

5. Town Status Report

TOWN STATUS REPORT

February 10, 2025

1. Deliberative Session Review

The Deliberative Session took place on Saturday, February 1st. I would like to express my gratitude to the Board of Selectmen, the Budget Advisory Committee, and the staff for their ongoing dedication in crafting a balanced and fiscally responsible municipal budget. This budget will ensure the Town continues to provide high-quality services while addressing the community's needs. The updated 2025 Town Warrant and Financials are available on the main page of the Town Website at www.milford.nh.gov.

The Town Vote will be held on March 11th at Milford High School, 100 West Street, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

2. MACC Base / Police Department – Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) System Replacement/Upgrade

The Milford Police Department and MACC Base are currently exploring funding opportunities to replace the existing Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) System. Police Captain Frye and Ray Anderson, MACC Base Director will be presenting a summary of the project and available funding opportunity through the annual allocation of funds for federal discretionary program (Congressionally Directed Spending Requests).

3. Staffing Updates

Kathy Doherty, Tax Collector, will be retiring in later this month after an impressive and impactful nineteen (19) year tenure with the Town. We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Ms. Doherty for her years of dedicated service. Throughout her tenure, Ms. Doherty consistently demonstrated professionalism, integrity, and a strong commitment to serving the community. Her hard work and attention to detail have been invaluable, and she leaves behind a legacy of excellence. We are deeply grateful for her contributions and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

We are excited to welcome John Kohlmorgen and Samantha Pizzuti to the Town of Milford. Mr. Kohlmorgen is returning to the Town as the new Recreation Director, succeeding Arene Berry. After leaving Milford in 2020, John gained valuable experience as the Program Coordinator in Peterborough and most recently served as the Recreation Director in Jaffrey for the past three years. We are thrilled to have John rejoin the Milford team and look forward to the experience, enthusiasm, and creativity he will bring to the Recreation Department and the community.

Ms. Pizzuti is succeeding Susan Mallet as the Executive Assistant for the Town Administrator and the Select Boards. Ms. Pizzuti brings a wealth of experience to Milford, having most recently served as the Executive Assistant at Sparton Technology Corporation. In that role, she provided extensive administrative support to senior executives for more than ten years.

4. Milford Master Plan - Envision Milford 2035 Community Forum

On Wednesday, February 5th, the Town of Milford hosted the Envision Milford 2035 Community Forum in the Town Hall auditorium. This engaging and interactive event was designed to give residents, local businesses, and community stakeholders an opportunity to have a direct say in shaping the future of the town. Attendees participated in a series of activities and discussions that focused on Milford's growth and development, providing valuable input on key areas such as infrastructure, housing, and public services. The event was not only well attended but also garnered enthusiastic feedback from those who participated.

The Town is now reviewing the feedback collected to ensure that the Master Plan reflects the needs

and aspirations of the community.

5. Employee Classification, Benefit and Compensation Study

The Classification, Benefit, and Compensation Study is currently in progress. The Compensation Advisory Committee recently met with Municipal Resources Inc. to review the project scope, outline required information, and discuss scheduling and deadlines. Throughout February, the company will conduct meetings and interviews with Town employees and begin the data collection process. The project is expected to be completed by August 2025.

6. New Additions to Milford's Business Community

We are excited to announce the arrival of several new businesses to Milford, contributing to the growth and vitality of our community. As a part of our commitment to fostering a welcoming and thriving business environment, we extend our warmest welcome to these new ventures. Their presence enhances the local economy and offers fresh opportunities for collaboration and innovation. Let's continue to support them as they settle into the Milford business landscape. Please see below for a complete listing.

Granite Town Plaza		Oval Sub District Area	
Lethal Premium Car Care-Ceramic Coatings	189 Elm Street, Unit 7	Valraven Ink Tattoo	99 Union Square
Valley Vape Shop	189 Elm Street- Unit 5	Tiny Toe Beans Pet Salon	111 Union Square
		Swoon Eyewear	50 Nashua Street
		Stonecutters Pub- new owners: Melissa Ann Gagnon & Timothy Carr	63 Union Square
Lorden Plaza		Sundays's Ice Cream Shop	123 Union Square
Sun Bar & Grill	586 Nashua Street Unit 18	Revolution Wellness Collective	19 Nashua Street
Summit Strength Health Club	586 Nashua Street, Unit 19	Big Dog Eats, Home of Choo Choo Cheesecakes	20 South Street
Hot Workx Fitness Studio- Anticipated Opening Date: 2/13/2025	586 Nashua Stgreet, Unit 16		

Other Milford New Businesses	
Olde Towne Tavern	437 Nashua Street
The Zoo Health Club- Opening Pending: TBD	601 Nashua Street
Asian Kitchen Restaurant	251 Elm Street
AR Vape Smoke Beer & Cigars	222 Elm Street
Massage by Molly, LLC- Professional Massage Therapist	9 Powers Street