

# Bayou Drive affected by water table location

## CITY COUNCIL: FROM 1

I'm more than willing, because we do need to reline our sewer line there. I mean, it needs it."

Henningsen stated to city officials, while showing televised video of the homeowner's sewer lines, that the water has mowed here to go because of how the homes were built and their lines were constructed quite some time ago.

"We've been fighting it for 50 years," said Council member Jake Johnson.

Henningsen cut right to the chase when describing what is taking place at those residences.

"The problem is over at that area, that's a swamp over there. The water table is two feet down in that area. If our pipe is not sealed it's going to have water sitting in it at all times," he said. "So, if you look at the main, the main has this much water sitting in it at all times. When you add that, plus rain and everyone's connections that are hooked up - we're going to back up there.

"For us to take in that amount of water that's bringing it in, it's gotta be a combination system and we can't do that."

Henningsen has been in contact with at least one of the homeowners after he was alerted by a plumber about a potential problem with one of the illegal hookups.

"We need to have them dig it up. I don't know what our legal recourse is. These are all their private lines that are connected. Like I told one of the homeowners, that yelled at me and called me names, even if I were to completely line that pipe, it would not fix the problem. We would still be flooding and it'd be wasting our money," said Henningsen.

Henningsen described the dilemma in more detail.

"Whatever's the easiest on the homeowner," said Henningsen. "That water's going somewhere and it's going to have to go somewhere. So now, what's their option? If they can't dump their footings into the sanitation sewer, where are they going to dump their footings to? I don't know."

"Unfortunately, these people bought these houses and they weren't aware of this. If you buy a house, get an inspection on your sewer line," said Henningsen.

Johnson was fairly clear on where the city stands concerning the issue.

"It's their lines, not ours. They have illegal hookups in their utility line coming out of the house to our main is the problem," said Johnson. "We have to give them time to fix it and if they don't, we'll probably have to get a warrant and do it by special assessment - go on their property to fix it."

"We're going to cite the state law that they're illegally doing this and give them a timeframe to get it fixed and if it's not

fixed, it will be done by the city and assessed to them," said Johnson.

Nashua City Attorney David Skilton gave his two cents worth about how to proceed in order to come up with a viable solution.

"Give the property owner the chance to agree or disagree and to give them the option, do you want to fix it or do you want the city to fix it? That's what I would like to do," said Skilton.

Johnson said in prior talks with the homeowners, they seemed receptive to fixing their lines if it was indeed their fault. Now he's not so sure about that anymore.

"They're well aware of what's going on and we've discussed this with them multiple times. They're all in agreement that we were going to get 'em cameraed. From what I remember, they all said if it's our problem, then we'll get it fixed," said Johnson. "It doesn't sound like that's the case anymore."

Henningsen said he would reach out to a structural engineer to get an idea of what the cost would be to repair the lines at each of the houses involved. There will also be a letter sent by the city to each of the residences that were flagged as having illegal hookups. Those homeowners will also get an opportunity to view video of those lines.

Nate Sinnwell of the Nashua Park Board addressed the Council and stated that Scott Van Gorp is interested in possibly taking over as board president. Sinnwell is still the president and stated the board will be assigning other positions and roles within the group as well.

Nashua Fire Chief Tom Johnson also asked the Council about how to move forward with the proposed expansion at the fire station. He said the fire department has received bids on that construction plan and they all have an expiration date. There was also a question as to whether or not the city would be heading up the project or the Nashua Volunteer Firefighter Association.

A 4-0 vote - Council member Teresa Tobin was absent - approved the amended demolition contract with Lansing Brothers to tear down buildings on Main St.

Council members unanimously voted to approve the building inspections for 307, 310, and 317 Main Street. A mold and asbestos inspection, as well as a smoke test, was also passed after a 4-0 vote by city officials for 307 Main St. The Council approved to use some of the 5-2-1-0 grant funds for a basketball hoop at Pa's Playground.

Nashua City Clerk John Ott reminded those in attendance that there will be a public hearing on the proposed tax levy rate this coming Tuesday at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

# Huskies' coach likes her team's depth, versatility

## GIRLS TRACK: FROM 12

the 55 dash in 8:33 and definitely sports plenty of talent that will help the Huskies climb the ladder of the team standings.

"Jayla is a good one to have back on the team. She will have a good dynamic for us with sprinting. We're excited to see what the season holds for her!" said McCall.

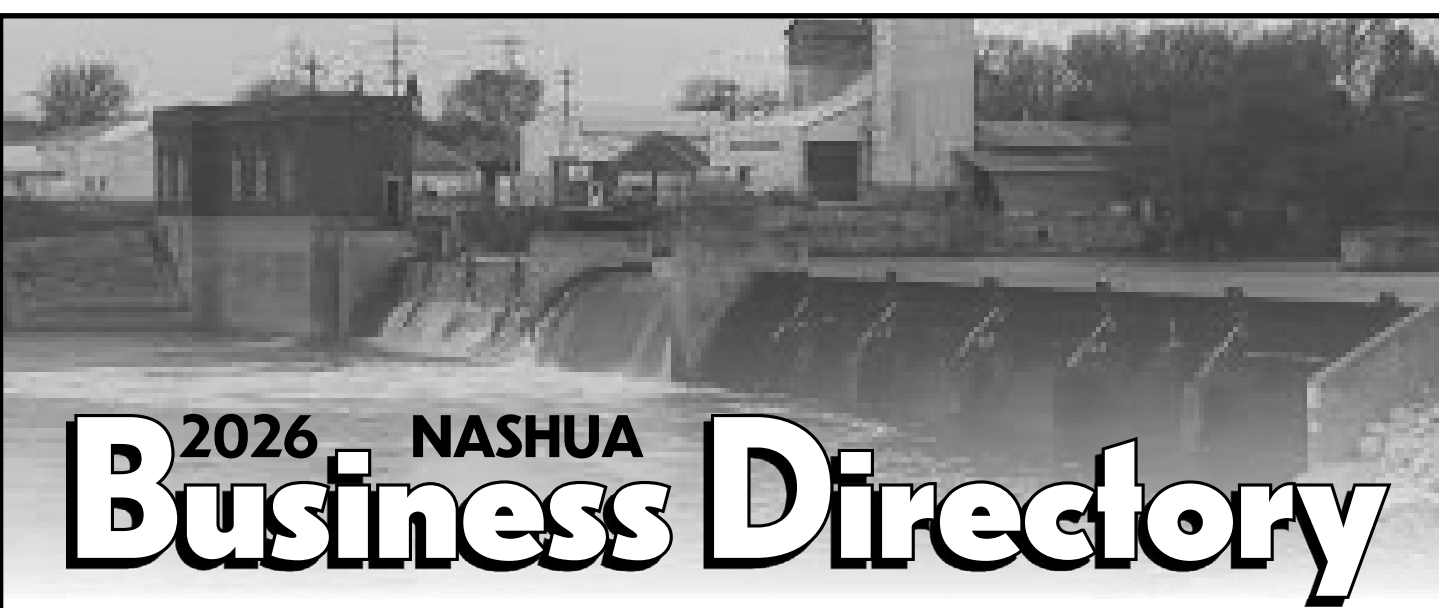
While N-P finished third in the 4x800 with the team of Rachel Paplow (senior), Kalvig, Lydia Chester (freshman) and Ellie Sudol (freshman), there was a mix up with a number of teams, including N-P. The second leg of runners only ran three laps around the track - as opposed to the required four around the short indoor track - so the times are not accurate in that event. Nonetheless, N-P's time was 11:33.

N-P senior Eden Lamborn - who competed in the state meet in the shot put as a sophomore in 2024 - finished 11th in that event with a toss of 30-4.

Sudol placed 12th in the 800 run in 2:56 and Ava Schmitt crossed the finish line in the 16th slot in the 55-meter hurdle prelims.

"We're really excited for this group of ladies this season. I feel like we have a lot of depth and a core group that are versatile," said the N-P head coach.

**NASHUA-PLAINFIELD RESULTS**  
55 dash prelims - 15. Jayla Patten 8.33, 26. Jalissa White 8.74.  
55 hurdles prelims - 16. Ava Schmitt 10.49.  
200 dash - 19. Lyla Burrichter 30.52, 28. Harley Wayne 32.67.  
400 dash - 3. Kelly Cerwinske 1:05.78, 24. Lydia Chester 1:18.2.  
800 run - 12. Ellie Sudol 2:56.63, 16. Rachel Paplow 3:04.87.  
1,500 run - 21. Natalie Feldman 7:05.83, 22. Allison Miller 7:09.58.  
High jump - 7. Elizabeth Kalvig 4-8.  
Long jump - 4. Cerwinske 14-8.  
25, 20. Eva Foelske 12-9.  
Shot put - 11. Eden Lamborn 30-4, 24. Chloe Fundermann 26-10.  
4x200 - 12. Mia Schmitt, Foelske, Ava Schmitt, White 2:04.31.  
4x400 - 8. Foelske, M. Schmitt, Kalvig, Cerwinske 4:43.15.  
4x800 - 3. Rachel Paplow, Kalvig, Chester, Sudol 11:33.51.



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