



TOWN OF TYNGSBOROUGH

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Town Manager's Report

Dear Board Members:

I am pleased to report the following updates from Town Hall and throughout Town:

General Updates

- I am saddened to share that we were notified last week that State Senator Ed Kennedy had passed away at the age of 74. Senator Kennedy was a long-time figure in Lowell politics having served on the City Council and as Mayor. He was elected to the State Senate in 2018 and has represented Tyngsborough since. Senator Kennedy was a big advocate for Tyngsborough and secured many earmarks and legislative wins for Tyngsborough including moving along our home rule petitions for the Town Manager Act and DPW Act. Senator Kennedy would often call me himself to ask for input on earmarks, budget priorities, and to just check in. He was a dedicated public servant and my thoughts are with his family and friends as they mourn his loss.
- Happy to report that the global ratings firm S&P has re-affirmed Tyngsborough's AA+ Bond Rating which is the highest rating we can obtain given our current budget size and amount in reserves. This is Tyngsborough 7th year with this rating and reflects strong financial performance, management, and planning. Additionally, for our upcoming BAN sale, they rated the transaction an SP-1+ which is the highest transaction rating and signals positive results to potential buyers which helped generate the best interest rate. Thanks to that, the interest rate we secured was 3.5%. The Board will approve the sale later this evening.
- Last week we welcomed Secretary Ed Augustus of the Executive Office of Housing & Livable Communities to Tyngsborough for a meet and greet at the Tyngsborough Housing Authority. We had a great conversation about the need for greater investment in local housing authorities and the need for state funding to close the public transportation gap that exists, particularly along Middlesex Road which is home to Brinley Terrace. Thank you to the Housing Authority for hosting the meeting and for the invite.

Grants

- I am happy to share that we were notified last week that the Tyngsborough Police Department was awarded a Municipal Road Safety Grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety & Security in the amount of \$18,196.00. These funds will be used by the Tyngsborough Police Department on a variety of safety focused projects including increased traffic patrols during peak hours. These types of specific patrols focus on distracted driving, speeding, OUI, and other dangerous driving behavior and allows us to have an officer or more on patrol only looking for traffic issues.





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- The Town was also awarded \$60,000 from the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation d/b/a Mass Tech Collaborative as a part of our engagement with NMCOG for the Digital Equity Plan that we worked on last year. The funding will allow us to purchase and install four desktop computer workstations, one quad privacy booth, one ADA-accessible privacy booth, and furniture for the workstations at the Tyngsborough Public Library. It will also allow us to purchase eight hotspots for the Tyngsborough Public Library's lending program which will benefit members of our community without access to the internet or with limited access. A big thank you to the Library Staff and our Town Planner & Economic Development Director for their work on this application.

Staffing

- Chief Woods & I are happy to share that Hannah Gilbert has joined the team as the co-response clinician for Tyngsborough and Chelmsford. This position was created several years ago through a shared Department of Mental Health grant and continues to be grant funded today. Hannah brings with her valuable experience as an outpatient mental health therapist, childcare worker, and social worker at an adult day health center. This position serves a critical role in delivering essential mental health services in times of crisis with first responders from the Tyngsborough Police & Fire Departments and has yielded tremendous success.
- The Department of Public works is looking to fill two vacancies. We're looking for a part-time laborer in the Cemetery Division and a part-time custodian in our facilities division. Both job postings are available at www.tyngsboroughma.gov and interested applicants should contact our HR Department for more information and to apply.

Projects

- Last week we awarded a contract to Sunshine Paving for the Roads Phase II project which is the full depth reclamation work being done in the Elm Street neighborhood. We expect the contractor to mobilize in the next week with the final work to be completed next Spring.

Reminders/Upcoming Events

- Tiger Pride, which is the new version of Tyngsborough Athletics Booster Club, will host a charity flag football game on October 17 at Pierce Field to raise funds for TPS athletics. At 6pm that night you can watch members of the Tyngsborough Police & Fire Departments face off against faculty from the Tyngsborough Public Schools.
- The Health Department will host a Vaccine Clinic here at Town Hall on Tuesday, October 21, 2025 from 11 AM to 2 PM. Residents should pre-register by visiting tyngsboroughma.gov or calling the Health Department at 978-649-2300 x118.
- The Sustainability Committee, the Tyngsborough Public Library, and the Tyngsborough Dunstable Rotary will host a Repair Cafe on Saturday, October 25, 2025 from 11 AM to





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2 PM at the Beehive at 2 Bridgeview Circle. Volunteers will help you repair your electronics, clothing, jewelry, bicycles, lamps, sewing machines and much more.

- Zero Waste Day will take place on November 1, 2025 from 9 AM to 12 PM at the Tyngsborough Elementary School.
- A reminder that Town Hall and the Tyngsborough Public Library will open late on November 19, 2025 to accommodate our annual all-staff training. Town Hall will open at 11 AM and the Tyngsborough Public Library will open at 11:30 AM. There is no schedule change for the Center for Active Living.
- The Tyngsborough Public Library is planning an Oral History Day on Saturday, February 21, 2026 from 10 AM to 1 PM at the Library to collect oral histories related to the Winslow School. They'll be releasing more details in the coming months but save the date. This Oral History of Winslow School project was funded by the Community Preservation Committee and approved by Town Meeting last fall.

Regards,

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