

February 2023

2022 Citizen's Handbook Click Here National Civic League RCL Story Click Here



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Rye Government February

<u>February 2nd 7pm Library</u> - RCL Budgets & Warrant Article Information presentation

Civic League will present the 2023 Budget Analysis (over \$28M) and will provide background and explanations of Town & School Warrant Articles

View on Live Stream Click Here (same for recording)

or Join us on Zoom to see slides: Zoom Link. ID: 821 6373 4991 Pass: 050493

RYE CIVIC FEST!!!!!! (1st ever)

Lunch Time - February 4th at the Town Deliberative Meeting, Rye Junior High School Cafeteria Rye Civic Fest will include:

- Hot soup! and other delicious offerings from local establishments. Feel free to donate some dessert to share.
- Opportunities to learn more about Rye groups, boards, committees, commissions etc.
- Find the volunteer opportunity you've been looking for.

February 4th: <u>Town Deliberative Meeting</u> 9:00am Rye Junior High School February 7th: <u>School Deliberative Meeting</u> 6:30pm Rye Junior High School

Serve in Rye Public Office: File to run now until February 3rd. Click Here to see open positions

- 1) Three beach stickers now allowed per dwelling, price increase. New Policy.
- **2)** Town Clerk's office moving to the Town Hall Annex, will not be open for business January 30th. Assessors office has already moved to the Town Hall Annex.
- 3) Mindi Messmer released an article "Canary in the Coal Mine" about the health risks from PFOA in our water (RWD, private wells and other sources). NC information on home filters. Click Here
- **4)** House Bill 361 to have Rye and New Castle representatives on the Pease Development Authority (PDA). Hearing is February 3rd, 2:45pm LOB 201. <u>Click Here</u> for in person and online testimony instructions.
- 5) Rye 400 full list of 2023 Activities: Click Here
- **6)** Aquarion has presented the commissioners with a proposal on acquiring Rye Water District. Rye Water District will be sending out a service survey to residents. <u>Click Here</u> to see mailer (note March 9th date conflicts with Candidates night). <u>Survey.</u> In other water news, Town Irrigation System permit change does not match RWD request to the town.

- 7) Sewer Commission and Adams Mobile Park discussed the October 2021 sewage that flowed into the wetlands. Click Here to see key points from a memorandum that may be updated. Click Here
- **8)** Draft 2023-2024 School Calendar <u>Click Here</u> Very detailed SAU50 Report on School maintenance, upgrades and technology. <u>Click Here</u>
- 9) <u>2022 Variances Summary</u>, 189 total, Wetlands 79, followed by Dimensional relief. There are no Draft meeting minutes for ZBA or Select Board meetings, nor the January 17th Planning Board meeting. Recreation did not post any meeting minutes in 2022.
- 10) Proposed budgets (personnel) includes:
 - Deputy Fire Chief
 - Two per-diem Fire personnel
 - DPW fulltime person (note, DPW will only plow School lots for safety lanes next year)
 - Part time DWP Administrative
 - Recreational Program Director (Program fees will cover much of this cost in the future)
 - RES will have one less full time teacher
 - Last year, Rye added Land Use Administrator, Full Time Building Inspector, and full time Town Clerk assistant

Your Rye Night Out: February 2nd 7pm Rye Public Library Click Here

This will be the annual RCL Budget and Warrant Article Presentation.

NOTE: We are shifting these to <u>AFTER the civic news publishes</u>, so you can **read up** and then come and engage around what you have learned and ask additional questions.

Open Town Board Positions: Click Here

Town positions <u>e-mail</u> Planning or Zoning positions: <u>e-mail</u>

Beach Committee 2 Alternate Vacancies
Heritage Commission 1 Alternate Vacancy
Historic District Commission. 3 Alternate Vacancies
Recycling Education Committee 2 Member Vacancies
Recreation Commission 2 Member Vacancies
Demolition Review Committee 1 Alternate Vacancy
Rye Town Center Committee 1 Member Vacancy

General Announcements

- 1) Life Guards are needed for 2023 Season. Click Here for more
- 2) Spring Youth Sports sign-ups: Rye Little League, Rip Tides Softball, Seacoast Lacrosse
- 3) Brush dump will now be open all hours the Transfer Station is open. Soon residents will once again need to see Transfer Station attendant prior to disposing of bulky, metal and other waste. No firm date on when payments will be cashless.
- 4) New Kindergarten and new 1st Grade student registration is open. Click Here
- 5) Rye Public Library 2022 Usage Statistics Click Here
- 6) Community Power Op-Ed from Rye Community Power Click Here
- **7)** Rye Historic Topics from Rye Historian. <u>Click Here</u> Alex Herlihy is seeking Rye photos from the 1900s. <u>More Information</u>
- 8) Rockingham County meetings can now be seen on Youtube. Rockingham County Channel
- 9) GIS Town Mapping Software Presentation Video: <u>Click Here</u>
 RCL <u>Conservation Commission notes</u> on how to find properties with the Rye GIS mapping.

Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

Please check the agendas for Locations Click here for Current Calendar of town meeting

Trustees of Trust Funds Jan 31 - 5:30pm

Budget Committee Jan 31 - 6:30pm

Rye Town Center Committee Feb 1 - 5:30pm

Board of Adjustment Feb 1 - 7:00pm

Heritage Commission Feb 2 - 5:30pm

Deliberative Session Feb 4 - 9:00am

Master Plan Steering Committee Feb 7 - 1:00pm

Energy Committee Feb 7 - 3:00pm

Historic District Commission Feb 8 - 5:30pm

Conservation Commission Feb 9 - 6:30pm
Select Board Feb 13 - 6:30pm
Presidents Day - Town Office Closed Feb 20
- 8:00am to 4:30pm
Planning Board Feb 21 - 6:00pm
Recycling Education Committee Feb 21 - 6:30pm
Beach Committee Feb 22 - 5:30pm
Select Board Feb 27 - 6:30pm



Select Board

Meetings are 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month.

Public Comments: At the beginning of meeting. 5 minute limit.

Consent Agenda: Select Board will not discuss theses topics unless a topic is pulled off the consent agenda. Remaining Consent agenda items are voted for in a single vote.

Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here

Town Organizational Chart: ... Click Here Organizational Flow Diagram: Click Here Town Facebook Page: Click Here

Select Board Meeting January 27th

Video Recording: Click Here
Draft Meeting notes: Not available

- 1) Rye Police announced the hiring of a needed new part time officer.
- **2)** Resident suggests naming of the Town Hall Annex, Select Board decline, but indicates a possible future process for specific rooms.
- 3) Community Power program logistics discussed, community education will begin soon. Op-Ed
- **4)** Three residents will form the new TAP Grant steering committee, there could be up to five members. More volunteers
- **5)** For the 132 Beach Parking spaces, modifications were approved for stickers, Click Here A domicile can now have up to 3 stickers and prices were increased. 2023 stickers availability. Click Here
- **6)** The dog waste containers will remain at Jenness Beach and Wallis Rd. Extension, discussion on how to make them more visibly appealing.
- 7) Public Comments for Transportation improvements can be made and Public Hearing is February 8th in Stratham. Hearing Information. Projects impacting list Click Here. #26485 paving rail trail, #16127 1B New Castle Bridge replacement, #41713 Bicycle and Pedestrian on 1A and 1B, #43002 Ocean Blvd Culvert near Locke Rd.
- **8)** State Rep. Grote is driving HB 361 to get Rye and New Castle representation on the Pease Development Authority. Public Hearing is February 3rd 2:45pm Public Works and Highway LOB 201 <u>Click Here</u> for in person and online testimony.
- 9) South Rd. resident can repair and modify stonewall, but it should not be in the town's right of way.
- **10)** Collective Bargaining agreements, for Fire, Police and Town Employees where approved with no public discussion above the salary increases.

Rye 400th Anniversary - postcard sent out with a calendar of activities for the year. Click Here

Select Board Non Public Meetings

January 23rd: Hiring and Personnel

January 9th: Hiring, Personnel, Reputation and Collective Bargaining.

Select Board Meeting January 9th

Video Recording: Click Here

Draft Meeting Minutes: Not available

- 1) Resident expresses concern of the increasing levels of fecal contamination in Parson's Creek and stated that if it wasn't for the severe drought last summer, there would have been many more beach closings.
- **2)** As a 2023 Warrant article (if approved), the increase in beach sticker revenue going to Beach Maintenance will increase from 50% to 75%. Resident points out that in 2015 when it was expanded from 25% to 50% and asks if funds have been going to monitoring.
- **3)** Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA) were made for Non-union town employees and total department operating budget increases where approved.
- **4)** Town agreed to waive interest on un-paid taxes as the Town has been sending bills to the physical address where no one has been living and not to the legal entity responsible for managing the property.



Rye Schools

Meets 3rd Wednesday at RJH

School Policies: Click Here

Rye 2023-24 Budget Details: Summary

Rye PTA: Click Here

Rye Education Foundation: Click Here
Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here
Introduction to PTA, REF and RCL: Click Here

Rye 2022-2023 Calendar: Click Here
Rye 2023-2024 School Calendar: Click Here
RJH Solar Panels tracking: Click Here

School Board Meeting: January 18th

Draft Minutes: <u>Click Here</u> Recorded Video: <u>Click Here</u>

October 2022 Budget Discussion and overview Recording. Click Here

January Reports: (note these are available to the public before the meeting)

Superintendent Report: Click Here VERY Detailed with pictures - worth looking through

- RJH Solar Panel update and pictures
- New RES Fence installed
- Report on Lead at RES
- Information and pictures of the RES roof inspection (on ballot to be replaced)
- Fresh polly on RJH Gym
- RES Homeland Security audit and update
- Window panes are falling out of the RJH gym
- Technology Assessment report for SAU50

RES Report: Click Here
RJH Report: Click Here

- 1) Rye Junior High School teachers gave presentations of recent project-based learning initiatives. Topics included local water quality and wildlife conservation.
- **2)** Rye Elementary School conducted safety assessment in January in partnership with NH Homeland Security, Rye Police, Rye Fire and SAU50 staff. Rye Junior High School assessment scheduled for January 25th.
- 3) School Board receives quarterly SAU building maintenance and technology updates. View these reports and all School Board meeting materials here.
- 4) School Board reviews initial 2023/2024 academic calendar and approves first draft. View proposed calendar Click Here
- 5) Dress Code was discussed. <u>Click Here</u> for current policy <u>Policy for residents</u> not attending Public School

SAU 50 School Board Meeting: November 16th

Draft Minutes: None Recorded video: None





RWD: meets 1st Wednesday of the month 9am at 60

Sagamore Rd. Water Suppliers

Rye Water Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here

Sewer: Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month

Citizen's Handbook Sewer information: Click Here
Portsmouth June 2022 Presentation: Click Here

2021 RWD Rate Increase: Click Here 2017 RCL Water in Rye Information: Click Here

RWD 101 Information: <u>Click Here</u>.......**2020** RWD Quality Report: <u>Click Here</u>......Conservation Tips: <u>Click Here</u>.....

Rye Water District Meeting: January 4th

Water Use Guidelines: <u>Click Here</u>
Draft Meeting Minutes: <u>Click Here</u>

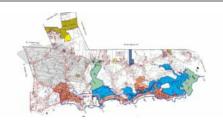
- 1) Wright Pierce is working on a Service Survey Click Here for the mailer that will be going out.
- 2) Chlorine system testing is in place to meet State requirements. Discussion on adding Chlorination piping.
- 3) Aquarion has sent a follow up mail regarding their proposal presentation to acquire the Rye Water District. RWD want to first complete the Services Survey and have a chance to hear from residents on Service levels.
- **4)** Draft Irrigation policy being worked on by the Planning Board does not match the request of Rye Water District. Chair Ditto did communicate this to the Planning Board on January 17th to no avail.
- 5) Proposed 2023 Budget is \$2,137,511
- 6) Warrant Articles
 - \$30K for Storage Tank maintenance
 - \$15K Equipment and Buildings Fund
 - \$15K for System Replacement Fund

Sewer Commission: January 10th Meeting

Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here

No video as meetings are at the RBVD Building

- 1) The proposed Sewer budget is \$425,648. Funds come for user changes and not property taxes.
- 2) The 2018 Sewer load payments start in 2023 and Sewer rates have increased by 1.5 cents to cover this new cost.
- 3) Church Rd. Pump station flow was 1,136,500 gallons more than December 2021.
- **4)** Two Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grants were submitted, Sewer Infrastructure Vulnerability Assessment and for the Church Rd. Pump Station and Three Pump stations external hookps.
- 5) Discussion with Adams Mobile Home Park for the October 2021 sewer discharge into the wetlands.
- 6) <u>Click Here</u> to see key points from the Memorandum from Altus Engineering. May be updated to include information about the pump work completed six years ago.
- **7)** Discussion about how Adams Park should only be pumping sewage at off peak times. Solids are pumped out by a septic hauler and gray water goes to the Portsmouth Sewer.



Planning Board

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month Citizen's Handbook Information: Click Here

Master Plan: Click Here

Master Plan since 2014: Click Here and Here FEMA Floodplain presentation: Click Here

Rye Code Book: Click Here

Parson's Creek Pollution Information: Click Here

GIS Information: Click Here

Hazard Mitigation Plan 2022: Click Here

Master Plan Steering Committee January 3rd

Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here
Recorded Video: Click Here

- 1) Funding for a Master Plan and Build Out Analysis are in the 2023 budget as a Capital Outlay.
- 2) Communication plans were discussed and determine best to answer questions at the Deliberative Session.
- 3) FAQs for Rye Residents on the Master Plan were reviewed and discussed by the committee. Click Here

Other Information:

Expanded Visioning Presentation from Julie LaBranche: Click Here

Visioning Workshop Results (posted June 2022) Click Here

NH Statute re: Master Plan requirements Click Here

Current Rye Master Plan Click Here

Resident synopsis of past Rye Master Plans. Click Here

Chronological History leading to the 1985 Master Plan Click Here

Information on what a Build Out Plan is: Click Here

Planning Board Technical Review Committee (TRC) Meeting:

1) Pierce Condo's Site Walk not discussed

Planning Board Meeting: January 17th

Recorded Video: Click Here

Town Draft Meeting Minutes: Not available

1) RWD stated that the proposed change requiring Irrigation Permits, does not meet what they were requesting of the town.

Planning Board Rules and Regulations: January 3rd Ordinances

Recorded video: Click Here
Draft Minutes: Click Here

1) There are 10 separate Rye Zoning Ordinances on the Ballot and one Building Code amendment. Click

Here

Amendment 01 Article 1: Adds working to include environment and conservation Amendment 02 Article 2: Prohibited uses Section G 3 is the most controversal

Amendment 03a Article 3: 190-3.1 Wetlands protection

Amendment 03b Article 3: 190-3.0 and 190 3.2 to 190 3.8 25 pages HDC and Wetlands

<u>Amendment 04 Article 4:</u> Planned Developments 16 pages <u>Amendment 05 Article 5:</u> Special Regulations - 45 pages

Amendment 06 Article 6: Non-conforming lots

Amendment 07 Article 7: Board of Adjustment Powers and Duties, Hearing process

Amendment 08 Article 8: Gives power to the Planning and Zoning Administrator

No nine

Amendment 10 Article 10: Conflicts

Amendment 11 Article 11: Changes to Definitions 22 pages

<u>Building Code -1:</u> Requires permits for irrigation/backflow preventer

2) Resident has been asking Budget Committee and Select Board about costs associated with

Ordinances changes. <u>Click Here</u> for letter. Responses and points from town.

- 2020 Ordinance consolidation into a Code book was \$9,500
- Those 2020changes were not "cofified" for use until Fall of 2022

- General Government, not Planning Budget pays the annual fee for Rye codes to be officially available
- March 2022 23 Land Development Regulations cost was \$3,848. These will be codified (in official use after the March 2023 vote).
- Rye Zoning Ordinance changes that will be on the March 2023 ballot have a cost of \$10.348. This may not include the \$2,814 that was spent for a single legal notice for a public meeting.

Planning Board Agenda February 21st.

Agenda: Not yet posted

Code of the Town of Rye

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Zoning Board of Adjustments:

Meets 1st Wednesday

Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here

Town of Rye Code Book: Click Here

Rye Beach Village District Zoning is independent of

the Rye ZBA. Click Here

GIS Information: Click Here

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes: January 4th and 19th

Recorded Video: January 4th Click Here January 19th Click Here

Draft meeting minutes: Not available.

RCL Notes and Relief/Variances Tracking Table: Click Here For 2022, 189 Variances YTD, wetlands

with 79 and dimensional requirements with 61 variances

Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda: February 1st.

Agenda: Click Here

- 1) 100 Bracket Rd. New home requirement many variances,
- 2) 1701 Ocean Blvd. Adding a second story and deck.
- 3) 1627 Ocean Blvd. Height of 33.25' where 28' is allowed
- 4) 750 Bracket Rd. Expansion of a non-conforming lot



Rye Library

Library Strategic Plan page: Click Here
Library Usage Statistics: Click Here

Friends of RPL: <u>Click Here</u> RPL Facebook page: <u>Click Here</u>]

Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here Sign up for Monthly Newsletter: Click Here

<u>Library Board of Trustees (LBOT) Meeting: January 17th</u>

Draft Meeting Minutes: <u>Click Here</u> Recorded Video Video: <u>Click Here</u>

- 1) Jess Ryan is now the Director of Youth Services. She completed the MLIS program.
- 2) RPL is using RTM Communications to provide Library Technical support
- 3) Getting ready to replace the aging HVAC system.

4) Energy costs led to an 2022 budget overage, but sufficient revenues were collected to cover the unplanned cost.

Natural Resource Inventory December 2021

Full Report: Click Here **Executive Summary. Habitat section** all Maps Map 1 Base-line Map 6 Sea level rise. Map 11 Soil limitations Map 2 Watershed Boundaries. Map 7 Water Quality. Map 12 Farm lands Map 3 Groundwater Map 8 Forest Resources. Map 13 Scenic Resources Map 4 FEMA Flood 100 & 500 Map 14 Conserved Land Map 9 Wildlife action. Map 10 Productive Forest soils. Map 15 Unfragmented Land Map 5 Floodwater storage.



Conservation Commission

Meets third Thursday of the month Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here

Engaging with CC Process: Click Here
Application Checklist for ZBA: Click Here
Maps of Rye Conservation Maps Click Here
Conservation Parcels: Click Here

GRANIT Conservation Properties: Click Here

Goss Farm Information: Click Here

Land Conservation for Wetlands: Click Here Town Forest Management Plan: Click Here

Town Forest Map: Click Here
Town Forest trails: Click Here

Conservation Commission (CC) Meetings: January 12th

Recorded Video: Click Here

Jan 12th Meeting Agenda: Click Here (note number of variances wetlands and other requested for most

applications)

Draft Meeting Minutes: None available at time of Civic News publication

Site walks were held.

January 4th: 90 Locke Rd. & 750 Brackett Rd.

January 18th: 100 Brackett Rd. and 0 Jenness Rd. Tax Map 8.4 Lot 48

January 23rd: 1182 Ocean Blvd and 3 Brackett Rd. January 24th: 1701 Ocean Blvd and 60 Wentworth Rd



RYE 400th Anniversary

2023 is the 400th Anniversary for Rye and several other towns. This section will focus on those activities.

WEB SITE CLICK HERE

What is happening in 2023?

- 1) You can view what is currently planned on the Website Click Here
- 2) email to get involved

Rye Recreation

First Monday of the month

Citizen's Handbook information: Click Here



Program Flyers: Click Here

Online Registration page: Click Here
Recreation 2011 Master Plan: Click Here

Recreation Commission Meeting: January 10th

Agenda: Click Here

Draft Minutes: Not Available

Record Video: None as meetings are at the Wave at Congressional Church

Recreation Commission has 2 open positions

1) Recreation is proposing to purchase a small bus as renting for small groups drives up costs for

programming and limits what can be offered.



Heritage, Historic & Demolition

Citizen's Handbook: <u>Heritage</u>
Citizens Handbook: <u>Historic District</u>

Rye Heritage Merchandise: Click Here
Heritage Commissions donations: Click Here
Heritage Facebook Page: Click Here
Historic District Booklet #4: Click Here
Demolition Review Procedure: Click Here
Graveyards needing adoption: Click Here
Graveyard Histories: Story 1 Story 2
Shop Rye Historical Merchandise: Click Here

Heritage Commission Meeting: January 5th

Recorded Video: Click Here

Draft Meeting minutes: Not Available.

- 1) Discussions of what to do with the Gazebo.
- 2) Historic signage project continues to make progress, thanks to many generous donations.
- 3) Rye Advocates progressing with documenting old houses.
- 4) Review form the Demolition review commission.

Demolition Review: January 5th

Recorded Video: Jan 5 10:30 am Click Here and Jan 5 4:30 pm Click Here

Draft Meeting minutes: Not available Here

1) 89 Cable Rd. had a site walk

Historic District Commission Meeting: January 11th

Draft Meeting Minutes: None Recorded Video: Click Here

Open Seats: The Historic District Commission has three open seats

1) The committee reviewed the first Holiday Stroll which was felt to be a great way to bring people into town center. Improvements were suggested including: reducing the amount of time between the parade and the stroll and potentially closing the road so people can walk more easily. There will be another stroll in 2023.

- 2) Civic Fest: HDC will participate in the Civic Fest to be hold on Feb 3. Guidelines and information about being on the committee will be provided.
- **3)** Expansion of the District Updates: Planning for expanding the district continues. Next step is a Letter of Intent for the CLG grant.
- 4) Next Meeting: February 8, 2023

Rye Town Center Committee Meeting: No January meeting

1) Rye Town Center Committee now has two groups 1) The original RTCC with the task of visioning a vibrant town center for Rye 2) TAP Grant Subcommittee charged with working with the town and state to successfully execute the TAP grant project including sidewalks and lighting in town center.



Energy & Recycling

Rye Energy Reports: Click Here
Recycling Brochure: Click Here
Food Compost Program: Click Here
Zero Waste Presentation: Click Here
Community Power Information: Click Here
Transfer Station Video: Click Here

RJH Solar Panel Tracking: Click Here

Rye Energy Committee Meeting: January 3rd

Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here

- 1) RJH Solar panels can be monitored. Click Here
- 2) RES can not proceed until the roof is replaced.
- **3)** Discussion on communicating Community Power to residents. There will be a flyer and table at the Rye Civic Fest.
- **4)** Everyone using Eversource who opt for Community Power will be moved to the new lower rates. Those using non-Eversource suppliers will need to take an action when the program is live this Spring.
- 5) <u>Community Power Op-Ed</u> by REC member in the Herald.

Rye Recycling Education Committee: January 17th

Draft meeting minutes: <u>Click Here</u> Recorded video: not available

- 1) Working on a film of how a Rye home recycles.
- 2) Discussions on how to utilize the prize money.
- 3) Working on a field trip to the Turnkey Landfill for interested people.
- 4) Swap shop was discussed
- 5) Discussion of recycling as some communities recycle more than Rye.

Telecommunication Infrastructure Committee:

1) Select Board extended the charge to March 2024. Click here for the posted charge that ended in 2020.

Mosquito

Mosquito Complaint Form: Click Here
2020 Mosquito Control Notice: Click Here
Dragon Mosquito Program Overview: Click Here



Mosquito Commission Meeting: No January Meeting

Recorded Video:
Draft Meeting Minutes:



Beach Committee

2018 Beach Committee Report: Click Here
Parking Assessment Study: Click Here

Beach Committee Meeting: January 18th

Draft Meeting minutes: <u>Click Here</u> Recorded Video: <u>Click Here</u>

1) 4 for 400th Beach Clean Up schedule set

- Monday, April 3@4-5:30pm-Foss North & Sout
- Saturday, April 8@9-10:30am-Pirates North & South
- Thursday, April 20@4:30-6pm (Earth Week)-Jenness to Cable
- Friday, April 28@10:30m-Noon (Local School Vacation Week)-Sawyers to Philbircks
- 2) Communicated to the Select Board that the committee recommends dog waste containers and bicycle racks.



Budget, CIP and Trust Funds

CIP Plan 2023-2028: Click Here
Town 2022 Budget: 1 page summary
Town 2021 MS-7: Click Here
Town 2020 Budget Sheet:
RWD 2022 Budget: Click Here
RBVD 2022 Budget: Click Here
JBVD 2022 Budget: Click Here

School Budget: <u>Click Here</u> RCL Budget Analysis: <u>2022 presentation</u>

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

No meeting in December

Budget Committee Meetings: January 3rd, 11th, 12th and 17th

January 3rd. School Budget Recorded Video <u>Click Here</u> No draft meeting minutes

Jan. 11th: School Budget Public Hearing Video <u>Click Here</u> No draft meeting minutes

Jan. 12th: Town Budget Public Hearing Video <u>Click Here</u> No draft meeting minutes

January 17th: Town Budget Public Hearing Video <u>Click Here</u> No draft meeting minutes

1) No hard or electronic information was available for the Public at Town Budget Public Hearing.

Districts 2022

Rye Beach Village District

1) \$140,852 Budget was approved. Click Here for details.

Jenness Beach District Budget

1) \$92,545 budget was approved as the district funds are for the hydrant costs and water. Click Here

Rye Water District Budget

1) Total operating budget of \$1,761,760 <u>Summary Details Pie Chart</u>

Trustee of the Trust Funds Meeting: :Last Meeting July 19th

July 19th meeting minutes: Click Here

Next Meeting Jan 31, 2023

Additional Town related Web Sites

Rye Historical Society: <u>Click Here</u>
Rye Police Home page: <u>Click Here</u>
Rye Police Facebook page: <u>Click Here</u>
Rye Police Facebook Page: <u>Click Here</u>

Fire Department Facebook: Click Here Rye 400 page: Click Here

Rye Beach & Jenness Beach District Information: Click Here

NH's Citizen's Count: Click Here

Video about Rye PTA, Rye Education Foundation and the Civic League: Click Here

Rye Public Forum Discussion Topics at YOUR RYE NIGHT OUT

Join us each month for a public forum discussion about current topics in town. Meeting starts at 7 pmAll are welcome to join this discussion. What is on your mind? What can make our town better? All town-related topics are on the table. Let's learn from each oother Click Here for details

ABOUT THE RYE CIVIC LEAGUE

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 go to the Rye Civic League Website and enter your name and email.

All articles are written by the RCL editors and contributors. Questions or comments? Ideas for news articles? Contact the RCL at civicnews@ryecivicleague.org

Rye Town Handbook from the Rye Civic League

The Rye Citizens' Handbook has been created by the 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.

NOTE: 2022 Update is available at the Library, the Town Clerk's Office and other locations. All sections are also posted on the Rye Civic League website.

Click Here for a PDF version of the handbook

An Invitation to membership in the Rye Civic League

The Civic News is free and distributed to over 1,300 people. Many people read the Civic News. Some people support it.

To support the Civic League and keep the Civic News going, become a member with a contribution \$12 (or more) each year.

Our annual costs include:

- Website hosting and URL registrations
- Civic News email distribution (Constant Contact)
- Fees for being a 501-C and NH Secretary of State filing fees
- Printing
- 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 to each RCL monthly meeting. Meetings are the last Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. Location announced in the Civic News
- Knowledge that you are participating in raising citizen awareness of, and promoting participation in Rye's important civic affairs.

Become a member or renew!!!!

The Rye Civic League is a non-profit 501 c3 organization

Click Here to make an online membership donation via Paypal including via a credit card.

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

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.