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# Today's Presenters





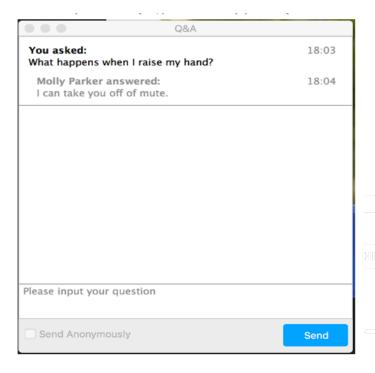
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## How Do I Ask a Question?



The chat function for this workshop has been disabled.

In order to ask a question of our host or a panelists, open the Q&A function found in the Zoom toolbar. Type you questions in the Q&A and they will be answered in the order they are received.

Once your question has been answered, it will then appear under the *Answered* tab.



### Today's Agenda

- About NHMA
  - Full, affiliate and associate members
  - Governance and staff
- Legal Services
  - Legal Advisory Service
  - Employment Law Hotline
  - Court Updates
  - · On-Demand Training
  - · Right-to-Know Training
- Legislative Advocacy
  - New Software Program
  - Legislative Bulletin
- Training and Education
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- · Website Benefits
  - Free Classified Ads
  - Free Monthly Webinars
  - Federal Funding Resources (NHMA website)
  - Financial Services (State Aid Booklet)
  - Workshop/Webinar Archive
  - Wage & Salary Survey
  - Municipal Directory
  - Important Date Calendars
  - Product & Service Directory
  - Understanding NH Property Taxes
  - Archives/Tutorials



## Who is NHMA?



Voluntary, non-profit, non-partisan membership organization



Expressly authorized by state law (RSA 31:8-a)



100% membership

Many associate members

# Our Mission

NHMA is a non-profit, non-partisan membership association established in 1941. It is a member-funded, member-governed, and member-driven association that works to strengthen New Hampshire cities and towns and enhance their ability to serve the public. Through the collective power of cities and towns, NHMA promotes effective municipal government by providing education, training, advocacy and legal services.

# Three "primary" services





**Legal Services** 



**Advocacy Services** 



**Education & Resources** 

# NHMA's Legal Advisory Services



Open 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

• Email: <a href="mailto:legalinquiries@nhmunicipal.org">legalinquiries@nhmunicipal.org</a>

• Phone: 603-224-7447

#### Provide general legal advice

- Not comprehensive legal review of documents
- Not drafting individualized ordinances or charters
- Not reviewing specific applications before local boards
- Not settle intra-municipal disputes
- Guide to NHMA legal services FAQ

Goal: Response w/in 48 hours



## On Demand Workshops



- ▶ Presentations in your city or town, at your convenience, by NHMA staff on a set menu of topics
- Approximately two-hour program with opportunity for questions
- ▶\$550.00 flat fee (\$400 for virtual)
- Members paying dues in excess of \$15,000 are provided one complimentary On-Demand presentation per year

## On Demand Workshops

- The Right-to-Know Law: Public Meetings and Nonpublic Sessions
  - The Right-to-Know Law: Governmental Records
- Right-to-Know Law for Law Enforcement (3-hour presentation at a cost of \$725)
  - Effective Public Meetings
  - ZBA Decision-Making Process
  - Planning Board Roles and Responsibilities
    - The Basic Law of Budgeting
  - Conflicts of Interest and Ethics for Local Officials
  - A Hard Road to Travel: The Intersection of Land Use and Road Law
  - A Hard Road to Travel: Road Formation, Classification & Discontinuance
    - Roads: Liability, Regulation & Maintenance
      - Discrimination Issues in the Workplace
        - Employment Law Overview SOCIATION
- Everything You Wanted to Know about FMLA and FLSA But Were Afraid to Ask
  - The Recreation Commission
    - Tax Deeding Workshop
  - Select Board and Town Manager: Roles, Responsibilities & Relationships
  - Select Board's Roles, Responsibilities & Relationships with Other Officials
    - The Art of Welfare Administration
    - Workshop for City and Town Councilors, Mayors & Aldermen
      - Getting to Know Library Statutes
    - Other topics as may be arranged with staff (additional fee may apply)



# Important Dates Calendars



Important Dates Calendar

Traditional (March) Town Meeting Calendar

**Choose Calendar** 

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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11	12	13	Last day to petition amend zoning or building code	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	Publish first zoning hearing notice



# **NEW HAMPSHIRE**MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

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#### Calendars - Printable Pdfs

#### 2023 Important Dates Calendars

2022 Important Dates General Calendar

2023 Important Dates General Calendar

2023 Important Dates - SB2 March Town Meeting

2023 Important Dates - SB2 April Town Meeting

2023 Important Dates - SB2 May Town Meeting

2023 Important Dates - Traditional March Town Meeting

2023 Important Dates - Traditional May Town Meeting

#### **2022 Important Dates Calendars**

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New Hampshire Supreme Court Appeals: Amicus Curiae

# Advocacy

Represent interests of cities and towns before legislature and state agencies

Do not support or endorse any candidates or parties

Advocacy is based entirely on the Legislative Policies and Principles set by our members

Legislative Policy Process

Local officials are crucial to advocacy

Guide to Legislative Advocacy

State Aid to Municipalities

Legislative Bulletin

New this year: FastDemocracy!



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### NHMA Bill Tracker: FastDemocracy

The New Hampshire Municipal Association (NHMA) represents the interests of cities and towns before the New Hampshire General Court (House and Senate) and various state agencies based on its member-adopted <u>principles and policies</u>. The New Hampshire legislative session happens each year between the months of January and June. Each legislative cycle, NHMA tracks state actions that could significantly affect New Hampshire's 234 municipalities.

In addition to the weekly Legislative Bulletin, NHMA provides members access to FastDemocracy, an online bill tracking platform, for efficient, real-time updates to legislative activity of interest to members. Members do not need to create a FastDemocracy account to access this information, but they are able to create an account if they wish.

Click on the subgroups below to see information on bills from either the previous, or current legislative cycle within each category, and view the NHMA's stance on the measures. Subscribe to the bill list(s) to receive daily or weekly email updates, including new bill actions and upcoming hearings.

**ALL BILLS** 

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 

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LABOR

LAND USE

LOCAL AUTHORITY

**PROPERTY TAX** 

RETIREMENT

**RIGHT-TO-KNOW** 

STATE AID

SUBSTANCE USE

**TRANSPORTATION** 

# Financial Services

- State Aid book
- The Basics of Financial Policy
  - New program coming in 2023!
- Basic Law of Budgeting
- Budget & Finance workshop
- General guidance on municipal finance



## **Training and Education**

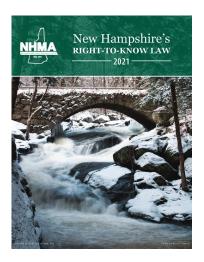
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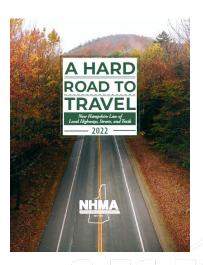
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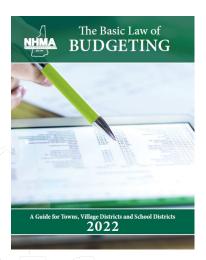
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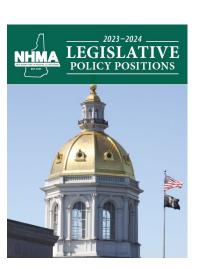
- Various topics held throughout the year
- In person, virtual, and hybrid opportunities
- Webinar series
- Event archive on our website

## **Training and Education - Publications**

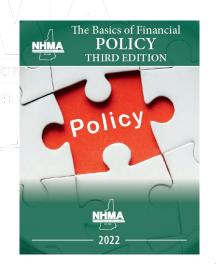






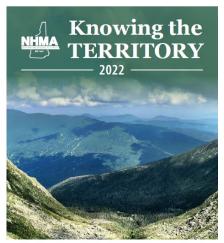




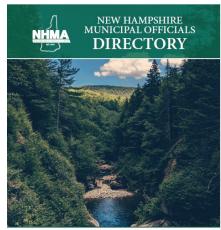




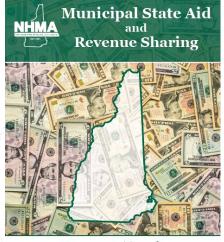
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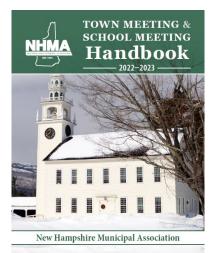
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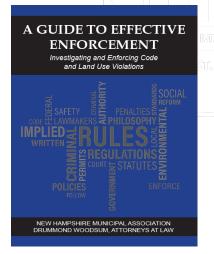


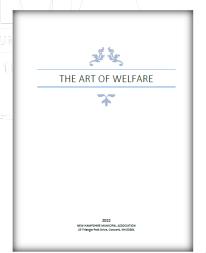
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# Training and Education - Workshops and Webinars

**Local Officials Workshop** 

Right-to-Know Law Workshops

Hard Road to Travel Workshops

**Moderators Workshop** 

**Budget and Finance Workshop** 

Municipal Land Use Law Conference

**Municipal Trustees Training Workshop** 

Local Welfare Workshop

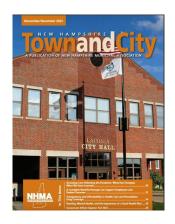
NHMA Annual Conference

<sup>\*</sup>The above list contains NHMA's regular annual workshops. Additional workshops and training events are offered throughout the year, and webinars on various topics are held monthly.



# Training and Education - Communications





**Town & City Magazine**— Six issues per year; members receive complimentary copies, depending on size; in-depth articles on the broad range of issues faced by municipalities and other local governments



NewsLink—Bi-weekly electronic newsletter that delivers information to you quickly, including notice of workshops, webinars, and upcoming events by NHMA and others

## **Website Benefits**

- Online Shop 50% with member log-in
- Free Classified Ads
- Court Updates & Right-to-Know Resources
- Federal Funding and Resources (State Aid Booklet)
- Important Date Calendars (printable PDFs and I-Cals)
- Municipal Directory
- Product and Service Guide
- Archived Workshop & Webinar Materials
- Wage Salary Survey
- How-to Tutorials/Instructional Videos



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Understanding New Hampshire Property Taxes

**Upcoming Events & Training** 

Tiew Full Calendar

WEDNESDAY, DEC 07
12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION OPEN: Getting to Know NHMA's Membership Benefits Webinar

THURSDAY, DEC 08
12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION OPEN! Compromise Is Not an Option: Beat Criminals at Their Own Game Through People, Process, and Technology Webinar WEDNESDAY, DEC 14
12:00 PM TO 1:30 PM

REGISTRATION OPEN: Default Budgets & How They Work Webinar

FRIDAY, DEC 16 9:30 AM TO 11:00 AM

NHMA Board of Director's Meeting

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#### **Events & Training**

+ Add Event

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- Any -



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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Day After Christmas (NHMA Offices Closed)					



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### NHMA Website - Member Benefits Box





#### Website Tutorials

These short, instructional tutorials will show you how to best utilize the member-controlled areas, **Member Benefits** and the **Member Account Administration** features, of NHMA's website.



Start here....



Tutorial #1: Do I Have a Member Account with NHMA?

Duration: 2:49



**Tutorial #2: Exploring Member Benefits** 

Duration: 5:14



<u>Tutorial #3 - Assigned Roles and the Role of the Account Administrator</u>

Duration: 4:43



Tutorial #4 - Managing Your Organization

Duration: 2:06



#### <u>Tutorial #5 - Managing Your Officials</u>

Duration: 3:10

After every municipal election, we ask that you update your municipal roster by May 31st. Thank you.

Don't forget to go "green" by requesting a "digital" copy of NHMA's New Hampshire Town and City magazine.

#### NHMA's Subscription Policy

Six issues per year, containing in-depth articles on a broad range of issues faced by cities and towns; up to 20 complimentary hard copies per member, depending on population size, as follows:

POPULATION RANGE	# OF SUBSCRIPTIONS
Up to 5,000	5
5,001 - 9,999	10
10,000 -30,000	15
ALL CITIES & Over 30,000	20



#### Tutorial #6 - Managing Wage Data

Duration: 5:16

Please update wage/salary data by June 31st! Thank you.

Download Excel Spreadsheet containing the municipal positions (153) for data-entry into wage/salary portal.



#### <u>Tutorial #7 - Managing Website Users</u>

Duration: 4:36



#### Tutorial #8 - Managing Classifieds

Duration: 3:14

Thank you for investing your time to review these important tutorials showing you how to use the member-controlled areas of NHMA's website.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at 603.224.7447 or by email at <a href="mailto:nhmainfo@nhmunicipal.org">nhmunicipal.org</a>.

## **Upcoming Webinars**





**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!** 

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# for joining us today!



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