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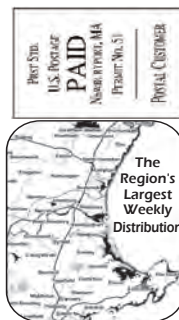
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Leaving 'A Good Ministry'

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

NEWBURYPORT – While the First Religious Society Unitarian Universalist Church (FRSUU) on Pleasant Street is celebrating the beginning of its fourth century serving this city, it is losing its beloved minister, the Rev. Rebecca Bryan.

Rev. Rebecca, who is beginning her eighth year as the senior pastor, has decided to leave the church in June to explore what the next chapter in her life will be. She will leave after the church's annual meeting. This timeline allows the church to move forward with an interim ministry next fall.

It also gives her and the church members time to say good bye, grieve and

assess what the church needs in a minister.

Asked for his and the congregation's reaction, Bob Higgins, chair of the parish board, said, "First, I cried. It was a shock to all of us. We are saddened."

Replacing her will be a challenge, Higgins said. "She has an amazing ability to connect with everyone. It is like losing a friend."

In a letter to the congregation, Rev. Rebecca said, "Our shared ministry has been exquisite. It is both tender and brave, forward-looking and honoring of the past. Together we have weathered many changes within and beyond our church and thrived while doing so."

She leaves the church larger and stronger and a greater force for community good. The supporting members and friends have doubled to about 600, "bucking the trend" in New England of declining church memberships, she said.

"It's the same beautiful building, but it is not the same church," she said in an interview last week.

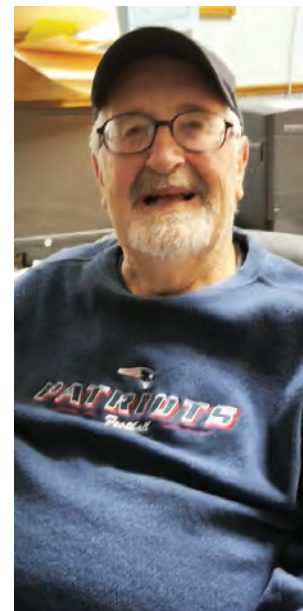
The First Religious Society, which embraces pluralism and diversity, has long had many individual members who were active in the community, serving on boards and committees, fighting for justice and equality. Now, she believes the church has grown to be more committed, as an organization, to activism in the community.

The church opened rooms in the building to host the 11-member Mirzayee family from Afghanistan at

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The tables are being set for the half-time luncheon.



Bill Gaynor, Association President

Rowley Veterans Association - NFL Days

ROWLEY – Alan and Maureen Aulson dropped into the Rowley Veterans Association recently and asked a few members what's it all about, explaining that they had driven by many times, but simply

had not stopped. The pair related that they had a wonderful time, meeting so many nice people ... so much so that they joined! The pair used the time to take photos and interview various folks at their NFL luncheon event.

One attendee, Fred Schoenberger of Rowley explained that he has been a member for some time, perhaps 10-15 or so years, and said that he "comes down and enjoys the company and all

the stuff going on. There are veterans and non-veterans ... people come in and I would say the majority of people are not veterans but come in to enjoy the game and all the activities, and to support veterans."

Neil Butler also of Rowley, explained he came in as a non-member when he was 21, and now his son and his daughter are members. "It's open to anyone, and they even have a few members from out of town."

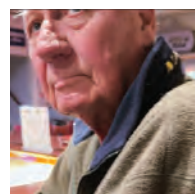
Fred and Neil explained that the group reaches out to the community for various activities, supporting veterans,

the Rowley Food Pantry, and generally just helping people out where they can.

"It's a very friendly and somewhat busy group," Butler shared. "It's small, though and we're trying to encourage folks to come down, join, be a part of the community."

Association President Bill Gaynor gave a little history of the club, explained about their open membership, and shared that their mission was to contribute to a number of funds, supporting veterans groups, disabled veterans, the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and other activities to provide services to the town. He said they were in the process of trying to rebuild their scholarship fund, which previously offered scholarships to students attending high school at Triton, Newburyport, and Ipswich.

Bill invited everyone down to join in at all the football games. Check out the signs on the door for opening times. "All are welcome." ♦



Fred Schoenberger



Neil Butler

Newburyport Literary Festival Events 2025

NEWBURYPORT – The popular Newburyport Literary Festival will not kick off for another six months, which for some book lovers is too long.

So, the festival, scheduled for April 24-26 for its 21st year, has added two events this month, featuring local

authors.

USA Today-bestselling author Meg Mitchell Moore will engage in a conversation about her latest novel, *Mansion Beach*, with novelist-journalist Holly Robinson at 6 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 23 at The Joy Nest, 50 Water St. And at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25,

local historian Ghlee Woodworth will lead an hour-long tour of the Old Hill Burying Ground, 25 Greenleaf Street. The walking tour, which honors the 250th anniversary of the Road to the American Revolution, will visit graves of revolutionary soldiers and other

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Georgetown

Selectwoman Responds

Dear Mr. Lytle,
Thank you so much for publishing Mr. Donahue's most informative letter. I'm sure we all learned a lot! There are some comments I would like to add.

I'm not a victim. I took the action I did to avoid becoming a victim of Mr. Donahue's wild attacks on his colleagues. I've continued to meet with him and Orlando, working together as we should and it has gone very well. He's wily though and has gotten through my defenses through a back door. Oh well.

He is right about my attachment to helping the ConCom. They've been through a tough time and I want to help them get on firm ground again. I just think helping is better than destroying.

And he's also right about my worst character flaw. I do hate bullying. I really really hate bullying. I'll try to work on that.

Laura Repplier
Citizen of Georgetown

Question of the Week:

To the Editor:
Why has only the Trump administration succeeded at bringing peace to the Middle East, and eight other areas of the world?

(Name withheld from print to avoid toxic doxxing by radicals.)

Rachel Bancroft Fires Back

By Stewart Lytle, Sr. Reporter

GEORGETOWN – SelectBoard member Rachel Bancroft said last week she has avoided commenting on unfounded attacks on her personally and as a public official, “but in response to the continued attacks on me, I feel the need to set the record straight.”

Bancroft called the continued attacks on her by SelectBoard member Mike Donahue and resident Kevin Wood to be “half truths,” woven together to create a false picture.

“While I am a public official, I understand that my life is more on display. But my private life, including the lives of my two children, one of whom is a minor, must be off limits,” she said. “I will extend that courtesy even to my attackers, as much as I disagree with them.”

In a recent social media post, Wood reported details of her on-going divorce proceedings and mentioned her children.

Donahue's four-column letter in last week's Town Common criticized Bancroft for “intimidating” anyone whom she perceives to be a threat to “her beloved” Conservation Commission. He accused Bancroft, the chair of the ConCom, of “obstructing” any investigation of ConCom “misgivings.”

“I have never obstructed any investigation,” she said.

Bancroft, who has been on the ConCom for 13 years, said that she is loyal

to the town's bylaws that govern wetlands. “Wouldn't you expect that someone on the ConCom would be loyal to the town's bylaw and state wetlands laws? I make every effort to follow the bylaw and precedents. That's to the town's benefit.”

Some developers, business owners and residents are unhappy with ConCom decisions that limit encroachments on town wetlands and water supply. “Everybody is not going to be happy 100 percent of the time,” she said.

“The commission has become a battering ram,” she said. “A small group of town residents twist the facts.”

Donahue also accused Bancroft repeatedly of filing police reports as a way to intimidate critics of the ConCom.

She acknowledged that she has brought matters to the police when they were warranted. In one, other ConCom members asked her to talk to the police about Wood, who was making them feel uncomfortable in a meeting. An attorney for the town's law firm, KP Law, asked Wood to leave the meeting so the commission could go into executive session.

The attorney called Wood's behavior “bizarre.”

Police open a file on any issue brought to them, she said. None of Bancroft's issues have been found by the police or any law enforcement agency to be false.

She also talked to the police in support of ConCom staff members, who said they felt intimidated in Town Hall. Both staff members have since resigned, blaming the “toxic” environment in town hall.

Bancroft said the town owes the previous conservation agent an apology for the way some town officials treated him.

“He was on call 24/7,” dealing with ConCom issues at night and on weekends, she said. He would meet with residents as early as 5:30 a.m., but only the ConCom knew that.

Bancroft said the source of many of the accusations against him and other town officials, were brought by a disgruntled employee in 2018. They have been investigated repeatedly by state agencies and town counsel and were found to be baseless.

The SelectBoard hired the Stirm Group, a private detective firm, to investigate the ConCom. The SelectBoard sharply criticized its report, which cost the town \$10,000, saying it “finds (the report) inadequate and does not endorse it.”

SelectBoard member Laura Repplier called it a “misuse of funds.” SelectBoard chair Robert Hoover said, “nothing important has come out of this report.”

However, Donahue, who is serving his first term as a SelectBoard member, continued to criticize Bancroft for not cooperating with the Stirm Group's investigation.

“I cooperated with the Stirm Group. I don't like their tactics. A lot of people complained about their tactics,” she said. The firm employs former law enforcement officers, but it is a private



Sand-Mined Farm to Be Sold?

By Lonnie Brennan

GEORGETOWN – Last week, at an untelevised joint meeting with the SelectBoard, Georgetown Town Manager Orlando Pacheco told the town's Board of Assessors that the controversial 214 North Street farm is in the process of being sold.

Pacheco said the property would most likely be under agreement for sale to an unnamed developer “by December first. She's going to sell the property, the whole property.”

The 100-year-old farm has 28 acres, five of which were recently being mined for its sand. The plan was to mine other 5-acre parcels for the valuable sand.

Town hall sources confirmed that the future developer has met with the planning, conservation and other offices investigating the property, reviewing maps, asking about utilities, water, and determining any offsets and any limitations on placing an untold number of homes/townhouses/apartments on the parcel.

Pacheco stated the developer was looking at adjacent property too to allow proper access to the property for a large development.

The farm's sand mining has filled pages of this newspaper and other publications this year, following its extensive, unpermitted open-pit sand mining operation in a residential neighborhood. A spokesperson for the owner said he was allowed to mine the sand as part of an organic farming operation. Mining stopped shortly after he hit the water table at 19 feet.

“Nineteen feet? I would have dug down 191 feet if I could have,” to mine the sand and sell it off to concrete plants and others, contractor Todd Champlain told The Town Common.

Contracted by the farm's current owner, Kathy Potter who inherited the land when her father Pete Zibell died, Champlain had his excavation and screening machines shut down in late August by a court order.

According to neighbors who attended the joint meeting of the SelectBoard and Assessors, the dumping and burial of construction, highway, and other debris has gone on unmonitored for years.

Board of Assessors Chairman Thomas Berube said that “five acres of formerly productive crop land, converted to a sand and gravel quarry – which is a change of use – triggered certain actions.” He went on to detail the tax subsidies that the former farm owner enjoyed under Mass. Law 61A which taxed the land at a fraction of what a residential property would be taxed.

“Basically, the taxpayers in town have



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Newbury Recognizes Eugene Case for More Than 30 Years of Service

NEWBURY – The Town of Newbury is recognizing resident Eugene Case for his significant contributions to the town over the years.

Eugene Case was presented with a certificate of recognition by the Town of Newbury during a ceremony held on Tuesday, Oct. 14. Case has served on a variety of town boards since 1972, including the School Committee and the Finance Committee.

Case taught at both Newbury Elementary School and Triton Regional Middle School.

“Over that span of years, Gene was a solid influence in Newbury’s transition from a somewhat shaky to a much more fiscally solid state by implementing a policy of robust financial practices. In total, Gene dedicated his energy to education and to public service. We thank him for his volunteerism, his expertise, and his quest to achieve collaborative solutions,” Select Board Chair William DiMaio said during the recognition ceremony.

“This was a well-deserved recognition, as Gene has been an exceptional resource to the Town,” said Town Administrator Tracy Blais. ♦

Newbury Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting Rescheduled

The Zoning Board of Appeals meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 16, 2025 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall Meeting Room, 12 Kent Way, Byfield MA has been rescheduled to next Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall Meeting Room, 12 Kent Way, Byfield MA due to No-Quorum.

Dr. John Anthony Regalbuto Last of the Greatest Generation



John Anthony Regalbuto was born, as he liked to say, on 1-2-33 (January 2, 1933) and died peacefully surrounded by family on October 8, 2025 at the age of 92. He was the youngest and last surviving of eight children of Filippo and Carmela (Pellegrino) Regalbuto, who had emigrated from Mistretta, Sicily to Little Italy in Cleveland in 1912. He was preceded in death in 2017 by his wife of 61 years, Carole Darlene Zachman Regalbuto.



John and Carole were an amazing couple, having four children in five years, and this while John was obtaining his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering at Princeton University. The four children who survive John, Mary Jean, John Robert (Monica), David Philip (Carrie Olmsted), and Michael Anthony (Deborah), are three engineers and a scientist who married three engineers and a scientist. John had eleven grandchildren and seven (and counting) great-grandchildren at his passing.



John had a lifelong passion for things mechanical, the first being aircraft. He regretted being too young to serve in World War II and admired his older siblings who did, including his sister Mary Regalbuto Jones who was a Women Airforce Service Pilot (WASP). John began his career working on Sikorsky helicopters, and after his graduate degree, worked on F16 fighter jets at General Dynamics in Ft. Worth, Texas. He eventually applied his metallurgy expertise to develop explosives for the oil industry at Jet Research Center in Arlington, Texas, and later for defense contractor Textron Systems in Wilmington, MA. While he left aircraft in his professional work, they were his dearest hobby; his production of free flying and scale model airplanes was truly prodigious. Flying sessions with his cronies in the Flying Aces Stealth Squadron #49 modeling club were the highlight of his month; he shared his love for modeling - flying sessions were keenly anticipated by the children in their youth. At the age of 85, his ingenious design of a contra-rotating propeller led to two patents and two technical publications.



John’s other mechanical proclivity was automotive. To afford each new child, he explained, he would restore an old car for handsome profit. At one time the garage (and driveway) in Ft. Worth held a total of eight automobiles, including his meticulously restored and award winning 1949 MG TC, another old MG TD mostly hanging on the walls, an assortment of later model sedans and sports cars, a pickup truck, and a welded-up frame he designed for a three-wheeler. The kids were thoroughly schooled in do-it-yourself automobile upkeep and on-the-road repairs. “Every trip’s an adventure!” their father would say. He helped oversee the kids’ fleet of two MGB GTs, one MGB, and a Triumph TR6.

John and Carole spent their retirement in Georgetown, Massachusetts. John exchanged his antique MG for a bright red Ferrari 308, perfect for the wooded, curvy roads of New England. Many dear friends made it down to John’s favorite wintering spot on Grand Cayman Island. Since 2018, John lived with his children either in South Carolina (winters) or Michigan (summers).

He will be interred next to Carole in Harmony Cemetery in Georgetown, following a funeral mass at St. Mary’s church (94 Andover St, Georgetown, MA 01833) at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, October 31. A celebration of John’s life will be held for friends and family at Camp Denison (84 Nelson St., Georgetown, MA 01833) following the interment. Donations in John’s name can be made to Friends of Camp Denison at that address.

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locals. Ghlee will share excerpts from their diaries and writings.

Goodreads called Moore's ninth novel, which is inspired by F. Scott Fitzgerald's Great Gatsby, a "sparkling new novel following a young woman entwined in the opulent lives of her neighbors on Block Island, set against a backdrop of scandal, secrets and a not-so-subtle love triangle."

Robinson has published a memoir and five novels under her name and ghostwritten 14 non-fiction books.

Tickets to the conversation between Moore and Robinson are \$30, or \$60, including a copy of Mansion Beach. The event has a cash bar and light snacks, and Moore will be available to sign books.

Purchase tickets at newburyportliterary-festival.org/book-club-the-joy-nest.

The fee for the cemetery walk is \$25.

All proceeds go to support the festival in the spring.

Newburyport Bank and the Institution for Savings are sponsors of the festival. Additional support is provided by The Charles & Marianne Small Charitable Foundation, The Rotary Club, The Mosley Foundation, Newburyport Cultural Council, Newburyport Friends of the

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Joint meeting with Board of Assessors and Selectboard

SAND WARS

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been subsidizing this farm," by shouldering the burden of taxes it would otherwise be subjected to, Berube said.

Berube detailed how the conversion to industrial use led to the roll-back of taxes, subjecting the farm to approximately \$12,000 in extra taxes. He detailed that the assessors have to follow the law on usage, and apply taxes appropriately. They do not get involved in other issues.

More than one neighbor expressed shock that the farm owner could sell off more than \$1 million in sand and gravel, moving trucks on and off the property every five minutes and face only a minor tax bill.

At its Selectboard meeting last week, Pacheco told the SelecBoard they had just 30 days to decide to purchase the property, and that he would never recommend purchasing 5 acres of land-locked property. However, both his stated timeline and number of acres were not technically accurate.

"One of the things that I picked up on watching the portion of the selectmen's meeting from the 6th, when they were discussing this, is I think they were under the impression that they only had 30 days to get an appraisal and exercise this option," Berube said.

He said the town has 30 days to receive requested documentation from the landowner, followed by 120 days to make a decision to purchase. Then it has a 90-day window to execute the purchase. In all, the process could allow the town approximately six months to

purchase the property if it wants to.

Pacheco said there has been an on-going, private discussion to resolve the legal issues that the Board brought against the property. He further detailed that the agreement that is before them now "would be a restoration" of the property to its prior big-dig condition.

Neighbors blasted the town for allowing the open-pit mining operation adjacent to their homes, saying "restoration has to be more than filling the pit: They've been dumping there for years."

Several neighbors said they took photos of asphalt being dumped and buried, and filed photos with the town. One resident said the property owners were using almost the entire property to support the mining operation. "It's a shame that for months, bells were going off, and the town did nothing. You had trucks backed up at 5:30 in the morning, lined up, nothing."

Another neighbor said. "These people, they burned us, they burned us badly. We look like fools. Organic farming? Come on."

"I wouldn't eat a thing that touched that soil," another neighbor of the former farm said. "We're looking at what? A future environmental cleanup? And they get off the hook with a settlement?"

Planning Board Chair Harry LaCortiglia suggested that perhaps the land could become part of the Essex County Green Belt and not be developed.

"Historically, Harry - and no disrespect to the conservation in town - but the track record for maintaining conservation land is worse than the Cleveland Browns Super Bowl wins," Pacheco replied. [Note: The Cleveland Browns have never won a Super Bowl.]

"Our goal is not to make sure there is no development, but to make sure that it is properly sized," Pacheco said. ♦



Assessor Thomas Berube explains methods of determination and the application of taxes in detail.

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73376190	SOLD	333 Perkins Row	Topshfield, MA	AN6886	Detached	6	\$1,795,000	\$1,625,000
73411535	SOLD	78 Purchase St	Newburyport, MA : Joppa	AN7944	Detached	3	\$1,849,900	\$1,825,000
73419542	SOLD	30 Alberta	Newburyport, MA	AN8279	Detached	5	\$2,200,000	\$2,130,000
73389195	SOLD	9 Twig Rush Lane	West Newbury, MA	AN8279	Detached	4	\$2,325,000	\$2,135,000
73411146	SOLD	347 High Street	Newburyport, MA	AN7944	Detached	6	\$2,499,900	\$2,200,000
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Newburyport No King Protest

NEWBURYPORT – Thousands of North Shore residents came to the Bartlett Mall Saturday to participate in the No King national political rally. An estimated 3,000 people lined both sides of High Street, holding signs protesting the current administration's action and the President, while a solid stream of cars rolled by honking and waving. (Photos by Stewart Lytle)



Allison Heartquist holds a sign at the No Kings rally.



Mellisa Wilkinson holds a sign made at the River Valley Charter School



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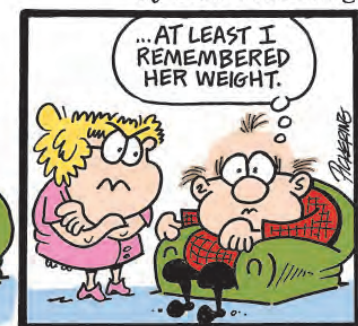
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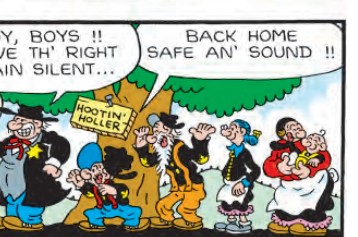
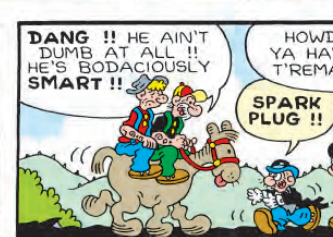
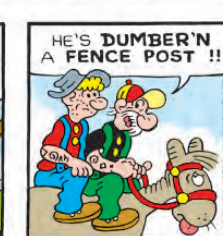
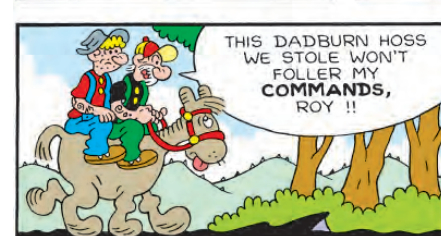
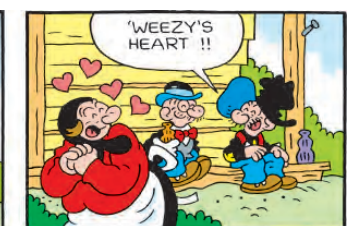
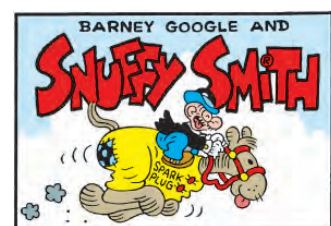
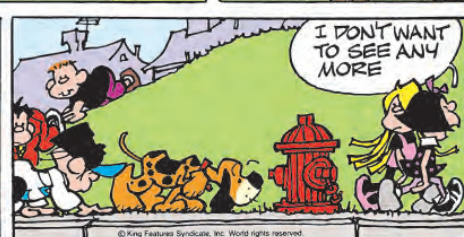
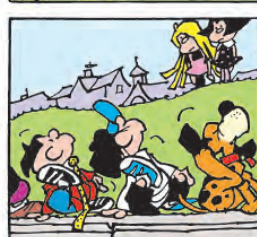
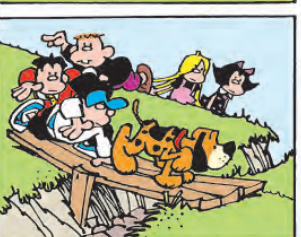
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BOXFORD COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Boxford Community Preservation Committee will hold a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, November 4, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.**, by Zoom videoconference. The purpose of this Hearing is to obtain comments from the public on the needs, possibilities and resources of the Town of Boxford regarding community preservation possibilities and resources. The Zoom connection information is here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82089591513>, it will also be posted on the Town of Boxford website calendar several days prior to the meeting.
10/22, (10/29)

LEGAL NOTICE
ROWLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act, Mass. G.L. 131, Section 40, as amended, and the Town of Rowley Wetlands Protection Bylaw, a remote public meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 7:45 pm** to consider a **Request for Determination of Applicability** application filed by **Mark Savory for proposed construction of a detached accessory dwelling unit (ADU) and associated site and utility work possibly within 100' of a wetland resource area at 70 Bradford Street (Map 17, Parcel 7) in Rowley, MA.**
Daniel R. Shinnick, Chairman
Rowley Conservation Commission
10/22

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ROWLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In accordance with the Wetlands Protection Act, Mass. G.L. 131, Section 40, as amended, and the Town of Rowley Wetlands Protection Bylaw, a remote public hearing will be held on **Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 8:00 pm** to consider a **Notice of Intent** application filed by **Keri Hamilton, Trustee Thirty-Four Central Street Nominee Trust for proposed construction of two (2) new residential units with associated drainage, stormwater management infrastructure, grading and utilities and restoration of the 100' Buffer Zone and Inner Riparian Zone at 34 Central Street (Map 25, Parcel 9) in Rowley, MA.**
Daniel R. Shinnick, Chairman
Rowley Conservation Commission
10/22

LEGAL NOTICE
ROWLEY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

In accordance with the Town of Rowley Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw, as amended, a remote Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 8:15 pm**, to consider a **Stormwater Management Permit** application filed by **Keri Hamilton, Trustee Thirty-Four Central Street Nominee Trust for proposed construction of two (2) new residential units with associated drainage, stormwater management infrastructure, grading and utilities and restoration of the 100' Buffer Zone and Inner Riparian Zone at 34 Central Street (Map 25, Parcel 9) in Rowley, MA.** Total site disturbance is approximately 71,438 sqft. (1.64 acres).
Daniel R. Shinnick, Chairman
Rowley Conservation Commission
10/22

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given by Newburyport Towing Service, Inc. 27 S. Hunt Road, Amesbury, MA, pursuant to the provisions of Mass G.L. c. 255, Section 39A, that they will auction the following vehicles **November 6, 2025** on the website <http://sta.ibidsmart.com>. **The auction will end at 1:00 pm** and buyer registration is required. Those that do not sell at auction will be sold on or after November 6, 2025 by private or public sale to satisfy their garage keepers liens for towing, storage, and notices of sale:
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5. 2005 Honda Accord VIN 1HGCM56725A135521
6. 2007 Ford Edge VIN 2FMDK49C47BB58250
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SUN OCT 26 | 3 - 5 pm - A New England Tenors Broadway Tribute. Main Street Congregational Church, 145 Main Street. \$20, \$10 for students. More info: Mike Fay at 978-476-6053.

TUES OCT 28 | 8:30 -10 a.m. - Social Media Made Simple: A Playbook for Small Business Owners. Amesbury Business & Breakfast, Gametime Lanes, 84 Haverhill Rd. Register in advance at AmesburyChamber.com.

SAT NOV 1 | 9 am - 2 pm - Holiday Craft Fair at Transportation Center, 68 Elm St. To benefit the Friends of the Amesbury Council on Aging. Free admission. Handmade crafts.

SAT/SUN NOV 1-2 | 8 am - 2 pm - Self-Guided Fall Orchard Walk at Cider Hill Farm Bundle up and get out amongst the farm's 10,000 fruit trees. Enjoy the fresh air and views as you walk through the orchards. Open Saturdays and Sundays 8 a.m. - 2 p.m from Saturday 11/1 - Sunday 11/30. FREE. No registration

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