

March 2025

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Rye Civic News

VIDEO of February Highlights & Rye History Note [Click Here](#)

February Highlights ([video](#))

- 1) Rye Public Library is closed due to high radon levels. [RPL Statement](#)
- 2) Public discussion on the new Master Plan was February 18th. [Click Here for Feb 12th Draft](#) Planning Board Public Hearing may be March 18th prior to the Planning Board accepting the Master Plan update.
- 3) NH DES reports that the Berry Brook foam and water contains high levels of PFOA, confirming the health risk from Breakfast Hill Landfill and Coakley. [Click Here](#)
- 4) After consulting with the Rye Planning Board, firm decides not to pursue purchasing The Inn at Rye Place for a short term rehabilitation facility. [Plan document Chief Walsh Benchmark/Webster statement August 2024](#)
- 5) Select Board amended the No Smoking on the Rye beaches to become enforceable with a fine.
- 6) Draft of Parsons Creek Watershed ([map](#)) Management Plan reports additional confirmation of human waste from DNA testing, no racoon findings and minor indication of rats and other wildlife. Oxygen deprivation called out along with e-coli coming from the ground water (so from leach fields). [Draft Impairment Table Draft Status description](#)
- 7) Draft conceptual plans for Old Town Hall presented to the Select Board. [Existing, 2019 Requirements, 2019 2nd floor, program pre-able, 2019 Space numbers.](#)
- 8) Select Board froze town staff hiring in December and there has been no public discussion about the unfilled positions. Finance Director being the most significant.
- 9) Aquarion discussed its sale by Eversource to Connecticut South-Central Water Authority, but there was no concrete information on the future for Aquarion assets in NH. Presentation. Eversource sold Aquarion at a \$300M loss. [Annual Update Presentation](#)
- 10) Rye Water interviewed firms who responded to the Water Treatment Facility design; selection is expected in March. No update on a Memorandum of Understanding with the Town as the Town of Rye is the Principle Responsible Party (PRP) for the PFOA from Grove Rd. dump that sits above the Garland Well. Regardless of EPA regulation status, PFOA in drinking water is a known health concern.
- 11) Key points for the Deliberative Session (no minutes are available yet).
 1. Some saved cash applied for \$789K Fire Engine, balance still bonded
 2. \$972K for Harbor Rd Bridge is now cash from unassigned fund balance
 3. Select Board attempt to reverse requirement for selling/buying land/buildings going to the voters was modified to re-confirm voters wanting approval
 4. Many other warrants changed "to study"

March 11th Town/School Election 8am to 7pm RES

Candidates Night: Mach 6th 7pm RJH (School Board candidates only) [Live Stream](#)
My Voting Sheet to bring into the polls: [Click Here](#)

RCL Table of Warrant Articles: [Click Here](#)
 RCL Budget Analysis: [Click Here](#)
 RCL Warrant Article Presentation: [Click Here](#) (included explanation of taxes)
 Town Sample Ballot: [Click Here](#)
 Zoning Ordinance Details [Click Here](#) (to read the text of the changes)
 School Sample Ballot: [Click Here](#) [Budget Summary Overview](#)
 Absentee Ballot form: [Click Here](#)
 Registering at the Polls: You must bring all [required documentation](#) - No Affidavits

Department Narratives that were with the Budget Book

Police Department: [Migration Software](#), [Animal Control Officer](#), [Parking Enforcement](#) Summary, [Ticket Chart](#), [Parking Narrative](#), [Outside Detail](#), [Cruisers](#), [Police Department Narrative](#), [Budget Request report](#), [Emergency Management Request](#), [Emergency Management Narrative](#)

Fire Department: [Budget Submission](#), [Staffing Narrative](#), [Update to Staffing Needs Assessment](#), [Ambulance](#), [Lifeguard Narrative](#)

Safety Building: [Narrative](#)

Public Works: [Department Narrative](#), [Personnel](#), [DPW Narrative](#), [Sewer](#)

Building Department: [Narrative](#) [Master Plan Implementation support](#)

Commissions and Committees: [Recreation](#), [Library](#), [Beach Committee](#), [Energy](#), [Solar Panel ROI](#), [Heritage](#), [Conservation](#), [Regional Association detail](#)

School: [Summary](#), [By Activity](#), [By School](#), [per Student](#), [SAU50](#)

General Announcements

- 1) Master Plan update may be March 18th. See February 12th Draft
 - 2) Rye Water District Annual Meeting is **March 29th, 9am at RJH** [Warrant RWD Budget](#)
 - 3) Do you check the Recreation Calendar? [Click Here](#)
 - 4) "Rye Roots" Genealogy Research Group meets monthly. see [RHS website](#) for details
 - 5) Rye Advocates for Historic Preservation [see new website](#) - Ryeadvocates.com in which the history of old houses can be searched by road.
 - 6) Updated Rye Historic **Family Graveyard** committee report. [Click Here](#)
 - 7) Online Rye History Information from the Town Historian. [Click Here](#)
 - 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](#)

Open Town Board Positions: [Click Here](#)

Town positions [e-mail](#) Planning or Zoning positions: [e-mail](#)
 Boards/Commissions/Committees Policy: [Click Here](#) Appointment Submission form: [Click Here](#)
 Town Employment Opportunities: [Click Here](#)

Heritage Commission -	1 Member Vacancy, 2 Alternate Vacancies
Historic District Commission -	1 Member Vacancy, 3 Alternate Vacancies
Town Center Committee -	2 Alternate Vacancies
Energy Committee -	2 Alternate Vacancies
Land Use Informational Guide Advisory Committee -	1 Member Vacancy
Rye Coastal Infrastructure Review Committee -	1 Member Vacancy
Community Engagement Committee -	1 Member Vacancy
Beach Committee -	1 Alternate Vacancy
CIP Committee -	3 Member Vacancies

As of April 1, the following positions will also be available:

[Application Form](#) . [Boards/Commission/Committee Policy](#)

- Historic District Commission -** 1 Member Position
- Demolition Review Committee -** 1 Member Position
- Beach Committee -** 2 Member Positions, 1 Alternate Position
- Conservation Commission -** 3 Member Positions, 1 Alternate Position
- Heritage Commission -** 2 Member Positions

Calendar of Upcoming Meetings

Please check the agendas for Locations [Click here for Current Calendar](#) of town meeting

[Supervisors of the Check List](#) Mar 1 - 11:00am
[Long Range Planning Committee](#) Mar 3 - 8:00am
[Test Ballot Counting Devices](#) Mar 3 - 10:00am
[Beach Committee](#) Mar 3 - 5:30pm
[Ballot Counting](#) Mar 4 - 10:00am
[Energy Committee](#) Mar 4 - 3:30pm
[Rye Town Center Committee](#) Mar 5 - 5:30pm
[Board of Adjustment](#) Mar 5 - 7:00pm
[Heritage Commission](#) Mar 6 - 5:30pm
[Select Board](#) Mar 10 - 6:30pm
[Sewer Commission Meeting](#) Mar 11 - 8:00am
[Municipal Election - Absentee Ballot Processing begins at 10am](#) Mar 11 - 8:00am to 7:00pm

[Rye Water District](#) Mar 12 - 8:30am
[Historic District Commission](#) Mar 12 - 5:30pm
[Conservation Commission](#) Mar 13 - 6:30pm
[Planning Board](#) Mar 18 - 6:00pm
[Recycling Education Committee](#) Mar 18 - 7:30pm
[Cemetery Trustees](#) Mar 20 - 1:00pm
[Select Board](#) Mar 24 - 6:30pm
[Rye Water District](#) Mar 26 - 8:30am
[Rye Water Annual Meeting](#) Mar 29th 9am RJH
[Energy Committee](#) April 1 - 3:30pm
[Rye Water District](#) April 2 - 8:30am
[Rye Town Center Committee](#) April 2 - 5:30pm
[Board of Adjustment](#) April 2 - 7:00pm



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 these 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: None

- 1) Town Hall Restoration ideas presented to Select Board. [Existing](#), [2019 Requirements](#), [2019 2nd floor program preamble](#), [2019 Space numbers](#).
- 2) No Smoking on Rye beaches has been amended so that it is now enforceable. This was to have consistent language on the new standardized beach signs. Agenda says Ordinance [#22, but this soliciting](#), Posted [#1 is Beach Ordinance](#).
- 3) Beach signs are close to being finalized.
- 4) Comcast agreement (as a cable monopoly) discussion was postponed as Public Hearings are required. No draft agreement is currently available for the public.

Select Board Non Public Meetings

February 24th: Personnel, Acquisition, Legal
February 10th: Reputation

Select Board Meeting February 10th

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Draft Meeting Minutes: Not available

- 1) There will be eleven (11) Community Engagement signs at the beaches. Family sponsorship is available for \$500.
- 2) Three homes damaged by fire this year received abatements
- 3) Aquarion Water update did not provide much insight into its sale by Eversource to the [South-Center Regional Water Authority](#). Eversource took a \$300M loss on the sale. Transaction must be approved by NH PUC and is expected in 2025. [Click Here](#) for annual update from Aquarion.
- 4) Rye Energy explained the situation that resulted in higher costs for purchasing power. [Click Here](#) for presentation
- 5) Transfer Station Compactor failed and funds approved from the Building Maintenance Fund for the hydraulic pump parts and labor to repair the compactors.
- 6) Select Board Member Wright requested that new flags be purchased for the Town Hall Court Room. The flag budget now resides with the Fire Department as they maintain town flag poles.
- 7) Select Board engaged in a discussion with Rye Civic League President, Steven Borne, about what could be done to increase participation in the Town Deliberative Session.



Rye Schools

Meets 3rd Wednesday at RJH

School Policies: [Click Here](#)

Rye 2026-26 Budget Details: [MS-27 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 2024-2025 School Calendar: [Click Here](#)

RJH Solar Panels tracking: [Click Here](#)

School Board Meeting: School Deliberative Meeting and Feb. 19th

Recorded Video: Deliberative Meeting Not posted

2025-26: [MS-27 Budget Document](#)

2025-26: [Default Budget](#)

2-25-26 [Budget Summary](#)

Sample Ballot: [Click Here](#)

Agenda: Feb 19th [Click Here](#)

Meeting Packet (posted before the meeting): [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: Not posted

Draft Meeting Minutes:

SAU February Sensation Newsletter: [Click Here](#)

PHS Courses: [Click Here](#) PHS 8th/9th [Transition page](#) PHS [Honors level offering](#)

Superintendents' Report: [February 2025](#)

Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Report December: [Click Here](#)

RES and RJH Principals updates: [Rye Riptides](#)

Financial Report January Update: [Click Here](#)

Updated SAU Strategic Plan. [Click Here](#)

2024-2025 Board Meeting Dates: [Click Here](#)

1) SAU 50 Special Ed update [Click Here](#)

- 61 Rye Students in Special Ed activity State [indicator definitions](#)

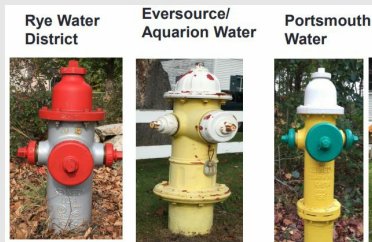
SAU 50 School Board Meeting: Next Meetings March 4th and 26th

SAU 50 Strategic Plan: [Click Here](#)

Next SAU Joint meeting is March 26th Greenland 6:30pm

Next AREA meeting is March 4th 4pm at PHS

- 1) Area agreement folder. [Click Here](#)
- 2) PHS 2024/2025 updates [Click Here](#)



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](#)

Portsmouth June 2022 Presentation: [Click Here](#)

2024 RWD Rate Increase: [Click Here](#) 2017 RCL Water in Rye Information: [Click Here](#)
RWD 101 Information: [Click Here](#) 2023 RWD Quality Report: [Click Here](#)
PFAS Testing updates page: [Click Here](#) Conservation Tips: [Click Here](#)
[Ground and Surface Water Protection](#) How to read your meter: [Click Here](#)
2017 Infrastructure Report Card: [Click Here](#) Imagine a day without water: [Click Here](#)
2023 Rye Civic League Water Presentation: [Click Here](#)

RWD Monthly Meeting: February 12th

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: None

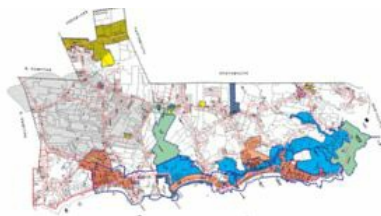
- 1) Water Treatment Plant RFP response interviews were held and a draft contract for the selected firm is planned for the March meeting
- 2) 2024 Year end review was discussed, but data or summary not attached to the minutes
- 3) Documentation found for 46 more properties, reducing the EPA mandated lead waterline investigation number down to 165 from 211 properties to be inspected for lead water pipes.
- 4) Discussion of how Eversource sale of Aquarion will impact Rye residents and discussion of the March 19th annual meeting presentation.

Sewer Commission: Feb. 11th

No video as the meetings are at the RBVD building

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

- 1) Flow summary for Church Rd Pump Station in January was 2.4 million gallons compared to 7.9 million for January 2024.
- 2) At the Jenness Beach Pump Station there was a seal break in Pump 1 that was replaced, and Pump 2 was installed.
- 3) Sewer Warrant Article (Article 12) remains unchanged after the Rye Deliberative session. [Information Sheet](#)



Planning Board

Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month

Citizen's Handbook Information: [Click Here](#)

Master Plan Update Website: [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](#)

Long Range Planning & Master Plan Steering Committee:

Long Range Planning Committee: No February meeting

Draft Meeting minutes: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

1) Meeting March 3rd to discuss this draft Table from RPC.

2) NH HOP Phase II final draft [Click Here](#)

Rye 2035 Rye Future Website: [Click Here](#)

Master Plan update page; [Click Here](#)

Build Out Analysis: [Click Here](#) Shows where homes could fit, but without an analysis of Rye's supporting infrastructure.

NHIOP Phase 1 Report: [Click Here](#) Housing needs information [Assessment Report](#)

Master Plan Public Session February 18th

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#) - Starts at 1:17 into the video (7:16pm)

Draft Document February 12th: [Click Here](#)

1) Planning Board is working towards a March 18th Public Hearing prior to Planning Board acceptance

Other Information:

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](#)

Formatted State guidance for Master Plans [Click Here](#)

Technical Review Committee (TRC) Meeting:

1) Rockingham Planning Commission will be drafting updated TRC procedures for Rye.

Rules and Regulations:

1) May start 2025 discussions in the Spring

Planning Board Meeting: February 18th

Draft Meeting minutes: Not Available

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

1) 175 Washington Rd. Conceptual Consultation for access road off of Germania for single residence to be built on section carved out from Conservation sale many years ago.

2) Sale of The Inn at Rye Place Conceptual Consultation for 70 bed private behavioral health treatment center. [Overview](#). Plans are not moving forward as a larger septic system may be required and [Rye Police/Fire](#) have current problems with Benchmark and Webster at Rye not being able to have adequately trained and sufficient staff, requiring a higher volume of Police/Fire assistance.

3) Master Plan Public Session. Rye Water and several residents provided written inputs. Starts at 1:17 into the [video](#) (7:16pm) [February 12th Draft](#)

4) Reviewed list of comments provided by Member Borne. [Click Here](#)

Planning Board Agenda: not yet posted for March 18th

Agenda not posted

Zoning Board of Adjustments:

Meets 1st Wednesday

Citizen's Handbook information: [Click Here](#)

Town of Rye Code Book: [Click Here](#)

**Code
of the
Town of Rye**

COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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: February 5th

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

- 1) 1465 Ocean Blvd Granted hot tub in side boundary. No vote count [NOD Case #02-2025](#)
- 2) 80 Baker Rd. Granted 3 variances setbacks, pervious walkway and retaining wall [NOD Case #9-2025](#)
No vote count
- 3) [1235 Ocean Blvd Granted variance for a generator in the wetland buffer NOD Case 04-2025](#) No vote count
- 4) 80 Central Rd. Granted two variances for expansion of a non-conforming lot and 23% impervious coverage [NOD Case 07-2025](#)

January NOD as Minutes were not posted in January:

- 1) 100 Brackett Rd. Granted two year extension of Case #04-2023
- 2) 32 Cable Rd. Granted Special exception for Condominium conversation change of ownership
- 3) 1085 Old Ocean Blvd Granted six (6) variances and one special exception for removing existing home and replacing with new home and garage in the tidal wetland buffer. [Case #03-2025](#)

Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda: March 5th

[Agenda:](#)

- 1) 36 Cable Rd. Expansion of a non-conforming structure
- 2) 249 Wallis Rd. Expansion of house and driveway in the wetlands buffer
- 3) 7 Robin R. Expansion of a non-confirming structure and an ADU
- 4) 19 Park Ridge Ave. Expansion of a non-conforming structure
- 5) 1122 Ocean Blvd. Expansion of nonconformity
- 6) 26 Richard Rd. Demolition and new build
- 7) 1631 Ocean Blvd. Expansion of non-conformity and setbacks
- 8) 40 Perkin Rd. Generator and rinsing station. Expansion of non-conformity



Rye Library

Library Strategic Plan page: [Click Here](#)

Library Usage Statistics: [Click Here](#)

Friends of RPL: [Click Here](#)

RPL Facebook page: [Click Here](#)

Citizen's Handbook information: [Click Here](#)

Sign up for Monthly Newsletter: [Click Here](#)

Library Board of Trustees (LBOT) Meeting: February 18th

Draft Meeting Minutes: [Click Here](#)

Video Recording: [Click Here](#)

- 1) Letter to Town Administrator and Select Board regarding Rye Public Library financial requirements was finalized by LBOT
- 2) \$500 Donation from the Rye Lions Club and \$50 from Ellen Stires
- 3) Radon levels came back as "actionable". Remediation to be performed as soon as possible.
- 4) Overhang in the back is starting to collapse, quotes for repairs being collected.

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 9 [Wildlife action](#) Map 14 [Conserved Land](#)

Map 5 [Floodwater storage](#) Map 10 [Productive Forest soils](#) Map 15 [Unfragmented Land](#)

[2023 Rockingham Planning Commission Regional Housing Needs](#)

From the April 15th NHDOT links for Seawall work

[NH DOT Presentation](#): [North Map](#), [Central Map](#) [South Map](#) [Narrative](#) [Postcard](#)



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) January 9th and 13th

The Conservation Commission had a total of 5 meetings in February including 2 separate Non-Public Meetings related to Acquisition (RSA 91-A:3, II (d))

Feb 13 Meeting Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Feb 13 Draft Minutes (Not available as of 2/28)

Feb 13 Meeting Video Streaming [Click Here](#)

- 1) 35 Spring Road, Tax Map 81, Lot 24, Remove existing in-ground pool, in-ground spa, surrounding concrete pool/spa deck, shed which are in buffer as well 8 trees also in buffer. install daylight drainpipe
 Variances: 190-3.1.H(2)(a)(e)[2](g): 75-foot Freshwater Buffer. A site walk was scheduled
- 2) 1180 Ocean Blvd, Tax Map 19.4, Lot 96, Construct a new deck and stairs to replace two damaged existing decks. Variances: 190-3.1.H(2)(a)(g): 100-foot Tidal Buffer. A site walk was scheduled
- 3) 1631 Ocean Blvd, Tax Map 13, Lot 22, Remove hot tub, outdoor shower, and shed, construct infiltration trenches, add native plantings, add 3rd floor addition, water line and septic line. Variances: 190.3.1-H(2)(a)(g): 100-foot Tidal Buffer. Damaged in January 2024 storm (garage and utilities furnace etc..)
- 4) 249 Wallis Road, Tax Map 19, Lot 17-2, Attached garage with ADU above, 1,433 square foot addition on the west side of the building, a 166 square foot front entry addition, driveway extension, retaining wall, bioretention area, grading, Variances: 190-3.1.H(2)(a)(e)[2](g): 75-foot freshwater wetland buffer, Revised plans



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 Rd. Site Plan: [Click Here](#)

See Calendar: [Click Here](#)

Recreation Commission Meeting: February 10th

Meeting Minutes: not available

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

No video as the meetings are in the Wave room [Wave Club Flyer](#)

- 1) Warren St. Architects to discuss design concept for new Recreation offices and bathroom
- 2) Easter Egg Dig, [Summer Camp sign](#) up and other

Upcoming Recreation Program trips:

Adult Yoga & Meditation: [Click Here](#)

Adult Chair Yoga: [Click Here](#)



Heritage, Historic & Demolition

Citizen's Handbook: [Heritage](#)

Citizens Handbook: [Historic District](#)

Rye Heritage Merchandise: [Click Here](#)

Heritage Commissions donations: [Click Here](#)

Rye Advocates Homepage: [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: February 10th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Draft minutes: not available

Video: [Click Here](#)

- 1) Discussed gazebo work for 2025
- 2) Discussed Town Hall architect progress
- 3) Discussed capital reserve fund planning
- 4) Updates provided by subcommittees

Demolition Review Committee: February 6th, 11th, and 24th

Draft Minutes: Not available

Recorded Video: Feb 6 [Click Here](#), Feb 11 [Click Here](#), Feb 24 [Click Here](#)

- 1) Demolition application for 10 Richard Rd
- 2) Demolition application for 530 South Rd
- 3) Demolition application for 41 Appledore Ave

Historic District Commission Meeting: February 12th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Draft Minutes: not available

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Rye Town Center Committee Meeting: February 4th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Draft Minutes: Not Available

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)



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: February 4th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Draft Minutes: not available

Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Rye Energy Committee presented an update on the Community Power Coalition of NH at the Feb 10th Select Board meeting. [Click Here](#)

- 1) Since Rye Community Power launched in Apr 2023, Rye customers have saved over \$500,000 over Eversource rates.
- 2) Rye Community Power is part of the Community Power Coalition of New Hampshire (CPCNH)
- 3) CPCNH rates had been 8.9centskWh, however a power purchase agreement fell through, resulting in an increased rate due to CPCNH having to purchase energy in the spot market.
- 4) Updated CPCNH (Clean Power Coalition NH) supply rates for Mar 3 – Jul 31, 2025 set at 9.7cents/kWh for Granite Basic.
- 5) Discussed support of CPCNH proposed legislation HB760 to stop Utilities from shifting costs to Community Power as compulsory charges.

Rye Recycling Education Committee: February 18th

Agenda: [Click Here](#)

Draft Minutes: not available

Recorded Video: N/A

- 1) Discussed clarifying state on annual recycling report and publicizing
- 2) Discussed upgrading the signage at the Swap Shop
- 3) Discussed plan for RJH project on recycling
- 4) Discussed the planning of a public program on recycling for September

Telecommunication Infrastructure Committee: No Meeting

No recent meetings

Mosquito

Mosquito Complaint Form: [Click Here](#)



2020 Mosquito Control Notice: [Click Here](#)
Dragon Mosquito Program Overview: [Click Here](#)

Mosquito Commission Meeting: No February Meeting

Draft minutes:
Recorded Video:



Beach Committee

2018 Beach Committee Report: [Click Here](#)
Parking Assessment Study: [Click Here](#)

Beach Committee Meeting: No February Meeting

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

Trustee of the Trust Funds Meeting: No February Meeting

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

Municipal Records Committee : No recent meetings

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

Community Engagement Committee : No February Meeting

Draft Minutes: No Public Information available
Recorded Video: No Public Information available

Town Hall Restoration Advisory Committee: No February Meeting

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

Land Use Information Guide Advisory Committee: No February Meeting

Draft Minutes:
Recorded Video:

Coastal Infrastructure Review Committee: February 20th

Draft Minutes: None
Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

Capital Improvement Plan (CIP): No CIP produced in 2024

Select Board CIP Discussion Meeting January 8th: Recorded Video [Click Here](#) NO MEETING MINUTES POSTED

[Click Here](#) to see past CIP Related Warrant Articles.

- 1) The CIP met once in 2024 and did not have any subsequent meetings.
- 2) CIP update from last year: 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Plan ([Click Here](#))

G. LISTING OF PROJECTS WITH CIP PRIORITY

Summary of Rye Capital Project Requests: 2019 -
2024
Table 9

Projects under the Rye Board of Selectmen:

Town Buildings & Administration:	2018 Actual
Scanning Documents For Storage	\$60,000
Purchase of 500 Washington Road	\$0
Town Hall - Exterior Painting & Repair	\$120,000
Land Development Regulations Update	\$23,205
Old Police Station/Trolley Barn	
Town Buildings Total	\$203,205

This plan assumes no funding for Rye Town Hall or Rye town administrative

Budget, CIP and Trust Funds

CIP Plan 2024-2029: [Click Here](#)

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RCL Budget Analysis: [2025 presentation](#)

RCL Warrant 2025 (Tax explanation) [Here](#)

Budget Committee Meetings: February 1st and 27th

Department Summary consolidation: [Click Here](#) (note these were created before changes during the meeting).

February 1st: Post Deliberative meeting: [Click Here](#)

February 27th JBVD Meeting. Budget. Recorded Video: [Click Here](#)

2025 Budget Documents:

Town Department narratives: [Click Here](#)

Budget Committee Town Budget Public Hearing Presentation [Recorded Video](#)

Town [MS-737 Default](#)

School Budget: [Summary Overview](#)

Water District Budget: [Click Here](#)

RBVD Budget: [Click Here](#); Treasurer's Report: [Click Here](#)

JBVD Budget: [Click Here](#)

RCL Budget Presentation: [Click Here](#)

RCL Explanation of Taxes (In Warrant presentation): [Click Here](#)

Additional Town related Web Sites

Rye Historical Society: [Click Here](#)

Rye Police Home page: [Click Here](#)

Fire Department Facebook: [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](#)

Town Facebook page: [Click Here](#)

Rye Police Facebook Page: [Click Here](#)

Rye 400 page: [Click Here](#)

About the Rye Civic League and the Civic News

The Rye Civic League was founded in 1968 by Frances Holway, Joan LaFrance and Marjorie Miller, disbanded in 1992 and revived in 2009. The RCL 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 of \$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

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.

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