June Highlights

1) Future of Rye Housing Survey has been extended to July 6th. This is one of several actions where residents need to help craft the Rye Master Plan replacement.
   - Share your ideas about the future of housing in Rye. Survey is open until July 6th

2) Aquarion Water is interested in the Rye Water District. No details have been discussed, but they are asking for more information. The Rye Water District invited the Select Board to discuss options. Portsmouth is not interested in supporting Rye; at this time as they are focused on incorporating New Castle.

3) FB Environmental presented the DNA findings of Parson's Creek Watershed fecal contamination. See Presentation, Recorded video starting at 19:00. Click Here for historic table of FB Environmental recommendations that Rye has not discussed or acted on. Select Board discuss this table at the June 30th meeting. Recorded Video (starts at 1:12). Summary of FB yearly recommendations. Click Here Table showing sample % with failing results. Click Here. 2022 FB Data points Click Here

4) When the Harbor Rd. bridge is replaced in 2024, there will be no bridge for a minimum of two weeks. Discussion and plans are being developed to reduce the stress on residents and for the Town to be prepared for emergencies.

5) June 27th Select Board meeting discussed abutters to the Town easement/beach access on E and F Streets have allowed growth and plantings to encroach on the public access way. Rye needs to actively protect access or risk losing it. Past/present images

6) New Historic marker signs are up. Click Here to see them. Funding was raised privately.

7) Residents that are part of Rye Community Power are paying less for electricity rates. Click Here to see update presented to the Select Board.

8) School Board is returning $200K from the un-assigned fund balance to be used to reduce the 2023 tax rate.

9) Budget Committee approves a new sub-committee to investigate options for getting more residents engaged in the process.

10) Over the first half of the year Zoning Board has had 121 Variances. 45 in wetlands/buffers and 34 for
11) The Police Chief and DPW Director met with a group of residents who wanted to discuss speed limits in Rye. Click Here for notes of meeting. Summary Police Chief Walsh Handout DPW Director Rucker Handout

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**Your Rye Night Out:** Thursday, July 6th 6:30pm Kook's Cafe & Beach Bar 1191 Ocean Blvd. Click Here

Rye Night Out Topic: Speed Limits and Parking in Rye

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**Open Town Board Positions:** Click Here

Town positions e-mail Planning or Zoning positions: e-mail

Boards/Commissions/Committees Policy: Click Here

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**General Announcements**

1) **Rye Night Out topic: Speed Limits and Parking in Rye.** Thursday, July 6th 7:00 pm Kooks Cafe & Beach Bar Ocean Blvd. June 20th summary Police Chief Handout, DPW Handout

2) Rye 400 June activities included St. Andrews by the Sea tour, Rye Century Walks: 1726 Parish Rights, and 2023 Beach and Brew Festival at Ordione Point. Rye 400 July activities include Rye Trolley Tour, A Rare Isles of Shoals Tour, and Rye Century Walks: 1865 Hotel Era.

3) Rye Recreation event flyers, **July 19th 1pm Strawberry Fest, July 20th Glenn Campbell Tribute Trip to Windham Baseball Camp, Basketball Camp, Lego Camp, HoRYEzons Day camp** more go [here](#)

4) The RES playground needs more donations to meet the goal. Click Here

5) Rye Day will be August 19th. Groups are already making plans. Mark your calendar Click Here

6) "Rye History Rocks" - town historian offers easy access to wide variety of topics from town's past Click Here

7) Rockingham County meetings can now be seen on Youtube Rockingham County Channel

8) GIS Town Mapping Software Presentation Video: Click Here

   RCL Conservation Commission notes on how to find properties with the Rye GIS mapping. NH Zoning Atlas Click Here

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**Calendar of Upcoming Meetings**

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

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Select Board Meetings

Select Board Meeting June 30th

Video Recording: Click Here
Draft Meeting notes: Not available

1) Discussed strategies and process for maximizing interest revenue on short term cash (what the Trustees of Trust funds manage). Current Investment Policy will be updated.
2) Appointed Deputy Treasurer discussed. New Treasurer indicated she is selecting former Treasurer Jane Ireland for a period of time, then post election finding a long term Deputy Treasurer selection. Jane Ireland appointed as the Deputy Town Treasurer.
3) Summary from the Planning Administer on Parsons Creek Watershed fecal contamination.
   - Fecal contamination back to 2000
   - 2008 Parsons Creek Watershed declared Impaired water body
   - Multiple grants and town education activities through 2016 Parson's Creek Select Board committee
   - Resulted in Septic Pump out ordinance and $1K fine for dog waste
   - Summarized inability to find "smoking guns" and suggests more grants to find "smoking gun" or hot-spots.
4) Discussed the list of summary of FB Environmental suggested actions. Select Board requested Planning Administrator to identify where actions have been taken on the recommendations. Click Here
6) Planning Board Chair suggests reading pages 8 &9 from the most resent report. Click Here
7) Planning Board Chair suggests 2020 State Report with more suggestions and outlines Planning Board recent actions to help address. Also states that there are multiple sources. Ledges are also an issue that exacerbates the challenges.
8) Select Board confirms fecal contamination appears to be getting worse over the yeas, despite all of the activities to date.
9) Next Rye steps include a Loan not a grant that we are applying for.

Select Board Meeting June 27th

Video Recording: Click Here
Draft Meeting notes: Not available

1) In public comment, resident communicates that Verizon Cell coverage on middle of Walls Rd has decreased over the past year.
2) Rye Fire and Safety announced two new employees.
3) DPW is working to add cross walk improvements at the Walls Rd./Ocean Blvd intersections.
4) Rye Energy presented updates from the Community Power Program Click Here
5) RJH Solar panels helped reduce energy costs in May by about $1000, thanks to sunny days.
Considerable savings from lowering the "Demand Charge" or "Peak usage premium"
6) Select Board will be incorporating new "About Rye" information on the Town Website.
7) New Town Treasurer, Susan Philbrick, requested, recently retired Jane Ireland to the Deputy Treasurer. Select Board discussion was tabled and would be discussed at a meeting with the new Treasurer scheduled for June 30th.
8) Discussion about updating the Investment Policy so retained funds not managed by the Trustees of the Trust Funds can be generating revenue now that interest rates are above zero. Discussion continued to the January 30th meeting.
9) E and F street homes are infringing on the town's 30ft Right of Way for beach access. Discussion on how to "officially communicate" to property owners prior to the DPW restoring the right of way. In past situations the Town has lost public property access from not actively maintaining. Past/present images
10) New Historic signs should have some form of Ceremony to celebrate them as the majority of funds were private contributions. List of signs
11) Reserviced Rye 400 Funds will be made available for Rye Recreation uses.

Select Board Meeting at RWD: June 21st

Video Recording: None available at RWD location
Draft Meeting notes: Not available
1) Meeting was at the Rye Water District (RWD) building - no video is available
2) Aquarion Water has been approaching Rye Water District indicating that they would like to take control of Rye Water. The RWD wanted to apprise the Select Board that there is no offer from Aquarion, but one could be coming soon. It was not stated what Aquarion is willing or not willing to do.
3) RWD Commissioners said that Portsmouth is not interested in providing water to Rye. Note, Portsmouth does not need to treat for PFOA or metals.
4) RWD indicated that a one course of action could be to dissolve the Water District and merge the functions into Rye Town Government.
5) If the Federal Government lowers the PFOA levels to 4 pts/trillion, than Rye and many other NH communities will require water treatment. Additionally, Rye will need to treat for iron and manganese. This two phased filter plant will cost more than $10M to get running and more in operations costs.

Select Board Non Public Meetings
June 5th: Personnel and Legal Advice
June 12th: Hiring and Legal
June 27th: Hiring, Acquisition, Personnel

Select Board Meeting: June 12th

Draft Meeting minutes: Click Here
Recorded Video: Click Here
1) New Police Officer Edward Hudson was introduced. Dareck Piolunek, new DWP employee, was also introduced.
2) Letter from 2023 Rye Youth Softball program had 92 K-9th graders this past season with the 10U, 12U and 14U teams all progressing to the upcoming championship games.
3) FB Environmental (FBE) Presentation (Click Here) of fecal contamination DNA testing in Parson's Creek watershed. $100K funding was from the NH Clean Water State Revolving Funds. The PhyloChip technology does not work in brackish water, so the effort did not produce any conclusive DNA information. However, sampling data shows the problem is not getting any better.
4) FBE stated that only $10K was for the PhyloChip testing, the remainder is for the Septic Pumpout data organization, floodplain risk analysis of parcels that have been flooded and forthcoming recommendations. FB Engineering 2019 memo with guidance on what should not be done and was not completely followed in 2022 in Rye.
5) Resident requests that the Select Board hold a working session to discuss and assign responsibilities to the many years of FBE recommendations that have been ignored. Click Here
6) Select Board recommends more testing and seeking more grant funding.
7) Multiple abatements were approved and denied. See draft meeting minutes starting on page 11.
8) Harbor Rd. Bridge replacement will have a minimum of two weeks with no bridge. Options to decrease the time can be dramatically more expensive.
9) Police, Fire and DPW are developing plans to minimize impact and risk for residents. When more concrete information, and timing is available a communication channel will be developed for engaging/supporting residents.
10) Rye will need to approve Harbor Rd. Bridge funding at the March 2024 elections.

School Board Meeting: June 16th

Draft Minutes: Not available
Recorded Video: Click Here
SAU 50 Report: Click Here
Special Education: Click Here
RES Report: Click Here
RJH Report: Click Here

1) Special Ed report shows 157 SAU 50 K-12 students identified, sixty are from Rye.
2) RES received 42 applications for the new Kindergarten position and interviewed six.
3) The School Board voted (5-0) to return $200,000.00 from the projected fund balance to the Town to offset taxes.
4) The Summer Retreat will be held Wednesday, August 16, 2023, 8:30 AM at the Rye Junior High School.
5) The Board voted (5-0) to authorize the Superintendent to hire staff over the summer should an opening arise.
6) The Board approved the nominations for a new Junior High School Math Specialist (60% position).

SAU 50 School Board Meeting: Next Meeting May 24th

Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here
1) SAU50 was well represented at PHS listening sessions on portrait of a graduate.
2) PHS Principal Chinosi reported college lever work at PHS.
Proposed 2023-2024 SAU Joint Board Meeting Dates
- Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at Newington Public School
- Tuesday, October 25, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. at Rye Junior High School
- Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. Rye Junior High School
- Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at Greenland Central School
- Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at Maude H. Trefethen

Rye Water District and Sewer

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
RWD Monthly Meeting: June 7th

Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here]

1) Single point of entry work is almost completed, there will be a single point for chlorination and will help for when Iron will need to be removed.
2) CMA Engineering will be submitting PFAS information along with the static and pumping levels they are looking at.
3) Breakfast Hill mixer failed and cause was faulty equipment that is being replaced under warranty.
4) Once again leak detection work will be completed via NH DES grants.
5) Wallis Rd work on hold for the Summer.
6) Draft Irrigation permit form is being reviewed by the Building Inspector.
7) Aquarion met with RWD on May 31st to discuss its desire for the Rye Water District. Staff will make the requested information available for Aquarion. Minutes capture internal RWD discussion.
8) It was agreed to share the Aquarion discussion with the Rye Select Board
9) Cell tower lease to SprintCom was reviewed by the RWD Lawyer with a few changes and was approved to be renewed.

Sewer Commission: June 13th

Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here]

No recording at the RBVD Building

1) 22 Richards Rd. sewer plans were approved, though the parcel identification needs to be corrected.
2) 28 Pine St. sewer plans were approved.
3) Clean Water Safety Revolving Fund (CWSRF) I/I Assessment and Reduction Plan pre-application was ranked 23 of 47 in 2022 and will be resubmitted for 2023.
4) Church R. Pump station May 2023 numbers were almost twice the May 2022 numbers.
5) Demolitions at 10 Huntervale and 46 Adams Park were reviewed with no issues cited.
6) Secondary meter and applications for 80 Sea Road and 8 Pine St.
7) Rye Planning Board requested a letter for 13 McLaughlin Drive that the ADU will not impact the sewer.
8) Abenaqui Pump station work continues.

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]
2022 Application Summary: [Click Here]

Long Range Planning & Master Plan Steering Committee: June 6th & 15th
1) **Survey is open** May 30th to July 6th

**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](#) Formatted for easier reading
- 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:**
No activity

**Rules and Regulations Meeting:**
No Meeting

**Planning Board Meeting: June 20th and 23rd**

Draft Meeting minutes: not available, NOD not posted nor public documents
June 20th Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

1) 159 West Rd. Lot Line adjustment was approved. [Diagram](#)
2) 850 Washington Rd. application for subdividing the lot was not complete and continued.
3) 6 Airfield Rd. was deemed to be a change of use from what was originally approved.
4) 33 Sagamore Rd. Farmstead development extension was granted until October 2024 [Diagram](#)
5) 1264 Ocean Blvd Lot merger was not approved as both lots need to be under single ownership. [Diagram](#)
6) Conceptual discussion of 14 Sagamore Rd (Bits Brits) to be replaced with rental units and commercial offices.
7) 15 Sagamore Rd. conditions wording modified to help insurance approval.
8) Planning Board will proceed with Phase II of the NH Housing Grant work.
9) It was agreed that the Police Chief would provide a letter for 1191 Ocean Blvd (Kook's Cafe) liquor license. Planning Board would need to approve an exemption request for change in operational hours.

**Planning Board Meeting June 23rd:**
Recorded video: [Click Here](#)

1) For Kook's at 1191 Ocean Blvd. approved change of hours of operations to now be 8am to 11pm.
2) Planning Board is requesting to contract with Rockingham Planning Commission for $17K to provide Land Use Planning Professional assistance. Select Board needs to allocate and approve funding. Same amount is suggested to be added to the 2024 Planning Budget.

**Planning Board Site Walk, June 26th**
Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

1) 665-667 Site walk for adding a second floor, new driveway and septic to support a third dwelling unit.

**May 16th Notice of Decisions**
1) 10 Forest Green lot subdivision approved 5-0 where lot subdivisions previously had not been allowed. Six waivers granted. There are also six conditions of approval. [Case #4-2023](#)
2) 1215 Ocean Blvd. Change of use of a restaurant waivers were granted 5-0. [Case #07-2023](#) second one
3) 5 White Horse Drive. Approved 5-0 Lot line adjustment that will allow land to be conveyed to Rye...
Planning Board Agenda July 18th

Agenda: Not posted

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]
NH Zoning Atlas

Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes: June 7th & 21st

 Recorded Video June 7th: [Click Here] June 21st: [Click Here]
Draft meeting minutes: June 7th [Click Here] June 21st: No minutes posted
RCL Notes and Relief/Variance Tracking Table (will now be semi-annually): [Click Here] for January thru July
1) 29 Gray Ct. Expansion of non-conforming structure approved 5-0 [Case #22-2023]
2) Benchmark Senior Living Approved 5-0 two exemptions that allow extensions of the previously approved ~41,210 sq. ft. semi-attached assisted living facility building [Case #24-2023]
3) Thompson Way (development under construction on Rt. 1 by Dow Lane) approved 5-0 exceptions for a larger sign. [Case #25-2023]
4) 5 Douglas Circle Approved 5-0 variances side boundary and parking In front [Case #26-203]
5) 37 Central Rd. Approved 5-0 Nine variances and one waiver for expansion of a non-conforming building. There are five conditions for the waiver. [NOD Case #27-2023]
6) 139 Wentworth Rd. Approved 5-0 Seven variances and 1 waiver for expansion of a non-conforming building with in the wetlands. Waiver has four conditions from the Conservation Commission. [Case #29-2023]
7) 21 Vin Mar Court Approved two year extension 5-0 [Case #30-2023]
8) June 21st meeting. 1215 Ocean Blvd. Board said there were errors in the Building Inspector letter, the applicant withdrew the request for parking as the board appeared to not be supportive of the parking. The Building Inspector is not approving the Indoor seating. [Case 31a, b 2023]

Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda: July 5th

Agenda: [Click Here]
1) 5 Cable Rd. Request for rehearing and reconsideration
2) 59 Central Rd. Expansion of a non conforming building
3) 1481 Ocean Blvd. waivers and variances for expansions of previously approved expansion
4) 73 Washington Rd. patio expansion on a non-conforming lot
5) 22 Pioneer Rd. Appeal of Administration decision that it is a change of use.
6) 931 Ocean Blvd. Installing a generator
7) 165 Central Rd. setbacks and height
8) 60 Tehias setbacks and coverage

Rye Library

Library Strategic Plan page: [Click Here]
Library Usage Statistics: [Click Here]
Library Board of Trustees (LBOT) Meeting: June 6th

Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here
Recorded Video: Click Here
1) Board will review the process/feasibility/benefits of changing banks from TD Bank to Partners.
2) Reviewed library director's reports, which included draft updated employee job descriptions.
3) Agreed to purchase a fix for the elevator, accept revisions to interlibrary loan procedure.
4) Discussion on active shooter training for employees, Director Richmond will have discussion with Chief Walsh.

Natural Resource Inventory December 2021

Full Report: Click Here  Executive Summary: Click Here  Habitat section: Click Here  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 9 Wildlife action.  Map 14 Conserved Land
Map 5 Floodwater storage.  Map 10 Productive Forest soils.  Map 15 Unfragmented Land

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: Jun 8 and Jun 28

Recorded Video: Jun 8 Click Here; Jun 28 not available
Draft Meeting minutes: Jun 8 Click Here; Jun 28 not available
Notes from the Civic League: Click Here
1) Dog Waste at Goss Farm, Town Forest, Brown Farm- Issues at multiple conservation properties including Goss Farm with owners refusing to pick up dog waste even when asked.
2) Metal Detecting at Goss Farm will not be allowed due to its multiple agricultural uses, pollinator habitats project, buffer considerations, and liability.
3) RCC had an alternate member seat open as of June 8. The open seat has been posted on the Town's
4) Whitehorse Lane resident is dumping water 20 ft. off their land onto Conservation property including trail access and are not willing to remediate.

**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: May 10th**

No draft meeting minutes [Agenda](#)
Recreation Commission has 2 open positions
1) 2023 Spring/Summer program update
2) Master Plan - next steps - survey results

**2023 Recreation Program Flyers:**

July 19th Strawberry Fest: [Click Here](#)
July 20th Glen Campbell Tribute: [Click Here](#)
August 19th Rye Day: [Click Here](#)
Sept. 7th Neil Diamond Tribute: [Click Here](#)
October 19th: Splish Splash Bobby Darin [Click Here](#)
November 16th; Dancing Dream Abba Tribute: [Click Here](#)

**Heritage, Historic & Demolition**

Citizen’s Handbook: [Heritage](#)
Citizens Handbook: [Historic District](#)
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: June 1**
Recorded Video: [Click Here]
Draft Meeting minutes: not available
1) Gazebo carpenter to repair
2) Rye Advocates update
3) Rye Signage update
4) Rye Day Aug 19 - plans for display
5) Pulpit Rock Tower - meet with reps of the Friends group
6) Graveyard adoption & house plaques - publicity starting in July

**Demolition Review: Jun 16th**

Recorded Video: [Click Here]
Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here, Agenda]
1) 474 Sagamore - tear down, classic 1940 1,152 sf house in very good condition for a 4,200+/-sf one story house with garage. Agreed that the house's exterior is not historically important or architecturally significant; with condition that applicant salvage or recycle period interior elements (e.g. solid doors and crystal door handles).

**Historic District Commission Meeting:**

Draft Meeting Minutes: no meeting
Recorded Video: no meeting

**Rye Town Center Committee Meeting: Jun 7**

Recorded Video: [Click Here]
Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here]
1) Review the overall layout of town center and options discussed in previous years to enable discussion once an engineering firm is chosen and then a landscape architect. Discussion included brick pavers vs. asphalt, park benches, pocket parks, landscape plantings, and additional street lighting.
2) Identified the following subcommittees: crosswalks (pavers vs asphalt), benches & pocket parks, landscape plantings, additional street lighting & style, signage, intersections (Washington & Central and Washington & Wallis, Path behind Church, interaction with Library, and School Traffic.

**TAP Grant Committee Meeting: June 8**

Recorded Video: June 8 [Click Here]
1) RFQ ready to be sent out by direct mail to 9 firms with response requested in 35 days
2) Process once responses received and depending on number of firms that respond, additional questions may be sent. 3-5 firms will be selected for pre-interview.

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**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 Community Power: [Click Here]

**Rye Energy Committee Meeting: Jun 6th**

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here]
Recorded Video: not recorded
1) Community Power (CPCH): Customers may see "Nashua Community Power" instead of "Rye Community Power", which should be resolved soon.
2) Eversource will set new rate in Jun that take effect on Aug; Rye Community Power will set new rates Jul1 that take effect Aug 1. Rates will be posted here.
3) RJHS is producing better with the repair to the inverter. Teachers and staff are able to charge electric vehicles at the charger.
4) RES will replace the roof in Aug or Sept. There are 4 proposals for solar arrays being considered.
5) Energy committee to talk to Select Board about whether to purchase Breakfast Hill lot for a solar project. A warrant article may be prepared for next year's ballot.

**Rye Recycling Education Committee: no meeting in Jun**

Draft meeting minutes:
Recorded video:

**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: Jun 20th**

Recorded Video: Click Here
Draft Meeting Minutes: Click Here
1) During May, the town trails were sprayed for ticks
2) Greenhead traps have been put out for the season; 210 in total. Samples are sent to State Lab for testing; no reported disease to date.
3) Mosquito spraying ahead of June 30th fireworks was planned for June 27 and 28
4) Education poster to be put out by the end of June
2023 Spraying Notice

**Beach Committee**

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

**Beach Committee Meeting: Jun 19th**

Draft Meeting minutes: Click Here
Recorded Video: Click Here
1) May minutes approved
2) Introduction of members of the public present who are interested in being an alternate on the committee; Doug Beede, Mike Hammond, Tom Mach. If they were interested in moving forward with
process, they should send an email to the Select Board through Janice Ireland and a recommendation letter from the Beach Committee Chair would also be sent.

3) Beach clean up after fireworks at Beach Club on July 3rd. There is a high tide late on July 3rd, so Beach Committee will ask Beach Club to do an extra sweep of the beach after the fireworks.

4) The Committee will continue to work on ways to enhance the safety for crossing 1A, as well as continuing to work on water testing and beach cleaning.

5) Students Eco posters have been placed at the library, both post offices and Common Roots.

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**Budget, CIP and Trust Funds**

**Capital Improvement Plan (CIP): Next meeting July 5**

No meeting in June

**Budget Committee Meetings: Jun 21st**

Draft Minutes: [Click Here]
Recorded Video: [Click Here]
1) Town Finance Director summary of YTD key points. [Click Here]
2) Town Expenditures to date; [Click Here]
3) Resident offers to take Budget Committee meeting minutes as there were long delays in 2022.
4) Budget Committee approves a sub-committee to explore ways of getting more resident participation.
5) Annual Budget Committee all day workshop will be November 19th

RCL Town and School Budget Presentation: [Click Here]
Town Budget: [Summary MS7]
School Budget: [Summary Full Budget Report]
Rye Water District: $2,219,446 [Summary pie-chart]
Rye Beach District: $169,311 [Click Here]
Jeness Beach District: $95,725 [Click Here]

**Trustee of the Trust Funds Meeting: no meeting in June**

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

**Municipal Records Committee June 20th**

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video: [Click Here]

**Regional Association Review Committee June 27th**

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video: [Click Here]
1) Donations in the 2023 Budget [Click Here]

**Additional Town related Web Sites**

- Rye Historical Society: [Click Here]
- Town Facebook page: [Click Here]
- Rye Police Home page: [Click Here]
- Rye Police Facebook Page: [Click Here]
- 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. All 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 other. [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 1,400 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 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.