



Town of Ayer

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JANUARY 2023 COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Neighbor,

Welcome to the wonderful Town of Ayer! We are so happy to have you as a part of our community. Spanning 9.5 square miles, Ayer is a classic New England small-town with a deep and rich history.

Ayer's history dates to 1667 when the first mill, used to grind corn in the agricultural community, was built. Originally part of the town of Groton, Ayer was incorporated in 1871 and named in honor of Dr. James Cook Ayer, a prominent resident of Lowell who provided the funding for the construction of Town Hall (1873-76). The Town's growth was influenced by a period of rapid development of railroad transportation during the mid-19th century.

During the Civil War an army training camp, Camp Stevens, was located near the Nashua River. Camp Devens, which eventually became Fort Devens, was established in 1917, during World War I. The presence of thousands of military and civilian personnel on the base shifted Ayer's commercial development towards meeting their needs until Fort Devens was closed in 1994.

Today, the Town is a reflection of its varied history. Within its relatively small area, Ayer boasts numerous industries, a thriving historical downtown, Commuter Rail service to Boston, and a diverse population of residents passionate about their community.

TOWN HALL GENERAL HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8:00am to 4:00pm

Tuesday – 8:00am to 6:00pm

Friday – 8:00am to 2:00pm

Town Government

Dear Citizens,

Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Town of Ayer's "Community Newsletter". This new public communication initiative designed by our Town Clerk's Office is intended to provide you with valuable information regarding the activities, events, and operations of your town government. The success and civic health of any municipality relies on an informed and involved citizenry. We hope this "Community Newsletter" helps us achieve these goals. We are always available to help you and we are open to your constructive feedback to improve our great Town of Ayer. Working together we will continue to make our great Town even greater. Thank you.

Robert A. Pontbriand
Town Manager

Select Board

Jannice L. Livingston: *Chair*
Shaun C. Copeland: *Vice Chair*
Scott A Houde: *Clerk*

Elections & Voting

Unless otherwise noted, all Elections take place at Ayer Town Hall, 1 Main Street, on the second floor in the Great Hall. The Town of Ayer has three voting precincts and almost 6,000 registered voters.

For more information on voter registration, election calendars, and how you can get involved in working elections visit : www.ayer.ma.us/about-ayer/pages/election-voting-town-meeting-information or contact the Town Clerk's office directly by calling 978-772-8220 Ext: 153 or emailing clerk@ayer.ma.us

Important 2023 Election Dates

Annual Town Election—*Tuesday, May 9th*

Town Meetings

All throughout New England, in some thousand small towns, people participate in the oldest and what some call the truest form of local government: the Open Town Meeting. With only slight variations, it is the kind of government that the Massachusetts Bay Colony set up in contrast to European imperialism. It is government of and for the people, but mostly it is government by the people. It is now, as it was hundreds of years ago, true democracy at work. At these meetings, the towns business is conducted by you.

Ayer **Annual Town Meeting** (ATM) is held on the fourth Monday in April.

The **Special Fall Town Meeting** (STM) is held annually on the fourth Monday of October.

Visit our website www.ayer.ma.us/about-ayer/files/residents-guide-town-meetings for more information.

Town of Ayer Facts & Figures

Ayer is a thriving town in the historic Nashoba Valley of Massachusetts. It is located 35 miles northwest of Boston, and within easy access of Interstate 495 and State Route 2. We are proud of our safe and beautiful neighborhoods, excellent schools, quaint downtown district, our appreciation and protection of natural resources, and our focus on the well-being of all residents and the community they create.

Incorporated: 1871
Population: 8,479
Size: 9.5 square miles
Form of Government: Open Town Meeting

Get Involved!

Appointed Boards & Committees

The **Ayer Affordable Housing Committee** works toward guiding the process of creating more affordable housing opportunities in the community. The Committee has created and will work with the **Ayer Affordable Housing Trust Board**. Both groups hold 7 members.

The **Ayer Cultural Council's** mission is to promote, nurture and maintain the vitality of the cultural resources within the Ayer community. With the annual grant from the State, our role is to distribute the funding appropriately to support various activities that would enhance cultural awareness in the Ayer community. This committee holds 9 members.

The **Community Preservation Committee (CPC)** was designed as a smart growth tool to help with four general types of projects: the acquisition and preservation of open space; the creation and support of affordable housing; the acquisition and preservation of historic resources; and the creation and support of outdoor recreational uses. This committee holds 7 members.

The **Commission on Disabilities** promotes the inclusion and integration of persons with disabilities in the activities, services and employment opportunities of the Town of Ayer. This committee holds 8 members.

The responsibility of the **Finance Committee** is to act in the best interest of the taxpayer. The committee's primary responsibility is to present a balanced budget for Annual Town Meeting which provides an efficient use of available funds by maximizing revenue streams and ensuring expenses are quantified. This committee holds 5 members.

The **Historical Commission** is an appointed board of Town government pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 8D. Its mission is to identify, evaluate, and protect the historical resources of the Town through education and outreach. This committee holds 5 members.

The **Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)** has the authority to approve variances from the requirements of the Zoning Bylaw and to hear and adjudicate appeals from any decision made by the Building Commissioner pertaining to a specific property. The ZBA also reviews special permit applications pursuant to the Ayer Zoning Bylaw. This board holds 7 members.

This list is just an example of the many Boards and Committees you can get involved with. Visit our website below for more information!

Elected Boards & Committees

The **Board of Assessors** is responsible for determining the fair and equitable value of all property within the Town for the purpose of taxation. The Board also has the authority to grant abatements on all Property Tax, including Motor Vehicle Excise Tax. This board holds 3 members.

The Ayer Shirley Regional School District operates according to policies established by the **Ayer Shirley Regional School Committee**. The Committee then appraises the effects of its policies and makes revisions as necessary. This committee holds 3 members.

The **Board of Health** implements and oversees the policies and regulations as mandated by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the Department of Environmental Protection. This board holds 3 members.

The **Ayer Library Board of Trustees** is the governing body of the Ayer Library, as established by the Massachusetts State Legislature via the Library's 1894 Act of Incorporation and as amended in 1991. The Trustees approve library policies and procedures, and oversee all library operations. This board holds 9 members.

The **Park Commission** is charged with the responsibility of seeing to the recreational needs of the Town by providing clean and well groomed park and beach facilities as well as safe, appealing recreational programs for members of the community. This board holds 5 members.

The **Planning Board** is responsible for enforcing and amending the Zoning Bylaws and District Map. The Planning Board reviews all subdivision plans for compliance with zoning and subdivision requirements. This board holds 5 members.

The **Select Board** is a three-person board of officials elected by the people of Ayer. The Board serves as the chief elected authority for the Town. This board holds 3 members.

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To see what Boards or Committees have vacancies, when current member terms are expiring, or to request more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/board-committee-information-center

Guide to Town Hall Departments

ASSESSOR

The Town Assessor works in conjunction with the Board of Assessors and is responsible for determining the fair and equitable value of all property within the Town for the purpose of taxation. Questions pertaining to the assessment on Real Estate, Personal Property, or Motor Vehicle Excise, or regarding exemptions available to senior citizens, veterans, and others, should be directed to the Assessor's office. Basic information on the assessment process, excise tax, abatements, as well as forms to change a mailing address or apply for tax relief are available online at www.ayer.ma.us/assessor.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

The Ayer Building Department is responsible for administering Massachusetts General Laws, Building, Electrical, Plumbing and Gas Codes, Architectural Access Board regulations, and General and Zoning Bylaws of the Town of Ayer as they relate to demolition, construction, reconstruction, and occupancy of buildings and structures. The Building Department conducts supervisory and inspection work related to the enforcement and interpretation of the state building code, the local zoning bylaw and other applicable regulations. Many home improvement activities require a permit from the building department before work can begin. If you are unsure if work requires a permit, please contact the Building Department and we will be glad to assist, or check the Building Department webpage for more information. www.ayer.ma.us/building-department.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Ayer Office of Community & Economic Development (AOCED) is focused on visioning, cultivating, and sustaining a healthy, connective, and vibrant local/regional economic climate equally benefiting business-owners and employees, on designing and investing in strong neighborhoods, and on assuring broad local housing opportunity and choice for all residents. The AOCED strives to maintain and grow a diversified tax base and housing stock that well-positions the Town of Ayer to socio-economically compete and sustainably grow within the 21st century economy. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/about-aoced.

TREASURER/TAX COLLECTOR

The Treasurer/Tax Collectors' office is responsible for billing and collection of Real Estate, Personal Property and Motor Vehicle Taxes, Municipal Lien Certificate Requests, Tax Title liens and Collections through to the foreclosure process, Receiving and maintaining custody of all Town of Ayer funds, investing the Town of Ayer funds, insuring their safety, liquidity and yield, and borrowing and debt service. Visit www.ayer.ma.us/treasurertax-collector for more information.

TOWN CLERK

The Town Clerk's office is often considered the doorway to local government. The Town Clerk's office serves as the central information point for residents and visitors alike. The Town Clerk is the chief election official, recording official, registrar of vital records, and licensing officer. The Town Clerk oversees the polling place and the conduct of all elections and election-related activity, and records all actions of Town Meetings. The Clerk's Office maintains the municipal code, the official Town bulletin board, oaths of office, appointments and resignations of all Town Officials. The Clerk's office issues state licenses and permits, including marriage licenses, business licenses (DBA), dog licenses, raffle permits and certified requests for public documents. This office responds to inquiries from the public as well as from other departments, boards and committees. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/town-clerk.

TOWN PLANNER

The Town Planner acts as the primary liaison to the public on land use, zoning, and development matters. The Town Planner reviews all development projects in conjunction with the Building Department to ensure they are compliant with the Zoning Bylaw and, if they are not, what type of zoning approvals are required (Site Plan approval, Special Permit, Variance, etc.). The Town Planner also provides technical assistance and advises Town boards and departments on issues relating to land use regulations, permitting, municipal planning, open space preservation, economic development, and affordable housing. Visit www.ayer.ma.us/planning-board for more information.

VETERANS' AGENT

The Veterans' Agent serves the needs of veterans and their dependents, spouses, children, and parents. This includes assistance in preparation of claims for pensions, medical care, and financial assistance. Office hours are Tuesdays 4:30pm-6:00pm and Thursdays 8:30am-12:00pm. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/veterans-services.

The Ayer Council on Aging (COA) is a service department for members of the community 60 years of age and older. We provide comprehensive information and quality services to help seniors, their caregivers, and adult children. Our goal at the Ayer COA is to empower individuals and families as they make life choices in support of aging with dignity, health, and personal fulfillment. We provide a variety of programs and services to bring together our senior citizens in a safe and nourishing environment, including meals, transportation, social service assistance, fitness classes, health education and screening, activities, and social opportunities.

Address: 18 Pond Street Rear, Ayer, MA 01432

Hours: Monday-Friday: 9:00am to 3:00pm

Phone: (978) 772-8246 **Website:** www.ayer.ma.us/council-aging-sr-center

The Ayer Library connects the community to diverse educational, cultural, informational, and recreational opportunities that support lifelong learning. The Ayer Library is a member of the CW MARS library network, a diverse consortium of over 140 public and academic member libraries located throughout Central and Western Massachusetts. Your Ayer Library card gives you borrowing privileges at all CW MARS libraries, including Shirley, Harvard, Lancaster, Lunenburg, Pepperell, and Townsend, to name a few of our neighbors. The Friends of the Ayer Library raise funds for library programs and services and are a 501 (c)(3) organization.

Address: 26 E. Main Street, Ayer, MA 01432

Hours: Tuesday & Thursday 10:00a to 6:00p, Wednesday 10:00a to 8:00p, Friday 10:00a to 5:00p, Saturday 9:00a to 2:00p.

Phone: (978) 772-8250 **Website:** www.ayerlibrary.org

E-Alerts & Code Red

CodeRed Emergency Alert System: The Town of Ayer has instituted a rapid emergency notification service called CodeRED®. This service can be used in case of fires, evacuations, water system problems, natural disasters, or other emergencies. The system will distribute emergency messages via telephone to targeted areas or the entire town at a rate of 1,000 calls per minute. Visit www.ayer.ma.us/fire-department/pages/codered-emergency-notification-system to sign up!

Town E-Alerts: Sign up for our E-Alerts with your email address to be notified when meeting agendas are posted, to receive construction updates, Tax Collector updates, or other Town news and announcements. Visit www.ayer.ma.us/subscribe to be added to our email lists.

Transfer Station & Recycling

Ayer offers a lower cost alternative to expensive curbside trash collection. The Transfer Station (100 Groton Harvard Road) accepts household trash, recyclables and other waste materials. Access requires an annual permit and is for Ayer residents only. Transfer Station stickers are \$105, or \$60 for seniors aged 65 and above, and can be purchased at the DPW (25 Brook St.) or online.

All trash must be in the appropriate 'Pay As You Throw' Town of Ayer trash bags. Bags are available for purchase at the DPW office.

The Transfer Station also offers single stream recycling. For more information about Transfer Station policies and procedures visit www.ayer.ma.us/transfer-station and for recycling information visit www.ayer.ma.us/recycling-committee.

ASRSD Vision Statement: Our vision is to connect, engage, and inspire every student to reach academic excellence. The educators of the Ayer Shirley Regional School District will instill habits of reflection and inquiry that challenge our students to set ambitious academic and personal goals. Students will develop a strong voice to express thoughts and ideas in the community, the confidence to showcase their talents, and academic and personal success in preparation for entry into college and the world of work.

Superintendent: Dr. Adam Renda

Address: 115 Washington Street, Ayer, MA 01432

Phone: (978) 772-8600 **Website:** www.asrsd.org

Nashoba Valley Technical High School: The Mission of Nashoba Valley Technical High School is to provide the highest quality academic and technical education possible to prepare our students for college and career paths leading to success in an ever-changing technological world by providing multiple pathways to meet the learning needs of our students. The school strives to promote citizenship through a safe and inclusive atmosphere encouraging a diverse population of students to become positive and productive members of the community.

Superintendent: Dr. Denise Pigeon

Address: 100 Littleton Road, Westford, MA 01886

Phone: (978) 962-4711 **Website:** www.nashobatech.net

Community

Ayer Community Garden: The Ayer Community Garden is a green space for cultivation of fresh vegetables, herbs and flowers. Garden plots are available seasonally. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/home/pages/community-garden.

Ayer Community Dog Park: The Ayer Community Dog Park opened in 2018 and features two fenced in play areas, one for large dogs and one for small dogs. The Ayer Community Dog Park is open dawn to dusk and is located at 101 Snake Hill Road.

Friends of Ayer Library: The Friends of the Ayer Library raise funds for library programs and services. Annual dues are just \$10.00 and can be paid at the library or online at www.ayerlibrary.org.

Nashoba Valley Chamber of Commerce: The Nashoba Valley Chamber of Commerce is a nonprofit business advocacy, community and economic development association. The Chamber services the area communities of Ayer, Devens, Groton, Harvard, Littleton, Shirley, and many more nearby towns. For more information visit www.nvcoc.com.

American Legion Post 139: The American Legion is actively pursuing the many sons of Veterans living in or near the town of Ayer to become active members of the Post. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/community/pages/american-legion-post-139

Ayer Public Access Corporation (APAC): Ayer Public Access Corporation provides programming, training, and other assistance to organizations and residents of Ayer, Massachusetts. Videos and Bulletin Board posts are aired on APAC's three Channels. These three channels air on Comcast Ch. 8 (Government), 9 (Public), and 99 (Education). For more information and to view the APAC video library, please visit www.ayerpublicaccess.org.

Local Newspapers:

Action Unlimited: www.actionunlimited.com

Ayer-Shirley Tracker: www.ayershirleytracker.com

Nashoba Valley Voice: www.nashobavalleyvoice.com

Houses of Worship

Apple Valley Baptist Church:

12 Columbia Street, Ayer

New Hope Community Church:

139 Sandy Pond Road, Ayer

Shepard of the Valley Lutheran Church:

21 Washington Street, Ayer

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church:

7 Faulkner Street, Ayer

St. Mary Catholic Church:

31 Shirley Street, Ayer

Watt Phnom Serei Cambodian Temple:

111 Fitchburg Road, Ayer

Town Calendar & Reports

Town Calendar:

To view all scheduled Board and Committee meetings, town-wide events and more visit www.ayer.ma.us/calendar.

Annual Town Reports:

Every year the Town releases an official report of all town doings that year including department reports, financial statements, Town Meeting warrants, certified votes and more. Limited printed copies are available at the Annual Town Meeting and then at Town Hall and many copies are available to view online at www.ayer.ma.us/about-ayer/pages/annual-town-reports. Hard copies of past reports are also available to view at the Ayer Library, 26 E. Main St.

Annual Events

St. Paddy's Day Road Race: The Ayer Police Patrol Officers Association road race happens annually around St. Patrick's Day. Registration fees enable the Association to make donations to scholarship funds and various community outreach efforts.

4th of July Celebration: Independence in the Ayer July 4th 2023 Community Celebration. A community led event organized by residents.

Newton St. Folk & Arts Festival: A new favorite October tradition! All are welcome to enjoy live heritage music, dancing, local crafts & artisan works and more on Newton Street behind Town Hall and Main Street Bank.

Thanksgiving Day 5k: The Ayer Fire Department's annual Thanksgiving Day 5k has been a fan favorite event for many years. Registration fees support donations to local charities and community outreach events.

Downtown Candlelight Stroll & Tree Lighting: Every December, beginning at the Rail Trail parking deck, candles will be lit and strollers will travel the length of Main Street to the historic Ayer Town Hall.

Hospitals

Nashoba Valley Medical Center:

200 Groton Road, Ayer. www.nashobamed.org

Emerson Hospital:

133 Old Road to Nine Acre Corner, Concord.
www.emersonhospital.org

UMass Memorial HealthAlliance:

60 Hospital Road, Leominster. www.ummhealth.org

Southern New Hampshire Medical Center:

8 Prospect Street, Nashua, NH. www.snhhealth.org

HOW DO I ...

Register To Vote:

If you are an American citizen, aged 18 or older, you are eligible to register to vote. Voter registration has never been easier! You can register in person at Ayer Town Hall, 1 Main Street, you can download a voter registration form and mail it in, you can register at the Registry of Motor Vehicles, or you can register online. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/town-clerk

Pay Town Bills Online:

Ayer offers residents the opportunity to pay Water & Sewer bills, Real Estate, Personal Property, and Motor Vehicle Excise tax bills online. You can also apply and pay online for dog licenses, transfer station stickers, and copies of vital records. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/home/pages/online-payments

License My Dog:

All dogs must be licensed annually. Dogs must have an up-to-date rabies vaccine to be licensed. License applications can be obtained in person at Town Hall, or downloaded from our website. You can also use our Online Payments service. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/town-clerk/pages/dog-licenses

Get a Student Work Permit:

Per Massachusetts law, all students under 18 years of age must obtain a work permit before starting a new job. If your student needs a work permit, contact the Ayer Shirley Regional Superintendents office at 978-772-8600 for more information.

UTILITIES & SERVICES

National Grid:

Electric- 1-800-322-3223
Natural Gas – 1-800-233-5325

TV & Internet Providers:

Xfinity – www.xfinity.com
Verizon – www.verizon.com

Water & Sewer:

Ayer Department of Public Works (DPW)
25 Brook Street
(978) 772-8240

Transfer Station:

Trash & Recycling—Residents Only (*sticker required*)
100 Groton Harvard Road
Hours: Wednesday 7am-7pm, Saturday & Sunday 7am-3pm
www.ayer.ma.us/transfer-station

United States Post Office:

1 Columbia Street
(978) 772-6896

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RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Parks & Recreation: Beautiful Pirone Park is home to the Kiddie Junction Playground, a shady retreat for children and families with ample parking, sports fields, and restroom facilities available for all. There are multiple town sports teams for all ages including Basketball, Baseball, Football & Cheer, Softball, Soccer and so much more! Sandy Pond Beach is open seasonally and access is free to all residents. Parking requires a valid Sandy Pond Beach Parking Pass sticker which can be obtained from the Town Clerk's office or at the beach during the open season. Swimming lessons are also offered each year. For more information visit www.ayer.ma.us/parks-recreation.

Nashua River Rail Trail: The Nashua River Rail Trail is a former railroad right of way that travels 11 miles through the towns of Ayer, Groton, Pepperell, and Dunstable. The trail is open to pedestrians, bicyclists, inline skaters, wheelchairs, and cross-country skiers. For more information visit www.mass.gov/locations/nashua-river-rail-trail.

Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge: The refuge lies within the towns of Ayer and Shirley in Middlesex County and the towns of Harvard and Lancaster in Worcester County. Within its boundary is a diverse array of habitats beneficial to wildlife, including wetlands, forested uplands, old fields, oxbow ponds and of course the Nashua River. For more information visit www.fws.gov/refuge/oxbow.

PARKING

The Town of Ayer hosts a parking garage that is managed by Montachusett Regional Transit Authority (MART) and is available to those utilizing the MBTA, Rail Trail, or downtown Ayer businesses.

For more information about parking fees and policies please visit www.mrta.us/about/commuter-rail-parking.

There are also multiple private, public, and resident only parking areas in town. Sandy Pond Beach Parking Permits/Resident Parking stickers can be obtained with a valid vehicle registration at the Town Clerk's office or seasonally at Sandy Pond beach. For more information on parking in town visit www.ayer.ma.us/commuter-parking.

Quick Reference Guide

Town Hall

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www.ayer.ma.us

Town Manager: Robert Pontbriand
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 149

Assistant Town Manager: Carly Antonellis
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 149

Tax Collector: Barbara Tierney
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 152

Assessor: Lynda McQuade
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 140

Town Clerk: Susan Copeland
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 153

Building Commissioner: Charlie Shultz
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 154

Town Planner: Mark Archambault
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 144

Veteran's Agent: Mike Detillion
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 148

Conservation Commission: Heather Hampson
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 143

Economic Development: Alan Manoian
(978) 772-8220 Ext: 141

Regional School District

Page Hilltop Elementary School

Phone: (978) 772-8601

Address: 115 Washington Street, Ayer, MA

Ayer Shirley Regional Middle School

Phone: (978) 425-0791

Address: 1 Hospital Road, Shirley, MA

Ayer Shirley Regional High School

Phone: (978) 772-8600

Address: 141 Washington Street, Ayer, MA

Nashoba Valley Technical High School

Phone: (978) 692-4711

Address: 100 Littleton Road, Westford, MA

MART Van Service

To Arrange a pickup call: (978) 772-8261

The MART van is available five days a week,
by appointment only, during Council on Aging
(COA) business hours Monday-Friday 9a-3p.

At least 24 hours advance notice is needed for an
appointment (*no same day appointments please!*)

Charges are \$1.00 in Ayer, each stop, and
\$2.00 each stop out of Ayer.

Emergency: DIAL 911

Police Department (Non Emergency): (978) 772-8200

Police Chief: Brian Gill Address: 54 Park Street

Animal Control: (978) 772-8200 Ext: 559

Animal Control Officer: Julie Thomas Address: 54 Park Street

Fire Department (Non Emergency): (978) 772-8231

Fire Chief: Timothy Johnston Address: 1 W. Main Street

Ayer Library: (978) 772-8250

Director: Luke Kirkland Address: 26 E. Main Street Website: www.ayerlibrary.org

Department of Public Works (DPW): (978) 772-8240

Director: Dan Van Schalkwyk, P.E. Address: 25 Brook Street

Council on Aging (COA): (978) 772-8260

Director: Dr. Katie Petrossi Address: 18 Pond Street Rear

Parks Department: (978) 796-5915

Director: Jeff Thomas Address: 35 Bligh Street