



Town of Kennebunk Town Tidbits • Spring 2015

Board of Selectmen

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Selectmen Meeting Schedule

The Board of Selectmen meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. on the third floor of Town Hall.

Meetings are also televised live on digital cable TV channel 5 and available live or on demand at www.townhallstreams.com

Town Hall Hours

Monday-Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Please note that the Recreation Department is closed from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. each day.

Stay Connected!

Visit our website where you can sign up to receive email and/or text messages with news alerts, community information and more. Sign up through the "Notify Me" link at www.kennebunkmaine.us



Think Summer! Resident beach parking stickers are now available in the Town Clerk and Tax

Collector's offices. The first sticker is \$2, a second sticker is \$5 and a third sticker is also \$5.



Changes to Solid Waste, Recycling, Kitchen Composting and Transfer Station, Effective July 1, 2015

The Town will be implementing a new automated curbside system for solid waste (trash) and single-sort recycling. This new system will utilize town-issued containers. Pay-As-You-Throw bags will still be used and placed into the provided trash container. Recycling will now be "single-sort," which means no more sorting.



Changes will also be made at the Transfer Station, which will allow additional items to be accepted, provide a weight scale and offer recycled materials for purchase. Additionally, a new weekly subscription service for the curbside collection of household kitchen composting will be available for residents to purchase. See the enclosed flyer from *We Compost It!* for additional details.

In the next few months, property owners, residents and businesses will receive information on the implementation of these new and updated services. Information will also be posted and shared on the Town's website, digital cable TV channel 5, flyers around Town and with the local media. We are excited to provide this new level of service and look forward to working with the residents and businesses in Kennebunk for a smooth transition.

STEP INTO SPRING

The entire community is invited to join Healthy Kennebunk for a fun and competitive exercise program beginning **March 23rd**.



Step into Spring! Participants from previous competitions have taken over 10.5 million steps! What will this new competition bring?

FMI: www.kennebunkmaine.us/healthymainestreets or call 604-1341.

Calling all Volunteers!

Nomination papers are available **March 16th** to run for the following offices: three Selectmen for 3 year terms, two RSU 21 Directors for 3 year terms, a Kennebunk Light and Power District Trustee for a 5 year term and two Kennebunk Sewer District Trustees for 3 year terms. Each nominee needs at least 25 signatures from Kennebunk residents who are registered voters. Papers are due by **April 27th** at 4:30 p.m. FMI: 604-1326.

Interested in Joining a Town Committee? A list of committee vacancies can be found on our website, on digital cable TV channel 5, or call 604-1308.

ELECTION: JUNE 9, 2015

A municipal election will be held on **Tuesday, June 9th** in the Edward Winston auditorium at Town Hall from 6:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Residents will vote on the town budget, RSU budget and elect Selectmen, RSU Directors, Kennebunk Sewer District Trustees and a Kennebunk Light and Power District Trustee. There will also be ordinance amendments for voter consideration.

Absentee balloting will begin on May 8, 2015.

Visit www.kennebunkmaine.us/elections for extended absentee voting hours and election information or contact the Town Clerk's office at 604-1326.



Kennebunk Light and Power District will hold a joint public informational meeting with the Board of Selectmen regarding hydro electric generation sites on the Mousam River. The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 31st at 7:00 p.m. in rooms 300 & 301 of Town Hall and all are welcome to attend.



KLPD will share the results of the River Modeling Study and photo simulations created by Wright-Pierce, the engineering firm retained for this process. The modeling and photo simulations will be presented illustrating several potential scenarios and their impact on the Mousam. Questions or comments can be directed to Todd Shea, KLPD General Manager, at tshea@klpd.org or via telephone at 207-985-3311.

The Kennebunk Recreation Department is offering two Adult Motorcoach Bus Tours. Register now to enjoy a trip to **Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Amish Country & Dutch Country, June 2-5**, and enjoy admission to a show at the Sights and Sounds Theater, a guided tour of Amish country and much more.



A fall trip to **Montreal and Quebec City, Canada**, is offered **September 28-October 2**. Enjoy a guided tour of Montreal and historic Quebec City, a tour of Sainte Anne de Beaupré Shrine and Notre Dame Basilica, Olympic Park, and much more. FMI: 604-1335.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Join the Downtown Committee on **April 19th** at the Waterhouse Center for a community yard sale. A 10x10 space is just \$20 to rent and applications are available in the Town Clerk's office. FMI: 604-1326.



SAVE THE DATE!

The First Annual **Kennebunk Health Fair** will be held April 18th from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Waterhouse Center.



Come learn about the great health resources available to you in and around Kennebunk! Applications are also available for health-minded organizations to participate. FMI: www.kennebunkmaine.us/healthfair or 604-1341.

News from the Assessing Office- All new applications for Homestead, Veteran, and Blind Exemptions for all residential taxpayers must be received by **April 1st**.

In addition, all **business personal property** physically located in Kennebunk as of April 1st is subject to taxation annually. What is **business personal property**? Examples include production machinery and equipment such as industrial tools and machinery; business equipment such as furniture, shelving, desks, photocopiers, telephones and cash registers; electronics such as computers, printers and networking equipment and leased equipment. If you are leasing equipment from another company you must declare the name of the company, the item(s) you are leasing, the monthly leasing fee and the terms of the lease as well as the responsible party for the taxes.

Businesses must complete and file Personal Property Declaration forms **on or before May 1st** with the Assessor's Office. Failure to file this form may bar the right to appeal and will require the Assessor's Office to estimate the value of the Personal Property to be taxed. For more information please visit www.kennebunkmaine.us/personalproperty or contact cdoucette@kennebunkmaine.us.

17th Annual May Day Festival

Saturday, May 2nd downtown Kennebunk will be filled with fun, family friendly activities. To volunteer or be a part of the planning, contact Linda Johnson at ljohnson@kennebunkmaine.us or visit www.kennebunkmaine.us/festivals



Residential Household Hazardous Waste Day



Coming this **June...** The town will offer a one day drop off of unwanted, unused household items that are considered hazardous waste. Items to be accepted include oil-based paints, stains, solvents,

poisons, insecticides, waste fuels, antifreeze, pool chemicals, etc.

No commercial waste will be accepted.

Please continue to check digital cable TV channel 5 and our website, www.kennebunkmaine.us for further details or call 604-1372.

Upcoming Events at the Kennebunk Free Library:

3/14 & 3/15 celebrate **Pie (π) Day**. Sweet and savory homemade pies will be available for purchase whole or by the slice!

4/13-4/18 is **National Library Week**. Fabulous Book Bundle raffles will be available; visit every day and receive a free raffle ticket!



On 7/10 the Library will host the 18th Edition Library 5K Road Race. For further information on these events as well as more news from the library visit www.kennebuklibrary.org

Buy-A-Brick Put your mark on Kennebunk!

Be among the many residents, businesses and friends to purchase a personalized brick for the Waterhouse Center. These engraved bricks can mark a memory, honor a loved one, feature your business or commemorate a special occasion and will become a lasting tribute, paving the way for generations to come.

By purchasing a brick, you will be supporting the many programs being offered at the new Main Street facility. An order form is included in this mailing. Brick orders will be accepted on a year-round basis and take up to 12 weeks to process. Our goal is to install bricks in the spring and/or fall each year.

Leave a lasting legacy and become a permanent part of Kennebunk's history!



WE NEED YOUR NUMBER!

Kennebunk Fire Rescue relies heavily upon the correct numbering of your home or business. It only takes a few minutes to clear away the snow or post your number more conspicuously. Every second counts when you call us.

FMI: www.kennebunkmaine.us/E911 or 604-1358.

Combustion appliances such as furnaces, boilers, fireplaces, wood stoves, propane-fired hot water heaters, heating and cooking stoves produce **carbon monoxide (CO)**, an invisible, odorless and potentially lethal gas. If appliances are not properly vented or have a leak, your house could fill with carbon monoxide. Mild CO poisoning may include flu-like symptoms (headaches, nausea and fatigue). At higher levels CO causes loss of consciousness and death. A CO alarm will alert you to a problem before it's too late, particularly at night, when you and your family may be overcome while sleeping. If your carbon monoxide alarm goes off, **IMMEDIATELY** evacuate the premises and call 911 from safety. If you have any questions or concerns contact KFR at 604-1358.

