TOWN OF CARROLL NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2025

Hello and a happy New Year to you all. It has been a few years since I have done the newsletter, but at a Masterplan meeting it was brought up several times of how we are getting information out to all our great residence. So, I said I would try doing the newsletter to get more information out there. As I did this in the past, I am hoping to do this quarterly, and welcome any input that you may want to see in the future.

DATES AND INFORMATION TO REMEMBER

Jan. 8, WMRSB Public Budget Hearing at the White Mt. Regional High School starting at 6PM, snow date of Jan. 9.

Jan. 14th Public Budget Hearing for the Town of Carroll in the Community Room in town hall starting at 6PM, snow date Jan. 15th.

Feb. 3rd Town of Carroll Deliberative Session starting at 6:30PM in the Community Room in town hall, with a snow date of Feb. 4th.

Feb. 5th WMRHS Deliberative Session starting at 6PM at the White Mt. Regional High School, with a snow date of Feb. 6th.

March 11th Town of Carroll Election Day from 8AM til 7PM in the Community Room at the Town Hall.

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE UPCOMING TOWN ELECTION

Today's society has changed and sadly less and less people want to be part of offices that help to run this fine town and some of the ones that do run for them have what I would call "Their Own Agenda's". The Offices that I have listed all need people to step up, run and WIN. You live here and should be interested in what is going on and be proud of how things are being handled. I will admit that the Selectman's position is one of the most demanding, and the greatest number of meetings, but these other openings have assorted responsibilities. Stop and think if everybody sat back and couldn't be bothered, who would be running the town and taking care of the needs of the town? Please take some time and think how you could contribute to the betterment of the town by running for one of these openings.

Starting January 22nd until 3PM on January 31st it is Filing for Open Non-Partisan Offices for the Town of

Carroll, they are as follows:

1 Selectman - 3 year 1 Treasures -1 year 1 Trustee of the Trust Funds - 3-year

1 Library Trustee- 3 year 1 Cemetery - 3-year 1 Supervisor of the Checklist - 6 years

1 Planning Board - 3-year 1 Zoning Board - 3 year

THOUGHTS AND DISCUSSIONS FROM THE MASTERPLAN COMMITTEE AND SURVEY

There is a group of your fellow citizens who have been busy working on updating our town Master Plan. There was a survey handed out, put on line, etc. for you to make out and have your voices heard. But sadly the response was not fantastic! But they are moving along with the ideas that they did receive and working with the department heads in the town and will be reaching out to the businesses for thoughts and ideas.

I would be willing to guess that most of you have no idea what a Master Plan is used for or why we do them.

The state's statues read "Every Planning Board shall from time to time update and amend the adopted master plan." Yet, master plans are most effective when they contain current conditions, trends and challenges.

I'm sure if you have any more ideas or would like to help you could see Steffanie in the Land Use Office.

Twin Mountain

Fire Department



Auxiliary

The Twin Mountain Fire Department Auxiliary raises funds by offering 4 Pancake Breakfasts each year. In 2024, proceeds were used to purchase two Baxter SIGMA Spectrum V8 infusion pumps. These critical lifesaving pumps are positioned in each ambulance.

Proceed were also used to purchase folding chairs and a rack, to replace some of the chairs that had been purchased several years ago.

Feel free to contact any active member of the Auxiliary if you are interested in learning more about us:

Karen Moran, President 603-846-5935 or kjmoran1989@gmail.com

Carol Alvarez Bobbi Amirault Patti Cobb Angela Loring Janet Merner

Bonnie Moroney Paula Murphy Erin Oleson Chris Pappas Judy Pappas

Lois Pessman Susan Yellope

Watch for the dates of the 2025 Pancake Breakfasts!

Please Join Us For A Public Informational Session Proposed Solar PV Project

Friday, Jan. 24, 2025 at 6:00 pm

(Snow Date Friday January 31, 2025)

Learn more of the proposed project – its scope,

grants/rebates and benefits

Carroll Town Hall Community Room

92 School Street

Twin Mountain, NH

Presented by the Carroll Energy Commission

Light Refreshments

This is the Warrant that will be discussed at the Public Informational Session

To purchase and install a Solar PV Array on the Town Public Safety Building

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Fifty-One Thousand, Seven Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$151,766) to purchase a solar PV array (solar panels) for the roof of the Public Safety Building that will be installed by a licensed contractor.

The funds will be taken from the following sources:

- 1. Up to \$143,766 from the Town's New Land and Building Capital Reserve Fund.
- 2. Up to \$8,000 from the Town's Energy Efficiency Capital Reserve Fund.

Additional funds are expected to be received from the following resources and will be used to defray the cost of the project and replenish funds used from the New Land and Building Capital Reserve Fund:

- 1. A grant awarded to Carroll from the United States Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, Municipal Solar Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$86,236.
- 2. An IRA Elective Pay investment tax credit in an amount not to exceed \$45,530.
- 3. \$10,000 NH Department of Energy Commercial and Industrial Solar Incentive.

The solar array is expected to offset 100% of electricity usage of the Public Safety Building.

Other Warrant articles that will be voted on in March and there will be information about some of them handed out at the Public Budget and the Deliberative session.

Upgrade Town Water System

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-Six Dollars (\$86,836) to upgrade the Town Water System including incorporating a SCADA System using iFix for graphics and control, upgrading the pump house, equipment repairs, VPN installation for communication with Cherry Mountain tank, the well house, and in-town tank and authorize the withdrawal of Eighty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty-Six Dollars (\$86,836) from the Water Department Capital Reserve Fund.

Short-Term Rental Registration and Life Safety Inspection

To see if the town will vote to accept a Registration and Life Safety Inspection for all Short-Term Rentals The registrations and inspections will be done every three years, with a processing fee to be determined by the Town of Carroll Selectboard. The fee will not exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) every three years and will be payable every three years, with each registration and inspection. The inspections will include, but are not limited to, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire escape routes and emergency exits, fire suppression systems, electrical safety, occupancy, and general property safety.

To Modify the Slope of the Town Hall

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000) to remove the steepness of the grade that constitutes a danger for people mowing in front of the Carroll Town Hall. Cutting away the severity of the slopes to maintain safety by removing soil from the front and moving it to the other side of School Street in order to modify both of the slopes.

To Donate to the Weathervane Theatre

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for the Weathervane Theatre.

TOWN OF CARROLL GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club had a busy and productive 2024 and is anticipating that to carry on into the new year. With the winter months being the slow time some of our members will be repainting more of the Welcome to Twin signs as we have done in the past. There are seven signs around town and hopefully, after this year's efforts. five of the signs will be done. We will wait to see what happens to the hill in front of Town Hall to determine what we can do to beautify around our new town sign in front of the Town Hall and Safety complex. The Garden Club meets monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall. Anyone wishing to join or to just see what we are about are invited to come to a meeting or contact Bobbi Amirault at 603-398-8748. Happy New Year to all.

Twin Mountain Fire Department 2024 Recap

2024 saw the department respond to the most emergency calls it has in the last 15 years! We had nearly a 15% increase in EMS calls over last year (247 vs 216) with last year being an average year. For fire calls we were up almost 18% over last year (113 vs 96) but that number of calls is just above average.

The two largest spikes in EMS calls were for slips, falls, and other traumatic injuries (+42%) and for patients for which an ambulance was requested, but chose not to be transported (+11%). Non transported patients accounted for nearly a third of all calls (81). Mobile Integrated Healthcare is becoming a big deal locally, with both Littleton Regional Healthcare and Weeks Hospital having programs up and running. If you know of someone who may benefit from this program, by having non-emergent home visits, please have them reach out to their Primary Care Provider to see what assistance is available.

Driving the spike in Fire calls was a nearly 73% increase in the number of alarm activations (64 vs 37). This represents an increase in the number of locations with alarm systems. Unfortunately, it is also a result of detectors not being replaced when they expire and some occupants being unfamiliar with the fireplaces, heating systems, and cooking devices they are using. Please remember that most detectors have an expiration date of about 10 years and should be checked regularly. Statewide this has been one of the deadliest years for both fire and carbon monoxide deaths and the common denominator is that most of the locations did not have the appropriate functioning detectors. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the detectors in your home (603) 846-5545.

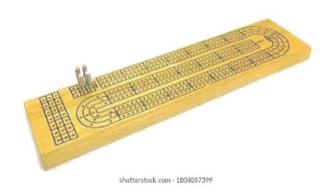
As always, we are seeking new members to become part of our team. The number of residents joining the department has been declining over the last decade and while we have been able to supplement our department with highly qualified members from other communities, residents who are willing to become active within the department are a key component to strengthening it for years to come. If you are interested in joining, this is a great opportunity to become an EMT that has just recently become available locally. Please feel free to reach out for more information.

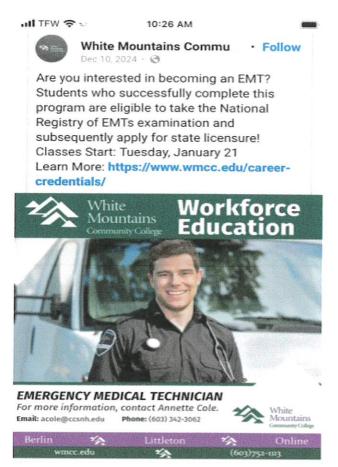
Thanks and have a safe and healthy 2025

Phone: 603-846-5545 FAX: 603-278-7944

email: twinmountainfirerescue@ townofcarroll.org

Join members of the community for Cribbage at the Carroll Town Hall Community Room every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.





@ facebook.com

CORN & CHICKEN CHOWDER

| ½ c diced salt pork ½ tsp salt | ¼ tsp paprika | ½ c chopped celery |
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| 2 c chicken broth ½ c milk. | 3 T flour | 1 med onion -chopped |
| ¼ c chopped green pepper cubed | 2 cans whole Kernal corn | 1 med. Potato peeled and |
| 2 c cooked chicken, cubed | ½ bay leaf | 1½ c cream |

Brown salt pork, remove salt pork and save. Brown celery, onion, and pepper in pork fat. Add chicken broth, potato, bay leaf, paprika and salt. Simmer until potato is tender. Blend flour with milk, add to soup boil 1 minute, add corn, chicken, cream and saved salt pork. Heat thoroughly. Garnish with chopped parsley. Makes 6 servings.