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Greetings From Steve Merritt, Interim Executive Director

Welcome to the first edition of our new Quarterly Newsletter.

I am Steve Merritt and I am serving as the Interim Executive Director of the NHA. I hope to have the opportunity to meet as many of you as possible over the next few months.

My background includes 39 years in the public housing industry, with my start right here in Needham as an elected commissioner in 1983. I worked at the Cambridge Housing Authority for 16 years and served as the executive director of the Norwood Housing Authority for the last 17 years, retiring last fall.

I welcome this opportunity to bring my experience back to my hometown, where I grew up and live here today. We have many challenges to face at the NHA, but we have an excellent staff, both in our administrative office and in our maintenance department. I look forward to working with the team to make as many improvements as we can.

We also have a dedicated Board of Commissioners who are looking out for our residents and looking forward to ways to best meet the housing needs here in Needham.

Our board meetings will resume in person starting with the May meeting and hopefully, we will be able to keep going with in-person meetings. We will reevaluate this each month as we follow the activity of the COVID Virus and the government's recommendations.

I hope to see you around this summer. Please enjoy your summer and stay safe.

Steve Merritt

June/July/Aug 2022

Needham Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

Reginald C. Foster, Chair

Governor's Appointee

Term Expires: 5/7/2026

Eleanor Evans, Vice-Chair

Town Elected

Term Expires: 4/9/2024

Ed Scheideler, Treasurer

Town Elected

Term Expires: 4/9/2024

Penelope Kirk, Commissioner

Town Elected

Term Expires: 4/14/2023

Janice Bennett,

Tenant Commissioner

Select Board Appointed

Term Expires: 4/14/2026

The NHA Board of Commissioners meetings are always held on the third Thursday of the month. To listen, view or participate from your computer, please go to www.zoom.us and insert the Meeting ID number. For call-in only, dial 1-929-205-6099 and key in the Meeting ID number. There will be a ROBO call made on the day of the meeting with the current Meeting ID number. The Linden & Chambers and Seabeds Way Community Rooms will be open to listen and view.

The next meetings will be on **June 16th, July 21st and August 18th.**

We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give. ---Winston Churchill



Blood Pressure Clinic

- Linden & Chambers Community Room on the First Thursday of the month at 11:30 am.
- Seabeds Way Community Room on the Third Thursday of the month at 11 am.

Chair Yoga

- Fridays from 1:30 to 2:30 pm. No experience is necessary. All are welcome.

The Needham Camera Club

- Summer of 2022. To join the group, please visit their Facebook page.

The Thursday News Brunch

- Thursdays at 10 am - Linden & Chambers Community Room. Please see Ross Donald for further information.

The Craft Club

- Resuming the first Thursday in September. Contact Helen Giragosian at (239) 677-0659 for more information.



The Affordable Connectivity Program

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) benefit program that helps ensure that households can afford the broadband they need for work, school, healthcare and more.

State and Federal Housing residents are eligible for a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

To Enroll:

1. Go to affordableconnectivity.gov or visit the office to submit an application or print out a mail-in application.

If you need to talk to someone about your eligibility or application status, call the ACP Support Center at (877) 384-2575.



Announcements

The Exchange Club of Needham is planning to bring back the traditional 4th of July Celebrations this year, barring any future public health rules or guidance from the Needham Board of Health that would require cancellation.

ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE JULY 3RD AT MEMORIAL PARK

5:30 to 8:45 PM - Food Tent / Grilled Food, Soft Drinks, Ice Cream, and More

5:30 to 8:00 PM - Children's Entertainment, Pony Rides, Face Painting, and More

6:30 PM: Pie Eating Contest

7:00 to 9:15 PM / Dusk:

Concert:
At Dark: Fireworks

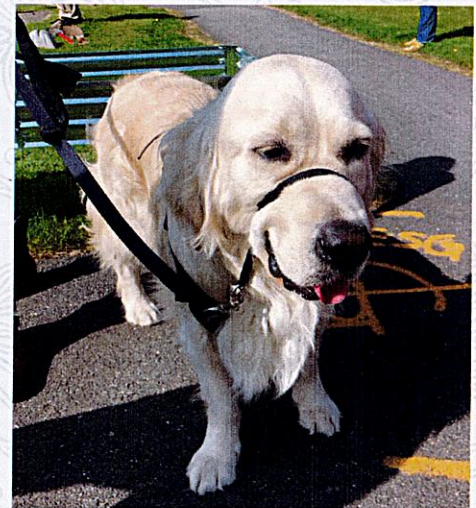
JULY 4TH

The parade begins around
9:00 AM at the Town Common



Special thanks
to the Police
Union for
donating their
time and six beds

to the Garden Club. Officers from the Needham Police came down on May 5th, and along with members of the Garden Club, built and replaced six of the beds that were falling apart.



Note From Management

Please keep hallways, entryways and laundry rooms clear of personal belongings. We understand the Linden & Chambers apartments are small, but unfortunately, we do not have enough storage available to every resident. We hope this issue will be rectified with the redevelopment.

Office Hours

Monday 7:30am - 4:00pm
Tuesday 7:30am - 4:00pm
Wednesday 7:30am - 4:00pm
Thursday 7:30am - 4:00pm
Friday 7:30am - 1:00pm
Saturday CLOSED
Sunday CLOSED

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June 2022						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30		

July 2022						
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31						

August 2022						
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- 2 Blood Pressure Clinic
Linden/Chambers - 11:30 am
- 16 Blood Pressure Clinic
Seabeds Way 11:00 am
NHA Board of Commissioners
Monthly Meeting
- 19 Father's Day
Juneteenth
- 20 Juneteenth (Observed)

- 3 Fireworks at Memorial Park
- 4 Independence Day
- 7 Blood Pressure Clinic
Linden/Chambers - 11:30 am
- 21 Blood Pressure Clinic
Seabeds Way Community Room
11:00 am
NHA Board of Commissioners
Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

- 18 NHA Board of Commissioners
Monthly Meeting - 7:30 pm

SUDOKU

Sudoku requires no arithmetic skills.

The object of the game is to fill all the blank squares with the correct numbers.

Each row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each column of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order.

Each 3 by 3 subsection of the 9 by 9 square must include all digits 1 through 9.

Solution

8	7	5	3	1	2	4	6	9
4	6	9	5	7	8	1	3	2
1	2	3	4	9	6	5	8	7
9	4	7	2	8	5	3	6	1
5	3	8	1	6	9	2	4	7
2	9	1	7	3	4	8	5	6
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7	8	4	6	2	3	9	1	5

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