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Mayor's Newton Update



Voting and Weather

The forecast for tomorrow (which is also the Override Election Day) in Newton is still uncertain. The latest information calls for rain to continue overnight and turning to wet, heavy snow sometime during the day or early evening tomorrow along with high winds. Snow predictions from MEMA appear to show a 90% chance of 2 inches and a 10% chance of 10 inches, depending on when the changeover from rain to snow occurs.

For those planning to vote in person, the best bet suggests going to the polls early in the day.

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. tomorrow, March 14.

Should the Newton Public Schools have an early dismissal, City Clerk Carol Moore says that all polling locations, including those in school buildings, will remain open.

If you lose power, please call Eversource at 1-800-592-2000 or contact them online <u>here</u>. (Eversource also has a mobile app, Eversource Energy, that can be downloaded for free from Google Play or the App Store.)

If you see a downed power line or pole, please report it to Eversource at 800-592-2000 and stay away from the hazard until officials make the area safe for everyone.

In an emergency, call 911.

I'm on a Zoom call at 4:00 a.m. with several department heads and Interim School Superintendent Kathy Smith. Check newtonma.gov in the morning for any program or service impacts that may be necessary as the forecast comes into better focus.

In true New England fashion, we'll soon be back to spring with temperatures in the 40s and 50s on Wednesday and Thursday.

Warmly,

Ruthanne

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