

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT
DEPARTMENT REPORTS
MAY 2010**

General Government

Thomas Ford, Planner/Community Development Director
Linda Greenlaw, Town Clerk
Virginia Lindsey, Finance Director
Kerry Leichtman, Assessor

Culture and Recreation

Susan Dates, Rental Agent, Rockport Opera House
Molly Larson, Librarian

Public Safety

Stephen Beveridge, Public Works Director
Craig Cooley, EMA Director
Mark Kelley, Police Chief
Abbie Leonard, Harbor Master
Bruce Woodward, Fire Chief

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Permits

Miscellaneous Permits: Forty-two permits were issued in May 2010. They included: 13 building permits; demolition; filling and excavating; signs; and use permits. In May 2009 41 permits were issued.

Plumbing and Subsurface Wastewater Permits: In May 2010 five internal plumbing permits and two subsurface wastewater disposal permits were issued. In May 2009 seven internal plumbing permits and three subsurface wastewater permits were issued.

Boards & Committees

Planning Board: The Planning Board met in May 2010 to consider three site plan reviews: Atlantis Maritime LLC – site plan review for an expansion in boat storage and maintenance facility; Southern Venture, LLC - site plan review for improved parking and vehicular circulation; Tiffany Andrews site plan review for a 900 s.f. restaurant. In May 2009 the Planning Board met to review: Samorock L.L.C., to construct 49 housing units and one community building; Patterson Mobile Home Park, L.L.C. - site plan and subdivision final plan signing to add 12 double-wide mobile home units to an existing mobile home park; Oivind Lorentzen – application to construct a pier, ramp and float; Bill and Diana Glover – site plan application to develop a 5,560 square foot building for retail and light industrial use; Steve Watts – site plan review for a bottle redemption center; and Coastal Mountains Land Trust - site plan review to move a 377 square foot building to Beech Hill to be used for a fresh pack blueberry processing facility.

Zoning Board of Appeals: The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in May 2010 or May 2009.

Harbor Committee: In May 2010 the Harbor Committee discussed: Queenie's Weenies Lunch Wagon; Marine Park Rental Fees; Fisherman's Request for Mooring Extension; Winter Storage Fees; "Lynx" Request to Waive Dockage Fees; billing date change; and the Harbormaster's Report. The Harbor Committee reviewed and approved the application Queenie's Weenies Lunch Wagon and the Harbormaster's Report in May 2009.

Conservation Commission: The Conservation Commission met on May 20, 2010 to sponsor an educational forum on 'Harvesting the Wind in Maine.' Approximately 65 people attended the event.

Ordinance Review Committee: The Ordinance Review Committee completed their work for the season and will not reconvene until November/December unless directed by the Select Board.

Projects

Business Toolkit Group: Tom is working with a small group representing the Mid-Coast Chambers of Commerce and KWRED to develop an active web site to attract and maintain business development in the Mid-Coast area.

REDAC/CEDAC: Tom participated in the inaugural meeting of the joint Camden and Rockland economic development committee meeting. There was general agreement that future collaboration would be beneficial for all communities. Both Camden and Rockport were very interested the economic development challenges and opportunities facing Rockport.

SHIP Grant: Tom completed a \$52,400 'Small Harbor Improvement Grant' application to MDOT for harbor floats, an ADA accessible gangway and landing platform.

*Applications, permits, and supporting documentation are available
for public review at the Planning and Community Development Office*

**TOWN CLERK
MONTHLY REPORT
MAY 2010**

We issued 19 (33) Fishing Licenses, 2 (0) Hunting Licenses, 1 (0) Junior Hunting License, 4 (7) Hunting and Fishing Licenses, 1 (0) Fishing & Archery License 4 (7) Spring & Fall Turkey, 1 (0) Coyote Night Hunt, 1 (0) Superpack and 0 (1) Over 70 Complimentary. Fees collected totaled \$1,026.00 (\$1,107.00).

89 (107) Boat Registrations, 0 (0) Snowmobiles and 3 (3) ATV Registrations, 57 (65) Milfoil Stickers (Preserve Maine Waters) were issued. Fees collected were \$2,768.00 (\$4,394.00), which includes \$10.00 (\$750.00) for sales tax.

We issued 5 (25) dog licenses at a fee of \$15.00 (\$82.00). Three of these dogs are new to Rockport.

Processed 6 (4) transfers, 298 (324) passenger cars, 6 (8) antique vehicles, 34 (22) commercial vehicles, 62 (53) trailers, 1 (2) motor home, 24 (21) motorcycles, 1 (1) tractor/spec mobile, 0 (1) special equipment, 0 (1) moped, 10 (4) duplicate registrations and 8 (12) duplicate stickers. Monies taken in for these transactions (excise tax) totaled \$51,590.37, which is down 9.79 % (\$57,189.59).

We processed \$266,279.58 in real estate taxes this year compared to last years' \$1,401,001.09. The reason for the change in the amount collected is the result of us changing the due date to April 15th (formerly May 1st).

We collected \$8,144.00 (\$1,918.00) for mooring, tie-off, dinghy rack space, Boat Club Lease, etc. and waiting lists fees. We also collected \$2,242.80 (\$2,955.20) in boat excise tax.

I attended two Select Board meeting and took minutes for same. I also held a Wellness Works Program (Square Foot Gardening by MMA). We planted organic tomatoes and cucumbers. We held a Special Town Meeting for Avena Botanicals CDBG. I prepared ballots, etc and posted warrants for the June Town Meeting and School Elections. Several residents absentee voted as we also have an election Primary and State Referendum on June 8th. I also ordered flags for our deceased veterans and had the honor of assisting with placing them on some of the lots at Sea View Cemetery.

***The first number represents 2010 and the second one in parenthesis 2009**

Virginia B. Lindsey
Rockport Finance Director
Monthly Report - May 2010

The finance department is responsible for the administrative and accounting work necessary to maintain the town's finances. Work involves maintaining the chart of accounts, preparing monthly financial reports, preparing payrolls (including all required state and federal payroll reports and taxes), preparing accounts payable warrants, reconciling bank statements, preparing insurance renewals, and submitting claims (auto, property and casualty, workers compensation claims), and a number of other bookkeeping requirements. Annually, the finance director assists the town manager in the preparation of the town's budget.

The report for the month of May 2010 includes the following:

- Investments decreased during the month of May from the previous month by 3.86%, but were up overall for the year thus far by 3.91%.
- Interest earned on general funds remained at the low rate of 0.20%. The interest rate earned as far back as January 2009 was also 0.20%. The interest rate has remained unchanged for 17 months.
- Taxes paid to date represents 92.40% of taxes committed for FY 09-10, compared to 93.77% collected May 2009 for FY08-09 taxes.

	Previous Month April 2010	Current Month May 2010	Difference	% Change	One Year Ago May 2010	Difference	% Change
Budget					<i>Taxes due May 1, 2009</i>		
Wages	\$ 124,267.11	\$ 99,936.98	\$ (24,330.13)	-19.58%	\$ 98,919.41	\$ 1,017.57	1.03%
Other Expenses	\$ 1,521,493.15	\$ 807,854.05	\$ (713,639.10)	-46.90%	\$ 1,777,877.37	\$ (970,023.32)	-54.56%
Total Expenses	\$ 1,645,760.26	\$ 907,791.03	\$ (737,969.23)	-44.84%	\$ 1,876,796.78	\$ (969,005.75)	-51.63%
Total Revenue	\$ 3,937,109.53	\$ 413,249.33	\$ (3,523,860.20)	-89.50%	\$ 1,550,807.04	\$ (1,137,557.71)	-73.35%
NET	\$ 2,291,349.27	\$ (494,541.70)	\$ (2,785,890.97)	-121.58%	\$ (325,989.74)	\$ (168,551.96)	-51.70%
Cash on Hand Balance							
General Fund	\$ 3,016,944.46	\$ 2,522,739.24	\$ (494,205.22)	-16.38%	\$ 2,396,824.44	\$ 125,914.80	5.25%
Taxes Paid (for the month)	\$ 3,753,590.61	\$ 43,665.71	\$ (3,709,924.90)	-98.84%	\$ 1,394,798.71	\$ (1,351,133.00)	-96.87%
Taxes Paid (to date)	\$ 10,018,004.17	\$ 10,352,140.99	\$ 334,136.82	3.34%	\$ 10,041,431.77	\$ 310,709.22	3.09%
Investments							
Public Assistance	\$ 284,259.28	\$ 273,291.54	\$ (10,967.74)	-3.86%	\$ 245,256.86	\$ 28,034.68	11.43%
Cemeteries	\$ 333,816.75	\$ 320,936.91	\$ (12,879.84)	-3.86%	\$ 294,580.63	\$ 26,356.28	8.95%
Wastewater	\$ 149,042.00	\$ 143,291.42	\$ (5,750.58)	-3.86%	\$ 128,592.36	\$ 14,699.06	11.43%
Total Investments	\$ 767,118.03	\$ 737,519.87	\$ (29,598.16)	-3.86%	\$ 668,429.85	\$ 69,090.02	10.34%
Wastewater							
Expenses	\$ 41,027.32	\$ 76,827.40	\$ 35,800.08	87.26%	\$ 22,601.43	\$ 54,225.97	239.92%
Revenue	\$ 57,253.35	\$ 75,509.35	\$ 18,256.00	31.89%	\$ 83,485.75	\$ (7,976.40)	-9.55%
NET	\$ (16,226.03)	\$ 1,318.05	\$ 17,544.08	-108.12%	\$ (60,884.32)	\$ 62,202.37	-102.16%
Wastewater Cash on Hand Balance							
WW General Fund	\$ 350,770.21	\$ 349,452.16	\$ (1,318.05)	-0.38%	\$ 280,245.31	\$ 62,202.37	24.70%
Certificate of Deposit	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,741.07		0.74%			
Total Cash	\$ 450,770.21	\$ 450,193.23	\$ (576.98)	-0.13%	\$ 280,245.31	\$ (62,202.37)	60.64%
WW Accounts Receivable							
30 Day		60 Day		90 Day		Over 120 Days	
\$ 19,297.90	\$ 4,750.82	\$ 11,670.50	\$ 22,156.29				
TOTAL WW Accounts Receivable May 2010					\$ 57,875.51	-40.41%	
Accounts Receivable May 2009					\$ 97,120.61		

**MAY 2010
DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**

**Kerry Leichtman
Assessor**

Valuations:

Real Estate Inspections and processing Personal Property lists dominated the month. Mel is working for assessing 3 days/week instead of 2 to keep up with the workload. The extra day coming from her work with Finance.

Current Use:

Letters were sent to Farmland and Tree Growth property owners informing them of this year's acreage rates. Farmland owners who hadn't reported income were also contacted and reports were received.

Training:

I went to Vision for one-on-one training on using the software. It was an excellent session. Mike White came in to show me some tricks and shortcuts to using the GIS software.

Extra Curricular:

Participated in cell phone policy group, led by Ginny, which produced a policy and stipend plan for Town employees who use cell phones on the job. Have been meeting with Tom and Ginny on how to make best use of our workdays with Mel as our assistant.

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Sue Dates, Rental Agent
RE: **Opera House Department Head Report**
DATE: **May 2010**

(E-Mail a copy to Stacey! As well as Bob.)

During the month of May Bay Chamber rented the Opera House for Odeon rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday, for 2 Odeon concerts, for music lessons on Wednesday in the green room, and sponsored a Watershed School Benefit Concert. The Rockport Garden Club held their monthly meeting and Ashwood Waldorf School held a play with rehearsals.

Revenue for May was \$1,325.00.

Town meetings held in the Opera House Meeting Room this month were the regular Select Board meeting and a special Town Meeting, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board. The Library held three lectures, the Conservation Commission held one lecture, and the Value in Education committee met three times. Some of these meetings and lectures were in the meeting room and some in the auditorium. Many days were a logistics coordination effort.

Of the 31 days in May the building was used 19 days. Many of these days had events both up and down and 6 of the days the building was used most of the day and evening.

Maintenance this month included keeping cleaned up before and after the many different events and trying to figure out who needed what and when. The major front painting and door replacement was started this month. The four front doors were replaced and the two back side exit doors in the auditorium were replaced, new hinges and closers were put on, and they will be weather stripped to keep out the cold and hot weather. The front façade of the building was painted or stained and the back two door frames were painted. Due to weather and events in the Opera House the work will be completed in June. Planting of the flower beds have been put off until after most of the work is done.

Last year BCC rented for Odeon rehearsals, a spring concert, and a Board meeting, the Garden Club held their monthly meeting, and Everyman Repertory Theatre rented for rehearsals and 2 three day weekends for a play. Revenue was \$2,040.00. The usual town meetings were held and the Library sponsored the Terra Diddle Players spring play. The Opera House was used for 23 of the 31 days with events both up and down on many days. Maintenance included: consultation about a furnace problem, plumbing repairs in both the Men's Room and the Ladies Room, painting in the Men's Room including the partitions, and trying to keep the building cleaned and ready for the next event.

Rockport Public Library Director's Report
May 2010

Circulation	Children / YA	Adults	Total	% Change
May 2010	1853	3602	5455	+ 7.1 %
May 2009	1583	3508	5091	

**includes 70 honor system books*

Attendance	Children / YA**	Adults	Total	% Change
May 2010	266/104= 370	1990	2360	+ 9.1 %
May 2009	273	1891	2164	

***Now counting Young Adults per Maine State Library Annual Report (previously combined with children)*

Interlibrary Loan	May 2010	May 2009	% Change
Incoming	520	432	+ 20.4 %
Outgoing	347	288	+ 20.5 %

Internet Usage	May 2010	May 2009	% Change
	315	236	+ 33.5 %

Counting actual usage rather than by individual as directed in the MSL annual report.

Reference	May 2010	May 2009	% Change
	335	309	+ 8.4 %

New Category...

Technology Classes*	May 2010	May 2009	% Change
	4	<i>Not counted previously</i>	n/a

**These are individual lessons with the need of the consumer in mind. It could be "How do I set up an email account?" or "How do I book a flight online?" or "How do I change my privacy settings on Facebook?" These lessons are done by appointment and as the schedule and staffing allow.*

Programs	Program type	No. of Programs	Participants
	Adult	25	234
	Child	13	Adults 51 Children 270
	Total	38	Total 321 (234+321) = 555

Volunteers

- Volunteers gave **105** hours of support in May.

Desk Income, Gifts, Grants, or Donations

- \$ 969.93 in desk income in May.

Activities and programs in May:

555 people attended library programs or benefitted from outreach programs in May:

- Weekly community outreach to area organizations
- Monthly book group
- Monthly Art @your library program
- Twice-weekly French Conversation Group
- Weekly story time and after-school read aloud
- Drop-in Mah Jong group on Wednesday evenings and Saturdays
- BookLovers' Café
- Mother/Madre Safe Passage program with Antonia Munroe
- Balkan talk with Pat Egan

- Class visits from local elementary school children
- The Earthquake in Haiti-Three Physicians' Perspective with Drs. Douglas Cole, Lars Ellison, and Kevin Olehnik
- Books for Babies sponsored by the Friends of Rockport PL.
- Thanks to all our community members who generously give their time to facilitate programs and to speak at library events.
- For current and upcoming programs: view the Events Calendar and "What's Happening" at www.rockport.lib.me.us

Announcements

- Ann Filley will intern for the library for 8 weeks starting in May. She is a student in the Library Science program at the University of Southern Maine.
- There was a volunteer breakfast meeting at the library on May 26. Policies and procedures were discussed. We are grateful to our volunteers for the generosity of their time and talent.
- Iris Eichenlaub has been awarded the 2010 Phyllis E. Ainsworth Scholarship from the Maine Library Association. Co-chairs of the Scholarship and Loan Committee presented Iris with an award at a surprise reception held in her honor at the library. Iris is working on a Masters degree in Library Science from San Jose State University.

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Steve Beveridge, Director **Public Works** Department
RE: **Department Head Report**
DATE: **May 2010**

1. Worked on: '99 F550 – brakes, serviced, light, and patched the body; '01 Freightliner; '04 Freightliner – changed tires, scraped and painted the wing; Vac-All; '08 Freightliner – put on summer tires, painted and put away plow gear; serviced the backhoe; put new belts on the old lawn mower; '01 F450 – new fuel tank put in
2. Road Construction: at Wellington Dr. and Old County Rd. we replaced an 18" x 52" culvert. This work included, but was not limited to –permission from the State to do the work; dig safed the road; notified all residents in the subdivision (Steve put 42 notices in all the doors) that the road would be closed for one day; got permission from Dick Nightingale to send traffic over his road for the day; jack hammered the road on top of the culvert; took a new culvert over; did some preliminary work to prepare the area; notified the school, PD, FD, Knox dispatch, and EMS that the road was closed for 1 day; put in 3" minus rock to pack the culvert in; the State paved the section and another culvert area on Old County Rd.
3. Town Office: addressed ant issues
4. Library: hauled a pole and waterproofed it, took new picnic table over, picked up shelves
5. Garage: cleaned the wash bay; replaced wash bay side door with a new one
6. Meetings: Harbor Master about harbor projects, talked to Garden Club, Select Board, many residential meetings
7. Opera House: moved some of the doors downstairs; had the front flower boxes on the right repaired and put good soil back in; picked up the man lift to change overhead lights from the Middle School and returned it
8. Parks & Rec: fixed the Rec Field gates; worked on the Rec Field maintenance- built hand rails, dragged the Babe Ruth Field, fixed the back stop, and worked at the Tennis Court; picked up the parks each week; repaired fence at Glen Cove Park; sealed picnic tables that were built during the winter; worked on playgrounds
9. Harbor: placed non-skid surface on the foot bridge; built hand rails for the walkway at the new Main St. park at the Harbor – this took 2 men a couple of days; placed pea stone on the new park walkway
10. Cemeteries: checked headstones at Seaview
11. Picked up 450 gallons of waste oil for our furnace
12. Fixed 3 washouts in the Village
13. RES East – mowed the field each week and addressed a few issues, including the oil tank alarm
14. Brush: picked up tree blow downs on So. Hope Rd.
15. Worked on the Historical Signs and put them back out for the season
16. Started to grade Mt. Pleasant, but got stuck. We had to wait for the Mtn. to dry out before we finished grading
17. Did shoulder work on Old County Rd. with ok from Waldoboro DOT camp (they were not going to get to this project)
18. Hauled 6 loads of fill to Mystic Ave
19. Hauled gravel & 1" minus to our stockpile
20. Replaced a culvert on Main St.; lowered a culvert at Forest and West St.
21. Sold several loads of "junk" fill to a resident
22. Cold patched
23. Hayed & seeded Main, Rockville, Park, Huse Streets and Mist subdivision
24. Took an old slide to the Brooks Rec Dept.
25. Screened many cubic yards of soil over several days

26. Hauled fill to MCSWC
27. Hauled old mix to Marriner's
28. Put 25 mph and a pedestrian walking sign on Camden St. in Rockport
29. New sign put on Union St
30. Met with two different residents to address drainage issues on their properties
31. Readied sanders for summer storage by coating the inside with a special sealant
32. Put out flags for Memorial Day

Man hours available this month -998; Approximate man hours on the above projects – 924.
This does not include the small extra projects, errands, and twice a week trash removal.

Last year we worked on the Vac-All, '99 F550, sanders, '04 F550 #1, and put a hitch on the '09 F550. We graded the Mountain; ditched, seeded and hayed where necessary; swept Mist subdivision; hauled brush and repaired washouts on Mt. Pleasant; shoulder work done in Mist; replaced a culvert on Gurney St. due to washout– major project; cold patched; opened all parks and Beauchamp Point for summer; placed bark mulch at Walker Park; made 6 picnic tables; put out Historical Signs; swale on Old Rockland St.; hauled 1" minus; hauled brush and wood from Seaview Cemetery; put in most of the floats; put out flags; straightened out signs titled from winter and spring problems; major cleanup in the garage; painted partitions at the Opera House in the garage.



Town of Rockport

Department Head Report

MAY, 2010

Nothing of great Significance to report this month.

**Craig Cooley
EMA Director**

ROCKPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

MAY, 2010

OFFICER PRODUCTIVITY REPORT:

OFFICER:	# of Arrests:	Warnings:
201 / Chief Kelley	0	06
202/ Sgt. T. Ford	11	09
203/ W. Butler	10	09
204/ D. Smith	69	38
205/ D. Brown	07	21
211/ C. Cooley	07	04

VEHICLE STATS:	Mileage:	Gals. of Gas.	M.P.G.
	7,825	474.6	16.4

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Rockport Police Department
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Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
911 Hangup	8
Administrative	13
Agency Assistance	7
Alarm	26
Animal Noise	4
Animal Problem	13
Animal Welfare	4
Assault	3
Attempt to Locate	1
Violation of Bail Conditions	1
Burglary	1
Car/Vehicle Fire	1
Car/Deer 10-55	2
Check In Per Court Order	25
Citizen Assist	7
Citizen Dispute	1
Civil Problem	6
Criminal Mischief	4
Custodial Interference	1
Deliver Message	2
Detail Assignment	1
Disorderly Conduct	9
Domestic	4
Traffic - Erratic Oper Vehicle	22
Escort	2
Explosives Problem	1
Fireworks	1
Found Property	1
Fraud	1
Harassment	1
Hit and Run 10-55	1
Information Report	11
Juvenile Problem	3
Litter/Pollution/Public Health	1
Lost Property	2
Medical Alarm	1
Mental Health Issue	10
Miscellaneous CAD Call Record	1
Missing Person	1
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle	1
Nuisance	4
Odor Investigation	1
Paperwork Servd For Othr Agenc	3
Parking Problem	1
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	13
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	4
Probation/Bail Check	2
Probation/Parole Violation	1
Property Check	35
Public Works Referral	1
Radar Detail	20
Recovered Stolen Property	1
Sex Offender Registration	1
Suspicious Vehicle	3
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	4
Theft	4
Threatening	4
Traffic Hazard	7
Traffic Violation	70
Traffic Stop	18
Trespassing	1
Underage Drinking	1
Unsecure Premise	3
Utility Problem	3
Vehicle Maintenance	4
Wanted Person	5
Well-Being Chck	2

Total Incidents for This Report:	421

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Rockport Police Department
Law Incident Analysis, Time Reported

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Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total
00:00-00:59	4	1	0	2	1	3	4	15
01:00-01:59	2	1	0	1	0	3	1	8
02:00-02:59	2	2	4	1	1	4	4	18
03:00-03:59	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	9
04:00-04:59	0	0	3	0	0	1	1	5
05:00-05:59	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
06:00-06:59	0	0	2	1	0	2	0	5
07:00-07:59	2	3	3	4	3	3	1	19
08:00-08:59	3	5	3	4	2	3	3	23
09:00-09:59	3	3	1	2	6	7	5	27
10:00-10:59	3	4	3	0	4	4	9	27
11:00-11:59	2	2	4	2	4	3	3	20
12:00-12:59	1	2	0	0	2	4	3	12
13:00-13:59	3	1	2	2	2	3	4	17
14:00-14:59	6	7	6	3	3	1	2	28
15:00-15:59	8	3	4	5	4	5	6	35
16:00-16:59	7	5	1	0	4	3	2	22
17:00-17:59	1	0	2	0	2	3	6	14
18:00-18:59	6	1	1	3	1	2	3	17
19:00-19:59	3	6	1	2	5	3	4	24
20:00-20:59	2	2	0	2	6	4	5	21
21:00-21:59	3	3	1	2	2	3	2	16
22:00-22:59	0	0	5	1	2	3	4	15
23:00-23:59	1	3	4	4	3	2	1	18
Total by Day	63	56	54	43	59	71	75	421

Report Includes:

All dates between `00:00:01 05/01/10` and `23:59:59 05/31/10`
All agencies matching `0704`
All offenses observed
All offenses reported
All offense codes
All nature of incidents
All location codes

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Harbormaster Report

May 2010

May in Maine is time to enjoy the weather and not have to deal with all of the hustle and bustle that comes along with the influx of people that the summer season brings. The boats are slowly disappearing from winter storage and a boy just pulled in 8 Mackerel from the harbor as I write this, summer is officially here.

- We held our first community BBQ (I like to call it a “Harbeque”) at the Harbor. It was a shakedown event that was purposely not advertised to see how it would be received. It was held on a beautiful Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. There was music playing from a barge along the sea wall, art supplies set out for kids to do artwork and the grill going for everyone to use. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive and we hope to do one every month that we can. The next event is planned for Saturday June 26th from 12-4, so bring some grillables for a picnic and come on down.
- Tom Ford delivered the application for a SHIP Grant to Augusta for new floats and a gangway so now we wait with our fingers crossed.
- The *Heron* is back from the islands and are off and running with day charters. Schooner *Timberwind* started their 3 day trips on Memorial Day weekend.
- Have now called the first 25 people on the mooring waiting list and have 10 re-issues pending. In an effort to enforce our “use it or lose it” policy I have begun to go around to the boats that are on the moorings and make sure it is the appropriate boat for the mooring.
- Have re-issued 5 tie-offs to date and have added an extra rack to the dinghy rack so there is now no dinghy rack wait list.
- Due to a change in our ordinance inspections are due on the June 15th. An exact due date had not been set which left it too open to be able to enforce. I sent a letter to the mooring contractors reminding them of the change.
- A report of a dinghy floating in the outer harbor was called in to my cell phone early on a Monday morning. I was able to retrieve it and return it to the owner.
- A report of a boat taking on water was called in on the radio and my cell phone. Turned out that the owner was aware of it and that it was just “swelling”.
- Worked with several other Dept. Heads to develop a cell phone policy for the town, in order to comply with the IRS regulations. Looking forward to the Lynx return to Rockport the first weekend in June.

Happy summer!

BRUCE WOODWARD, FIRE CHIEF

On April the 10th we responded to a structure fire at 79 Old Rockland Street and found fire showing from the second story of an out building. The fire had self vented from a window on the street side of the building. Firefighters quickly controlled the fire with tank water from the first arriving engine and did not have to use the fire hydrant which was right next to the building. The fire appeared to have started from an extension cord that had probably been pinched.

The spring burning season was full swing during the month of April with 15 to 20 burning permits issued for each weekend. For many of those weekend days, the permits were not activated because of "high" fire danger. We have had no escaped permit burns this season. We extinguished one small brush fire on South Street near Beech Hill that appeared to have been caused by a discarded cigarette.

On Sunday April 11, we took Engine 21 to the Mid Coast School of Technology for live fire training for the students of the Firefighter I & II program. Each student got to extinguish a car fire as part of a two person team. Students were then trained on LP gas fires by working with two hose streams to protect themselves from the heat and flames and simulate shutting off a valve. We have two firefighters in the program, Robert Ames and Ryan Hill. All the students were excited about the chance to extinguish real fires.

The sprinkler system at the public safety building has had some periodic sessions where the air compressor would run for many short spurts just a few minutes apart. This is abnormal behavior and did not happen all the time. I have spoken about my concerns on this issue several times. The sprinkler technician re-piped the air switch and the problem has not occurred since.

Report Period: 01/01/10-04/30/10
Comparables: 01/01/09-04/30/09

Calls by Incident Type	Percent of Total Calls 2009	Percent of Total Calls 2010	Total Incidents 2009	Total Incidents 2010
Building Fires	0.00%	6.25%	0	5
Vehicle Fires	2.38%	0.00%	1	0
Other Fires	2.38%	2.08%	2	1
Overpressure Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat	0%	0.00%	0	0
Emergency Medical Treatment	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
All Others	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Hazardous Condition Calls	26.19%	37.50%	11	18
Service Calls	7.14%	10.42%	4	6
Good Intent Calls	14.29%	12.50%	6	8
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Calls	0%	0%	0	0
Special Incident Calls	0%	0%	0	0
Unknown Incident Type	0%	0%	0	0
Malicious Calls	2.38%	0%	1	0
Other False Calls	45.24%	31.25%	19	16
Total Calls	100%	100%	44	54
Total Fire Dollar Loss	\$4,200	\$2,200	\$4,200	\$2,200
Total Dollar Loss	\$4,200	\$2,200	\$4,200	\$2,200

Summary By Incident Type

Report Period: 1/1/10 - 5/31/10

Calls By Incident Type	Frequency	Percent Of Total Calls	Mutual Aid None	Mutual Aid Given	Mutual Aid Received	Other Aid Given	Invalid Aid Flag	Exposures	Total Incidents
FIRES									
Building Fires (110-118, 120-123).....	4	6.90%	4	2	0	0	0	0	6
Vehicle Fires (130-138).....	1	1.72%	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Others Fires (100, 140-173).....	1	1.72%	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total Fires.....	6	10.34%	6	2	0	0	0	0	8
Overpressure Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat (200-251).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RESCUE CALLS									
Emergency Medical Treatment (300-323).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others (331-381).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Rescue Calls.....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Condition Calls (400-482).....	22	37.93%	21	0	1	0	0	0	22
Service Calls (500-571).....	6	10.34%	6	1	0	0	0	0	7
Good Intent Calls (600-671).....	7	12.07%	7	2	0	0	0	0	9
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Calls (800-815).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Incident Calls (900-911).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown Incident Type (UUU).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALSE CALLS									
Malicious Calls (710-715, 751).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other False Calls (700, 721-746).....	17	29.31%	16	1	1	0	0	0	18
Total False Calls.....	17	29.31%	16	1	1	0	0	0	18
TOTAL CALLS.....	58	100.00%	56	6	2	0	0	0	64
TOTAL FIRE DOLLAR LOSS									
Total Incidents With Exposure Fires.....	0								\$8,200
Total Exposure Fires.....	0								\$8,200
Casualty Summary									
Fire Related Injuries		Civilian	Fire Service						
Non-Fire Injuries	0	0	0						
Fire Related Deaths	0	0	0						
Non-Fire Deaths	0	0	0						

Summary By Incident Type

Report Period: 1/1/09 - 5/31/09

Calls By Incident Type	Frequency	Percent Of Total Calls	Mutual Aid None	Mutual Aid Given	Mutual Aid Received	Other Aid Given	Invalid Aid Flag	Exposures	Total Incidents
FIRES									
Building Fires (110-118, 120-123).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle Fires (130-138).....	1	1.85%	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Others Fires (100, 140-173).....	1	1.85%	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Total Fires.....	2	3.70%	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
Overpressure Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat (200-251).....	1	1.85%	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
RESCUE CALLS									
Emergency Medical Treatment (300-323).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
All Others (331-381).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Rescue Calls.....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hazardous Condition Calls (400-482).....	15	27.78%	15	0	0	0	0	0	15
Service Calls (500-571).....	3	5.56%	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
Good Intent Calls (600-671).....	7	12.96%	6	0	1	0	0	0	7
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Calls (800-815).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Incident Calls (900-911).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown Incident Type (UUU).....	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALSE CALLS									
Malicious Calls (710-715, 751).....	1	1.85%	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other False Calls (700, 721-746).....	25	46.30%	21	0	4	0	0	0	25
Total False Calls.....	26	48.15%	22	0	4	0	0	0	26
TOTAL CALLS.....	54	100.00%	49	1	5	0	0	1	56
TOTAL FIRE DOLLAR LOSS.....									
Total Incidents With Exposure Fires.....	1								\$4,200
Total Exposure Fires.....	1								\$4,200
Casualty Summary									
		Civilian		Fire Service					
Fire Related Injuries	0		0						
Non-Fire Injuries	0		0						
Fire Related Deaths	0		0						
Non-Fire Deaths	0		0						