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TOWN OFFICE HOURS

PHONE: 628-4441 • FAX: 628-4440

The Town Office hours are as follows:

Town Manager: Stacie Rundlett - Ext. 1

Deputy Town Manager: Kristen Seeley - Ext. 0

Tax collecting, registrations, hunting & fishing licenses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9am - 5pm
Thursday 2pm - 7pm
1st Sat. of ea. month (except holiday weekends) 8am - 12pm

Town Clerk: Alicia Wills - Ext. 2

Monday 3pm - 5pm
Tuesday-Wednesday 12pm - 2pm
Thursday 3pm - 7pm
1st Sat. of ea. month (except holiday weekends) 8am - 11am

Deputy Town Clerk: Donna Stout - Ext. 2

Vital statistics & dog licensing

CEO: Robert Dunphy - Ext. 5

1st and 3rd Tuesday 1pm - 3pm

Assessor's Agent: Terri Lamontagne - Ext. 3

Tuesday 9am - 11am
(or call to schedule a meeting)

Fire Department: Chief Kip Poulin - Ext. 4

Email for Town Manager nwprtld@tds.net

Remember...

- **Selectmen's Meeting**
1st Tuesday & 3rd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm
- **New Portland Fire Department Meeting**
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm
- **NP Community Library Hours:**
Mon, Wed, Thurs 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am - noon
- **Kingfield-New Portland Transfer Station Hours:**
Wed, Sat, and Sun 7:30 am - 4:30 pm
Friday 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm
- **Library Board of Trustees Meeting**
2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm
- **Planning Board Meeting**
1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm
- **New Portland Water District**
2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm
- **School Board Meeting**
1st Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm
- **Wire Bridge Thrift Shop** open every Saturday
- **Knitwits & Happy Hookers (NPCL)**
2nd & 4th Thursday of each month at 10:00 am

Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station

LEGAL INVITATIONS TO BID FOR SANDING AND SNOW REMOVAL

The Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station is accepting bids from contractors to sand and remove snow from the general area at the transfer station facility. The contractor will provide all equipment for sanding and the removal of snow. A complete bid package should consist of an experience statement, three business references and proof of commercial general liability that lists the Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station as a certificate holder. Inspection of the facility, as well as meeting with the facility manager, to clarify the needs to be met prior to bidding is recommended. The transfer station manager, Staci Thompson, will be available at the Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station, 304 Lexington Road., Kingfield, ME, during business hours. No bidder may alter any part of his/her bid for 60 days after the actual date of the bid opening, including price. Sealed bids marked "Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station Snow Removal" must be received by August 12, 2013 at 4:00 pm. The Kingfield/New Portland Transfer Station Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, and waive any formality which it deems to be in the best interest of the Transfer Station. For more information please contact Kingfield Administrative Assistant, Leanna Ross Targett at 207-265-4637 or New Portland Town Manager, Stacie Rundlett at 207-628-4441 ext. #1. Mail bids to Town of Kingfield, 38 School Street, Kingfield, ME 04947 or Town of New Portland, 901 River Road, New Portland, ME 04961. ed. All were in favor.

Selectmen

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 17, 2013

Selectmen Present: Douglas Archer, Wayne Rundlett, Andrea Reichert (absent); Present: Stacie Rundlett, Kip Poulin, Brian Rundlett, Sue Luce

Doug called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

Doug motioned to accept the minutes as written. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

Kip Poulin talked to the Board of Selectmen about the Fire Department Policy. Stacie said that she sent it to underwriting to review, and she will call them tomorrow to see where they are at with the policy.

Brian reminded everyone that on Thursday, June 20 there is a Public Hearing regarding the cell tower application that has been brought to the Planning Board. Brian discussed how the Planning Board is doing with this process.

Sue discussed some concerns she has regarding her property with the Board of Selectmen. Sue requested some information regarding her "waterfront" property and about commercial property. Sue voiced some

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Any articles, submissions, information for publication should be received by:

Dallas Landry • PO Box 34, North New Portland, ME 04961 • phone 628-4201 • email: bigd@tdstelme.net

If there are any questions or needs regarding the receiving of the *New Portlander*, those inquiries should be directed to the Town Manager.

opinions that she has with the Board of Selectmen and there was some discussion amongst them.

A/P and Payroll Warrants were signed and approved.

Doug motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

These minutes are a draft summary that were approved by the Board of Selectmen at the July 2, 2013

SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 2, 2013

Selectmen Present: Douglas Archer, Wayne Rundlett, Andrea Reichert; Present: Stacie Rundlett, Brian Rundlett, Terri Lamontagne, Lorie Agren, Gary Agren, Judi Wills, Marilyn Gorman, Kip Poulin, Jean Antonucci

Andrea called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm.

Minutes were reviewed and approved from the June 18 Selectmen's Meeting. Wayne motioned to approve. Andrea seconded. All were in favor.

Gary Agren discussed with the Board of Selectmen on some quotes that he has received regarding the stumping and ditching for the New Portland Hill Road. The two contractors who gave quotes were Sam White with a quote of \$18,875.00 and Jordan's with a quote of \$17,320.00. It would take about three to five days to finish the job on New Portland Hill Road, weather permitting. Gary updated the Board of Selectmen that there are some issues on Millay Hill Road from all of the rain lately.

Stacie Rundlett briefly discussed with the Board of Selectmen regarding the Great Works Bridge.

Kip Poulin discussed with the Board of Selectmen about the generator which is still not working. Kip discussed with the Board of Selectmen regarding Rusty Bell from Yankee Communications. Kip has a rough figure of \$3,500.00 for materials to have an antenna for a repeater to be put up.

Brian Rundlett updated the Board of Selectmen on the cell tower. The company affiliated with the cell tower said they will not charge the town or the fire department to put an antenna up if desired.

Lorie Agren informed the Board of Selectmen that everyone who was on the delinquent list for licensing their dog(s) has been in. Lorie said that there are two, maybe three, people who have dogs but have not come to license those dogs for the first time, as of yet.

Terri Lamontagne discussed the tabled abatement for Elaine Perkins and when the Board of Selectmen can walk the property. There was some discussion for Sunday, July 7. Terri will call Elaine and make sure that that works for her.

A/P and Payroll Warrants were reviewed and signed.

Supplemental Tax Warrants were reviewed and signed.

Stacie informed the Board of Selectmen that for the next Selectmen's Meeting on July 15 at 6:30 pm, the amended General Assistance

Ordinance needs to be reviewed and signed.

Terri, Stacie, and the Board of Selectmen discussed a date to commit the 2013 Real Estate Taxes. A date was set for July 13 at 8:00 am.

Jean Antonucci discussed some concerns with the Board of Selectmen regarding the loud noisiness from Enviro-Mats. Stacie is going to contact Bobby Dunphy about the Enviro-Mat time frame regarding the sound study.

Andrea motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

*These minutes are a draft summary that were approved by the Board of Selectmen at the July 15, 2013 Selectmen's Meeting as written. kms
Submitted Kristen Seeley*

New Portland Community Library

From the Librarian – Shelby Newell – The first Ice Cream Social of the season, held on July 17, was a very special evening! It was an incredibly hot summer evening, but we had a wonderful turnout. The evening began with a speech by Joan Moes about the start of the library back in 1989. One of the founding members, Gardner Young, who has since passed, was a big part in getting the library off the ground. When Gardner died, Nona asked that people donate money in his name to the library. The money was set aside for something special. It was decided that we needed a sign people could see from the road to let everyone know the building was the community library. (Someone saw the sign while it was being installed and stopped in for the first time ever!) The sign was revealed in a special ceremony at the Ice Cream Social. Thanks to all who contributed to the Gardner Young Memorial Fund and also to all the people involved in the vision, creation, and implementation of our new sign!

Upcoming Children's Summer Reading Program Dates: Saturday, August 3 – 9:00-10:00 am; Thursday, August 8 – 6:00 -7:00 pm; Thursday, August 15 – 6:00 – 7:00 pm

I'm trying a couple of evening sessions this summer to see if I can get a bit more participation. I hope you can bring your children or grandchildren to the library for some fun! Reading is a key that unlocks many doors and is important to your child's success in school! If you can't make it to any of the summer events, stop by and I would love to help your child find some books in which he or she might be interested.

Many members of this community and beyond have spent the month of July participating in the New Portland Community Library's Summer Photo Challenge. Each day of July had a theme: play, smile, work, style, joy, shadows, sunset, splash, etc... At the end of the challenge participants could submit their Top Ten Favorites. Join us at the library on Sunday, August 11, at 4:00 pm to see what fun people have had during the challenge! We'll have light refreshments and a wonderful time!

New Fiction: *Big Girl Panties* by Stephanie Evanovich, *The First Rule of Ten* by Gay Hendricks, *The Yellow Birds* by Kevin Powers, *Under the Dome* by Stephen King, and *The Heist* by Janet Evanovich;

Nonfiction: *Dinner with the Smileys* by Sarah Smiley, *When We Were the Kennedys* by Monica Wood;

Young Adult: *The Rithmatist* by Brandon Sanderson, *Redwall* by Brian

Jagues; Children: *The Story of Fish and Snail* by Deborah Freedman, *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt, *Marty McGuire* by Kate Messner; DVDs: *Silver Linings Playbook*, *The Host*, *Firefly - Season 1*, *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*, *We Don't Live Here Anymore*

Friends of the Library – Petrina Bearor – The July Ice Cream Social was on a hot, steamy evening so cold ice cream was a big hit. Thank you to those who donated raffle items. Tyler Maynard won the children's picnic table donated by Maynard Handrahan. Two young ladies from Hancock Pond won the handmade doily donated by Deb LeBeau and a Thomas Kincaid wall hanging donated by Tabitha Emery. Thank you to all who attended and also to all the good help, especially Lacey Duval for making banana splits and running to the freezer for more ice cream. If you missed this social event, another "social" will be held on August 21 at the library from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. I've heard rumors blueberry pie might be available.

Come to the New Portland Community Library for a fun time in a knitting and/or crocheting class. Handiwork helpers will be available in an informal setting to help with your current project or maybe teach you a new trick or two. All levels of experience are invited to join in. We will be meeting every Wednesday in August, beginning with the seventh. The class is from 6:00 – 7:00 pm for a cost of two dollars (\$2) per person/per class.

100 Club winners for June: Zach Crawford, Kenneth Atwood, Bernard Newell, Ed and Bonnie Jesteadt, Anna Seguin, Joan Moes, Doug Archer, Sophie Green, Linda De Wolfe, Arlene Trudell, Ronald Bearor, New Portland Lions Club, Randy and Tabitha Emery, Rev. James Taylor, and one anonymous winner.

Knitwits and Happy Hookers meet the second and fourth Thursdays at 10:00 am. This is a great time to start those Christmas Projects.

Art at the Library – Lolly Phoenix – We had a casual and lovely opening for the art show featuring the works of Lynne Harwood and her daughter, Faith Gilbert, on July 14, with many appreciative viewers. Faith was terrific as our "tour guide", explaining each painting and showing some of her fantastic needle work. Many thanks to those who braved the heat to come on over. Bev Knapp on the keyboard added a delightful note. The show will be up through the first week of October. Please come by the library to check it out!

Book Club – Kay Michka – Dare I say it? The (almost!) FALL Book Club will start up on September 12 at 6:30 pm discussing *Cutting For Stone* by Abraham Verghese. Even though the book has many pages, it is a captivating read. Several copies are available at the library. Please bring title suggestions for the October, November, and January 2014 selections. We meet at the library on the second Thursday of each month, and we are hoping to see some new faces this year. This discussion group follows a very easy-going format, with people attending when they can and arriving as close to 6:30 pm as jobs or family life allow. There is no age limit, and there are no topic boundaries. Many times, life gets in the way and one of us doesn't quite finish a selection, but it's fun to come anyway to either listen or join in with your viewpoints! Call me at 628-2014, if you have questions.

Submitted: Kay Michka

New Portland Alumni Association

The Annual Meeting of the New Portland Alumni Association will be

held on Saturday September 14, 2013. This date was set by the general membership vote at the August 2012 meeting.

The September 2013 meeting will be held at the Community Room of the New Portland Fire Department with registration starting at 10:00 am with the business meeting beginning at 11:00 am, followed by the luncheon. There will be no full meal only finger-foods to be provided by those attending. Punch, iced tea and coffee will be provided by the Association. There will be a Chinese auction and 50/50 drawing for those in attendance.

The regular newsletter with a registration form will be sent out in August. Postcards have been mailed letting everyone on the present mailing list know of this change. We hope to see you there. For information, please call Linda at 592-0256 or Jo at 628-3662.

Submitted: Jo Dunphy, Secretary New Portland Alumni Association Recreation Committee

Recreation Committee

The members of the Recreation Committee wished to share some of the ideas and hopes for future events.

We have discussed what we have done in the past that worked well for the town citizens. So, we will definitely do the October Fest with a cooking contest, scare crow contest and many other ideas. We are trying to bring some challenging events to bring more people to the event. Maybe a Tee Off and see who can make the longest shot. The committee will really be listening for ideas that we can do. We will be meeting in August to bring any suggestions that have been given. We will hopefully have a schedule of activities to be posted in the August New Portlander, so all citizens will have an early notice.

We plan to have activities for the October Festival: a cooking contest for apple pie, the scarecrow contest. The theme for this year will be "well known stories/nursery rhymes". We will have assorted activities such as pumpkin painting, donut bobbin, bag toss and more. We will ask the Fire Department to have their lunch booth open. We will be looking for people to be judges, so if you are interested please contact a member of the Recreation Committee.

December we do the sleigh ride with the great voices of New Portland singing carols. We are in hopes to do the horse drawn ride. We will also do the community dinner following the ride. This will consist of prime rib, potatoes, vegetables, dessert and beverage after the ride.

We will be thinking about doing a winter festival with some challenges and fun. We would love some suggestions and even some folks who would like to be on the committee. It has been suggested to the committee to do an outdoor community dance with a live band. This is also in the gathering of information and planning stage. We would like to have input on this, also.

We are looking at trying to apply for funding to fix the skating rink. The committee will keep the town informed as plans come together. If you would like more information or would like to help please contact Judi Will, Jessie Campbell, or Stacie Rundlett.

Submitted: Judi Wills

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NEW PORTLANDER CALENDAR AUGUST 2013



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
New Portland Community Church service at 11:00 am each Sunday with coffee hour at 10:30 am at the North Village Church WMBC Sunday service 10:00 am (each Sunday each month) WMBC Men's Breakfast first Saturday of each month 8:00 am WMBC Women's Breakfast second Saturday of each month 9:00 am WMBC Women's Fellowship 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings at 6:00 pm				1	2	3 Children's Summer Reading Program from 9:00-10:00 am
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25 Deadline for Newsletter 4:00 pm	26	27	28 Knitting/Crocheting Class NPCL from 6:00-7:00 pm	29	30	31