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bounce houses, water slides and onsite coordinated children activities, such as canvas paintings, Ladybug Party Rentals is what Miller described as a "labor of love."

"I love science," Miller said as she held up a bottle of essential oils for emphasis. "This is the closest thing that I can get to sharing my molecular background."

Miller reported vendor fairs were a "vital" aspect of their marketing as a small business. She mentioned marketing and networking were just as important to

growing a business than the products and services offered, as booth presence provided a certain level of natural advertising. As children painted in the background with provided canvases and paint materials, she offered gratitude for her growing community support.

"I am so grateful for the people that I get to meet in our community," Miller said. "It's so wonderful to work with children and help them express their creativity and just give them an outlet to come paint and have fun."

Amanda Rodriguez, founder of Playful & Pol-

ished, described the event as a "super community vibe." She started her own earring making business back in February, inspired by the lost of her own earring. Rodriguez expressed the best part of running her own company was the amount of validation and appreciation received by her customers.

"This is my third show that I've done and I enjoy it," Rodriguez said. "I like meeting people. I love when people just say 'these are so cute.' So, being validated in that way and having people appreciate what I've made is really exciting."

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humans if the bylaws are enacted.

Those residents who currently have permits for chickens are "grandfathered" under current bylaws.

Planning Director Anne Capra, who devised the proposed 255-25 bylaw draft, said in previous hearings that this provision was recommended by the Board of Health in line with that board's responsibilities for public health.

The same issue had arisen at previous hearings. Capra said she had asked the health department to defend its 25-foot setback rule, and send a representative to the most recent hearing. A Board of Health member attended, but Capra said she would prefer that Director Sharon Hart could best present the case for the 25-foot setback rule.

She also said Hart could also best defend the health department's advice to ban roosters from all residential and commercial zones to help eliminate noise complaints.

The draft bylaw for agricultural uses in residential zones also included the following provisions:

- The keeping of livestock is banned in all residential zones except horses and ponies for personal use on parcels larger than two acres. The draft law sets limits on setbacks, fencing and provides for health issues. Lot size would limit horse and pony numbers, but not foals.

- Keeping personal pets are allowed, but commercial purposes for them are not. Yard space for exercise is required, but fences are not. Ownership of wild and exotic birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians are governed by state regulations.

- The keeping of any livestock or pets is subject to regulations and licensing requirements.

- Greenhouses are allowed in all residential zones, but not for business purposes. Lighting must not affect abutting properties.

Land zoned for purely agricultural purposes are exempt from local zoning restrictions under "Right to Farm" state law (Chapter 40A, Section 3).

At a June 8 board meeting, Capra detailed a section of the town bylaw pertaining to commercial agricultural uses that are not covered by the state law.

They include:
- activities that charge a fee for agricultural activities designed to market farm products and bring the public to a farm related business, farm stand or store.

- commercial greenhouses with Site Plan Review.

- parking, building height, setbacks, equipment and illuminations will be considered.

- special events, such as U-pick fruits and vegetables and U-cut Christmas trees, petting zoos, temporary farmers' markets, hayrides, demonstrations and tours are protected.

The draft also includes a

section that allows outdoor recreation facilities in an agricultural district with a Special Permit.

Capra used as an example a mini-golf course at McCray's Farm on Alvord Street as the only such enterprise in town. The town Recreation Committee was not interested in taking on the subject of outdoor recreational facilities, so it would remain in the zoning bylaws, she said.

Farm stands are exempt from local laws under state law. However, limitations on location, size, merchandise, setbacks, parking, hours, and lighting would remain in the local law.

A public hearing on the proposed revisions is scheduled for Sept. 14. It would then be brought to a Town Meeting vote in November.

In other matters, the board accepted the resignation of Planning Board member Rob Watchilla, who said he has accepted a new job as Planning Director for the town of Wellesley and will be relocating to that area. A replacement will be named by the Selectboard to temporarily fill the position until the annual Town Election next May.

Also, Anthony's Dance Club on New Ludlow Road was granted a one-year permit extension of its Special Permit to operate. The club's permit was renewed in June 2025 and was allowed one-year extensions if a number of issues brought to the board have been successfully addressed.



Kyle Gordon advertises his company, Junk Hog Junk Removal.

Turley photos by Ben Hernandez



Serial entrepreneur Robyn Miller represents her latest enterprise, Ladybug Party Rentals.



Evan from unique fitness studio HotWorx smiles for the camera.

Legal Notices

Town of Granby Massachusetts

Conservation Commission
The Granby Conservation Commission will hold Public Hearings pursuant to the Wetland Protection Act (MGL Chapter 131, Section 40) on **Tuesday, July 14, 2026** to be held at 1 Library Lane-Old Carnegie Library-Top Floor to consider the following:

1. **7:30 PM-NOI**-filed by Jill Phoenix, applicant, Marlene Morin, Owner, for a proposed construction of a single-family dwelling partially within the 100' buffer to a bordering vegetated wetland including an onsite septic system, well, driveway

and associated grading (Closet work proposed 3' from BVW) at 294-2 Amherst Street and known as map 10C-9 in the Town of Granby.

2. **7:30 PM-NOI**-filed by Dan's Construction Services to see whether the work depicted on plan(s) referenced is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act with regards to School Street and known as Lot 13.11 in the Town of Granby.

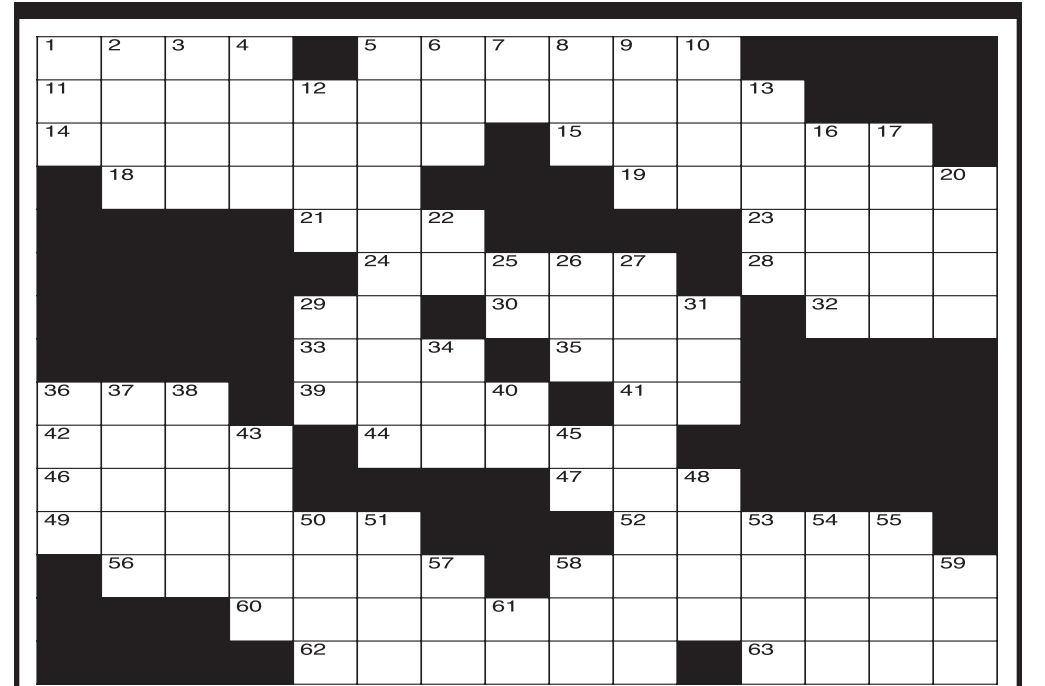
Members of the public can attend virtually by phone at +1 (312) 757-3121 using **Access Code:** 282-289-421 or by visiting <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/282289421>.

Anyone wishing information

and/or to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated. The complete materials (including text and maps) relative to the "NOI" and RDA are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Selectmen's Office located in the Granby Senior Center Building, 2nd Floor, 10-B West State Street. Additionally, copies of the application may be inspected on the Conservation Commission's web page at www.granby-ma.gov.

William Shaheen, Chair
Granby Conservation Commission

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- CLUES ACROSS**
1. __ chat
 5. Statue near the Pyramids
 11. A process to change the look
 14. Herb
 15. Think about excessively
 18. Bass vocal part
 19. Supreme Allied Cmdr. of NATO
 21. A major division of geological time
 23. New Zealand parrot
 24. Cognitive contents
 28. Lump of yarn
 29. Atomic #109
 30. Let go of
 32. Indian title of respect
 33. Whereabouts unknown
 35. Electronic data processing
 36. Drivers' licenses count
 39. Snake-like fishes
 41. They precede C
 42. Popular personal computers
 44. Intermediate community stage in ecological succession
 46. Wings
 47. Indicates position
 49. Pleasantly smooth or soft
 52. Jeweled headdress
 56. In slow tempo
 58. __ Falls
 60. Reassertions
 62. Eras
 63. Hyphen
- CLUES DOWN**
1. Corporate executive
 2. A plant used for flavoring food
 3. Opinion or belief
 4. Sheep in their second year
 5. Intensities of sound
 6. Indicates support for
 7. Expression of laughter
 8. OJ trial judge
 9. Pointed ends of pens
 10. True bugs genus
 12. Lawyers argue theirs
 13. Body parts
 16. Closes tightly
 17. World Heritage site in Nigeria
 20. Islamic calendar month
 22. Commercial
 25. "Westworld" actor Harris
 26. They __
 27. Religious guilds
 29. Woman (French)
 31. Parts per billion (abbr.)
 34. Brew
 36. Spiritual leader
 37. Indigo bush
 38. Burn with a hot liquid
 40. Older citizen
 43. Scad fish genus
 45. Morning
 48. Line passing through the center (abbr.)
 50. Double S-shaped curve
 51. Small, thin person
 53. Older
 54. Mars crater
 55. Humanities
 57. Word element meaning ear
 58. To the __ degree
 59. Residue
 61. It cools your home

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