



Town of Newcastle

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FROM: Kevin L. Sutherland, Interim Town Manager
TO: Newcastle Select Board
CC: Town Staff
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RE: Town Manager Report

Town Clerk Resignation

Today I received a letter of resignation from our Town Clerk, Lauren Allen. She will be with us through the end of this week. I want to thank her for her professionalism, kindness, and respect for the residents of Newcastle

Lynch Road culvert

I previously shared that this culvert was included in FEMA's Major Disaster Declaration and that we'll be working with VHB and county/state EMA to ensure we're reimbursed for as much of this work as possible. On Friday, I participated in an informational session with the state that shared we'll need to have the replacement complete within 18 months of the event (November 2024) (with a potential for an extension) and that the local match is 10% of the total cost. Today I also met with VHB engineering staff who were here to collect hydrology data and site survey information to get their initial perspective.

Historic Preservation Ordinance Draft Review

The Ad-Hoc Historic Preservation Committee is holding a public informational meeting on a proposed draft Historic Preservation Ordinance for Newcastle. The draft will be discussed this Wednesday **July 26th, 2023 at 6:00PM at the Lincoln Academy cafeteria**. All are welcome to attend, and we hope that you'll join us!

North Dyer Neck Road

Based on concerns raised at the June 26th Select Board meeting, modifications have been made to improve the condition of the road. We received several thank you emails from residents, and I want to thank our road commissioner for seeing to those improvements.