

# Warrant Article Seeks To Rebuild Emery Road

By Jake Johnson  
Andover Board of Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen will be presenting a warrant article at Town Meeting to “raise and appropriate \$133,610” to reclaim Emery Road. After the completion of Chase Hill Road, Emery Road is next on our road improvement plan. Emery Road runs from Chase Hill Road to Dyers Crossing Road for approximately 4,611 feet.

The specified work to accomplish the reclamation:

- 1) Reclaim the first 500 feet at both ends and fine grade
- 2) Sweep the roadway
- 3) Apply a 1/2" leveling course with tack coat and mix to average 2" thickness
- 4) Apply the shoulder gravel.

Culvert pipes were replaced on Emery Road during the summer of 2010 in anticipation of the reclaim process.

Emery Road, in technical road terms, is “gone.” Asphalt patch, oil seal, shimming; none of these maintenance procedures will aid in prolonging the life of this road.

If you have driven on this road, you

will notice that there are cracks in the pavement along the entire roadway. These cracks allow water to penetrate below the asphalt surface, and with our New England weather, this destroys the roadway foundation.

While driving, you will notice a “dip” or what appears like “ruts” in the asphalt; this is the evidence that the foundation of the roadway has been compromised. Emery Road is like most back roads in New England; they were built right over the top of fields. So no real base or foundation was ever built under the pavement.

So like we hear and say all the time, “You need to keep your good roads in good condition.” Well, Emery Road is not a road in this category. Emery Road is a “rebuild or reclaim.” The problem is, if we do nothing, the cost of rebuilding or reclaiming will only go up in future years.

The increase from this warrant article on the tax rate would be about 50 cents per \$1,000 in assessed value. That means that a \$200,000 home would see an increase of \$100 for next year.

# Get Help With Tax Preparation

By Charlie Darling  
Beacon staff

If you're looking for help preparing your federal income tax return this year, there are two no-cost local programs you should consider.

## AARP Tax Aides Program

The AARP Tax Aides Program is the nation's largest volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service. The service is free of charge for low and moderate income people and for the elderly.

Lake Sunapee Bank branches in Andover and New London donate use of their conference rooms to the program, so you'll have a convenient, private place to meet with a tax aide. Each aide has been through training and passed a test and can help you with both your federal and state tax returns. The service includes free e-filing.

The program runs from February 1 through April 15. To schedule an appointment, call the Lake Sunapee Bank office in Andover at 735-5923 (or call the New London branch if you'd rather have your appointment

there). An AARP Tax Aide team also operates out of the TRIP Center at 22 Canal Street in Franklin. Call 934-4151 for an appointment on a Monday or Wednesday through April 15.

## Franklin and Hill

The Franklin Asset Building Coalition sponsors free tax preparation at locations in Franklin and Hill. IRS-certified volunteers provide the tax preparation, particularly for families that qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit.

Appointments are being scheduled for the Casey Family Services Family Resource Center at the Franklin Middle School for Saturdays through March 12 from 9 AM to 3 PM; for Friday, April 15, from 10 AM to 5 PM; and for other dates in March as needed.

Appointments are also being scheduled for the Jennie Blake Elementary School in Hill for Mondays, February 7 and 14, from 3 PM to 6 PM.

For more information, or to make an appointment, call 934-3315.

# Unvented Zamboni Fumes Sicken Proctor Hockey Players

Proctor Academy press release

A deactivated ventilation system at Proctor Academy's Teddy Maloney rink resulted in hockey players becoming ill during the first week of January. On the morning of Monday, January 3, technicians hired by the school worked on the control panel of the facility's dehumidification and ventilation systems. They departed with the system shut off.

Unaware that indoor air was not being ventilated, rink staff proceeded with a scheduled “conditioning” of the ice surface, which involves a propane-powered “edger” and relatively intense use of the propane-powered Zamboni ice machine. Several hours later, at 6 PM, Proctor's boys' varsity hockey team held a two-hour practice in the rink. They were followed on the ice by a Kearsarge girls' team, which held a one-hour practice.

On Tuesday morning, several Proctor players complained of tightness in the chest and coughing. One boy was transported to New London Hospital and then transferred to Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon. There, he was diagnosed with toxicity from nitrogen dioxide, a component of propane exhaust.

When Proctor's Health Center was appraised of this diagnosis, the remaining 20 boys were transported to area hospitals for examination and observation. Ten boys were retained at Concord Hospital Tuesday night.

While each of the players experienced significant improvement in the days that followed, the school pursued a cautious approach to proceeding with their athletics, canceling five games. The health of these students is of paramount importance, and those most affected will continue to receive periodic pulmonary tests.



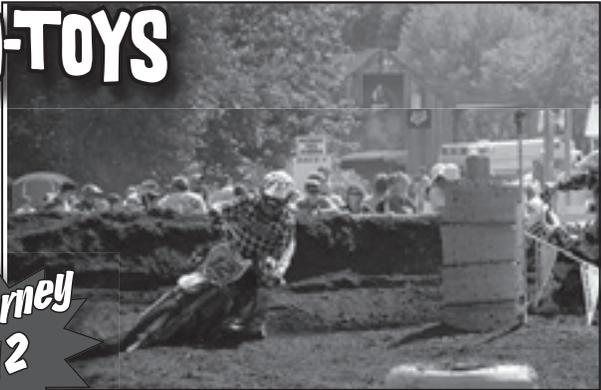
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