

Rye Civic News September 2019

from the [Rye Civic League](http://www.ryecivicleague.org) (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:
September 25th
RPL 7:00 pm

Meetings
(at Town Hall
unless
indicated)

Sept. 4th:
RWD 9:00am
60 Sagamore
Rd.

Sept. 4th:
Zoning Board
of Adjustment.
7:00pm.

Sept. 5th:
Heritage
Commission.
6:30pm.

Sept. 5th.
School Board.
5pm RJH.

Sept 9th: Long
Range
Planning
8:00am.

Sept, 9th.
Rules and
Regulations.
9:30am.

Sept 9th:
Recreation
Commission
6:00pm.

Sept 9th:
Select Board
Meeting
6:30pm.

Sept. 10th:
Sewer
Commission
8:00am RBVD.

August Highlights

1. Library Trustee's shared research with the Select Board that the best option for raising private funds for Library needs and overall town space requirements is for the Select Board, Library, Recreation and schools to work together and provide a coordinated plan. [Click Here](#) for full presentation. [Click Here](#) for Scenario 2
2. September 5th is the deadline to let the Select Board know if you are interested in being one of seven people on the Town Center Planning committee. [Click Here](#) for Select Board charter.
3. Town website is being updated, current site is temporary. There was no public discussion about resident requirements, suggestions or inputs.
4. Greenland Master Plan Survey was completed. [Click Here](#)
5. Ray's Seafood is working on installing a new septic system under the current parking lot.
6. Mosquito commission was informed of the decrease in insects and the impact to the overall ecosystem.
7. The State plans on abdicating ownership of Pulpit Rock. Heritage Commission and Pulpit Rock group beginning to discuss how Rye could assume ownership.
8. Select Board investigating Social Media communication policy. Social media presentation on Aug. 12th and Rye Police presented what they are doing on August 26th. There is a State Alert system. [Click Here](#)
9. Residents raised speeding concerns in the Rye Beach District (Central Rd.).
10. Residents raised concern of the 3 accidents in a month on the corner of Brackett and Wallis Rd. DPW, Police and Selectman discussed options.
11. Parson's Creek Watershed pollution [Click Here](#) for December 2018 report. No public discussion of actions has occurred.
12. Open Volunteer Positions: Contact Select Board office [e-mail](#) or Planning Admin
Planning Board: 2 Alternates ([e-mail](#))
Zoning Board: 1 Alternate ([e-mail](#))
Rye Heritage Commission 2 Alternates
Rye Historic District Commission: 2 Alternate
Rye Recycling Education 1 Member vacancy
CIP Committee 1 Member Vacancy
Conservation Commission 2 Alternates
Telecom Infrastructure Committee 5 Member vacancies

General Announcements:

1. **Goss Farm Day September 22nd** noon to 3pm [Click Here](#) Food, Music, tours and more
2. **Land Development Regulations Public Forum.** 6:30pm No information available
3. Rye After School Program Staff is needed. [Click .](#)
4. **Rye Recreation Fall Programs NEW** [Click Here](#)
5. **Rye Recreation Senior Program:** 2019-2020 Active, Alive **NEW** [Click Here](#)
6. **Assessment Data:** Online views of town lots [Click Here](#)
7. **GIS Mapping** Software Presentation Video: [Click Here](#)
FYI see RCL [Conservation Commission notes](#) on finding locations with the GIS

Select Board Meeting August 26th

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

Draft meeting notes: Not available

1. Goss Farm event September 22nd noon to 3pm [Click Here](#)
2. Resident calls out the 1995 Ordinance 22 that does not include political canvassing as an exception, a 2001 court ruling says towns can't require permitting of these groups.
3. Un-merger request for 10 Richard Road was discussed and will be moving forward.
4. Telecom Infrastructure contractor will be working with the 3 person committee to evaluate phone coverage gaps and options for Rye.
5. Town Hall Renovation process heard from Barba & Wheellock with guidance and updates

Sept 10th:
Planning
Board.
6:00pm RPL

Sept. 10th:
Rye Energy
6:30pm.

Sept 12th:
Conservation
Commission
7:00pm.

Sept 16th: CIP
7:00pm

Sept 17th:
Mosquito
Commision
5:00pm.

Sept 17th:
Recycling
Education
Committee
6:30pm.

Sept. 22nd:
Goss Farm
Open House &
Farmers
Market. 12pm
to 3pm.

Sept. 23rd:
Select Board.
6:30pm.

Sept 24th:
Land
Development
Regulations
Public Forum.
6:30pm.

Sept. 30th:
CIP. 7:00pm.

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

Rye History
Museum:
[Click Here](#)

Town
Org chart.
[Click Here](#)

Capital

from the Select Board. Work should feed the Town Center Planning committee

6. Central Rd residents raised speeding concerns. [Click Here](#) to see statement. Police Chief and Select Board will communicate to companies (Waste Management) and business (Abenequi) about about speeding.
7. Police Chief Walsh communicated that crime investigations and other activities pull on-duty officers off the streets and hampers police presence to help with speeding.
8. Bracett/Wallis Rd. intersection; raised awareness that there have been three accidents in one month. Residents spoke about the dangers and their concerns.
9. DPW, Police and Select Board had a detailed discussion about town wide speeding, Brackett Rd/Wallis Rd and the need to have thorough data and due diligence before taking actions.

Select Board & Library Trustee Meeting: August 21st

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Consultant Janet Davis presented findings from a feasibility study commissioned by the RPL trustees on the feasibility of raising private donations.
2. [Click Here](#) for full presentation. [Click Here](#) to just see Scenario 2.

Select Board Meeting August 12th

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

Town Meeting Minutes: Not available

1. New Animal Control Officer has been hired.
2. Discussion of the need for Social Media presence and policy. Rye Police has an active Facebook page and process and will share what they are doing with the Select Board.
3. Select Board discussed the charge for the Town Center Planning and will make changes discussed. [Click Here](#) for final charge - Sept 5th is the deadline to communicate interest.
4. Select Board was ready to move forward with IT Services RFP selection, but agreed to wait for a resident who is in the IT Managed Services industry to review the requirements and proposal.
5. Update on Washington Rd. and Ocean Blvd. parking and safety from Police Chief who spoke to resident.
6. Board, Police Chief and DPW discussed speeding in Rye and options for the town. Chief implied all roads should be the same speed limit. Dilemma is about posted speeds and the police ability to enforce (manpower).

School Board Meeting: August 1st all day retreat

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

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

Rye PTA Website: [Click Here](#)

Superintendent's Bulletin: April 2019 [Click Here](#) (most current)

August 1st Retreat: Meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

Retreat powerpoint: [Click Here](#)

1. Board continues to monitor student population data ([click here](#) for monitoring plan) and explore possible future scenarios to address current trend of declining population while maintaining educational quality. Multi-age grade levels as well as team teaching scenarios were discussed
2. Board member Moynahan and Business Administrator Ryan to develop revised Capitol Improvement Plan (CIP) list. Possible CIP items include paving, bathrooms, elevator at RES and boilers.
3. It was determined that Rye Elementary School remains the best option for a polling place. Rye Police add a third officer to be stationed at RES on polling dates as part of an effort to improve safety. RES is scheduled to be closed on the next National Election Day (2020).
4. Mr. Petralia presented the resignation letter of Sharon Spark (paraprofessionals), Ms. Sunderland (RJH Art teacher) and Mary Coombs (RJH Library Media Specialist).
5. Board approved (5-0) nominations of Sharon Woodhouse as Grade 1 Teacher at RES, Leslie Bayse as Art Teacher at RJH, Maria Gamvas as a World Language Teacher at RJH. 6. The RJH Library Media Specialist position remains unfilled.

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 August 7th Meeting:

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

2018 Portsmouth Water Report: [Click Here](#)

2019 Rye Water Rates: [Click Here](#)

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

Draft meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Resident and owner of 6 apartments questioned how costs were being allocated to his units. The Rye Water District is managed by the residents who can make proposals to change policies and pricing.
2. July water use was down, lower than the past four years.
3. Seven new hydrants have been installed, work came in under budget.
4. There was a level 2 coliform hit on Parson's Road. Next [RWD meeting](#) is September 4th at 9:00am.
5. Discussion of a bond to upgrade the Garland Rd pump house.
6. Commissioners agreed that there are no conflicts with the right of way where the Water District office is. Agreed to repair and pave the driveway.

Planning Board meeting: August 13th:

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

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

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

1. 161 Clark Rd. Case # 11-2019 Conditional use permit for accessory dwelling unit Approved (Notice of Decision not with the minutes)
2. 824 Ocean Blvd., amendment for Breakers Condos, raze and build new structure on same footprint, continued.
3. All others were continued to September or October meetings.

LRP Public Meeting (Master Plan) August 8th 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

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 August Meetings

August 27th Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

August 15th: Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

No meeting notes posted.

Planning Board September 3rd and 10th Agenda

Sept. 3rd Agenda for meeting: [Click Here](#) (1244 Washington Rd. work-session)

Sept 10th Agenda: [Click Here](#)

1. 1244 Washington Rd.. - major subdivision, 20 units of town houses
2. 1244 Washington Rd - special use permit from Aquifer Wellhead protection District
3. 824 Ocean Blvd. - raze and build new on same footprint
4. 420 Brackett Rd. - lot line adjustment
5. 1196 Ocean Blvd. - add dormer
6. 795 Washington Rd. - expand Ranie Webster buildings
7. 972 Washington Rd. - two dwellings to one and add accessory dwelling unit
8. 120 Brackett Rd. - Verizon cell tower - conditional use permit - (no public comment).

Zoning Board of Adjustment: August 7th:

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. 18 Tower Ave. Variances granted 4-1 for patio expansion. [NOD Case #31-2019](#)
2. 9 Perkins Rd. Variances granted 5-0 for tear down and new replace with new building [NOD Case #30-2019](#)

Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda: Sept 4th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

1. 199 Locke Rd. - garage, front and side setback issues
2. 200 Parsons Rd. - grading and improvements, wetlands issues
3. 2250 Ocean Blvd. - improvements; setback and impervious coverage issues
4. 824 Ocean Blvd - raze bldg. and replace with new; setback issues
5. 23 Harbor View Dr. raze and replace with new; wetlands issues
6. 1 and 3 Cable - expand and replace two non-conforming, buildings with one building on combined lot; setback and lot coverage issues

Conservation Commission (CC) August 6th & 8th

**Jenness Beach
Budget:**
[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](#)

Rye
Elementary
School [Click
Here](#)

Rye Junior
High School
[Click Here](#)

Portsmouth
High School
[Click Here](#)

**Other
Helpful
Links:**

[Live Free or
Die Alliance](#)

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

Conservation Land Maps: [Click Here](#)

Wetlands Map [Click Here](#)

Town Forest map: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: August 6th: [Click Here](#) August 8th: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: August 6th [Click Here](#) August 8th: [Click Here](#)

RCL CC Notes: [Click Here](#)

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

1. Ray's Seafood. As part of project to replace septic which will go under the parking lot a storm water management plan to help keep run off out of the marsh will be implemented

2. Driftwood Equestrian. Site walk discussed future potential paddocks in the fields, training days event parking, employee housing, and an annual maintenance plan

3. Burke Pond Dam at the Abeniqui is in bad shape and reducing pressure on it has caused beavers to build a 100' long dam further back causing flooding behind and a potential downstream flood hazard if the beaver dam breaches and impacts the dam. Work on the dam is proposed for early fall.

Recreation Commission Meeting: No August Meeting

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

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

New: Fall program Registrations: [Click Here](#)

New: 2019-2020 Active, Alive and over 55 Programs: [Click Here](#)

Heritage Commission: August 1st meeting

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

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. Commission discussed Pulpit Rock tower and how the town could take ownership from the State. The State will remove themselves from ownership of this property.

2. \$15,000 of the Commission's funds are for the Town Hall Window fund.

Library Board of Trustees: August 22nd:

Trustee Home Page: [Click Here](#)

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. An unrestricted memorial gift of \$500 from multiple donors dedicated to Edna Sherwin.

2. Trust Fund Income for the first two quarters was down.

3. Youth Department: 29 programs attended by 348 children in July. 189 children and teens attended the five summer reading events.

4. Trustees did not feel the Select Board "charge" for the Town Planning was in sync with their reaction to Scenario 2 at the August 21st meeting. Trustees have asked to meet with the Select Board on September 4th.

Demolition Review Committee: August Meetings

August 27th: Draft Meeting Minutes [Click Here](#) Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

August 21st: Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#) Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

August 15th: Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#) Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

1. 103 Old Beach Rd. Tear down of 100 year-old house and guest house

2. Three tear downs on the Sept 4th BA meeting. 824 Ocean Blvd., Harborview Drive, 1 Cable Rd.

3. August 27th Planning Board Rules and Regulations Committee discussed definition change and setting days required for notices.

4. September 3rd Agenda - 24 Glendale Rd. [Click Here](#)

Historic District Commission Meeting July 18th

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

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

1. Design Guide lines are progressing.

2. Star Island signs were deemed to be in violation of Historic District regulations but also the Public Recreation District Zone.

Capital Investment Plan (CIP) Committee Meeting: August 19th

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Town Meeting Minutes: Not available

Mosquito Commission Meeting: August 20th:

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. Schools and Recreation fields will be adulticiding.
3. Resident reported that a neighbor's yard has two dingies that are not inverted. Mosquito Commission has reached out, but there has been no response from the property owner.
Note: Standing water is a breeding ground for mosquitoes.
4. Mass and NH are experiencing mosquito and tick viruses - EEE in Mass and Pelham NH.
5. Ms. McGregor reported decline in insects that is bad for the ecosystems.
6. Discussion of private independent pest control companies and regulation to coordinate supervision and chemicals introduced to the environment.

Rye Energy Committee Meeting: August 6th:

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

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

1. Solar RFP was approved to go to the Select Board.
2. Solar vendor site walks will be planned for the schools, public safety, transfer station and water district in September.
3. Committee continues to work with Eversource for the lighting upgrade project.
4. Discussion of updating the Master Plan Energy chapter.

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](#)

Trustees of Trust Fund Meeting August 15th:

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

1. Accounts liquidity positions were discussed. Large accounts at approximately 9%.
2. Market conditions and political environment discussed.
3. Trustees decided to maintain liquidity levels.
4. Average performance of the Trust Funds were 11.23% YTD through July 31st.

Sewer Commission Meeting August 13th:

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

1. Sewer plans for 9 Cable Rd. was approved pending documentation.

Budget Committee August 6th:

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

1. School Budget 2018/2019 year to date was reviewed. Boiler work is progressing.
2. Reviewed year to date of Town budget.
3. No closing or summary statement for the public

Beach Committee Meeting July 24th:

Facebook page for Beach Committee: [Click Here](#)

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

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

1. Dune Grass discussed
2. Parking and Perkins Road parking was discussed.
3. Questions about the Select Board's plans and actions for RV's on Ocean Blvd.
4. Cable Rd east parking was also discussed.
5. While the Committee made year end recommendations, it is unclear what the Select Board is and isn't doing.

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. Messmer) 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](#)

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:

Other Town Activity

Rye Town Handbook from the Rye Civic League:

NOTE: 2018 Update are available at the Library, the Lazy Bird, Native 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

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 partly 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...
- 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, RPL 7pm
- 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 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

Rye Civic League: civicnews@ryecivicleague.org

Steven Borne - President

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.