



# NEW PORTLANDER

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## TOWN OFFICE INFORMATION

Phone: 628-4441 • Fax: 628-4440

### Town Office Contact Information and Hours of Operation:

#### Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday ..... 10am - 5pm  
Thursday ..... 12pm - 6pm

#### Town Manager/CEO: Stacie Rundlett

Email ..... [newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com](mailto:newportlandtownmanager@gmail.com)

#### Deputy Town Manager: Lori Alyea

Email ..... [townofnewportland@gmail.com](mailto:townofnewportland@gmail.com)

Office hours: Same as the Town office hours

#### Town Clerk: Jacob Pinkham / Deputy Town Clerk: Brittany Rundlett

Email ..... [newportlandtownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:newportlandtownclerk@gmail.com)

Office hours: Wednesdays 12pm - 5pm

LPI: Leo Mayo - 566-7341

#### Assessor's Agent: Audra Swanson

Wednesday ..... 10am - 2pm

Email ..... [newportlandassessor@gmail.com](mailto:newportlandassessor@gmail.com)

#### Fire Department: Chief Kip Poulin

Animal Control Officer: Dillon Wellman - 207-405-1134

## Town Manager

We have gone back to our normal business hours as of June 5. The Office hours are now Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Thursdays 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Also, the selectmen have extended the winter sand bids to August 21.

*Submitted: Stacie Rundlett, Town Manager*

## RSU 74 / School Board

There was no school board meeting during the month of July. Next RSU 74 school board meeting will be on August 9 at the Carrabec Community School at 6:00 pm.

*Submitted: Dave Ela, Carrabec Teachers Association*

## Remember...

- **Selectmen's Meeting**  
1st Tuesday & 3rd Monday of each month ..... 6:30pm
- **New Portland Fire Department Meeting**  
2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month ..... 6:30pm
- **Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
2nd Saturday of the month ..... 9am
- **Planning Board Meeting**  
1st Wednesday of the month ..... 6:30pm
- **New Portland Water District**  
2nd Wednesday of each month ..... 6:30pm
- **School Board Meeting**  
1st Wednesday of each month ..... 6pm
- **New Portland Community Library**  
Tuesday ..... 8am - 12pm  
Thursday ..... 3pm - 6pm  
Saturday ..... 8am - 12pm
- **Kingfield-New Portland Transfer Station**  
Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday ..... 7:30am - 4:30pm
- **New Portland Post Office Customer Service Hours**  
Monday - Friday ..... 7am - 9am, 2pm - 4pm  
Saturday ..... 7am - 10:30am

## New Portland Water District

New Portland Water District will be hosting a public hearing on August 9, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Community Room at the Fire Station, 911 River Road, New Portland Maine. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss and hear comments on a proposed water rate increase.

*Submitted: Dallas Landry (from Legal Notice)*



## **New Portland Community Library**

Hello: We would like to thank Atwood's Greenhouse for their awesome contribution to our plant, bake, and book sale in June. You are an amazing family to support us with this fundraiser each year. We also would like to thank all others for their donations of funds, plants, and baked goods. We appreciate your continued support for our local library.

Wednesday, September 13, 2023, please mark your calendars and reach out to the library by phone, email, or Facebook to sign up for great FREE class options. Please register by Tuesday September 5 in order for us to schedule the first topic. Part of the registration process will be communicating what type of device you will be bringing to allow the maximum benefit from the class or reach out to reserve a computer. There are a number of options which will cover all age or technical levels. Available options are Cyber Security and Safety, i-Pad or Notebook product usage options, Apple product usage options, Windows product usage options, Cloud storage instruction and security options, Affordable Connectivity Program (how to obtain discounted equipment and services), and Telehealth service (how to prepare and communicate effectively with healthcare providers using Zoom).

Volunteer opportunities: We have a variety of odd-job opportunities here at the library, perhaps a student in need of community service hours or a way to pass some time during retirement? We welcome you for one project, more regular hours, year-round or your favorite season. We always are looking for lawn maintenance, outside maintenance, interior cleaning and maintenance, or reach out with one of your ideas.

Get ready! We will be hanging out with UBM this month to provide a bake sale and kick off our 2023 raffle! This year we have a Yeti traveler cooler valued at \$250.00 sponsored by Franklin Savings Bank. A \$100.00 gift card sponsored by Hammond Lumber Company. A Go-Sun solar cooler/freezer donated by our own volunteer Beth. We are

currently looking for a fourth prize! Upon prize finalization, we will have tickets available at the library, along with the prizes on display. Our board members and volunteers will have tickets available, and of course, we will be at New Portland Fair! The winning tickets will be drawn in December at our annual craft fair.

Did you know we have a booklist available? Please sign into the website for the Town of New Portland, chose the "Library" link and follow the easy steps to view the list. We also have a large number of youth and adult books available for sale by donation.

Our contact information is listed on page one of this bulletin and our hours are listed on the calendar. It makes us happy to provide entertainment and education for our people, we hope to see you soon! Thank you. Becky Knowles-Redlevske, Secretary; Wenda Spooner, President; Valencia Schubert, Treasurer; Sheila Atwood, Library Director; Beth Perera, Volunteer.

*Submitted: Becky Knowles-Redlevske*

### **Announcement**

Kingfield Seniors: We had a great turnout at our monthly Senior Citizens Group. Delicious food was served and entertainment was wonderful. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 7. Our September meeting is scheduled for September 11. (This is due to Labor Day holiday). We meet at the Western Mountains Baptist Church on Rte 27 at noon. This is NOT a church sponsored event, and EVERYONE is welcome. For more information, please contact Jo Bessey-Holmes at 297 265 2785 or 207 779 7200. Come check us out!!!

*Submitted: Nanci Mahlmann*

**NEW PORTLANDER article submission deadline is August 20 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: alderswamp2@gmail.com**

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

## New Portland Churches

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New Portland Church News: Summer is flying by and I, for one, am looking forward to the cool, crisp days of autumn. By the time you read this, the Flemington Presbyterian Church MATE housing project work group will have completed its annual work week and have gone home to New Jersey. We appreciate the work they do in our community and enjoy their company while they are here. I hope, they get as much from their experience as we do from their visit.

Grace Church from the Boston area will be here the first weekend in August. They are a smaller group, so you might not notice their presence at the church, but they will be active around the community helping with housing issues wherever they can.

Worship services have been very nice in the relative cool of the big sanctuary. We have had very excellent pastors and speakers this summer. Our search for a new minister in partnership with Fairbanks Union Church in Farmington continues to crawl forward, seemingly, at a snail's pace, but forward nonetheless.

Our ministers for the month of August are: July 30 - SuperSunday at 10:00 am in New Portland; Aug 6 - Communion Sunday, Rev. Stan Wheeler; Aug 13 - Pastor MaryEllen Royce; Aug 20 - Deborah Bujnocki; Aug 27 - No service in New Portland, service at Log Church in Oquossoc.

Please note that there is no service at the church on August 27. We will be attending the service at the historic Log Church in Oquossoc, Maine. If you would like to join us and need a ride please be at the North Village Church at 7:30 am. If you need to be picked up elsewhere please call Nan Berry at 628-6061. We will be having brunch following the service at a yet-to-be-determined location.

On all other Sundays in August, please join us for coffee hour at 10:30 am with worship following at 11:00 am. Respectfully...

*Submitted: Nan Berry*

We had a wonderful turnout for our Vacation Bible School program. The theme was "Keepers of the Kingdom". The children learned about "Putting on the armor of God". They had a fun time dressing up in knight's armor as well as learning about animals that have their own natural defenses. Fifty-five (55) children attended VBS as well as twelve (12) teenage helpers and thirty six (36) teachers! The program ended with the children's presentation on Sunday with a feast of food afterwards.

On another note, Western Mountains Baptist Church sponsors a program for the seniors called "Bridging the Gap". We provide/deliver free food for seniors once a month on the last Saturday of the month. (This includes the Town of New Portland). This is a wonderful outreach program, and if you know someone with a need/interest, please contact Pastor Tom at 207 265 2557.

Did you know we have a free CD ministry? If you are unable to attend services, you can either go on our website to watch the services at [www.westernmountainschurch.org](http://www.westernmountainschurch.org) or you can get a free CD mailed to you. Just contact us via phone/website. Hope everyone has a safe and fun summer!!! Respectfully...

*Submitted: Nanci Mahlmann*





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NEW PORTLANDER CALENDAR AUGUST 2023 DOUG KEHR PHOTO						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Selectmen's Meeting 6:30 pm NPCL 8:00 am - noon	2 Planning Board Meeting 6:30 pm	3 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	4	5 NPCL 8:00 am - noon
6 NPCC Service 11:00 am WMBC Service 10:00 am	7	8 Fire Department Meeting 6:30 pm NPCL 8:00 am - noon	9 School Board CCS 6:00 pm Water District Community Room 6:00 pm	10 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	11	12 NPCL Board if Trustees 9:00 am NPCL 8:00 am - noon
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20 NPCC Service 11:00 am WMBC Service 10:00 am Deadline for New Portlander 4:00 pm	21 Selectmen's Meeting 6:30 pm	22 Fire Department Meeting 6:30 pm NPCL 8:00 am - noon	23	24 NPCL 3:00 - 6:00 pm	25	26 NPCL 8:00 am - noon
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