

The Weekly Wrap-up

A Report from Town Administrator Lisa Wong

Paving project begins



Milling and paving for various streets have started: Abbey St., Bolton Street, Bombardier Ave, Campden Street, Douglas Ave, Garden Street, Rita Circle, Sunset Ave, Walnut Street, Ludlow Road, Collegeview, River Road, Stonegate Drive, San Souci, Wellington Ave, and Benoit Lane.

RENTAL REGISTRY

The Board of Health adopted a Rental Registry regulation to ensure safe and sanitary conditions in the rental housing stock, and to provide clear and accessible guidelines for the operation of rental properties.

Every property owner renting/leasing a residence/ dwelling in South Hadley will need to register.

Rental registry permit applications will be available on the Town website.

The permit must be renewed annually and is valid until the end of the calendar year (Dec. 31st). Every property owner has thirty days to register with the Board of Health when acquiring/purchasing a rental property.

Selectboard

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 18 at the Senior Center to discuss wastewater rates and Town Meeting warrant www.southhadley.org/agendacenter

Earth Day

The Bike Walk Committee is hosting an Earth Day Guided Public Trek at Bynan Conservation Area on Saturday, April 22 at 1pm.

Library

Author Talk on 5/3 at 1pm: Raising Anti-Racist Children with Britt Hawthorne. Register https://libraryc.org/shadleylib/26024?uMarketingSource=_LSC_ME_04_2

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



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- **State Budget:** The House Ways and Means released their budget on April 12. The Senate Ways and Means and then the Conference Committee budgets are still to come. The HWM funds Unrestricted General Government Aid about \$12k lower than the Governor's budget. Chapter 70 funding and state owned land funding remains unchanged but Charter School mitigation payments are more than 5% lower and special education circuit breaker is funded 0.2% higher.



- **Town Meeting Review Committee:** There will be three positions elected at the upcoming Annual Town Meeting for the Town Meeting Review Committee. Said committee shall be appointed every five years and include the Town Moderator, one representative each from the Selectboard, School Committee, Appropriations Committee, Planning Board, three Town Meeting members and up to four registered voters who are not Town Meeting members to be appointed by the Selectboard. Said committee shall report its findings and recommendations regarding ways and means to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies of Town Meeting to the Selectboard within six months of its appointment or such further time as the Selectboard may grant.
- **April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month:** The South Hadley Police

Department raised a flag to draw attention to the importance of this topic on April 10th. Thank you to DA Sullivan & the Northwestern District Attorney's Office, as well to the members of Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.). Resource: Children's Advocacy Center of Hampshire County - <https://cachampshire.org/>



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