

# WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

A summary of news, events, and other announcements for the week of June 6, 2022



## FLAG DAY PARADE AND FIREWORKS RETURN TO DEDHAM ON JUNE 14

Flag Day returns to Dedham on June 14 and the celebrations are going to make up for lost time! Read more about the upcoming parade and fireworks on page 3.

## BOARD OF HEALTH NEWS CORNER – JUNE 3, 2022

The Board reports that as of June 2, 2022, there are 5,394 total confirmed COVID-19 cases in Town. The full update is available on page 3.



## FREE SHREDDING EVENT ON TUESDAY, JUNE 28

The Norfolk County DA is hosting a free document shredding event in Dedham on Tuesday, June 28th at the American Legion. Read more on page 4.



## NORFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY COMMENDS DEDHAM POLICE OFFICERS RE: CRIME SOLVING EFFORTS

Norfolk County DA Michael Morrissey commends Dedham Police for their efforts to solve robbery cases in Dedham in February 2020. Read the full press release on page 4.

## PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES

The Public Safety Building project team is continuing to finish the exterior stonework and roofing while working on interior features. Read what to expect this week on page 5.



## 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 6.





## FLAG DAY PARADE AND FIREWORKS RETURN TO DEDHAM ON JUNE 14



Dedham Parks and Recreation Presents  
**Dedham Flag Day Parade**  
**& Fireworks**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 14th**  
**PARADE BEGINS AT 6PM**  
**FIREWORKS BEGIN AT 9PM**

**TIP: The best view of the fireworks is at Memorial Park\*!**  
 \*Eastern Avenue will be closed from East Street to the VFW

**NEW PARADE ROUTE**

- Starts on corner of East Street and High street
- Proceeds down East Street and left onto High Street.
- Follows High Street into Dedham Square past the Community Theater.
- Turns right onto Washington Street.
- Turns right onto Harris Street.
- Proceeds down High Street to East Dedham.
- Turns right onto Milton Street.
- Turns right onto Walnut Street.
- Turns left onto Oakdale Avenue.
- Turns right onto Sanderson Avenue.
- Turns right onto Mt. Vernon Street.
- Turns **RIGHT** onto Whiting Avenue.
- Turns **LEFT** into High School Parking lot
- Parade ends at Dedham Pool

After a long two years, we are thrilled to once again be celebrating Flag Day here in Dedham with a parade and fireworks! The parade will begin at 6:00 p.m. and those interested in participating are asked to complete the online participant form. Following the parade at 9:00 p.m. at Memorial Park will be a fireworks show that is not to be missed! Join your family, friends, and neighbors and celebrate the return of this Dedham tradition! [Visit our website for a copy of the parade route map and listing.](#)

Questions about Flag Day and how to join in? Contact the Parks and Recreation Department at **781-751-9250.**

### ROAD CLOSURES & UPDATES

Updates and announcements about this event will be shared on the Town website and social media accounts (@DedhamThrives on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram).

**Click on the flyer to the left to enlarge**

## BOARD OF HEALTH NEWS CORNER – JUNE 3, 2022

Below please find COVID-19 information as of June 2, 2022. More statistics can be found on [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov).

	Total Cases	New Cases	14-day Percent Positivity	Fully Vaccinated Residents
<b>Dedham</b>	5,539	47 (since May 26, 2022)	9.69%	20,555
<b>MA</b>	1,719,683	1,713 (May 31, 2022)	8.96%	5,388,349

Below please find COVID-19 information as of June 2, 2022. More statistics can be found on [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov).

NOTE: These numbers do not include people who tested positive with at-home antigen tests.

### COVID-19 Booster for Children Ages 5 – 11 years old

On May 19, the CDC announced its recommendation that children ages 5 to 11 should get a Pfizer COVID-19 booster dose at least 5 months after their second shot. The decision was made based on data showing a third vaccine dose increased immunity against COVID-19 for this age group. Booster vaccine appointments can be made online at [www.vaxfinder.mass.gov](http://www.vaxfinder.mass.gov).

### COVID-19 Isolation and Quarantine Guidance

Residents with questions about COVID-19 isolation and quarantine guidance are encouraged to visit the Town's [COVID-19 Information and Resources webpage](#) or call the Health Department at **781-751-9220** for more information.

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## BOARD OF HEALTH NEWS CORNER – JUNE 3, 2022 (CONTINUED)

### Board of Health Hearing for Domestic Animals Regulations

The Board of Health will hold a hearing to amend the **Domestic Animals Regulations** in Town. The Hearing will be held during the Board of Health meeting on Tuesday, June 7th at 5:30 PM. The meeting will be virtual. The public can attend the virtual meeting using the following zoom weblink:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85297429283> (Webinar ID: 852 9742 9283). Questions about this hearing can be directed to the Health Department at (781) 751-9220.

### FREE SHREDDING EVENT ON TUESDAY, JUNE 28



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The Norfolk County District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey is hosting a free shredding event here in Dedham on June 28, 2022. Open to all residents, this free shredding event is a wonderful opportunity to safely discard of your personal documents without even getting out of your car.

Bring your documents in a paper bag (no boxes, plastic bags, or containers accepted) to the **American Legion at 155 Eastern Avenue in Dedham on Tuesday, June 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Volunteers will be onsite to help assist you and ensure your documents are securely shredded.

For anyone with questions about this event, please contact the Dedham Ames Senior Center/Council on Aging at **781-751-9495**.

### NORFOLK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY COMMENDS DEDHAM POLICE OFFICERS RE: CRIME SOLVING EFFORTS

In a recent press release published by Norfolk County District Attorney Michael Morrissey, the diligent forensics, detective work, and cooperation with partner agencies led to the successful charge and conviction for robberies that took place in Dedham in February 2020. Thank you to the Dedham Police Department for their exceptional service to the protection and well-being of our community!

Read the full press release below:

#### **One guilty plea, one guilty verdict in 2020 Dedham robberies**

Published: Friday, June 3, 2022

One man pleaded guilty and a second was convicted by a Superior Court jury this week in the armed robbery of a Dedham market and the attempted armed robbery of a gas station that ended with the attendant being shot in the leg, breaking his femur and causing lasting damage, according to Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey. The crimes occurred in February of 2020.

“Both of these crimes had substantial barriers to being solved,” District Attorney Morrissey said. “The men were masked, there were no usable fingerprints or DNA evidence left behind. The Dedham Police solved these crimes with a combination of strong electronic forensics work, cooperation with their partners in federal law enforcement, and professional detective work.”

After a Norfolk Superior Court jury had been empaneled on May 24, 2022, Franklin Dume, 21, of Roslindale, admitted to Armed Assault with Intent to Rob, Attempted Masked Armed Robbery and Armed Robbery before Judge Beverly Cannone. Assistant District Attorney Greg Connor asked Judge Cannone to impose a prison term of 5 to 7 ½ years; defense attorney Darryl Malden asked for a 3-year sentence. Judge Cannone imposed a sentence of 4 ½ to 6 years in state prison, followed by 2 years of probation supervision.

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His co-defendant, Steven Martinez-Santana, 21, of Dorchester, was tried before that jury until May 31, 2022. The jury found him guilty of Armed Assault to Rob, Assault and Battery with a Dangerous Weapon, Masked Armed Robbery and Unlawfully Carrying a Firearm. ADA Connor requested, and Judge Cannone imposed, a term of 8 to 10 years in state prison.

“A few inches in the wrong direction and that bullet could have severed the victim’s femoral artery, putting his life in even greater danger,” District Attorney Morrissey said. “Dedham Police detectives and their partners in the State Police and FBI deserve credit for some excellent work here, but above all else we are grateful that the shooting victim survived.”

## **PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING UPDATES**

### **What to expect June 6, 2022 (Monday) through June 10, 2022 (Friday):**

- The project site remains closed to the public.
- Masons will dismantle and remove the staging along the south side of the building and at the detention walkway.
- Installation of the elevator and associated elevator machine room will continue this week.
- HVAC contractors will be installing hot water mains in the basement, piping condensers on the roof, additional equipment in the mechanical room, and they will insulate the ductwork installed on the second floor of the Fire Department.
- Sheet metal installation for the rough duct work in the basement will continue this week.
- Plumbing contractors will be onsite to install waste and vent piping within the basement and mezzanine, install the firestop (form of fire protection used to seal openings and joints within a fire-resistant wall) on the second floor of the Police Department, and will insulate the water piping on the first floor of the building.
- Painters will prime and paint the interior walls of the Fire Department second floor.
- Crews will continue installing gypsum wall boards (drywall) on the first floor of the Police Station and will install blocking in the basement.
- A contractor specializing in acoustics will continue installing acoustic ceiling tiles (ACT) in the second floor of the fire station.
- 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](mailto:psb@dedham-ma.gov)**
- For more information about the Public Safety Building Project, please visit the project website at **[www.dedham-ma.gov/psb](http://www.dedham-ma.gov/psb)**
- Download our **[project team contact information flyer](#)** on the project website.

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**CAPTION:** Photo taken on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, from within the Fire Department apparatus bays facing the mezzanine level. Contractors will continue to tie bottom reinforce each bay (rebar shown in the photo covering the entire floor of the garage) in advance of the placement of topping slabs.



**CAPTION:** Photo taken on Wednesday, June 1, 2022 via drone overlooking the underground garage driveway entrance located along the south/southeast side of the building. To the left of the driveway entrance, at the bottom center of this photo, is the concrete pad for the generator that will be installed at a later date.

## PUBLIC MEETINGS & COMMUNITY EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

### Monday, 6/6/22:

- **Open Space and Recreation Committee** at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 305
- **Parks and Recreation Commission** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

### Tuesday, 6/7/22:

- **Board of Health** at 5:30 via Zoom
- **VFW/Providence Highway Community Meeting** at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom

### Wednesday, 6/8/22:

- **Library Visioning Session** at 5:00 p.m. at Main Library (43 Church Street)
- **Taxation Aid Committee** at 5:30 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 304
- **Planning Board** at 6:00 p.m. at Town Hall, O'Brien Meeting Room
- **Sustainability Advisory Committee** at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom
- **Learn to Cope Peer-Led Support Group** at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, Room 302

### Thursday, 6/9/22:

- **Planning Board** at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall, O'Brien Meeting Room
- **Board of Library Trustees** at 7:00 p.m. at the Endicott Branch (257 Mount Vernon Street)

### Friday, 6/10/22:

- **Town Hall closes at 1:00 p.m.** (Summer Hours)

Events shown as listed on the Town calendar as of 6/6/22.

Don't forget to check out the **Dedham Public Library events calendar** and the **Dedham Public Schools calendar!**

## LET'S STAY CONNECTED!

The Town of Dedham strives to keep residents and visitors informed of Town projects, local government processes, meetings, and community events and is focusing on timely, sustainable, and consistent communications in 2022 and for years to come.

We currently use a variety of communication platforms and tools that enable us to share important information and encourage engagement with local departments and staff. We regularly review the effectiveness of these tools to help us continue to improve and reach as many people as possible.

We encourage you to sign-up to receive updates and notifications using the tools below:



### Email Notifications

Visit [www.dedham-ma.gov/subscribe](http://www.dedham-ma.gov/subscribe) to sign up today!



### Social Media

Follow @DedhamThrives for Town-wide updates and notifications on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram



### Find us on Nextdoor!

Dedham residents can sign up to join Nextdoor for free and follow the Town of Dedham for news and updates



### CodeRed

Sign up for [CodeRED notifications](#) to receive emergency alerts



### Dedham TV

The Town of Dedham maintains a strong collaborative relationship with Dedham TV who broadcasts public meetings, community events, educational specials, and more!



### Local Media

The Town of Dedham is pleased to work closely with local news outlets like the Dedham Times and Patch to share updates and important news in print and online.