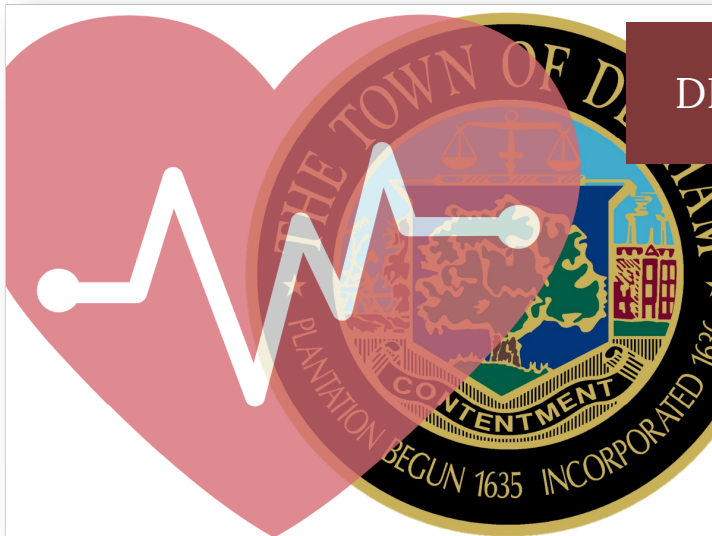


WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

A summary of news, events, and other announcements for the week of November 1, 2021



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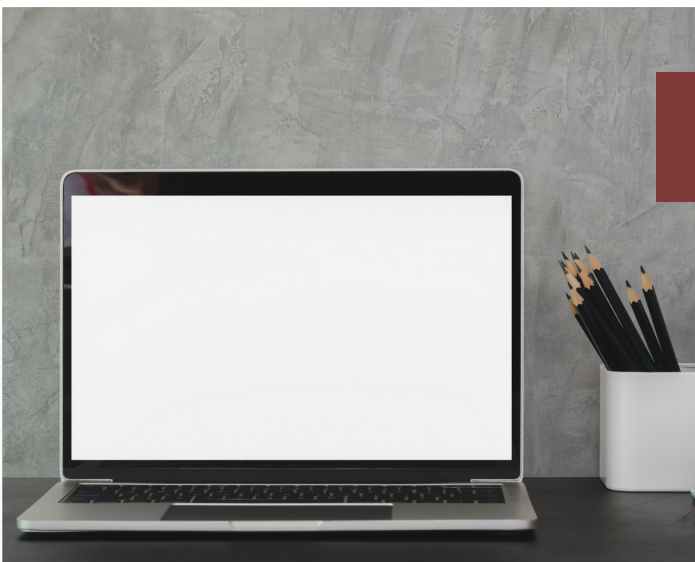
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FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING EVENTS AND UPDATES

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PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES

The leaves are changing colors and the temperatures are getting cooler, but the progress remains steadfast at the Public Safety Building. Read about what to expect this week on page 7.



PUBLIC MEETINGS & UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

View this week's schedule, review posted agendas, and find out how to attend upcoming events and meetings on page 7.

DEDHAM-WESTWOOD WATER DISTRICT VIOLATION AND BOARD OF HEALTH WEEKLY UPDATE

Below is a copy of the Tier II Notification Letter sent out to Dedham residents by the Dedham-Westwood Water District (copy available on our [website](#)):

Click on the letter below to enlarge on our website



DEDHAM-WESTWOOD WATER DISTRICT

www.dwwd.org

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) MCL Violation | Dedham-Westwood Water District

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although the elevated levels of TTHMs are of concern, **this is not an emergency**, and an alternative source of water is **not necessary**. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. As our customers, you have a right to know what happened and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results from October 7, 2021, show that our system exceeded the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for TTHM. The standard for TTHM is 80 parts per billion (ppb). It is determined by averaging all samples collected at each sampling location for the past 12 months. The level of TTHM averaged at our sampling location that exceeded the MCL for the period from January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, is 83 ppb.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been an emergency, you would have been notified within 24 hours. TTHM are four volatile organic chemicals which form when disinfectants react with natural organic matter in the water.

People who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

The Dedham Westwood Water District has engaged the services of Weston & Sampson, a recognized leader in the engineering field of water projects to analyze the total organic carbon sampling data and research the cause of the elevated levels of TTHMs. We have also included additional equipment in the plants, tanks and distribution system as well as implementing a unidirectional flushing program in our 2022 capital plan. These combined actions will help reduce the THM levels.

For more information, please contact Stephen Locke at (781) 329-7090 or email waterquality@dwwd.org.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by the Dedham-Westwood Water District.

PWS ID#: 3073000 Date distributed: 11/4/2021

BOARD OF HEALTH WEEKLY UPDATE

Below please find a chart of COVID-19 statistics for Dedham and the State as of November 4, 2021. More statistics can be found on www.mass.gov.

	Total Cases	New Cases	14-day Percent Positivity	Fully Vaccinated Residents
Dedham	2,829	18 (this week)	2.13%	18,035
MA	799,981	1,290 (on November 2 nd)	1.76%	4,743,156

MA data taken from www.mass.gov on November 4, 2021.

COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Clinic for Residents 65 Years and Older

There will be a COVID-19 booster clinic for Dedham residents 65 years and older on Thursday, November 18th at the American Legion (155 Eastern Ave) from 9:30 AM to 2:00 PM. Registration in advance is required. Please register by phone at: **(781) 751-9488** or online at: www.dedham-ma.gov/covidvaccine.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic for Children 5-11 Years Old

On Tuesday, November 2nd, the CDC Director approved the FDA's recommendation to vaccinate children 5-11 years with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. The recommended vaccine is 1/3 of the dose administered to youths 12 years and older and adults. Children 5-11 years old are now eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine.

There will be a COVID-19 clinic for Dedham residents 5-11 years old on Saturday, November 20th at the Dedham Middle School (70 Whiting Ave) from 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM. Online registration in advance is required. Please register online at:

www.dedham-ma.gov/covidvaccine.

DWWD Tier II Notification Re: TTHM Violation

Following the recent notice from the Dedham-Westwood Water District (DWWD) to all Dedham residents regarding the elevated levels of Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) in our drinking water system, we as your Board of Health would like to take this opportunity to ensure everyone has been made aware of the violation and to reaffirm this is not an emergency. The DWWD has created an informational website that includes a copy of the Tier 2 Violation Notification mailed to each resident, background information about the situation, and has set up a Hotline and email address for questions or concerns. The Town of Dedham has also circulated this information on the Town website, through email subscriptions lists, and has posted this information on social media accounts to help deliver the information quickly and efficiently.

We encourage everyone to read through the information prepared by the DWWD and to contact them directly if you have any questions or concerns. Linked below and on the Town of Dedham website are the DWWD resources and contact information:

- DWWD TTHM Information Page: <https://www.dwwd.org/tthm>
- Hotline: **(800) 279-8810**
- Email Address: waterquality@dwwd.org
- **Tier 2 Notification (mailed to each resident)**
- **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)**

VETERANS DAY IS THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

Town Offices Closed In Observance of Veterans Day

All Non-Emergency Town Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 11, 2021 for Veterans Day, including the Dedham Public Library:

Town Offices/Buildings Closed on Veterans Day include:

- Town Hall
- Ames Senior Center
- Public Library (both locations)
- Dolan Center
- Public Works

Note: Police Department and Fire Department remain open 24 hours / 7 days a week:

- For emergencies: Call 911
- For Police Non-Emergency: Call 781-751-9300
- For Fire Non-Emergency: Call 781-751-9400

Recycling & Trash:

Recycling and Trash schedules will not be affected. For more information, please visit the Recycling & Trash page on our website.



Thank-A-Veteran Cookout on Veterans Day

The Veterans Services Department invites everyone to attend a cookout at the **American Legion (15 Eastern Avenue) on Veterans Day, beginning at 1:00 p.m.** This event provides an opportunity for friends and neighbors to stop by, thank a veteran, have some food, and enjoy an afternoon together as a community. The event will run from early afternoon to early evening to allow for people to stop by throughout the day. We hope to see everyone there!

**The cookout is free and is open to everyone.*



Veterans Day Brunch on Wednesday, November 10th

On Wednesday, November 10th, the Dedham Council on Aging and Veterans Services Office are teaming up to host a breakfast to celebrate our local veterans. Stop by from **10:00 a.m. to Noon** to enjoy great conversation, guest speakers, and music at the **USS Jacob Jones VFW Post, located at 84 Eastern Avenue in Dedham, MA.**

Please call the Ames Senior Center today to RSVP to attend at **781-751-9495**.

GREENLIDGE STREET CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT MEETING

Town of Dedham Invites You to Attend a Virtual Public Information Meeting for the Greenlodge Street Corridor Improvements Project

WHAT: Public Information Meeting via Zoom

WHEN: Wednesday, November 10, 2021, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

WHY: Come join the Engineering Department and consultants for a presentation and update about the proposed sidewalks along the Greenlodge Street Corridor.

- Meet the project team
- Background and goals
- Project updates and construction timeline
- Ask questions and stay informed

Please visit the Town website for Zoom login information: www.dedham-ma.gov/calendar

Questions or comments about the project? Email Jason Mammone, Town Engineer: jmammone@dedham-ma.gov

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FALL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING EVENTS AND UPDATES

Warrant Review Meeting (Mini-Town Meeting)

Town Meeting District Chairs and Representatives are hosting a virtual warrant review meeting, also referred to as "Mini-Town Meeting", tonight at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. All are welcome to attend and participate in the discussion to understand and ask questions about each article prior to Fall Town Meeting on Monday, November 15, 2021.

Fall Annual Town Meeting

As previously announced, the 2021 Fall Annual Town Meeting will be held on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Dedham Health and Athletic Complex (200 Providence Highway, Dedham, MA).

This meeting will be held in-person with live coverage by Dedham TV. There is no hybrid meeting option for this meeting.

Materials for Town Meeting:

Use the links below to access available materials to review prior and during Town Meeting:

- [Warrant Book with Finance & Warrant Committee Recommendations](#)
- [Article 11 - Electronic Voting Committee Report](#)
- [October 2021 ARPA Funding Presentation](#)
- [August 2021 Charter Review Committee Preliminary Findings Report](#)

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING UPDATES

What to expect November 8, 2021 (Monday) through November 12, 2021 (Friday):

- The project site remains closed to the public.
- The de-watering system remains in place and operational.
- During this week, crews will continue the following work onsite:
 - Pour basement mud slabs
 - Install stone and Mirafi fabric (a geotextile fabric used to maintain soil separation) in the basement and underground garage area
 - Install underground electric and overhead automatic transfer switch conduits
 - Masonry work to install the concrete masonry unit (CMU) wall along the north, east, and south
 - Install CMU seismic bracing on the first floor and duct mains on the second floor
- Crews will continue to install drainage manholes and water quality structures on Bryant Street this week:
 - This work may cause traffic delays within the area. More information and updates will be provided prior to the start of work to help facilitate travel in and around this area.
- 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.
- No additional traffic impacts or pedestrian impacts are anticipated during this week.

Project Team Contact Information:

- Immediate issues or concerns, please contact the Dedham Town Manager's Office at **781-751-9100**.
- For general questions or concerns, please contact the project team at **psb@dedham-ma.gov**
- For more information about the Public Safety Building Project, please visit the project website at **www.dedham-ma.gov/psb**
- Download our **[project team contact information flyer](#)** on the project website.

PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMUNITY EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

Monday, 11/8/21:

- **[Finance & Warrant Committee](#)** at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom
- **[Warrant Review Meeting \(Mini-Town Meeting\)](#)** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Tuesday, 11/9/21:

- **[Planning Board](#)** at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom
- **[Dedham Civic Pride](#)** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Wednesday, 11/10/21:

- **[Cultural Council](#)** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
- **[Greenlodge Corridor Project - Public Info Meeting](#)** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Thursday, 11/11/21:

- **[Town Offices Closed for Veterans Day](#)**

Events shown as listed on the Town calendar as of 11/8/21. Don't forget to check out the **[Dedham Public Library events calendar](#)** and the **[Dedham Public Schools calendar](#)**!

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