

Barre Town Newsletter

Municipal News

Zoning Re-Write Taking Shape



After nearly five years, the re-write of the Town's zoning ordinance (bylaw) is about to go to public hearing. At this point, the Planning Commission's public hearings are tentatively scheduled to begin in February. Public participation is encouraged at these hearings. Residents should check the Town's web site at

www.barretown.org or read the local paper for hearing dates.

The two most significant changes in the proposed bylaw are the proposals to: (1) switch to a Development Review Board (DRB) and (2) enact site plan review. Currently, Barre Town does not have a formal process for reviewing commercial or industrial development. Site plan review will look at things like adherence to Town policies and code, safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, storm water drainage, protection of historic and natural environments, impacts on infrastructure such as water and sewer, landscaping and screening, and adequacy of parking among other things.

If site plan review is enacted, a DRB is needed to streamline the permit process. Currently, the Town has a Planning Commission and a Zoning Board of Adjustment. Without a DRB, site plan approval is handled by the Planning Commission. Most projects requiring site plan review are also conditional uses, which requires a trip to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. In most cases, without a DRB a project would have to be presented to two different boards for local permits, complicating the approval process.

If a DRB is created, the Zoning Board of Adjustment would cease to exist. The DRB would take over all functions of the Zoning Board and the Planning Commission's subdivision approval duty. As a result, a DRB will review site plans and issue conditional use permits. A proposed project would only have to go to one board for most of their local permits. Another advantage of utilizing a DRB is the zoning bylaw and town plan should never be outdated again since the Planning Commission's primary function will be constant review and updates as necessary.

The new bylaw cleans up outdated regulations that for one reason or another had been rendered useless or in some cases illegal. One example is regulating mobile homes apart from other types of housing. The new bylaw also incorporates new provisions required by permit reform enacted by the Legislature a few years ago.

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TAXES DUE!

The third installment of property taxes and the second installment of sewer use taxes are due Thursday, February 15. The mail must bear the postmark of February 15 to avoid penalties.

Summer Jobs For Students

What better way is there for students to get their sanity back after a year of analyzing 16th Century English Poetry, diagraming the make-up of Aluminum Chloride, and trying to stay awake during Accounting 101, than to work for the Barre Town Public Works Department this summer?

Just like in years past, 6 positions will be available to high school and college students home during the summer. The openings will be filled during the spring, and work will begin upon return to Barre Town from college.

Three of the 6 employees will work with the DPW crew on many different types of work, including: traffic control, road work, and ditching. Two seasonal employees are assigned to school bus detailing. (Since the start of this work is in connection to the Barre Town school calendar, these positions may be suited for high school students.) The last position is for an equipment reconditioner (cleaning, sanding, painting) for the Town's trucks and large equipment.

There are many advantages for

students to work with the Barre Town DPW. First of all, working close to home saves gas money and increases net financial gain from work. Also, the DPW work offers the benefits of staying in shape through manual labor and the ability to get a nice tan while working outdoors. DPW hours are 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Therefore, late afternoon, evenings, and weekends are always kept free. The work environment is positive, and there is an opportunity to learn about public works projects from the ground up. And finally, competitive seasonal wages are paid, with a bonus of up to \$700 awarded for good attendance. This money can go a long way towards paying for college or, maybe, even being able to take a date out every now and again!

Please note that students who are away at college can interview over the phone, and Town residency is not required. Call 479-9331 or email jcolangelo@barretown.org for more information and/or an application.

- Joe Colangelo, Management Intern

License Your Dog for 2007



Vermont law (20 VSA Sections 3541-3591, 3801-3813) requires all dogs and wolf/hybrids to be

licensed annually in the Town in which the pet resides. The deadline to license is April 1.

To better assist Town residents, the Town Clerk's Office will be renewing dog licenses by mail. The renewal dog licenses were mailed the week of January 22.

How does the license by mail

program work? All dog owners who licensed their pet in Barre Town last calendar year (2006), and have a current rabies certificate (one that does not expire before March 15, 2007) on file in the Clerk's Office, will receive a renewal license by mail. The pet owner will verify/correct the information on the renewal license, sign the form, detach it from the envelope at the perforation, and return it to the Town Clerk's Office in the self-addressed envelope along with a check or money order for the license fee. The Clerk's Office, upon receipt of the envelope, will validate the license, issue a tag, and return the license and tag to the pet owner by mail.

What if my dog's rabies certificate has expired? Pet owners who licensed their dog last calendar year (2006), and do not have a current rabies certificate on file in the Clerk's Office, will be sent a reminder postcard informing them their pet will require a rabies shot before it can be licensed.

License Fees

Neutered/Spayed dogs = \$8.00

Open dogs = \$12.00

Dog licenses obtained after April 1 are subject to a 50% penalty. For more information, contact the Town Clerk's Office at 479-9391 or visit the web site at www.barretown.org.

- Donna Kelly, Town Clerk

Town Reports

The 2005-2006 Town Reports have not been published yet because of a delay in receiving the final audit from our contracted auditor. If received by the end of January as they predict, Town Reports should be available by mid- February.

Zoning Re-Write Taking Shape *(cont'd. from page 1)*

The proposed bylaw and accompanying zoning map will have 4 types of residential zones instead of 3 in the current ordinance. The new bylaw features 4 commercial-type zones instead of one, and 2 industrial-type zones instead of one. It is hard to calculate, but it appears less than 10% of the total land area will be rezoned from one zone category to another (for example, residential to commercial, or commercial to residential).

Other new proposals in the bylaws are limitations on the outdoor storage of portable storage containers, campers and recreational vehicles, private motor vehicle sales, and vehicles being used for storing "stuff". The Planning Commission's draft includes new language controlling development on steep slopes, near surface waters or wetlands, and the cutting and filling of land. Included in the new bylaw is an acknowledgment of the fact we have numerous home-based businesses (not to be confused with home occupations) in which businesses such as plumbers, carpenters, electricians, and painters are run from the home even though little, if any, of the actual work is done at home.

Finally, the proposed bylaw adopts new floodplain development regulations (which is required), enhances our already existing planned unit development standards and, hopefully, makes the entire zoning permit process easier to understand. The draft also offers a new method of enforcement. These are only highlights of changes being made; much of the document is driven by required regulations.

The upcoming public hearings are the public's time to provide the Planning Commission with guidance. Upon completion of the public hearings by the Planning Commission, the entire document will be turned over to the Selectboard for another round of public hearings. Unless challenged by 5% of registered voters, adoption by the Selectboard will enact whatever the final draft looks like.

- Chris Violette, Zoning Administrator

Animal Control Officer

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Newton Blaisdell as the Town of Barre's new Animal Control Officer. Newton comes from Williamstown where he is currently the ACO for them as well. He has a lot of experience in the handling of animals and as an ACO.

Newton will be available to respond to animal nuisances throughout Barre Town. He is attached to the Police Department and supervised by the Chief of Police.

For residents who are having animal nuisances occur in your neighborhoods, call the Barre Town Police Department at 479-0509 to contact an officer, who will forward the call to the Animal Control Officer.

- Chief Michael Stevens

Learn About Town Budgets



Reading and discussing several hundred pages filled with row after row of budget accounts can be mind-numbing. Stepping into a voting booth with a ballot asking for a yea or nay vote on \$2 million plus budgets can be overwhelming. The annual Citizen's Budget Tour allows the Budget Committee and Town residents to see and hear where and how the Town's money is spent, making their responsibilities a little easier.

This year the Budget Tour is on Saturday, February 17. Participants meet at the Municipal Building between 8:00-8:30 a.m. The tour begins at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is given a tour booklet. The booklet offers a description of all major facilities and details of how every department operates. The write-up provides news about very recent projects or programs, what is requested or proposed in the FY '08 budget and, in some cases, future budget needs. (The tour booklet is attached to the budget booklet released before budget voting in May.)

Department heads greet citizens and committee members at every facility -- fire stations, DPW garage and shop, and EMS station. Transportation is provided. Typically, the department head briefly presents or explains a request in his/her budget. Most of the time, however, is devoted to touring the facility and answering questions. The exchange between department heads and the attendees is most helpful.

The public is welcomed and encouraged to join the Budget Committee on the very informative tour. Children accompanied by a responsible adult are welcomed. In fact, school students find the tour very interesting. Voters, if you'd like to be informed before entering the voting booth, spend a Saturday morning with the Budget Committee. You are sure to gain some context for casting your next budget ballot.

For more information, contact the Town Manager's Office at 479-9331 or email offices@barretown.org, subject: Budget Tour.

2007 ELECTION UPDATE



Annual School Elections:

The annual school elections for Barre Town Middle & Elementary School and Spaulding Union High School will be held on Tuesday, March 6. Barre Town residents will cast their votes at the Barre Town Elementary School gymnasium by Australian ballot from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Individuals with disabilities please note that valet parking/ voting is available. Do not hesitate to contact the Town Clerk for more information or to make arrangements for your special needs.

Articles being voted on include electing School Board Directors and the FY 2007-2008 school budgets. Early voting ballots for this election will be available the week of February 9. To request a ballot, contact the Town Clerk's Office at 479-9331, mail your written request, or email dkelty@barretown.org. A sample ballot will be posted under the Announcements section of the Barre Town web site (www.barretown.org).

The deadline to register to vote for the school election is Noon on Monday, February 26. The Board of Civil Authority will be meeting on Tuesday, February 27 at 6:30 p.m. to update the checklist to be used at the March 6 meeting.

Annual Town Meeting:

The Town of Barre annual meetings will be held on Monday, May 7 (open meeting) and Tuesday, May 8 (Australian ballot). Some of the articles being voted on during the two Town Meetings will include setting tax due dates, the election of Town officers, municipal budgets, and not-for-profit requests. Deadline for petitions for Town officers (Selectboard, Town Auditor, Town Constable, and Town Moderator) is Monday, April 2. Detailed Town Meeting information will be available in the next issue of the newsletter.

For up-to-the minute election news, call the Town Clerk's Office at 479-9391 or our web site at www.barretown.org.

Municipal Budget Preparation & Review

Review of the Town Manager's recommended FY '08 budgets began on Tuesday, January 30. Much work is completed well before the first Budget Committee meeting, however.

In September, the management staff started assembling 5-year plans for road projects, equipment purchases, and building improvements. In December, the Selectboard recruited Budget Committee members and in early January elected its two appointees. This year, the Board appointed Val Vallerand and Gordon Booth. Town Clerk-Treasurer Donna Kelty appointed Jeff Newton. Those 3 members then named Jeff Blow and Barry Stryker to the committee.

The committee (the Selectboard and 5 citizens) will meet every Tuesday night from 6:30-8:00 p.m. until the end of March, when the Selectboard must adopt a budget to be submitted to the voters. The public is more than welcomed to attend the budget sessions that are held in the Municipal Building.

Budgets for all operating funds -- General, Highway, Sewer, Sewer Capital Improvement, Water, Equipment, Bus, Ambulance, Cemetery, and Building -- are reviewed. At the end of the process, the Committee votes

on changes to the Town Manager's budgets. All 10 fund budgets are then forwarded to the Selectboard for its final decision. The General Fund and the Highway Fund budgets are presented to the voters for approval.

To aid their decision making, the Committee visits all major facilities and all departments on the Budget Tour. See article on page 3 for more information.



Home Repair Help

The Central VT Community Land Trust (CVCLT) recently was awarded a VT Community Development grant from the VT Department of Housing & Community Affairs. The grant will fund the CVCLT's Green Mountain Loan Fund program, a regional revolving loan program for housing rehabilitation. The loan program will assist low and moderate income homeowners maintain safe, decent, and affordable housing by offering affordable loans and technical assistance. Homeowners may be able to complete projects for critical health and safety upgrades, weatherization, lead abatement, and access modification.

Barre Town first participated in housing rehabilitation programs in the early 1980s. Since the first programs

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were offered; dozens of Barre Town homeowners have benefited from the programs. Homeowners with repair needs should contact the CVCLT's Clarence Davis at 476-4493, ext. 212 or cdavis@cvclt.org for additional information about income and project eligibility. A new furnace, better energy-efficient windows, or a new electrical system (to name a few projects) could make a dramatic difference in a homeowner's quality of life and in their checkbook. Contact Mr. Davis for more information or tell a friend who might need the assistance.

Management Academy



Mike Martel (*on right*), of the Barre Town Public Works Department, is shown with DPW Superintendent Steve Blondin. Martel was recognized on November 29 for completing requirements of the Management Academy sponsored by the VT Local Roads Program at St. Michael's College in Colchester.

According to Sally Callopy, Co-Director of the VT Local Roads Program, "The Management Academy was created in response to many requests by supervisors and other municipal leaders for training and education."

From January through October, Mike (along with 19 other graduates from 16 Vermont communities and the AOT) participated in ten full-day workshops that focused on a variety of management and leadership skills. Topics for the Management Academy included Vermont State Road Law, Developing Policies & Ordinances, Supervision, Management of a Highway Department, Creating a Culture of Safety, Setting Goals & Objectives, Developing Teamwork, Personnel Policies, Effective Communication, and Making Effective Presentations.

The VT Local Roads Program is one of the 57 centers sponsored by the Federal Highway Administration's Local Technical Assistance Program and the Vermont Agency of Transportation.

Winter Co-Ed Softball Tournament



The crack of the bat, the smell of pine tar, the roar of the crowd, and ... freezing temperatures? Yes, that's right folks! Get those arms loosened up for

the annual Central Vermont Winter Co-Ed Softball Tournament. This year's double elimination tournament will be held at the Barre Town recreational fields on March 2, 3, and 4.

Since 1999 the Bresette family has been organizing the tournament to raise money for families who have had a child diagnosed with a terminal cancer. The first year, 10 teams participated raising \$1,000. The tournament has grown steadily each year and is now an official part of wintertime in Vermont. Last year 54 teams raised nearly \$30,000. The registration deadline for this year's tournament is February 24, and there is no limit on the amount of teams that can sign up (\$200/team entry fee).

Proceeds from this year's tournament will go to support Taylor Thompson. "Tay" is a local 14 year old girl who has recently been diagnosed with leukemia. Because of her illness, she has not been able to complete her first year at U-32 and is being home-schooled. Already this year, with the assistance of numerous area businesses and community members, the Bresette family has been able to surprise Tay with a laptop computer and an iPod for Christmas.

The tournament is geared for the entire family and participants will enjoy heated tents, an outdoor fire, raffle prizes, hot food, and face painting. Also, with uniforms consisting of snow pants, hats, and mittens; traffic cones substituting for bases; the use of painted red balls that do not disappear in the snow; and one pitch at bats, the tournament offers a fun and unique twist on softball.

As part of the softball tournament's kick off, there will be a pork roast dinner, dance, and raffle held at the Elks Club in Barre City starting at 6 p.m. on February 24. Tickets for the event are \$15 per person.

So come out in support of Taylor and her family, and have a great time enjoying winter softball in Vermont. And who knows: If you can field a ground ball at 3rd base and actually put the ball in play with a runner in scoring position, maybe the Yankees will sign you up for spring training!

Visit www.freezingfunforfamilies.com or call Cass Bresette at 476-6599 for more information on the tournament or Elks Club Dance.

- Joe Colangelo, Management Intern

2007 Tax Changes to Homeowners

This year, the State of Vermont is unveiling the HS-122 Declaration of Vermont Homestead and Property Tax Adjustment Claim form. This form replaces the HS-131, HS-138, and HS-139. All resident homeowners must complete the Declaration Of Vermont Homestead portion of the new HS-122 form and then sign their name in Part 2. If you are applying for property tax adjustment, you must complete all parts of the HS-122 form and attach the Household Income Form HI-144. The HS-122 is due April 17, 2007 (along with the HI-144 if you are applying for a property tax adjustment).

Also, it should be noted that this year the State pays the adjustment to Vermont resident homeowners' property taxes directly to the Town. (In previous years, homeowners filed one form for a prebate and another form for a property tax rebate.) Barre Town will use the adjustment as a credit toward the 2007-08 property tax bill and send the homeowner a property tax bill for the balance due. Homeowners should expect to receive notification of the credit amount in a letter from the Vermont Department of Taxes.

- Joe Colangelo, Management Intern

New Deputy Health Officer

The Selectboard recently appointed Ron Rupp to the position of Deputy Health Officer. Ron will work with Town Health Officer Sam Hutchins to enforce the State's rental housing code by responding to tenants' complaints, inspecting their apartment or house for violations, and, if needed, ordering the property owner to take corrective action.

Ron's background will make him an instant asset for Barre Town residents. He is currently the Director of the State of Vermont's Lead Hazard Reduction Program. He also serves on the VT Housing & Conservation Board, coordinates and gives training to landlords on Vermont's Lead Paint Law, and is a licensed lead and risk inspector.

Ron is looking forward to aiding the community with his knowledge and time. "I have been a resident of Barre Town for 11 years now and I have been looking for a way to help out the community. The Deputy Health Officer position is a good fit for me because of my background and experience," stated Mr. Rupp.

Ron graduated from Princeton University and resides in South Barre with his wife, Leslie Cadwell.

- Joe Colangelo, Management Intern

Leash Law



In November, Barre Town residents (by an overwhelming majority) voted in favor of the Town adopting a dog leash law. At their meeting on January 16, the Selectboard was presented with a draft leash law from the Town Manager.

The leash ordinance proposed for Barre Town is modeled from the ordinance used by the City of Burlington. The basic spirit of the ordinance is that a dog is not allowed to be off a leash at any time unless under the following circumstances: (1) the dog is on the premises of the dog's owner; (2) the dog is on the premise of the person whose control the dog is under; (3) the dog is on the premise of another person as long as that person has given permission for the dog to be at-large; (4) the dog is in an area designated by the Selectboard for dogs to be at-large.

The new ordinance is still in its infancy, and there will be public hearings in the near future. Residents interested in the dog leash law should pay close attention to the Selectboard's agendas in the coming weeks. Call 479-9331 for more information on the status of this ordinance.

- Joe Colangelo, Management Intern

Board Meeting Dates

Selectboard	Jan.-May, Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. June-Dec., every other Tues. @ 7:00 p.m. Staff Contact: Carl Rogers (479-9331)
Zoning Board	3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. Staff Contact: Chris Violette (479-2595)
Planning Board	2nd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. Staff Contact: Chris Violette (479-2595)
Recreation Board..	2nd Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m. Staff Contact: Don Gainey (883-5415)
Cemetery Board ...	4th Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m. Staff Contact: Don Gainey (883-5415)
Traffic Safety	3rd Wednesday @ 7:00 p.m. Staff Contact: Harry Hinrichsen (479-2595)

OFFICE HELPER NEEDED

An office helper who would help with copying, filing, and mailing 4 hours per week is needed. Days and times are flexible. Applications from retirees and high school students are welcomed. For an application, contact Diane at 479-9331 or email offices@barretown.org, subject line: Office Helper.

Project Updates

- **Websterville-Graniteville Sidewalks:** Temporary easements and rights-of-way are secured from all Graniteville property owners affected. Acquisition of temporary easements and ROWs from L. Websterville owners is well underway with 2/3 signed. When all 14 Websterville easements and ROWs are secured, the ROW certificate and final construction plans and documents will be submitted to the VT Agency of Transportation for approval. Everyone involved is pushing to release this project for bidding in late February or March, an optimum time to seek bids. Construction will be required this season (2007). The Transportation Enhancement grant project (requiring a 20% local match) will provide granite curbing and sidewalk in L. Graniteville from the post office to McLeod Hill Rd. In L. Websterville, a 5' wide concrete sidewalk, set back at least 5' from the edge of the road, will be built from the school to the Town Office. Curbing will not be built except near Hebert Drive.
- **East Barre Sidewalks:** Barre Town was awarded a Transportation Enhancement grant to construct sidewalks between the post office and Rt. 110/Mill St. intersection. On January 18, proposals for municipal project manager (MPM) services were received from Kevin Russell and Lamoureux & Dickinson. Town staff and invited guests will recommend one of the consultants to the Selectboard soon. Town staff and State grant administrators soon will execute the cooperative agreement (CA) for the grant. The MPM's first task will be soliciting proposals for the consulting design engineer this summer if all goes well with the CA. Notice of public meetings will be given in the summer of 2007. Construction activity will not occur until late in the 2008 construction season at the earliest.
- **Quarry Hill Road Culvert:** With 80% grant funding through AOT's Structures Program, the Town is contracting to repair a 60" culvert under the lower end of Quarry Hill Road. Bids are due March 1, and the project completion date is July 16, 2007. The road will not be disturbed, but the work probably will require closing one lane of traffic.
- **Rt. 14/Bridge Street/Sterling Hill Road:** The State's project team continues to work on this project. Right-of-way plans are complete, and property owner meetings will commence soon. Very few owners at and near the intersection will be effected by the project, which will lower the hill near Christie Street, install a traffic signal, and add left-turn lanes for both directions on Rt. 14. Construction is not expected until 2009. No local funding is required.

Lawn Waste Volunteers Sought

This winter a resident told the Selectboard he greatly appreciated the lawn waste site and missed using it during the week. He asked the Selectboard if volunteers could monitor the site to keep it open more often, especially on weekdays; he offered his help.

The lawn waste site on Holden Road in Graniteville was closed last summer, except Saturday mornings, because of excessive illegal dumping. Late last summer, Wednesday afternoon hours were added when a Cemetery crew worker could be spared. The site was used steadily during the mid-week hours. The illegal dumping ended after monitors were assigned to the site, but many residents expressed their dismay that the site was not available sunrise to sunset 7 days per week.

Following up on the resident's suggestion, the Town is seeking volunteers willing to monitor the site for a minimum of 2 hours at a time. To make the service work well, the site must be open during advertised hours; a primary and a back-up monitor are needed for all hours the site will be open.

Contact the Town Manager's Office at 479-9331 or email offices@barretown.org (subject line: Lawn Waste) to volunteer or to ask questions.

Boards & Commissions Summary

- PLANNING COMMISSION** (*M. Nicholson, H. Miller, C. Thygesen, C. Sanborn, T. Ackerman, E. Bancroft, Jr., M. Day*)
December 2006: Approved request by G. Booth for 2-lot subdivision on Allen St.; denied request by A. Morse & W. Stacey for allowed use determination on Wilmuth St.
January 2007: Approved request by P. Couture for 10-lot subdivision (Millstone Woods) on Websterville Rd.
- ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** (*P. Malone, P. Badger, R. Jensen, M. Reaves, M. Gallo*)
November 2006: Denied request by T. Booth for waiver of relief on So. Barre Rd.; approved request by T. Booth for variance of Art. IV, Sec. 4.7, on So. Barre Rd.
December 2006: Approved request by D. Goslant for expansion of a non-conforming use on Middle Rd.
January 2007: No meeting.
- TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE** (*D. Newhall, P. White, J. Blow, D. Allen, C. Liese*)
November 2006: Recommended "No Outlet" on Isabelle Rd. and Breer Rd.
December 2006: Recommended sign package on Taplin Rd. to inc. advanced curve warning, reduced speed ahead, 3 or 4 chevron signs in both directions to guide motorists thru curves.
January 2007: Recommended Town do cost analysis for possible reconstruction on Taplin Rd.; recommended installing "Yield to Thru Traffic" on Beckley Hill/Taplin Rd. intersection.



Reminders About Living With Wildlife

Winter arrived the week of January 15 with below 0° temperatures. Chances are, by the time your eyes pass over this article, winter will be entrenched. Feeding birds now is kindhearted and heart warming. Be aware, though, that in the spring the bird feeder is a favorite target of vandals called black bear. It is suggested birdfeeders be removed, cleaned, and stored inside when spring comes. If you prefer to continue feeding birds, remove the feeder at night when bear are most active.

Other wildlife would like to snack on your pet rather than seeds. Coyotes, foxes, fisher cats, and great horned owls are not uncommon in Barre Town. These predators will steal your small pet, especially at night. It is recommended small pets be kept inside at night.

Rabies cases may flare up in concentrated locations most any time. A high number of rabies cases rolls through the region every few years. State law requires every dog have a current rabies certificate. Cats should be vaccinated also. Any dog or cat could have fatal contact with a rabid skunk, raccoon, bat, or fox. Your pet may never have had contact with a wild animal, but rabid wildlife doesn't behave like healthy animals. Rabid wildlife may approach a barking dog or wander into a barn, garage, or basement.

Unwelcome and sometimes destructive visits from wildlife can be reduced through minor adaptations in a homeowner's routine. Trash should be stored inside in a container with a secured lid. Garage, shed, and barn doors should be closed at night. Compost piles should be in secured bins. Pet food should not be left out overnight. After a party or picnic, don't leave food or drinks out over night.

Barre Town is fortunate its landscape supports many species of wildlife, even large mammals like moose, deer, bear, and coyotes. Exercise some precautions so your wildlife experience is enjoyable, not destructive.

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