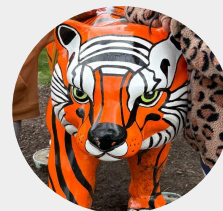
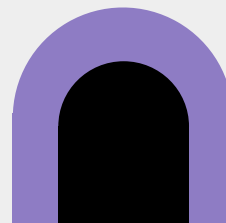
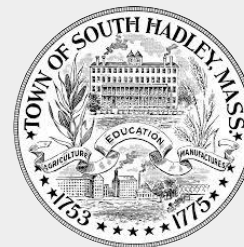
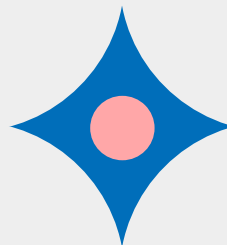
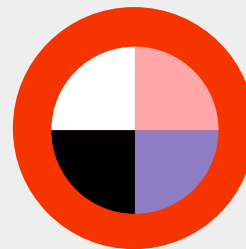
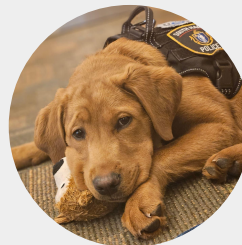
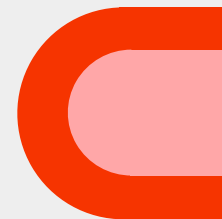
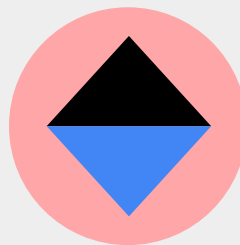


2025

review

**South Hadley
Selectboard**



JULY 2024



Selectboard's First Retreat at MHC



New Rocky's construction begins

JULY 2024



Inaugural Aging in Place Fair



Grants for small businesses



JULY 2024



ACHIEVEMENTS

Comfort Dog

Selectboard votes to support fundraising for a new comfort dog.

Community events

Residents come out for community events like Big Rig Day, July 4th Fireworks and summer concerts.

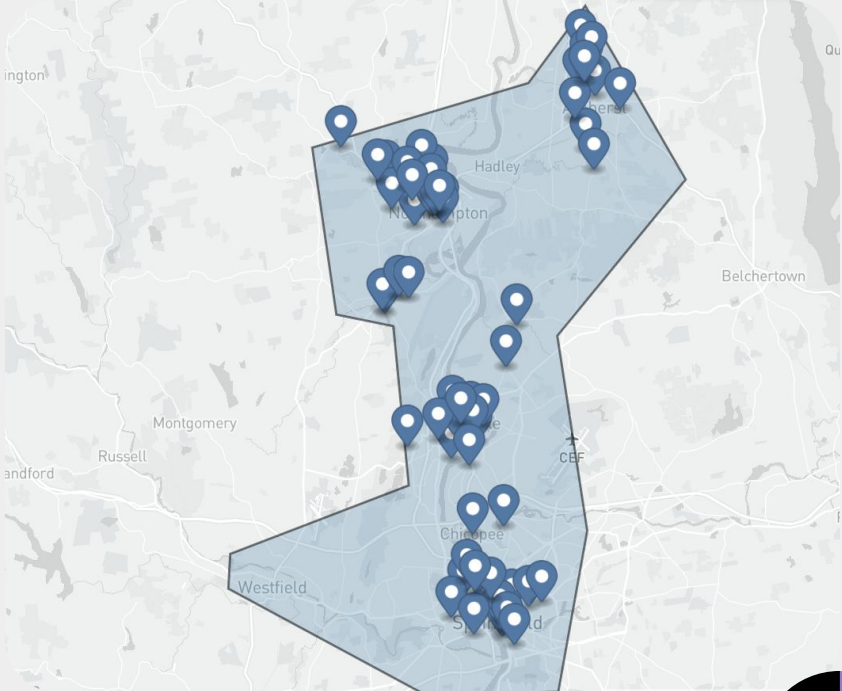
School funding

Selectboard votes for more than \$1 million in funding for school budget from ARPA and other sources

AUGUST 2024



Judd Brook Project Completed



ValleyBike is relaunched

AUGUST 2024



Article 11- Vote to accept Chapter 44

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED:

Town Meeting Members voted to accept Chapter the South Hadley Municipal Affordable Housing provided in said Chapter 44, Section 55C, MGL. Town Administrator as a member of the Board of provided for in the Town of South Hadley Gener Affordable Housing Trust Fund shall be authoriz Chapter 44, Section 55C, MGL.



\$50K Grant - Affordable Housing Trust

\$50k Grant - Ledges Master Plan



AUGUST 2024



ACHIEVEMENTS

Police Staffing Study

Municipal Resources Inc
completes a technical report
analyzing patrol services

Wage and Comp Study

Collins Center completes
study to revamp salary
structure for employees

Historic District

Public hearing for new
district around Old Firehouse
Museum

SEPTEMBER 2024



Routes 202/33 Corridor forums



TA presents at national conference

SEPTEMBER 2024



State Delegation Visit



Support for Senior transportation



SEPTEMBER
2024



ACHIEVEMENTS

Forestry Grant

Town received a \$20k community forestry challenge grant

MVP Grant

Grant award in the amount of \$1,283,063 for the Pearl Street/ Elmer Brook Culvert replacement project

Roadway

\$950,000 grant for roadway, sewer and drainage improvements along Center/Warner/Graves

OCTOBER 2024



MPIC holds annual forum



Green Community designation!

OCTOBER 2024



MSBA moves Mosier forward



Happy Halloween!



OCTOBER 2024



ACHIEVEMENTS

State Grants

\$50k for a needs assessment and \$20k to develop land use regulations.

Free Cash

State certifies over \$5m in free cash for the town General Fund

Frank DeToma Fund

The Redevelopment Authority establishing a memorial fund to support redevelopment projects in South Hadley Falls.

NOVEMBER 2024



Veterans Day



Special Town Meeting

NOVEMBER 2024



WestMass Elder Care 50th



Bike Walk installs bench at Water D1



**NOVEMBER
2024**



ACHIEVEMENTS

ADA Grant

\$28k American with Disability Act grant for all terrain wheelchairs, evacuation chairs and Bariatric cots

Election Day

Election staff and volunteers did a great job with operating early voting and Election Day activities

POW/MIA Chair

American Legion spearheaded the project to place a POW/MIA chair at the High School sports field

DECEMBER 2024



NEWS FEATURE

BusinessWest.com
THE BUSINESS JOURNAL OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

In South Hadley, It Takes A Village — Literally

Town featured in BusinessWest



MHC donation for Comfort Dog

DECEMBER 2024



Selectboard renews Chief's contract



Town Door Decorating contest



DECEMBER 2024



ACHIEVEMENTS

Dry Brook Study

UMASS has completed an isotopic tracer study of the aquifer:

School Capital

New fire alarm system and automation phase 2 at High School, New EV charging station at Middle School

Recycle Grant

\$106k grant to help with new recycling system starting July 2025

JANUARY 2025



New State Rep. Homar Gomez



Lauzier Farm protected

JANUARY 2025



Murphy visits Triad/S.A.L.T. meeting



Selectboard @ MMA conference



JANUARY 2025



ACHIEVEMENTS

Senior Tax Work-off

Round 2 of the first year of the new program launches.

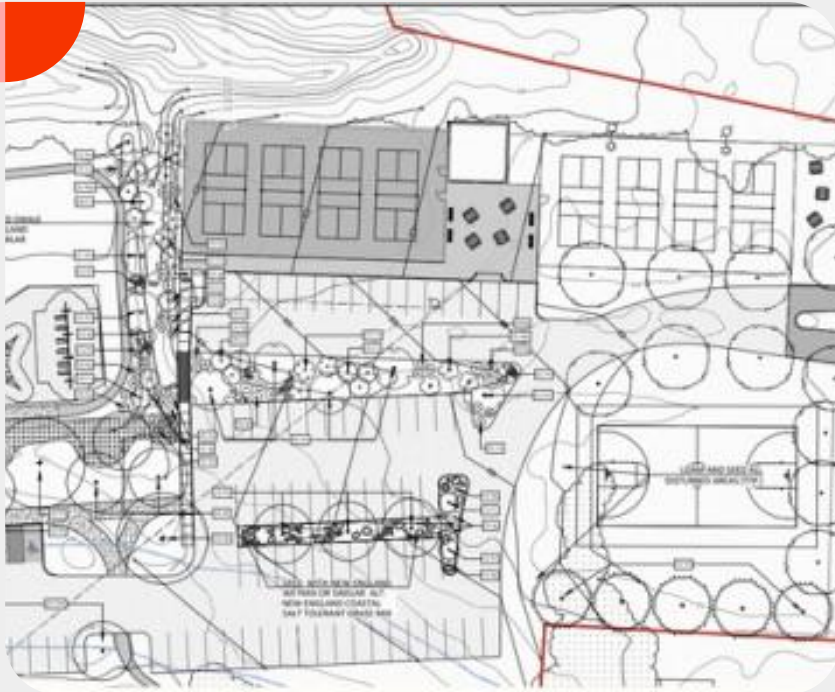
Governor's budget

Governor releases FY2026 budget, town uses state aid figures for the town budget.

Library project

Library gets some needed carpet replacement.

FEBRUARY 2025



Buttery Brook Park project awarded

falls digest

FEBRUARY 2025



Welcome to the 1st edition of the South Hadley Redevelopment Authority's newsletter! Our intent is to provide the community with current information about the people, projects, and events in South Hadley Falls.

Main Street Improvements Under Design

Main Street is enrolled in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for a full re-design and reconstruction.

The Town has been working with the engineering firm Tighe and Bond, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission on the design. A public hearing for the plans will be held later in April 2025 for public comment. Thereafter, the design process is anticipated to be completed by November 2025, and construction to begin in the Spring 2027.

Reconstruction will stretch from the South Hadley Public Library south to the Chicopee city line. Improvements will include a full depth pavement reclamation, sidewalks and a multiuse path for bicycles, streetscape improvements including benches, street trees and other landscaping, new street lighting, and new signage. The Town will stay in communication with businesses and residents along the corridor as the project moves forward to mitigate possible disruptions during



Falls Business Directory - Get Listed!

Use the QR code (bottom of page) to enter your business' contact information in our new Falls Business Directory. This will help us stay in touch with you about resources available to support business growth and development, and be shared with the public in upcoming Falls marketing features

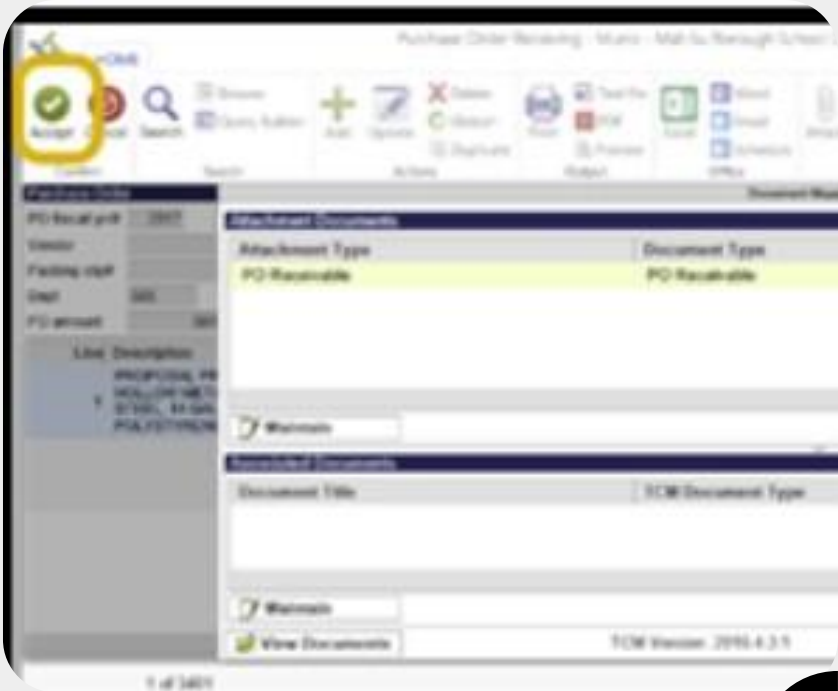
E-Newsletter Sign Up

Falls Digest launches

FEBRUARY 2025



Town distributes COVID tests at NHN



Digitization project progresses



FEBRUARY 2025



ACHIEVEMENTS

Infrastructure

DPW able to conduct a lot of work in house on Queensville dam drainage outfall, prep work for Buttery Brook, Stanton Ave drainage, Ledges log removal

Emergency Plan

The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, an all hazards plan developed to address natural and human-caused hazards, was updated

Dog Hearing

After a prolonged process, the Town made headway on having its dangerous dog hearing order held in compliance

MARCH 2025



Organizing regionally for education



New Street Sweeper

MARCH 2025



TOWN OF SOUTH HADLEY

COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING

 Saturday March 1  10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Selectboard, School Committee and Appropriations Committee will hold a hybrid Tri-Board meeting to discuss the FY26 budget on Saturday, March 1 at the Senior Center and Zoom. Join for refreshments, administrative panel, budget info and a meet & greet with board members. Doors open at 9 a.m. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m.

 South Hadley Senior Center
45 Dayton St.

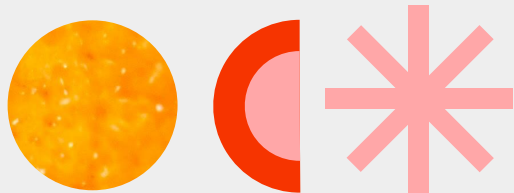
HYBRID MEETING INFO  <https://tinyurl.com/4r94c8r9>

The graphic features a background image of a meeting room with several people seated at long tables. The text is overlaid on a dark blue gradient at the bottom.

Town holds several community meetings



Crisis Intervention team honored



MARCH 2025



ACHIEVEMENTS

EV Station Study

Town was selected by the Mass Clean Energy Center to study the feasibility and plan for EV charging stations in town. A report will be developed by Sept 2025

Women's History Month

The Senior Center celebrated with speakers, music, refreshments and an opportunity for women owned businesses to share information and products.

Ledges

Golf Business Advisors hired to evaluate the golf operations in relation to the proshop, Sunset Grille, and driving range. Survey released.

APRIL 2025



High School Students testify at State House



COA Volunteer appreciation

APRIL 2025



SHOWCASE South Hadley!



Buttery Brook Groundbreaking



APRIL 2025



ACHIEVEMENTS

District Grant

\$100k from the state Community Compact IT grant to fund a joint water metering system for District 1 and 2 Water Districts.

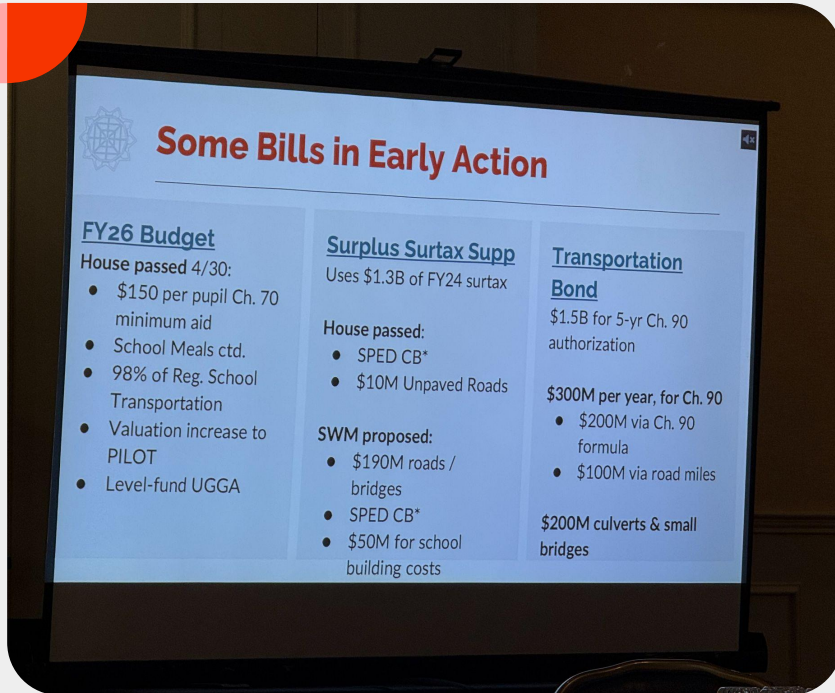
Health Fair

Assistant Town Administrator/HR Director organized a health fair for employees. He also created a new opt-out program that may save the town money.

Roadwork

Spring paving season is launched! Town is receiving an extra \$110k from the state.

MAY 2025



Budget / Bills advocacy

Annual Town Meeting

MAY 2025



MEMORIAL DAY

Honoring our Veterans



Ledges Open House on May 28



MAY 2025



ACHIEVEMENTS

Capital Plan

The Capital Planning Committee has finalized a 5 year capital plan

Public Health

Grant secured for Behavioral Health 360 software to support mental health, blood drive planned for May 27.

Transportation

Town hosted a PVPA hearing to expand routes in the Falls, and a meet and greet with the MA Transportation Secretary

JUNE 2025



Police Accreditation Ceremony on 6/18



Carts to be delivered in June



JUNE 2025



State Budget advocacy continues



Board & Committee handbook



JUNE 2025



ASPIRATIONS

Grant Watch

Town is waiting to hear back about the latest MVP grant for Titus Pond (\$2.5m), and a Mass Cultural Facilities grant for the Buttery Brook Park bandshell (awarded \$98k)

Elementary School

Submissions for the designer for the MSBA project will be due in late June with selection slated for July.

Year End

Finish Buttery Brook and Ledges projects. Town will work on closing the FY2025 budget. Selectboard to host second annual strategic planning session.



"Alone, we can
do so little;
Together, we can
do so much."

Helen Keller

