

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

A summary of news, events, and other announcements for the week of August 2, 2021



## DEDHAM PARTICIPATES IN 2021 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Dedham Police, local civic groups, town departments and businesses join together to host special events that create awareness about public safety and foster community participation. Read page 3 for more information.

## COVID-19 VACCINE AVAILABILITY AND VAX MILLIONS GIVEAWAY

Mass vaccination sites may have closed, but the Covid-19 is still available at a variety of locations across Dedham and across the state. Read more on page 4 and find out how to enter the Mass Vax Millions Giveaway once vaccinated.

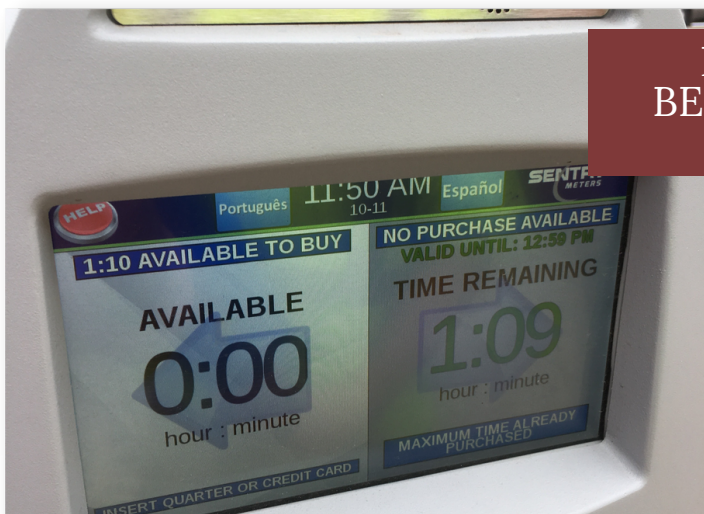
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Trust the **FACTS**   
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## PARKING METERS INTALLATION BEGINS AUGUST 3 ALONG EAST SIDE OF WASHINGTON STREET



Beginning August 3, 2021, contractors will be installing parking meters along the east side of Washington Street in the Dedham Square area of Town. Read more about these meters on page 4.



## WANT TO GET INVOLVED? JOIN A DEDHAM BOARD/COMMITTEE

A great way to learn more about local government and to serve the community is to join a board or committee. Read about current vacancies and where to find more information about Dedham boards and committees on page 5.

## PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES

Crews continue to make great progress on the construction of the combined public safety building. For a summary of work onsite this week and potential impacts to travel in the area, please see page 5.



## PUBLIC MEETINGS & UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



Meetings and events around Town are being held in-person again, and some are continuing the virtual model or testing out the hybrid approach. Check out page 6 for a list of upcoming meetings and community events happening around Town.

## DEDHAM PARTICIPATES IN 2021 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Dedham is participating in a public safety event known as National Night Out for a tenth year. It is an opportunity for local law enforcement and citizens to band together for safer neighborhoods by encouraging community participation and creating awareness about public safety. The Dedham Police have joined forces with several civic groups in Dedham to support this initiative and create community partnerships. Several festivities are planned throughout the town for August 2 - August 4, 2021. Citizens are also asked to keep their lights on until 11:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 to show Dedham is committed to shining a light for safer neighborhoods. The following civic groups are participating in the planned events: Mother Brook Community Group, Manor Neighborhood Association, and Oakdale Square Alliance, Riverdale Neighborhood Association as well as the Anti-Racism Coalition of Dedham.

Dedham Police Chief d'Entremont states, "We are very excited to participate in National Night Out for a tenth year. We are thankful to be able to join community members in some summertime fun to promote police community partnerships. The participation from the community has been great once again, and we continue to evolve the schedule to include new and exciting events. As in past years, we are partnering with several different civic groups, town departments and local businesses to reach the greatest number of citizens. We are looking to capitalize on the success and positive energy generated by the various groups to make Dedham's neighborhoods safer and welcoming for all."

Select Board Member Dimitria Sullivan adds, "As Chairperson for the Select Board, I will be delighted to issue a proclamation, along with my fellow Select Board Members, that officially proclaims Tuesday, August 3, 2021 as National Night Out in Dedham. This program represents a way to strengthen police-community partnerships and celebrate all of the great work done by law enforcement. Every year, this event gains in popularity and brings the community together in a special way."

Most of the events are kid-friendly and family oriented, and all events are free and open to anyone interested in supporting this public safety initiative.

### MONDAY, August 2, 2021

**Oakdale Square Ice Cream Social - 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 PM at Oakdale Square Common, Oakdale Square, Dedham, MA:** Come join friends and neighbors to socialize and enjoy some ice cream on the Common in Oakdale Square. Enjoy FREE ice cream sundaes with a variety of toppings! Plus, kids' activities, outdoor games, entertainment, and fun connecting with the community.

**Riverdale Neighborhood Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social - 6:00 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. at Riverdale School field and playground, 143 Needham Street, Dedham, MA:** Join friends and neighbors for a night off from cooking with outdoor games for kids of all ages, hot dogs and ice cream! Come out and say hello to your neighbors! All ages are welcome.

### TUESDAY, August 3, 2021

**Lawn Games at the Endicott Estate - 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Endicott Estate, 656 East Street, Dedham, MA:** Join the Anti-Racism Coalition of Dedham for a fun evening of lawn games on the grounds of the Estate. All ages are welcome. Game will include Cornhole, Giant Jenga, Spike Ball, Ladder Ball and Bocce!

**Outdoor Movie Night at Condon Park: Featuring the animated musical/drama movie "The Secret Life of Pets" - 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (hot dogs and popcorn) and feature film from 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at Condon Park, 184 Bussey Street, Dedham, MA:** Bring a chair, blanket, family, friends, and a flashlight to guide your way to the Park for a family-friendly movie (bug spray is also recommended). Popcorn, snacks and drinks will be available. Come see some movie magic under the stars.

### WEDNESDAY, August 4, 2021

**Flashlight Manor Neighborhood Walk - 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Manor Neighborhood - meet at Terri's Market, 12 Louise Road, Dedham, MA:** Enjoy an illuminating stroll with friends and family around the neighborhood (1 mile walk). The walk will pass by the location for the new playground to be built on Trenton Road! Light refreshments will be available.

## COVID-19 VACCINE AVAILABILITY AND VAX MILLIONS GIVEAWAY

The COVID-19 vaccine is safe, effective, and is free. The COVID-19 vaccine is available for people ages 12+ who live, work or study here in Massachusetts. You do not need an ID or insurance to get it. If you have not yet received the vaccine, please visit [vaxfinder.mass.gov](https://vaxfinder.mass.gov) to find a location near you!



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### Register today for the VaxMillions Giveaway!

We need your help to beat the pandemic in Mass. If you're fully vaccinated against COVID-19, register today for your chance to win one of five \$1 million prizes or \$300,000 scholarship grants.

Not fully vaccinated yet? Get your COVID-19 vaccine and then register as soon as possible for a chance to win.

Register to win at [vaxmillionsgiveaway.com](https://vaxmillionsgiveaway.com) today!



*Click on the image above to register*

## PARKING METERS INSTALLATION BEGINS AUGUST 3 ALONG EAST SIDE OF WASHINGTON STREET

During the first three weeks of August 2021, (8/3 to 8/20), contractors will focus on the east side of Washington Street, from Café Fresh Bagel south to Dedham Savings. Two parking spaces located in front of the Dedham Bike Shop will be affected by this work for a portion of this time.

Work will progress from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on weekdays only. Most parking spaces should be available after 4:00 p.m. on weekdays and all weekend.

Up to 19 parking spaces will be affected during this phase of work and contractors will make them available for parking as soon as safely possible. Driveways in this area will also be temporarily affected by this work.

**Please watch your step around active construction areas!**

For more information, frequently asked questions, and for a map of the parking meter locations, please visit the Town website at [www.dedham-ma.gov](https://www.dedham-ma.gov).



## WANT TO GET INVOLVED? JOIN A DEDHAM BOARD/COMMITTEE

Current vacancies on Dedham boards and committees are listed on the Town website under "[Board & Committee Vacancies](#)", and are listed below:

- **Bylaw Review Committee - Three (3) Vacancies**
- **Capital Expenditures Committee - One (1) Vacancy**
- **Finance and Warrant Committee - Four (4) Vacancies**
- **Public Service Recognition Committee - Seven (7) Vacancies**
- **Transportation Advisory Committee - Two (2) Vacancies**
- **Zoning Board of Appeals - 1 Alternate Member and 1 At-Large Member**

Visit the website for each board or committee (linked above) to learn more about their role in Dedham, projects they are involved in, opportunities to volunteer, and to find the one that best fits your interests or interests.

**We hope to see you at future meetings and events!**

## PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES

**What to expect August 2, 2021 (Monday) through August 6, 2021 (Friday):**

- The project site remains closed to the public.
- Deliveries of steel and metal decking will continue next week.
- Expect periodic entrance and exit of large trucks at the project site entrance, located at the intersection of Washington Street and Bryant Street. Please expect minor traffic delays at this intersection.
- Steel installation will continue using the crane located onsite (see attached photo).
- The dewatering system remains in place and operational.
- This week, crews will install waterproofing and damp proofing at the foundation walls.
- Localized anchor and foundation repairs are on-going.
- To maintain an efficient and organized jobsite, crews will continue to remove excess material for the site.
- No additional traffic impacts or pedestrian impacts are anticipated during this week.

For more information and to sign up for weekly construction updates, visit the [Public Safety Building Project page](#).

Caption (below): Aerial photo of construction site on July 28, 2021, by drone to show the detail of structural steel and metal decking installed onsite. To date, more than 400 individual pieces of steel have been installed.



Caption (above): Aerial photo of the project site taken on July 27, 2021. The yellow crane to the right is used to raise and place each individual piece of structural steel that is secured into position.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMUNITY EVENTS THIS WEEK

Agendas and event information are linked below. Meeting information is also available on our website calendar



### Monday, 8/2/21:

- [Charter Review Committee](#) at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 305
- [Dog Park Committee](#) at 7:00 p.m. at the Dog Park, 269 Common Street
- [Ice Cream Social](#) at 6:30 p.m. in Oakdale Square
- [Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social](#) at 6:00 p.m. in Riverdale Neighborhood

### Tuesday, 8/3/21:

- [Lawn Games at Endicott Estate](#) at 6:00 p.m.
- [Outdoor Movie Night: "Secret Life of Pets"](#) at 8:00 p.m. at Condon Park (food starts at 7:00 p.m.)



### Wednesday, 8/4/21:

- [Farmer's Market](#) from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at First Church Green
- [Active Transportation Working Group](#) at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom
- [Design Review Advisory Board](#) at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
- [Summer Concert Series](#) at 7:00 p.m. at Endicott Estate

## LET'S STAY CONNECTED!



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