

Town of Bradford

October, 2013 Newsletter
NEWS FROM THE TOWN OFFICE
327-2121

Happy Autumn, Dear Residents of Bradford!!!

I hope this newsletter finds you well and prepared for the coming winter season. There are many happenings that I want to share with you. Mark these important dates on your calendar:

1. You may begin to purchase your 2014 dog licenses on **October 15th**. We are having a drawing for a “doggie basket.” If you license your dog between October 15th and December 31st, your name will go in the drawing for a chance to win this basket. Come check it out at the Town Office. Also, we have a new Animal Control Officer, Chris Reardon, so if you see him around, feel free to say a welcome hello.
2. **On December 7th**, from **10AM-11AM**, we will be having a **RABIES** clinic. The cost of the rabies shot will be \$10.00 per animal. We hope to see you all there so you may license your dog, and still qualify to enter the drawing for the “Doggie Basket!!”
3. We will be doing our final **cleaning of the cemeteries** in late October. If you would like to have your flowers and arrangements left on your loved one’s gravesite, please call the office to inform us by **October 15th**. Any arrangements left and not spoken for, will be discarded with our fall cleanup.
4. The Board of Selectmen will be meeting on **October 22nd** at 6PM to work on developing a Road Ordinance.
5. There will be a public hearing regarding junkyard permits on **October 24th** at 6PM.
6. There is going to be a **Special Town Meeting** tentatively scheduled for **Thursday, October 24th at 6:15 PM**. The reason for the town meeting is two-fold: First, a good Samaritan faxed a message to the Town Office informing us that the Town had “unclaimed property” with the State. Upon research, there is indeed some funds that are unclaimed. I am in the process of claiming these funds, approximately \$4800. Second, the guardrails on the Middle Road bridge are rusted through and need replacing. The Board of Selectmen would like to use these “found” funds to repair the bridge.
7. As winter arrives, we will be shortening the Monday night office hours. Instead of closing at 7pm, **we will be closing at 6pm, beginning Monday, November 4th**.
8. **Tuesday, November 5th, 2013** is the annual voting day. The polls will be open from 8AM to 8PM. Be sure to have your voice heard and get out and vote!!!
9. If you have not yet paid your 2011 property taxes, **30-day foreclosure notices** will be going out late November. To avoid additional fees, come in and pay your 2011 taxes.

10. The post office ladies informed me that the recommended **mailbox height** should be 46” to 48” from the bottom of the mailbox door to the ground.
11. We are in the process of developing a **website** for the Town. The address will be www.bradfordmaine.org . Keep watch for this exciting new step forward for the town. Plans are to have the commitment book online, the tax maps, selectmen’s meeting minutes, and some names, phone numbers, and email addresses for elected officials, committee members and other appointed officials. If you have an idea about what you would like to see included on our new website, please feel free to call or stop by the office.
12. I am in the process of researching companies to set the Town up to accept **debit/credit cards**. I hope to have this process completed by the end of the year.
13. Bradford’s Little Angels will be accepting donations for its annual Christmas project. If you would like to donate money or a gift, please bring it to the Town Office by **December 13th**. Let’s make Christmas a happy occasion!!
14. Coming up in **December**, the MSAD/RSU #64 will have a vote to decide whether or not you, the people, approve the building of a new Pre-K – 5 facility in Corinth. Keep an eye open for notices.
15. The Code Enforcement Officer has changed his hours to Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30PM for the winter months. If you need to talk to Mike or make an appointment, feel free to call his cell at 478-9300.

These are just a few of the many important dates, events, and happenings in Town this fall!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Lois A. Jones

Join us on Halloween (Thursday, October 31) for Trunk or Treating!

*This is our third year offering a trick or treating event that is a fun and safe alternative than the door- to- door traditional way of celebrating this holiday. If you want to hand out candy, which I personally enjoy, set up starts at 4:00 p.m. You can set up a table inside the Bradford Community Center and decorate, or you may decorate your car and hand out candy in the parking lot outside the Community Center. **Trick or Treaters can start at 5:30 p.m.** Anyone is welcome to join us! Contact Nicole at 944-9128 or email bradfordrecreation@gmail.com with questions. **Happy Halloween** from the Bradford Recreation Committee!*

Public Hearing

For Junkyard Permits

Thursday, October 24th at 6:00PM.
Bradford Community Center

Special Town Meeting

Thursday, October 24, 2013
at 6:15PM
Bradford Community Center

**Central Penobscot Travel
Basketball Group**

2013 Open Basketball Tryouts for
RSU 64 Athletes

Girls Tryouts – Tues. Oct. 15:

4:45-5:45PM for grades 3, 4, & 5
5:45-7:15PM for grades 6, 7, & 8

Boys Tryouts – Wed. Oct 16:

4:45-5:45PM for grades 3, 4, & 5
5:45-7:15PM for grades 6, 7, & 8

At Central High School Gymnasium

Town Office Hours

Monday – 7:00am-7:00pm*

Monday – 7am-6pm after Nov 4th*

**Tuesday & Thursday– 8:00am-
4:00pm**

Wednesday – Noon-4:00pm

Friday – CLOSED

Library Hours

Monday – 5:00-7:00 PM

Wednesday – 9:00-10:30AM

And 5:00-7:00 PM

Saturday – 10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Phone – 327-2923

Librarian Phone – 327-2111

Committee dates and times

****Selectmen’s meetings :** We have returned to our regularly scheduled times, 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, at 6:00 PM. However, we will not be meeting on October 17th – we will be meeting on October 24th instead.

****The Planning Board and the Comprehensive Plan Committee –** 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:00PM at the Bradford Community Center.

**** Recreation Committee** meets the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Bradford Community Center.

****The Community Development Advisory Committee** will meet the first Monday of each month at 6:30 PM.

****Bradford Snowblazers Snowmobile Club’s** regularly scheduled meetings will be the second Tuesday of each month at the Bradford Community Center at 7PM.

****MSAD 64 School Board meetings** are usually the 4th Monday of each month.

News from the Bradford Days Committee

We're already getting excited for Bradford Days 2014. We've heard some great feedback from last year and are already getting ideas from community members for next year! We cannot say thank you enough to all the volunteers and community organizations that helped make Bradford Days 2013 such a success! We are looking forward to making it even better in 2014!

We are gearing up for our first meeting since Bradford Days 2013. It will be held on Monday November 18th at 6:30 at the town office. We encourage anyone that would like to volunteer for the committee or anyone with new ideas to share to come and join us. If you can't make it but would like to share your ideas you can check out our facebook page www.facebook.com/BradfordDays2013 or call Samantha Randall at 478-4277.

Bradford Snowblazers

The Bradford Snowblazers club has started its meetings for the coming winter season. They will be meeting on the second Tuesdays of the month at 7PM at the Bradford Community Center. We are looking for members, even if you only want to join to give the club ideas and feedback.

Forever Friends Child Care

*241 East Road,
Bradford, ME 04410*

(207) 478-4277



We currently have
2 full time openings available for
children 2-12 yrs of age.

Youth Hunter's Breakfast

October 26, 2013

8AM-10AM

Bradford Community Center

To Benefit

Bradford Snowblazers

Snowmobile Club



Hunter's Breakfast

November 2nd

5AM-7AM

Bradford Community Center

To Benefit

Bradford Fire Department



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