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Monthly Report
August 2017

23 Building permits were issued for the month of August 2017 in comparison to 26 issued in August 2016.

Total permits issued January 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017: 172
Approximate valuation = \$12,117,683.15

Total permits issued January 1, 2016 to August 31, 2016: 163
Approximate valuation = \$12,635,728.62

Building permits issued for the month of August 2017 consisted of the following:

Residential

- 2 Raze**
- 3 Shed**
- 1 Porch & Deck**
- 1 Solar Panels**
- 2 New Residence**
- 1 Shed Roof**
- 1 Remodel**
- 3 New Residence & Garage**
- 1 Walkway & Stairs**
- 1 Addition**
- 2 Deck Remodel**
- 1 New Residential Mobile Home**
- 3 Garage**
- 1 Deck**

17 Plumbing Permits were issued for August 2017 (This includes internal and external permits)

Building permits issued for the month of August 2016 consisted of the following:

Residential

4 Remodel to Existing Residential Structures

1 Raze & New shed

8 new Residential Structure

1 Garages

2 Decks

3 remodel of Deck

1 razing

1 Shed Roof

2 Storage Buildings

1 Addition

1 Shed

1 New Residential Structure and Remodel

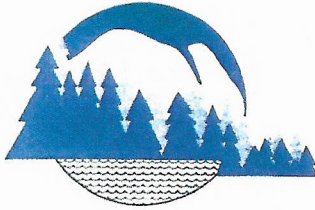
9 Plumbing Permits were issued for August 2016. (This includes internal and external permits)

All Ordinances and Regulations are available on the Town of Bridgton website at www.bridgtonmaine.org

I am in the office Monday – Friday 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. (unless I am fishing) or out performing necessary inspections. If I am not available, please feel free to speak with Brenda or Georgiann.

Respectfully submitted,

Rob Baker, CEO



Town of BRIDGTON, Maine
Department of Town Clerk

Laurie L. Chadbourne, Town Clerk
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MONTHLY REPORT
August 2017

General Assistance

Five (5) general assistance applications were processed during the month of August.

Miscellaneous Transactions

The following transactions were processed through the Town Clerk's Office and reported to the State of Maine for the month of August:

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| M.O.S.E.S. (recreation vehicles/hunting and fishing licenses) | 84 |
| Dog Licenses = 7 / Kennel License = 0 | 7 |
| Vital Records: Birth Certificates = 40 Marriage Licenses = 7 Marriage Certificates = 22 Death Certificates = 25 Burial Permits = 6 | 100 |
| Concealed Weapons Permits | 0 |
| Motor Vehicle Registrations | 590 |

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie

Laurie L. Chadbourne
Town Clerk

Summer Rec Rocks The Summer!



Upcoming Events

9/4

Fall Sports Season Begins

9/5

Adult Flag Football Begins

9/11

Bridgton Town Hall Reopens

9/14

Karate Begins @ SBES

9/16

Soccer Season Begins

10/2

BOKS Program

Mad Science Starts @ SBES

Some of the best memories adults remember from their childhood happened during the summer! Bridgton Summer Rec Camp was no exception. Running on its third year it was time for big changes. For the first time enrichment trips, Radkids, and a weekly hikes were all added to summer camp schedule and we were still able to keep our cost at just \$75 per week per child. The Rec Department would like to thank the Narragansett Number One Foundation, Knights of Columbus, Lake Region Lions Club, Bridgton Rotary, Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation, and to all of the people who made summer camp a success this year!

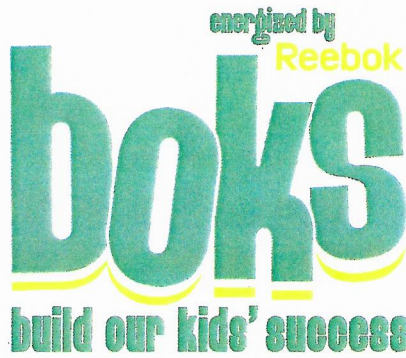
Camp had the opportunity to visit the USM Planetarium, Narrow Gauge Railroad, Pineland Farms, Bridgton Historic Society, Magic Lantern, Saco Valley Sports Center, and a weekly hike up Bald Pate.

We had just under eighty children participate in at least one week of the summer.

Karate is BACK!



Session 1 Starts 9/14



BOKS Rocks and Its Back

BOKS, founded by Kathleen Tullie, is powered by communities and empowers parents, teachers, schools and local volunteers to give kids a body and brain boost that will set them up for a day of learning.

A sedentary life and poor eating habits can lower kids' performance in the classroom and start a cycle of health problems later in life.

Studies show that kids who exercise see significant boosts in intelligence-test scores and core subjects at school, compared to their inactive peers.

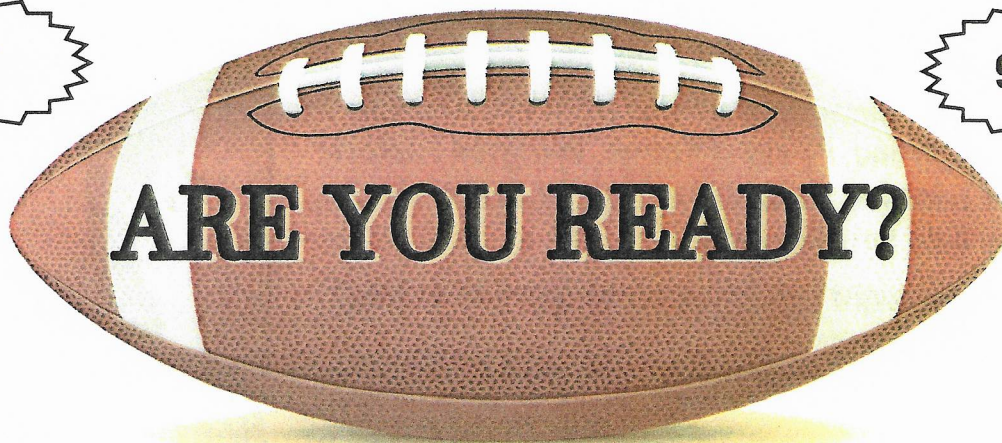
Starting October 2, 2017 at 7:15 AM Monday, Wednesday, Friday inside in the SBES Gym. Kat Harju will return as the Lead Instructor! Children are dropped off to the gym for free play, children then meet and warm up, participate in the running related activity, then learn the skill of the week, finally they will play an end of class game followed by a Cooldown.

This fall season the cost for this program is FREE! All you have to do is register for the program with one of our registration forms! The deadline is 9/28.

Adult Flag Football @ Harmon Field

6 PM

9/4/17



Bridgton Parks Upgrades Set For Septmeber

Approved at June 2017 Bridgton Town Meeting funds were raised to replace the Town Common Playground, Salmon Point Playground, as well as Harmon Field Playground. All are expected to be installed the week of September 11, 2017.



Swim Lessons A Success!

**Online Registration
is
Coming Soon!**

REGISTER ONLINE

Many people have asked about the option to register and pay online for rec programs. Bridgton currently offers a way to do it however it is not user friendly for Rec families at the moment. We are hopeful to start online registration this spring. This will make registering for all of our rec programs as simple as pushing a button. No more writing out the same info several times and no more worrying about getting out of work early to make it over to the Town Office. Of course that option will still always be available!



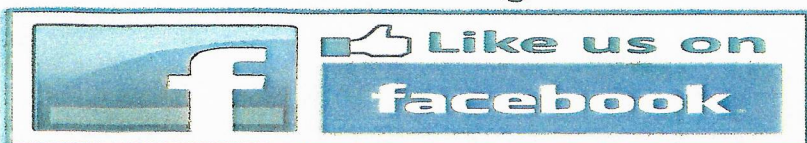
It was another successful year for swim lessons! There were close to 200 children who participated in Swim Lessons over the course of seven weeks this summer. Bridgton is surrounded by beautiful lakes, streams, and rivers. Understanding water safety is extremely important! Thank you to our Water Safety Instructors for a great year!

www.facebook.com/BridgtonRecreation

Q: What did the duck say to the comedian?



A: "You quack me up."



Love always,
**BRIDGTON
MAINE**

Bridgton's Own Tag Line

Bridgton revealed its new tag line and promotional video this past August. The Town hired Black Fly Media to create a marketing campaign to inspire its residents, encourage families to move to Bridgton, and attract businesses to locate to Bridgton! You can find the new Town of Bridgton Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/bridgontown>



Soccer Number Grow

Soccer has seen an increase in sign-ups! Registrations have declined over the last few years but its climbing back now. With the help of Facebook, The Bridgton News, and our website word was able to spread that registering for soccer is due before school starts to ensure teams receive their uniforms before the season.

August 30, was the opening of the soccer season. Lake Region Youth Soccer teamed up with Lake Region Boys and Girls Varsity Soccer Teams. Athletes had the opportunity to work with varsity coaches Pete Webb and Michael Chaine and their staff to build on their soccer skills, while Lake Region Youth Coaches worked to develop strong coaching practice plans through progressive skill development. It was a great start to the season!

Rec Director Notes

Summer is over but it is sure not a summer to be forgotten for a long time. There were some great moments during our summer programming. So many children learned to swim, some scored their first basketball shot or floor hockey goal. We made tie die t-shirts and blew up watermelons with rubber bands. We visited some great places and learned all about space, history of the railroad and Bridgton, and what farming is all about.

Summer is a great time to be a kid and I am so grateful I work in a career where I can be a kid for a little bit and paint wooden snakes to help the kids scare the staff, or blast the whole camp with water cannons during 'water warz'. Those kids love to get me back though. :)

I had a great time this summer and I hope all of the 75 children that came into camp did too!

I am already on to planning our Fall season. It is going to be a busy fun fall! We have so many programs starting up: Mad Science, Karate, Adult Flag Football, BOKS, Soccer, and do not forget there are adult programs always going on in the Bridgton Town Hall.

Respectfully,

Gary Colello, Recreation Director

PRE-K SOCCER IS A GO!!!

REGISTER NOW

Fee \$15.00 (includes t-shirt)

DEADLINE 9/15



BRIDGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT



Stephen P. Fay
Chief of Department

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September 1, 2017

August saw Bridgton Fire/Rescue respond to a total of 31 incidents. Two structure fires and unfortunately a fatal accident, all of which were mutual aid requests. We have continued to make progress and have started to discuss a formal Firefighter I training program for all new hires as well as an EMS First Responder program for the town.

Unfortunately Sabbatus Island remains closed to the public due to the Tornado which struck on July 1. This is a reminder as boaters may want to stop by the island for a quick visit or a small day trip. In the interest of safety to all we cannot stress enough how dangerous this is as there are many hanging branches, leaning trees, and other "widow" makers that are still in need of removal.

The replacement for North Station's Engine Co. # 5 was on schedule with the body refurbishment and paint along with a target date of August 11th for that segment of its completion. The date was pushed back when some other items were found that needed attention. Included were some additional compartment work, bumper work, and the battery boxes finished and sealed. We should have the truck here back in Bridgton on or about September 7th. The final phase will be lettering, numbering and graphics followed by qualification training and then putting the truck into service. The goal is two to three weeks.

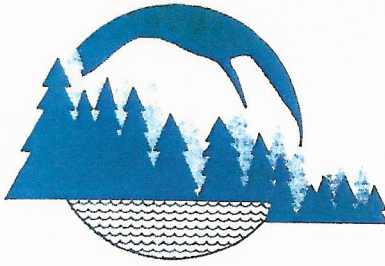
We are getting ready to install the replacement heater at Stations 4. The new heater has been purchased and is at the station. All the work will be done by Bridgton Fire Department members. Well drilling at West Station (Station # 6) should commence shortly and there is a plan to begin to modernize that structure the most pressing need there is a bathroom update with a shower. Tree trimming and removal is planned this fall for North Station along with some interior painting and kitchen upgrades.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen P. "Steve" Fay
Chief of Department

August Response Log:

Alarm system activation, no fire- unintentional: 5
Alarm system sounded due to malfunction: 1
Authorized controlled burning: 2
Animal rescue:
Arcing shorted electrical equipment:
Building Fire: 2
Brush or brush-and-grass mixture fire:
Chimney or flue fire confined:
Carbon Monoxide Incident:
Citizen complaint:
CO detector activation due to malfunction:
CO detector activation, no CO: 1
Cover assignment, standby move up:
Dispatched and cancelled en route: 1
Electrical wiring / equipment problem, other: 1
Explosion (no fire), other:
Extrication, rescue, other:
Gas leak (natural gas or LPG):
Hazardous condition, other: 1
Lock-in:
Lock-out:
Medical assist, assist EMS crew: 1
Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other: 1
Motor vehicle accident general cleanup:
Motor vehicle accident with injuries: 3
Motor vehicle accident no injuries: 3
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident (MV Ped):
Mutual aid: 2(BF) 1(CNX) 1(MVA)
No incident found on arrival at dispatch address: 1
Oil or other combustible liquid spill:
Passenger vehicle fire: 1
Power line down: 4
Public service assistance, other:
Removal of victim(s) from stalled elevator:
Search for person in water:
Severe weather or natural disaster, other:
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction:
Smoke scare, odor of smoke: 1
Special type incident, other: 1
Unauthorized burning:
Water and ice related rescue:
Water Problem:
Watercraft rescue: 1
Water or Steam leak:



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August Report



It is with pleasure that I submit the following report for the month of *August 2017*. The month of August is almost like a prelude to fall with hot days but as the end of the month draws near the days are shorter and the morning and evenings are cooler. Summer events are becoming less and less over the month as everyone prepares in one way or another for the inevitable...whether it be back to school, closing down camp or fitting in that last summer vacation

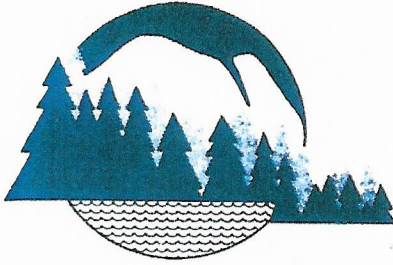
Municipal Building...the cubicle offices created in the downstairs room for the Fire Chief, Emergency Management Director and Wastewater Superintendent are beginning to be occupied with the offices taking on a finished look. Signs are being made to let the public know that there is now a separate entrance for the Fire Chief, EMA Director and Wastewater Superintendent.

Marketing and Branding...On Monday, August 21st, there was an event held at the Magic Lantern to unveil the intensive work that Black Fly Media did to “brand” and promote the Town of Bridgton with 160+ people registered for the event. Opening speeches were made by Bob A. Peabody Jr., Town Manager and Greg Watkins, Chair of the Select Board which migrated into a viewing of a promotion video on the big screen created by Black Fly Media (which is now available for viewing on our newly updated website at www.bridgtonmaine.org.) Diana Nelson, representative of Black Fly Media, concluded the event with a closing speech. All attendees got to leave with a “swag bag” which included a sticker and post cards. Our new slogan *Love Always, Bridgton Maine* was embraced by all in attendance. It was a gala event which left everyone wanting more!

Sabattis Island...received heavy damage during the July tornadoes. As a result the island was closed to the public until further notice. To get an assessment of the timber damage, Jim Kidder, Public Works Director, met with a registered forester regarding the damage. Throughout the inspection it was determined that much of the timber, along with the storm damage, is infested with the needle cast worm. Arrangements were made to have the timber selectively cut to remove the infected timber as well as clean up the damaged timber. The work has been completed and island is now open to the public. We plan on having the county workers in as soon as they are available to do a site clean-up and clear the walking trail around the island.

Till next month...

Respectfully submitted,
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Georgiann M. Fleck
Deputy Town Manager



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September 25, 2017

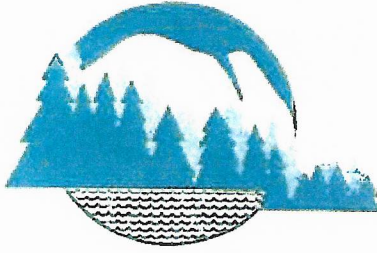
Monthly Report for August 2017

Community Development

- ✓ **Planning Board** – Summary of Comprehensive Plan project review checklist
- ✓ **Land Use & Zoning Committee** – LUZ direction established; Definitions combined
- ✓ **CDC Meetings**- employer survey created, list of all businesses 2017 created
- ✓ **Black Fly marketing & website launch- Community Development page revisions**
- ✓ **Community Development Block Grant**
 - ▲ Bridgton Community Center Roof project- Awarded
 - ▲ Main Street- Right-of-way Survey mapped
 - ▲ Main Street intersection – right-of-way survey awarded and completed
 - ▲ Lower Main Street Project scoped

- ✓ **Grants** – waste water problem research and documentation; MMA grant for office equipment; recreation facility and program funding research and application
- ✓ **Networking meetings with Bridgton Hospital regarding “medical center”; Rural Development regarding Wastewater treatment funding; DEP regarding project reviews; LCAN regarding affordable housing and other issues; presentation and discussion with Rotary.**
- ✓ **Geographic Information System (GIS)** – research and meetings regarding getting town system up and running.
- ✓ **Land Use & Development Ordinance** – developed project schedule and outlined districts

Submitted by: Audrey Knight



Town of Bridgton, Maine Finance Department

MONTHLY REPORT AUGUST 2017

As summer comes to an end, the cooler days and nights are evident and the leaves as you can see are starting to turn color in places. The Town's operating budget and Enterprise Budgets (Salmon Point Campground) and (Sewer) were posted along with the carry forwards requests. Part of the process of carry forwards is the list is compiled by the Town Manager and approved by the Board of Selectmen. After that is completed and the final accounts payable warrant has been issued for that fiscal year, I verify if there were funds remaining not only in that line item but the departmental budget as a whole.

On Monday, August 7, through Wednesday August 9, the field auditor from Berry Talbot Royer was on-site doing audit testing and other fieldwork. He may come again for a day in September but so far, things are moving along quite smoothly. This is the first fiscal year this firm is auditing so it may be a bit more complex and a learning curve for both parties.


We had our monthly department head meeting on August 15. Topics of discussion included the new release of the Town's web-site being developed by Mishmash and each department will be meeting with Michelle from Mishmash to go over specific criteria they want to see on their "page". The annual mandatory training is scheduled for Thurs., Sept. 28.

The safety committee met on August 21 and each member now has a binder in an effort to stay better organized with copies of agendas, minutes, loss runs, policies, sample policies, etc. The committee talked briefly about (2) recent incidents which will now be a standing agenda item at all future meetings.

This month there were four payroll and five accounts payable warrants issued.

- o 257 checks for the accounts payable warrants totaling \$2,098,593.01
- o 319 checks/direct deposit remittances for the payroll warrants totaling \$136,568.12

Respectfully submitted,


Charisse A. Keach
Finance Officer

"Inspiration is a magical thing, a productivity multiplier, a motivator. But it won't wait for you. Inspiration is a now thing. If it grabs you, grab it right back and put it to work." ~ Jason Fried



Richard B. Stillman
Chief of Police

BRIDGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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Bridgton Police Department **Monthly Report** **August 2017**

Activities

The police department totaled 599 calls for service in August, with 21 motor vehicle accidents, 11 disturbance calls, 62 citizen assists, 4 fireworks complaints, 26 alarms, 3 suicide attempts, 7 criminal trespass complaints, 10 criminal mischief complaints, 9 arrests, 96 traffic violations, 10 reports of thefts, 51 911 hang-ups, 8 animal problems, 36 checks for suspicious activity, 34 agency assists, 39 attempt to locate, 11 reports of fraud, 11 welfare checks, 13 burglary to motor vehicles, and 7 citizen disputes.

Our Twitter account, @BridgtonPolice, now with 285 followers. You can follow us on Twitter or just check in periodically by Googling @BridgtonPolice.

Events

Our National Night Out, held on August 1st at Highland Beach, was a great success! We had between 250 to 300 people attend the event which included fishing pole give-a-ways by Gene Ellison (145 fishing poles) and fishing instruction, Bridgton Police Partners, "Family Crisis" giving out hundreds of snow cones sponsored by FireFly Boutique, Lakes Region Substance Abuse Coalition sponsoring a fifty-fifty raffle, Safe Kids Maine doing CPR demonstrations, United Ambulance, Cumberland County Regional Communications Center encouraging people to sign up for CodeRed, Bridgton Fire Department, Maine Wardens Service and Maine Forest Service.

Campfire Grill sponsored the entertainment, LEA had an educational booth set up, Bridgton News and Maine Street Graphics helped out with graphic design and advertising, Lakes Region Towing had one of their giant town trucks on display, Reny's donated lawn chairs to be raffled off and the Rotary sponsored the popcorn giveaway.

Hannaford's gave away at least 200 hot dogs and drinks and the Q-Team donated \$250 towards expenses.

Huge thanks to Ashley Hutter, our Public Safety Administrative Assistant who coordinated this event with the help of Caleb Gilbert of the Opportunity Alliance and Suzanne Grace of Safe Kids Maine. Our Park Ranger, Madison Day, was also a big help moving equipment and going door to door at business to get the word out.

A BIG thanks to all who helped out and participated in this event. Our entire staff was there to answer questions and talk about Bridgton issues with all who stopped by.

Training

Sergeant TJ Reese attended the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) training in Washington DC in August. Impaired driving is increasing with the legalization of marijuana, an expected outcome, and we must stay as much ahead of this problem as we can.

Officer Sophia Swiatek attended a three day interview and interrogation class in Massachusetts. As each officer investigates their own cases through to prosecution, it is important Officer Swiatek have the tools to do her job effectively.

Officer Todd Smolinsky and Josh Muise attended a two day VALOR (Violence Against Law Enforcement and Ensuring Officer Resilience and Survivability) training. The VALOR Regional Training class examines emerging threats, techniques for anticipating and surviving a violent encounter, and other survival tools for state, local, and tribal officers.