Meetings

(at Town Hall  
unless  
indicated)

April 1st:  
Recreation  
Commission  
6pm. Rye  
Rec.

April 1st.  
Energy  
Committee  
6:30pm.

April 3rd:  
Water District  
60 Sagamore  
Rd. 9am.

April 3rd:  
Zoning Board  
of Adjustment  
7pm.

April 4th.  
Perkins Rd.  
Safety 6pm.

April 4th:  
Heritage  
Commission  
6:30pm.

April  
8th: Select  
Board.  
5:30pm.

April 8th: State  
Legislative  
Forum 6:30pm  
RPL

April 9th.  
Planning  
Board 7pm  
RJH

## Key Announcements:

1. **State Legislative Forum:** April 8th 6:30pm Rye Public Library

2. **Plan NH May 31st and June 1st**

a) Step one is raising the \$7,500 (currently at \$1,750). Residents need to step forward with contributions so we reach this amount. [Click Here to donate.](#) [Click Here](#) for more Plan NH information.

## March Highlights

1. Election only 30% (1697) of residents (5530) voted. Results [Click Here](#)

2. Shoals View Dr. recount - [Click Here](#) See how every vote counts. Article passed, now it fails.

3. Leash restrictions for Town Forest sections have not changed, post elections dogs were not under control. Ordinance may be continued. [Click Here](#)

4. Town fees will be increased, new fees are being introduced. June 1st effective date. March 25th was the Public Hearing ([Click Here](#) for list provided). [Click Here](#) for public notice.

5. 2019 Rye Water District budget is over \$1.8M with approved articles. [Click Here](#) to see comparisons with other town departments.

6. 2 Historic Houses (388 and 410 Washington Rd) may be demolished by developer.

7. Students have now started to present at the School Board meeting. Two sixth graders initiated a E-Waste day at RJH (will be one day the week after April vacation)

8. Land Development Regulations are being modified. RCL has provided a summary for residents. [Click Here](#)

9. April 9th Planning Board [Agenda](#) has major developments

a) Ocean Blvd. (Driftwood/Atlantic Four Winds) tear down [Click Here](#) for resident diagram

b) Washington Rd./Hunters Run. 5 Block Houses (20 units) on 80 Acres

c) Rye appointment to Rockingham Planning Commission - Ray Tweedie is proposed, attend if you have an opinion.

10. Impaired Parson's Creek Watershed December 2018 report [Click Here](#)

Of the 24 readings how many do you think were above the 104 level (count the red numbers in the Appendix) [Click Here](#) Findings have yet to be discussed in detail by the Select Board.

11. Open Volunteer Positions: Contact Select Board office [e-mail](#)

Planning Board: 2 Alternates

Zoning Board: 2 Alternates (3rd will also be open soon)

Rye Heritage Commission 1 Alternate

Rye Historic District Commission: 1 Alternate

Rye Recycling Education 2 Member vacancies

CIP Committee 1 Vacancy

Could also be Planning Board alternates

## General Announcements:

1. **Rye Recreation After School Program needs staff.** [Click Here](#)

2. **SAU 50 Parent U Education workshop: April 2nd 6pm** Maude Tretethen School, New Castle (142 Cranfield St.) "In their shoes" [Click Here](#)

3. **State Legislative Forum** April 8th 6:30pm RPL

4. **Rye Art Study Group:** April 15th 9:30am to 11:30am Rye Congregational Church. [Click Here](#) for information on this month's featured artist.

5. **Goss Farm Community Plots sign up** [Click Here](#)

6. Swap shop is jeopardy of closing unless volunteers organize and step in. If interested [e-mail](#)

7. **Rye Recreation Spring Programs** [Click Here](#)

8. **Rye Recreation Summer Programs** [Click Here](#)

April 9th:  
Sewer  
Commission  
8:00am RBVD

**9. Rye Recreation Senior Program:** : 2018-2019 Active, Alive [Click Here](#)

**10. Assessment Data:** Online views of town lots [Click Here](#)

**11. GIS Mapping Software Presentation Video:** [Click Here](#)

FYI see RCL [Conservation Commission notes](#) on finding locations with the GIS

April 11th.  
Perkins Rd.  
Safety.  
6:00pm

### **Select Board Meeting March 25th**

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

Town Meeting Minutes: Not available

1. Kevin Wunderly was promoted to Fire Lieutenant and was sworn in (6:18 elapsed).
2. Selectman Winslow was elected Chairman of the Select Board, Retiring Selectman Jenness was present as Selectman elect Bill Epperson was out of State. (29:18 elapsed).
3. Two members of Rye's state legislative delegation described legislation enacted to date and the upcoming "crossover" whereby bills passed in the House are considered by the Senate and vice versa. Representative Grote was quizzed about a new capital gains tax and Senator Sherman was quizzed about how a tax on earnings to support family leave is not an income tax and his position. Much discussion on Keno for NH. (41:33 elapsed).
4. Over objections by those present for the public hearing, the Select Board imposed an extensive fee schedule of 111 items, most of which increased, and 44 of which are new fees (73:16 elapsed). [Click Here](#) for list. [Click Here](#) for Public Notice.
5. The Beach Committee charge was expanded to encompass new responsibilities enacted by 2019 Article 34 (125:11 elapsed).

April 11th.  
Conservation  
Commission  
7pm.

April 17th.  
School Board  
5pm. RJH.

April 18th:  
Historic  
District  
6:00pm

### **Select Board March 11th meeting:**

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

Draft Town Meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

April 18th.  
Perkins Safety  
6pm.

1. 2 New Police Officers Sworn-in Chief Walsh introduced Charles (Chad) Graham from Hampton Falls and Josh McAllister from Epping. Both officers were sworn in. (3:00 elapsed)

April 22nd  
Select Board  
6:30pm.

2. Art Ditto reported on Seacoast Drinking Water Commission and House Bill 495. (8:10 elapsed)

This commission will run through November 1, 2029. The new commission requests 2 representatives from Rye, including a representative from the Rye Water District.

April 25th.  
Perkins Safety  
6:00pm.

3. Corey Belden for the Rye Recreation Commission provided an update on the plans for a new storage facility. 150K was approved for this project in 2018. A building permit was submitted on 3.11.19. (15:30 elapsed)

4. Chief Walsh reported on issues with the parking on Central Road near St. Theresa's Church. Chief Walsh asked the Board to implement a temporary town parking ordinance for "No Parking" on one side of Central Road on Saturday and Sunday. The Board agreed to hold a public hearing. (29:42 elapsed)

5. Selectman Roman explained that the town of Hampton had challenged the State because they believed it was not getting enough help with the beaches. Some issues pertained to police and fire. The board agreed to obtain the Hampton plan and hold a working session to identify Rye's needs. (45:30 elapsed)

**Town  
Reference  
Documents  
on the  
Town Web  
Site:**

Rye History  
Museum:  
[Click Here](#)

6. Mr. Herlihy presented an album to retiring Select Board Chair Priscilla Jenness. Mr. Herlihy explained that over the years he has created personalized albums with photos for friends that have reach milestones in their lives. As the 3.11.19 Select Board meeting was one of the last official duties for Chair Priscilla Jenness. The album highlighted her achievements and contributions of Mrs. Jenness. (58:30 elapsed)

Town  
Org chart.  
[Click Here](#)

### **School Board Meeting: March 20th**

Learn more about the Rye Schools: [Click Here](#)

Proposed 2019-2020 Budget: [Click Here](#)

Rye PTA Website: [Click Here](#)

Superintendent's Bulletin: December 18 [Click Here](#) (no Jan, Feb or March notes)

Draft School Board Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Capital  
Improvement  
Plan (CIP)  
[Click Here](#)  
This plan is  
updated annually  
and  
is a great way to  
see what the  
Town is planning

1. At the start of each meeting, the Board has invited Rye students to share current projects. This month two students from RJH shared their student activism projects.

2. RES received a Clipper Grant from the Clipper Foundation to install a Sensory Pathway for students

3. Superintendent Petralia will nominate a Director of Technology for SAU 50 on Wednesday, March 27th at the Joint SAU School Board meeting

4. Fifth Grade Transition logistics update-open houses will be announced soon for incoming 5th & 6th grade students

for future capital expenditures

Town of Rye Master Plan (click here) 2014 FEMA maps: Updated Dec 2017 Click Here

**Rye Rec Master Plan** (Click Here)

**Town Forest Managment Plan** (Click Here)

**2018 Beach Report** Click Here

**GIS Parcel Data:** Click Here

**Transfer Station and Recycling Flyer:** Click Here.

**Town Budgets** Budget Analysis: Click Here

Town Budget Worksheet: Click Here.

MS-7 Reporting document: Click Here

**Rye Water District Budget:** Click Here.

**Rye Beach Budget:** Click Here. RBVD.

Treasurer's Report. Click Here

**Jeness Beach Budget:** Click Here

5. New PE teacher at RJH Aaron Scoggin who is the current 6th Grade Math Teacher, this, leaves opening for 6th Grade Math.

6. RES Kindergarten Teacher Sally Welsh will be retiring.

### **SAU 50 Joint Board Meeting**

Draft School Board Meeting Minutes: Not Available

RCL Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

1. Rye School Board member Jeanne Moynahan was reelected Chairman. New Rye School District Treasurer Elizabeth Figliulo (who is also secretary to the Rye Junior High School principal) was appointed SAU 50 Treasurer as well by the Joint Board (1:08 elapsed).
2. The hiring of a new Director of Technology was approved (6:58 elapsed).
3. The Superintendent admitted that multiple agreements relating to High School students are illegal (12:41 elapsed). [Click here](#) for more information. [Click Here](#) for original PASS (i.e. Lister Academy) agreement
4. SAU 50 is looking into hiring permanent substitutes, with benefits, that will be assigned to the various buildings in case teachers are unavailable (38:55 elapsed).

### **Rye Districts Information:**

[Click Here](#) for information on Rye Districts

### **2019 Budgets**

Recorded Video of Budget Committee meeting: [Click Here](#)

[Rye Water District Budget](#) [RBVD Budget](#) [JBVD Budget](#)

### **Rye Water District Annual Meeting March 30th:**

Rye Water District Website: [Click Here](#)

2019 RWD Budget: [Click Here](#)

RWD 2018 Water Quality Report: [Click Here](#)

Sampling Results: March 2019 [Click Here](#)

EPA PFOA and PFOS fact sheet: [Click Here](#)

Water in Rye and Grove Landfill presentations: [Click Here](#)

2018 Seacoast Drinking Water report: [Click Here](#)

RCL Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

2019 Detailed Budget Form: [Click Here](#) 2019 Warrant: [Click Here](#)

1. 17 residents not associated with the RWD attended and voted for approximately 1,600 properties. Passed RWD budget is our fourth largest departmental operating budget (follows School, General Town, and DPW) and has been growing much faster than these. [Click Here](#) to see comparison table.

2. All warrant articles passed, but there was a vigorous attempt to remove \$399,000 associated with a water main replacement serving 9 condos just North of Locke Rd. and Ocean Blvd from the operating budget. All current officers with expiring terms were reelected.

Article 4: \$30K for Storage Tank Maintenance (6:42 elapsed)

Article 5: \$30K Distribution System Replacement and Improvement fund

Article 6: \$15K Expendable Trust for unanticipated expenses

Article 7: \$15K Equipment & Building Capital Reserve Fund

Article 8. Changing the name of the contingency fund

Article 9: \$45K for a new vehicle (from Capital Reserve Fund)

Article 10. \$100K Water line work on Garland Road

Article 11: \$1,648,332 for the operating budget. (31:09 elapsed)

3. After these votes the RWD has just over \$400K across the four reserve/trust funds. [Click Here](#) for RCL table as information was not in the RWD Annual Budget and had to be requested at the meeting.

### **Rye Water District March 6th Meeting:**

Draft meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Cedar Run well is operational again, the bacteria samples were clean, but the high iron level is keeping it from operating.
2. Online Bill Pay is now available for the RWD Website
3. Quote for removal of paints and chemicals from the basement is \$2790.
4. State Commission on Seacoast Drinking Water has been extended for 10 years.

### **Planning Board meeting: March 12th:**

Learn more about the Planning Board: [Click Here](#)

New FEMA maps have been posted: [Click Here](#)

**School****Budget:**

Here is a link to the Proposed 2019-2020 School Budget.

**Rye Trust****Fund****Summary:**

[Click Here](#)

**Rye Library****Strategic****Plan:**

[Click Here](#)

**How good is****our Library**

[Click Here](#)

**Rye Police****Homepage**

[Click Here](#)

**Facebook:**

[Click Here](#)

**Rye Beach****Committee****Facebook**

[Page Click](#)

[Here](#)

**Rye PTA****Webpage**

[Click Here](#)

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**Rye****Elementary****School [Click](#)**

[Here](#)

**Rye Junior****High School**

[Click Here](#)

**Portsmouth****High School**

[Click Here](#)

**Other****Helpful****Links:****Live Free or****Die Alliance**

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Town Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Wallis Rd/Ocean Blvd. and Vz Cell tower continued to April 9th meeting

2. Land Development Regulations have had sections removed and new information added.

There is a new section for Climate Change. Possible Public Hearing in May. [Click Here](#) for RCL overview as meeting minutes are not helpful understanding what is happening.

**LRP Public Meeting (Master Plan) March 6th Meeting**

What has happened since 2014: [Click Here](#) Additional 2016 information [Click Here](#)

Recorded video: [Click Here](#)

Draft meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

[Click Here](#) to see Durham's website and their master plan as reference.

1. Master Plan has been updated. [Click Here](#) to see Chapters

2. Land Use Regulations are being re-written [Click Here](#) for memo to DPW and Police

3. RCL Summary of Land Development Regulations

a) Beginning in October 2018, the LRP committee has been meeting on a monthly basis to update the Land Development Regulations with the assistance of Julie Labranche, from the RPC.

b) Until recently, it was difficult for the editorial board of the Rye Civic League to provide a summary from the meeting minutes, as those were "buried" with old minutes (from 2016).

c) As the meeting minutes of the LRP meetings have recently "surfaced" the RCL is filling a gap by providing a summary - meeting by meeting - with key points of the LDR updates.

[Click Here](#)

**Rules & Regulations Committee:****Planning Board April 9th Agenda**

Agenda for meeting: [Click Here](#)

1. 1215 Ocean Blvd. - major site development demo exiting building and tourist cabins, remove all infrastructure and replace with four duplex town houses

2. . 1215 Ocean Blvd. - special use permit to allow "tourist accommodations" to become obsolete and be replaced with "residential use."

3. Foss Circle and tax map 8.4, lot 141 - lot line adjustment

4. 1244 Washington Rd. - major subdivision build 20 unit town houses in five 4-unit buildings

**Zoning Board of Adjustment: March 20th:**

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: Not available

1. 1681 Ocean Bld. Variances approved 5-0 for driveways within the wetland buffers. Six variances granted and relief from two building codes 5-0. [NOD Case 14a and b 2019](#)

2. 296 Harbor Rd. Variances approved 5-0 for expansion of the non-conforming structure and road set back. [NOD Case #17-2019](#)

3. 395 Washington Rd. Variances granted 5-0 for special exception for driveway in a vernal pool setback. Eight (8) variances granted 5-0. Relief granted to building code for effluent disposal for vernal pools and wetlands 5-0. These had seven (7) conditions. [NOD Case 11a](#)

**Zoning Board of Adjustment: March 6th:**

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. An application from Webster at Rye for additions to expand the number of skilled nursing beds from 51 to 72 and assisted living beds from 84 to 86 was approved by a vote of 3 to 2.

2. An application for expansion of a non-conforming dwelling and addition of a garage at 60 Park Ridge was approved 5:0.

**Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda: April 3rd:**

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

1. 1248 Ocean Blvd. - seek variances for: expand non conforming structure: issues - height; build retaining wall: issues - setback; new septic system.

2. 55 Harbor Rd. - seek variances for: demo and replace non conforming structure: issues - set back from wetlands; new septic system, leach field, walkway and generator.

3. 103 Old Beach Rd. - seek variances for: demo non conforming structure and replace with new house: issues - height, setback and lot coverage

4. 160 Perkins Rd. - seek variances for: pool, deck and patio: issues - setback from property line
5. 140 Harbor Rd. seek variances for: expand non conforming structure on non conforming lot, remove privy and shower: issues - setback form wetlands
6. 140 Harbor Rd. - seek variances for: new driveway and parking area: issues - in wetland buffer
7. 31 Breakers Rd. - seek variances for: patio: issues - setback; build new shed: issues - lot coverage

### **Conservation Commission (CC) March 14th**

Learn more about the Conservation Commission: [Click Here](#)

Conservation Land Maps: [Click Here](#)

Wetlands Map [Click Here](#)

Town Forest map: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

RCL Meeting Notes: [Click Here](#)

Goss Farm Community Garden Plots sign up: [Click Here](#)

1. Commission voted all in favor to contact Selectmen to request extension of temporary leash zone law for another year given sight and control ordinance did not pass.
2. Members have observed multiple unleashed dogs in the town forest leash zones after the election, the temporary ordinance still being in force until April 1st.
3. 2019 officers were elected: Sally King, Chair; Suzanne McFarland Vice Chair; Mike Garvan, Secretary.

### **Recreation Commission Meeting March 11th**

Learn more about Rye Recreation: [Click Here](#)

[Click Here](#) to see the Rye Recreation Master Plan

Fall program Registrations: [Click Here](#)

2018-2019 Active, Alive and over 55 Programs: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: No video at Rye Rec.

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Design Build Contract was reviewed and approved to move forward at the March 25th Select Board meeting. Location was moved to improve the view of the fields.
2. Lease to leverage Rye Congregational Church space is close to being approved and signed.
3. MOU for Rye After School program required a few changes.
4. SEA (Swim, Enrich and Advocacy) is making a scholarship available for the Rye Recreation Summer Basketball Camp. Scholarship is the Patrick Mulvey Memorial Basketball Camp Scholarship Application.
5. Greenland Recreation has suggested coordinating Summer Programs.
6. No field use applications have been received, soccer, lacrosse and baseball programs will be invited to the next meeting.

### **Heritage Commission March 7th**

Learn more about the Heritage Commission: [Click Here](#)

Heritage Commission Facebook page: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Family discussed their family grave yards on Washington Rd. and Star Island.
2. Discussion of the Driftwood Cotages as they relate to DHR requirements for mitigation.
3. Discussion of a possible town BBQ day.
4. Confirmation of support for Plan NH.

### **Library Board of Trustees March 11th:**

Trustee Home Page: [Click Here](#)

Library 2018 Usage Statistics; **NEW** [Click Here](#) #1 NH Library [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. February had 161 attendees at youth and teen programs.
2. Discussions of the possible Library expansion
3. West side fence will be replaced with a wooden fence.

### **Sewer Commission Meeting March 6th:**

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Rt. 1A and East Atlantic Ave manholes were discussed.
2. 8 Maple Ave sewer connection meets all conditions (note they are all listed in the meeting notes).

### **Perkins Rd. Safety Committee Meeting March 7th and 21st**

March 7th Video Recording: [Click Here](#) Includes the group charge.

March 7th Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

March 21st: Recorded Video [Click Here](#)

March 21st: [Click Here](#)

March 7th:

1. Chief Walsh provided background information
2. List of concerns from residents reviewed
3. Discussion summarized (page 7 top)

March 21st:

1. On site meeting with Public Works and Police was reviewed
2. Chief Walsh will provide and update at the next meeting.

### **Historic District Commission Meeting February 19th**

Learn more about the Historic District: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: Not posted

### **Beach Committee January 19th:**

Facebook Page [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. While Beach Committee meeting notes are on the town Website, all of the minutes and pictures presented to the Select Board are now posted on the Civic League website. [Click Here.](#)

### **Mosquito Commission Meeting: December 18th:**

Learn more about the Mosquito Commission: [Click Here](#)

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

Video of meeting: [Click Here](#)

1. Posters are available [Ticked Off](#) [Wanted Not](#) [Bug Them](#)
2. Commission is recommending Dragon Mosquito, see minutes for quote comparison table.

### **Rye Energy Committee Meeting: February 4th:**

Learn More about the Energy Committee: [Click Here](#)

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. January 22nd speaking event was well received. [Click Here](#) for video
2. Work continues on the Solar Panels for public buildings report.
3. Membership will continue in Clean NH Organization. Member Kalet will attend the Commercial Energy Summit.

### **Rye Recycling Education Committee May 22nd**

Video Recording: Not available

Draft town meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Rye Food Scrap Collection Information [Click Here](#)
2. Rye Recycling Center Brochure [Click Here](#)

### **Rye Opinions:**

The Rye Civic League Website posts opinions and discussions for Rye. These opinions reflect the views of residents, **NOT** the Rye Civic League.

The purpose is to help residents share their views and to have an online discussion between residents. We encourage you to share your opinions in the online discussions or sending an e-mail to the [RCL e-mail](#)

**Recent posted opinions:**

1. Rye's need for better planning: [Click Here](#)

**There is helpful information included in the sections for commissions and committees that are not actively meeting. Opinions, Public**

## **Discussion and additional content are also included below.**

### **Clean Water Issues:**

1. DES informs BOS that Parson's Creek is an impaired body of water. See more information on Parson's Creek. [Click Here](#)
1. Summary of PFC carcinogens impacting Garland Well. [Click Here](#)
2. Water in Rye Presentation from the RCL [Click Here](#)
3. CMA Engineers Grove Rd. Landfill presentation: [Click Here](#)  
RCL video of the November 29th presentation: [Click Here](#)  
RWD Presentation: [Click Here](#)
4. RCL (supported by State Rep. Messimer) has an up to date summary of what we know about PFC's in our area: [Click Here](#)
5. Cancer Cluster Final Report September 2017 [Click Here](#)
6. August 23rd Governor's Task Force Coakley Landfill Subcommittee Presentation (full overview) [click here](#) Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)
7. NH Fish & Game restricts fishing in Berry's Brook. [Click Here](#)

### **Additional Information:**

NHDHHS Confirms CDC-defined Pediatric Cancer Cluster [Click Here](#)  
Community Facebook page for the Cancer Cluster: [Click Here](#)  
Full USGS 2009 Study of Seacoast Ground Water Resources: [Click Here](#)  
Draft Subcommittee Recommendations to Task Force: [Click Here](#)  
Google Drive of documents related to subcommittee's work; [Click Here](#)  
Coakley-Greenland Cancer Fact Sheet: [Click Here](#)  
NHDHHS confirms uptick in pediatric brain cancers in cluster: [Click Here](#)  
RCL Water in Rye Presentation: [Click Here](#)  
Grove Rd. Landfill CMA Presentation: [Click Here](#)  
PFC's 101 from Rep. Messmer: [Click Here](#)  
RWD presentation: [Click Here](#)

### **Trustees of the Trust Funds August 22nd**

- Draft Town Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)  
Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)
1. Discussions of the current economic state and risks.
  2. Reviewed and discussed the current allocations and cash positions
  3. Decided to reduce J&J position based on possible negative impact of recent lawsuit
  4. Next meeting will review ultra-short bond funds to support strategic liquidity

### **Parson's Creek Pollution Committee November 15th 2016 Final Report:**

Organized Additional Information: [Click Here](#)  
Information from the Planning Department: [Click Here](#)  
Committee Charge from the BOS: [Click Here](#)  
RCL Discussion Page: [Click Here](#)  
Summer Pollution Testing Results: [Click Here](#)  
RCL Notes of 9-28 Final Report: [Click Here](#)  
Video Recording Sept 6th: [Click Here](#)  
RCL Meeting Notes:  
Septic System Presentation: [Click Here](#)  
NH Storm Water Management Guide: [Click Here](#)  
Committee Final 11/28 Report to Selectmen [Click Here](#)  
December 2018 Report: [Click Here](#)

### **Rye Public Forum Discussion Topics:**

Once the RCL monthly meeting concludes, there is a public forum discussion about some of current topics in town. All are welcome to join this discussion and introduce town-related topics.

Topics discussed:

1. Election results and recount
2. School Deliberative
3. Plan NH update

### **Other Town Activity**

### **Rye Town Handbook from the Rye Civic League:**

**NOTE:** 2018 Update are available at the Library, the Hungry Horse and other locations. All sections are also posted on the Rye Civic League website

The Rye Citizens' Handbook has been created by the Rye Civic League ("RCL") to provide a consolidated resource to assist citizens in interacting with the various employees, board and commission members of the Town. It contains a description of each of the positions and groups, together with the contact information for each. It provides a road map to assist citizens in interacting with each function. The document is fluid. The intention of the RCL is to revise the Handbook at least annually in response to changes in staff, board and committee memberships, and the laws.

Special thanks to **Mae Bradshaw** who created and maintains the handbook.

[Click Here for a PDF version of the handbook](#)

### **About the Rye Civic League and the Civic News**

The Rye Civic League (founded in 1968 by Frances Holway, Joan LaFrance and Marjorie Miller, disbanded in 1992 and revived in 2009) is a voluntary association that educates and motivates people to act as informed citizens of Rye.

To receive Town News via bcc go to the [Rye Civic League Website](#) and enter your name and e-mail.

All articles are written by the RCL editors. Questions or comments feel free to contact the RCL at [civicnews@ryecivicleague.org](mailto:civicnews@ryecivicleague.org)

### **An Invitation to membership in the Rye Civic League**

While the Civic News is free (distributed to over 1,100 people), the Civic League does have annual costs that are covered by members (people who contribute \$12 or more each year).

**Our annual costs are:** Note only about 10% of the people who open the Civic News are members.

- Website hosting and URL registrations
- Civic News E-mail distribution software (Constant Contact)
- NH Attorney General's fees for being a 501-C and NH Secretary of State filing fees
- Printing and other expenses
- Post Office Box

### **Members receive:**

- Invitation to annual meeting in the Fall where members may discuss anything about the organization including the Civic News. Voting for directors, policy, etc... (NOTE, moved to the early Fall).
- Invitation with agenda to each end of the month RCL meeting at the library where RCL business is discussed followed by an open public forum (no longer an RCL meeting). Meetings are the last Wednesday of the month.
- The knowledge that you are participating in raising citizen awareness of, and promoting participation in Rye's important civic affairs.

### **Become a member or renew!!!!**

[Click Here](#) to make an online payment.

[Click Here](#) to read the invitation and complete the membership form

Membership and donations can be made by credit card via our Paypal link

at [www.ryecivicleague.org](http://www.ryecivicleague.org) or by mail to Rye Civic League P.O. Box 971 Rye, NH 03870.

### **Get Involved:**

The Rye Civic League is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and such organizations are only as good as their membership base whether that is through paid dues, gifts in kind and active participation. What RCL really needs at this time, in addition to regular \$12 dues, is more active members who can assist with RCL tasks relating to the writing of the Civic News and other activities.

- Summarize a town meeting for the Civic News
- Editing the Civic News content
- Helping with Candidates Night and other civic events
- Social Media savvy person
- Website and help to fulfill our "digital transformation" vision. We envisioned a more effective capture of meeting summaries, a much better website and more dynamic communication.

## Contact Info



*The Rye Civic League was re-formed to promote public awareness by informing residents about the town's business and its responsiveness to its citizens. The organization also offers townspeople an opportunity to bring issues forward for discussion and unbiased resolution. Its primary purpose is to help residents of Rye, NH to act as informed citizens and thereby improve and develop our community.*

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