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

Town Clerk: Alicia Wills - Ext. 2

Deputy Town Clerk: Donna Stout

Vital statistics & dog licensing

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

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
new hours 10:00 am - Noon.
- **Knitwits & Happy Hookers (NPCL)**
2nd & 4th Thursday of each month at 10:00 am

Selectmen

Minutes for the Selectmen's Meeting for June 3, 2014
Selectmen Present: Andrea Reichert, Wayne Rundlett, Douglas Archer; Present: Stacie Rundlett, Brian Rundlett, Gary Agren, Staci Thompson, Kip Poulin

Andrea called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm. Minutes were reviewed and approved. Andrea motioned to approve the minutes from the May 6 selectmen's meeting. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

Kip talked about work that has been done on one of the fire trucks. Kip told the Board of Selectme about their options as to where the building for the generator may go. Stakes have been put out. No decisions were made.

Gary said that he has not heard back from DEP about the permits for the Middle Road. Gary said that Tommy has been out with the grader. Staci Thompson talked to the Board of Selectmen and Gary and asked if the New Portland/Kingfield Transfer Station could use the grader.

A/P and Payroll Warrants were reviewed and signed. Andrea motioned to approve. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

Stacie presented to the Board of Selectmen a tentative letter to Norman Goff. The Board of Selectmen said that the letter was good.

Stacie updated the Board of Selectmen about Elmira Harrington's will. Stacie said that Loren Parker came to the Town Office and said that if the Municipal Officers were in favor, the money can be distributed differently than what was worded in Harrington's will. Stacie said that she has talked with Rebecca Cayford, the attorney handling the matter. There was some discussion amongst the Board of Selectmen and Stacie. Andrea motioned to disburse the inheritance of \$5,000.00 from Elmira Harrington's will directly to the North New Portland Cemetery Association. Wayne seconded. All were in favor.

Stacie gave the Board of Selectmen a copy of the county budget.

Stacie and the Board of Selectmen briefly spoke about the school budget.

New Portlander article submission deadline is January 25 by 4:00 pm.

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.

Stacie told the Board of Selectmen that Donna would like to attend a vital records workshop.

Stacie told the Board of Selectmen that signs have been ordered for the Wire Bridge area.

Stacie said that Fred and Martha Andrews have staked out the area they would like to have the garden. Stacie and the Board of Selectmen went and looked to see where the stakes were for the garden area and where the fire department would like to put the building for the generator. The Board of Selectmen would like to look into more options for the building before they make a decision. The Board of Selectmen was all in agreement that the location for the garden was fine.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

These minutes are a draft summary that were approved by the Board of Selectmen at the July 1, 2014 Board of Selectmen's Meeting. KMS

Submitted: Kristen Seely

Comprehensive Planning Committee

Portland Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting for July, 2014.

An adopted consistent Comprehensive Plan is legally required if the town of New Portland is to apply for any State Grants. State agencies are directed to award preference to towns that have this in place.

The Town of New Portland's Comprehensive plan needs to be updated and submitted to the Maine State Planning office for review and approval.

The committee has 17 members, consisting of community people, planning board, and selectmen.

The committee met May 7 with KVCOG to review the necessary steps the committee needed to accomplish to bring the old plan up-to-date. Joel Greenwood gave an overview of the work and resources that would be available. The committee decided to divide the tasks and work as teams in the areas of their interests.

The committee has a calendar of meetings and times. Each meeting will have a team present their research and information that is needed to update their section of the plan. The group will review the work, make suggestions or changes. This type of monthly meeting will continue through October if we can stay on task.

Once we have compiled the updated information, we will be having a public meeting to have input from all citizens. The committee will continue to meet monthly discussing policies to help the Comprehensive Plan work for the town.

One of the tasks is a vision statement that summarizes what the communities' desire, for the future community character, economic development, community development and culture and what as citizens can we do to to

improve our community to bring in business, rent or buy homes and make New Portland a place to live in, not just drive through. The committee members discussed the different areas we see that could be improved to attract people here to live or visit. Each citizen needs to look around see what needs to be done to clean and beautify New Portland. We need to take pride in where we live, our home, yard and community.

Volunteer in your community to help make our town a place to visit, start a business or buy, build a home. Are there other needs or ways to improve or make New Portland an affordable place to live? If you have suggestions or ideas, please share them with the committee. You can send an email to the town website or drop a note, and mail it to the Town Office address.

Submitted: Judi Wills

New Portland Community Library

Library News - from the Librarian- Shelby Newell: Thanks to all who attended our Ice Cream Social! We had a great time dishing up ice cream sundaes and socializing with all who came and helped support the library. A special thanks goes to Ezra Pease, who donated a wonderful antique dollhouse for us to raffle as an additional fundraiser. A very excited young lady named Hailey won the prize and was so kind to share it with all the other children at the social for the rest of the evening.

For the second year, Richard and Bonnie Atwood have sponsored a fundraiser for the library. They have graciously turned over Atwood's Greenhouse and Maple Syrup to the library volunteers during the last weekend of their season. Bonnie and Richard donate half of the sales from the plants during the final weekend. Thanks so much for helping out the library!

New Fiction: *Close Your Eyes, Hold Hands* by Chris Bohjalian, *The Vacationers* by Emma Straub, *Top Secret Twenty-One* by Janet Evanovich, *The Silkworm* by Robert Galbraith, *The Matchmaker* by Elin Hilderbrand; Children's Fiction: *The Pout-Pout Fish* by Deborah Diesen, *Duck! Rabbit!* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal; DVDs: *Saving Mr. Banks*, *The Grand Budapest Hotel*, *American Hustle*, *The Monuments Men*

We are getting ready to plan our fall and winter events. If you have any suggestions, email Shelby at newportlandcl@gmail.com or call the library at 628-6561. Better yet, stop by and talk with her about ideas for classes or events you would like to see the library host. You can catch us on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 4:00-6:00 pm or Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am-noon.

Art at the Library - Lolly Phoenix: Hope everyone got to see the mother/daughter show, "The Color of Woman" which was gracing our walls for the past three months. Beautiful paintings of "the feminine" by Embden artist Cindy Taylor Clark and some fine work by her daughter, children's book illustrator, Jessica Clark. After all of that feminine energy bouncing around, it just seemed

fitting to move on to the "MAN/CAVE" show, featuring the dreamy cave paintings of Milton Christianson, colorful antique truck photos of Alana Ranney, watercolors of favorite outdoor sports by Marcia Baker, compelling Bernie Beckman prints, three inimitable James Fangbone pieces, a classic Hugh Verrier trophy fish, heart-warming found-photos by Abby Shahn, John Alsop paintings of things that men love, and the beloved female figure by Peter Walen.

Don't miss the "can't-miss" reception for the artists at the library on Sunday, August 3 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. Have a chance to meet the people who have created the work. Come on down and please bring a "whatchamacallit" or maybe a "whosit" to share. You know, something that looks familiar, but you can't quite remember what it might be. I just found one in the woods this week!

Friends of the Library - Petrina Bearor and Katie Handrahan: Knitwits and Happy Hookers meet at 10:00 am every first and third Thursday of each month. Bring your handwork and come enjoy the cool library.

100 Club winners for the month of May were Ezra Pease,

Jill Lattin, Kenneth Atwood, Ed and Bonnie Jesteadt, Arlene Newell, Jordan's, Jean Antonucci, Bert Dyar, Randy and Tabitha Emery, Shelia Hoyt, Robert Whitten, Anges Dodd, Marcia Silberman, New Portland Lions Club, and Greg West.

100 Club winners for the month of June were Jill Lattin, Jean Antonucci, Sophie Green, Brook Gardner, Tranten's, Bert Dyer, Wanda Calder, Jordan's, Bernard Newell, Randy and Tabitha Emery, and Deborah Clague. Congratulations!

Submitted: Kay Michka

New Portland Lions Club

It is hard to believe, but it is only 42 days to come to the New Portland Lions Club Fair. It is our 82nd annual and 19th Maine Crafts Festival and the 5th Annual George Beane Lumberjack Competition. The Midway is by Miller Amusements and Fireworks will be on Saturday night.

Gates open Friday September 12, 2014 at 2:00 pm. Hope to see you at the fair.

Submitted: Cathy Horne





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