

WHAT'S IN THE WORKS

Danvers Department of Public Works Spring 2021

WHAT'S NEW

We would like to share that our Program Coordinator, Gail Bernard has accepted a position with MassDEP as a Municipal Assistance Coordinator. We wish her well. As we adjust our team roles, we have a few important pieces of information that will help us serve you. DPW services are detailed on

<https://www.danversma.gov/departments/department-public-works/> and we post program and service updates on both Facebook (@Danvers.DPW) and Twitter (@DanversDPW). So, like us and/or follow us to receive DPW updates. We also utilize Blackboard connect for snow emergency communication. To submit or update your information, Please go to <https://danversma.bbcportal.com/>

DPW Staff Contact Phone numbers and e-mails for directed topics are below:

DPW Garage (978) 762-0231
curbsidepickup@danversma.gov

Trash/Recycling/Curbside Yard Waste
Tree /Street/Sidewalk Issues
Snow Removal Issues

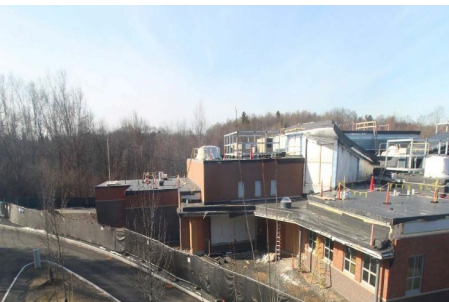
DPW Office (978) 777-0001 x3011
danversdpw@danversma.gov

All General Questions
Administrative Staff

Business Office (978)-774-0005
danversutilities@danversma.gov

Utility Bills/Meters/Rebate Programs
Electric Vehicle Program
Smart Savings/Home Energy Audit

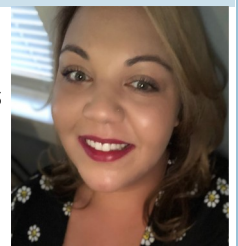
SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UPDATE



The **Smith Elementary School Project** Team is working to close in the exterior envelope of the Building. On Building A (1-story Admin Wing), the exterior envelope is 70% complete. On Building B (2 Story Academic Wing), the exterior envelope is 80% complete. In Building A, drywall is nearly complete. Priming and painting along with ceramic tiling have begun. In Building B, the inside finishes are continuing on both floors of building. Ceramic tile, resilient flooring, painting and casework are all 90% complete. The project is progressing on time and under budget, in preparation for occupying the new school in September, 2021!

BUSINESS DIVISION WELCOMES NEW TEAM MEMBER

Public Works is happy to welcome our new Assistant Business Manager, **Angelica Medina!** Angelica brings several years of Public Works Business Management experience from her previous position with the Town of Salisbury. She achieved her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Management and Operations from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell and her Master's in Public Administration from Suffolk University, Sawyer Business School. We're glad to welcome Angelica as the newest member of our team!



DPW NOTES & EVENTS

- **Fix-A-Leak Week** is March 15-19. See the Town website and Facebook & Twitter pages for water saving tips.
- **Yard waste** collection will take place Town-wide on your trash/recycling day the weeks of April 25, May 9 & 23 and June 13.
- Town and Contract **Street Sweeping** will tentatively start in April, weather permitting.
- May is **Electrical Safety Month!** Check for frayed cords, hidden extensions and electronics used near water.
- **Outdoor Water Use Restrictions** start at **Level 2**—Seasonal Conditions on May 1. Watering by automatic system allowed daily from 7:00PM—8:00AM ONLY.
- Celebrate **Drinking Water Week** from May 2-8. The 2020 **Water Quality Report** will be available at Town offices and on the Town website in May.
- **Public Works Week** is May 16—22. Learn what we do every day to help your life run smoothly.
- **Town Hall will be closed** Patriot's Day-April 19 and Memorial Day-May 31. Trash & recycling pickup will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week following the full day holidays.

SIMPLE RECYCLING

Thank you to all that have participated in the curbside textile recycling program from Jan-Dec 2020. The highest collection month was Jan 2020 at over 11,000 pounds of textiles. As we approach spring cleaning months, remember to utilize the textile recycling program collection curbside on your trash day. For more program information please click here:

<https://www.danversma.gov/textile-recycling/>



PUBLIC WORKS TEXTILE RECYCLING 2020 METRICS



Source: Collection Metrics from Simple Recycling

ELECTRIC NEWS

Danvers Electric is happy to announce that the state of Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) has further expanded the **Electric Vehicle** Charging Infrastructure Grant Program for 2021 and will cover 100% of the cost to install new publicly available Town stations. We are currently assessing possible future locations to best serve you.

The Division is in the final stages of completing a state-of-the-art Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system and Operations Center overhaul to keep up with increasing future demand.



PROJECT UPDATES

- The **Vernon C. Russell Water Treatment Plant** is in process of a major rehabilitation entailing full removal and replacement of the carbon filtration media and repair of the individual cells that hold the media in place. As work on Carbon Filter 1 reached completion in February, work on Carbon Filter 2 is expected to start in March.
- Construction is in progress of the Chlorine Booster Station at the **Folly Hill Water Storage Tank**. This project will regulate the concentration of chlorine residual and reduce water age in the system. Currently, the Chlorine Booster Station and Vault construction have been completed. The Electrical and mechanical installations are scheduled in March.
- The next phase of the 5 year **Capital Improvement Plan** for the water distribution system water main replacements is currently in design which is replace the water main on Rt. 114 from the Peabody line the Rt. 95 exit. This project is expected to go out to bid this coming August. The DPW is planning to repave **Hobart Street** in the spring of 2021. Unfortunately due to all the utility work, it could not be paved before winter.
- The **Buildings Division** completed the renovations at 12 Sylvan St. to create a new home for the Danvers Credit Union. We really appreciate the excellent work done by our staff to complete this project!



WATER MAIN FLUSHING



The Water Division will be conducting its annual **flushing program** of the water distribution system beginning on Monday, **March 22** as weather allows. Flushing is done every spring to remove sediment which has settled and collected in the system. Over a **4 week period** starting on the Middleton line and moving southeast, hydrant flushing will occur from 7AM—7PM. Some parts of town will require early morning flushing (3AM—7AM) due to potential traffic volume.

You may notice some **discoloration of the water** when first used. Please run your cold water from the highest point in your home for 10 minutes and flush toilets to clear out any discoloration. If your water does not clear up within 1 hour, please contact the Water Division at 978-762-0230. See our live App on the Danvers website and on Facebook to monitor our progress and see when we'll be in your neighborhood!

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978-777-0001

DPW Garage
95 Hobart Street
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Business & Electric Divisions
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Transfer Station
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