

Hingham Weekly Update

August 10, 2026

Hello Everyone, Tom Mayo here with this week's Hingham Update.

The Hingham Police Department is excited to announce the first department sponsored exam for the position of police officer. The HPD was voted out of civil service at town meeting this past April. The department appreciates the town's support in this decision, which allows for greater flexibility in attracting qualified candidates. The exam will be given at the public safety facility on August 15. There has been a great deal of interest in the exam, with over 30 candidates signing up so far. Details on the exam, for anyone interested, are available on the main page at hpd.org.

Hingham Rec is enjoying another incredibly busy and fun summer. Next Monday will be the start of week 8 of Summer Camps with over 500 kids enrolled from ages 3-14 and there are programs for everyone. We will be releasing the Fall programming schedule by the end of August.

The Hingham Board of Health reports that the water quality at Hingham beaches has been great this year. We encourage people to come down to the harbor and enjoy the beach.

The Board of Assessors wants to remind everyone of the September 1st deadline for applications for Senior Tax Abatements. More information is available on the [Assessing page](#) of the Town's website.

Finally, I wanted to let everyone know that we are finishing up the parking lot work at Town Hall this week. Parking in the upper lot on the north side of the building (along Burr Road) will be restricted as we complete this work. We anticipate wrapping up Thursday or Friday and want to thank you in advance for your patience.

That's all I have for today, I'll turn it over to Julie Strehle of the Select Board.

Thanks Tom,

Good morning, the good work of our town committees continues this week. On Monday, the Policy Subcommittee of the School Committee, Human Rights Commission and Planning Board meet; Tuesday is a busy day, we have the Council on Aging, Municipal Light Board, Weir River Estuary Park Committee, Country Club Management Committee, Select Board, Library Board of Trustees Strategic Planning Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals and the 2025 School Building Committee; Wednesday the Board of Health meets; and Thursday the Board of Assessors meets. You can view agendas and any added meetings on the Town of Hingham website, Hingham-ma.gov.

The Select Board agenda this week includes recognition of Tom O'Donnell for his 100th birthday. As Hingham's Town Moderator for 45 years, Tom is a true gentleman who conducted Town Meetings with fairness and a deep commitment to civic engagement. We wish Tom a very happy and special birthday!

Finally, a Weir River Water System Update:

Ahead of the Route 3A reconstruction project in 2028, the Route 3A water mains will be replaced. This project is 100% designed and into MassDOT for final review, approval and permitting. We are planning late fall bidding and award with early spring 2027 start date.

The new water tank to be built in Hull is under final review and permitting. Bidding will begin next month. Water tank levels have stabilized and this is due to those residents that have continued to comply with the watering restrictions. Thank you.

We are developing a new water quality page for residents to have access to sampling results and other educational materials. We are also using it to report water quality and are going to develop a form so we can better track these events. The Weir River Water System web page (weirriverwater.org) has a lot of good information, you can find it on the Town of Hingham's website.

Thanks for tuning in and I hope that you have a great week.