



**TOWN OF BRIDGTON**  
**DEPUTY TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**  
**September 22, 2020**



**Extended Hours**



The Town Clerk's Office will be open on Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> 4PM to 7PM; Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 9AM to Noon; Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> 4PM to 7PM and Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup> 9AM to Noon for the purpose of accepting voter registration, absentee balloting, and other election related issues. No other town business will be conducted during this time.

**General**

Today Cumberland County issued a “**red flag warning**” because fire danger is extremely high. This warning is in effect from 10:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. today. During this time no burn permits will be issued and campfires are prohibited. **Trainings.....the Annual Board Training** for Board of Selectmen, Planning Board and Appeals Board, and their staff, is scheduled for Thursday, October 8, 2020 from 4:00P.M. to 7:00P.M. and the **Annual Employee Training** is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2020 beginning at 9:00a.m. The attorneys for both of these trainings will be virtual. Details for both of these trainings is currently being finalized.



**Bridgton Recreational Department**

Bridgton Recreation Department was approved for the **Corona Relief Fund “CRF”** for the day camp this fall. As of today we are working with the Lake Region Vocational School where we will have students from the Early Childhood Education Class working with day camp participants twice a week for fun Science Technology Engineering and Math “STEM”/Art/Education Projects. We are very excited about this partnership. **Soccer and Run Club** start the week of September 28<sup>th</sup>.



**Bridgton Fire Department**

Bridgton firefighters (Sean Hedly and John Horne) completed the basic **firefighters school** hosted in Fryeburg. The final **live burn practical** was held at a training burn building in Hollis September 13, 2020. The chief attended the event. The two staff members now have the basic training necessary to attack structural and vehicle fires. They both plan to attend more advanced training as available. The Chief met with the manager concerning **Sabattus Island** after a prior holiday weekend issue, with campfires. The chief recommended the Town consider prohibiting open burning campfires at Town parks with signage, if approved, and recommended retaining the fixed grills. The Chief attended and monitored the Town activities on **Depot Street during the celebration** September 12, 2020 concerning the expected people attending and the temporary road barricades.



**Bridgton Police Department**

Receipt of **applications for Patrol Officers** will close this coming Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. To date the department has received 7 applications for the position. The applications will be reviewed and interviews will be scheduled in the near future. Reminder that coming up October is domestic violence awareness month. Purple lights brighten the community and officers will be wearing purple ribbon pins bringing attention to the issue of domestic violence during the month of October reminding the nation that there are still countless people, victims and survivors that are impacted by domestic violence. If you know someone is being abused, please call the confidential hotline at 1-800-537-6066.

Until next time....be safe and be well.



Respectfully submitted,

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