

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT
DEPARTMENT REPORTS
JULY 2012**

General Government

Thomas Ford, Planner/Community Development Director
Linda Greenlaw, Town Clerk
Virginia Lindsey, Finance Director- On Vacation
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 – No Report Received
Mark Kelley, Police Chief
Abbie Leonard, Harbor Master
Bruce Woodward, Fire Chief

Office of Planning and Community Development

Monthly Report – July 2012

Permits

Miscellaneous Permits: Sixty permits were issued in July 2012. The figure included eighteen building permits (accessory structure, garage, shed, renovations etc.), ten new dwelling units, nine sign permits, three use permit, three filling & excavating permits and five miscellaneous permits. Thirty-three permits were issued in July 2011.

Plumbing and Subsurface Wastewater Permits: Seven internal plumbing permits and two subsurface wastewater permit were issued in July 2012. One internal plumbing permit and three subsurface wastewater permits were issued in July 2011.

Boards & Committees

Planning Board: The Planning Board met in July 2012 to review and approve a revised site plan for a 4,973 s.f. addition to PAWS(the Animal Adoption Center) and a continued pre-application meeting for a change of use in Union Hall (educational to commercial-restaurant, retail grocery. The Planning Board met in July 2011 to review a preliminary subdivision plan of the Village at Rockport, LLC for Phase II

Zoning Board of Appeals: The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in July 2012 or July 2011.

Ordinance Review Committee: The Ordinance Review completed their work tasks in March and conducted a public informational meeting... The proposed ordinance changes went through the Planning Board and Select Board public hearing process in April and were approved by voters, with a substantial majority, at July Town meeting. As we move through the summer, the Planning Office is compiling a list of potential work tasks for the upcoming ORC winter semester.

Projects

SHIP Grant – Harbor Floats: A revised design and bid package for the Rockport Floats project was prepared, vetted and approved by MDOT and put out to bid. Abbie and Tom completed a redrafting of the proposal that included a bi-furcated bid process for the floats and pilings that should result in a more competitive bidding process. The Town selected Two Harbor Marine to build the floats and Prock Marine in install the green heart pilings. Prock Marine installed the pilings and Two Harbor Marine completed construction on the floats in their Lincolnville shop and delivered them to the Town of Rockport. MDOT approved an amendment to the grant to add a fourth float. This project was completed in early July.

Water Quality: Rockport is again participating with the Maine Healthy Beaches program to test the water quality at Goodie's Beach. Water quality testing of Goodie's Beach and the direct drainage outfall pipe is conducted on a weekly basis. When a sample tests high, Maine Healthy Beaches retests the next day. Since the start of testing on May 29th there have been 18 test samples of which 9 have come back with elevated levels of the indicator bacteria. In most instances there has been a direct correlation between elevated bacteria levels and substantial rain events possibly indicating the bacterial spikes are the result of non-point source pollution washing into the drainage systems that empty into the harbor.

Scott Bickford is also nearing completion of a sanitary survey of the Goodie's Beach direct drainage basin. This study is supported by the Conservation Commission and Planning Office. Fifty-four residences in the direct drainage basin of Goodie's Beach are being inspected to ensure that a malfunctioning wastewater system is not contributing to the high bacterial readings.

Shore and Harbor Grant: The Town received notification that it has been awarded a Shore and Harbor Grant. The Grant will provide planning and design services to the west side of Marine Park. Planner Tom Ford has solicited input from the Select Board, Harbor Committee, Harbor Master and Conservation Commission on this project.

SHIP Grant Harbor Lighting Project: The Planning Office, with input and support from Public Works staff Steve Beveridge and Mike Young and Harbor Master Abbie Leonard, has been preparing an application to MDOT to pursue a SHIP Grant to light Rockport Harbor.

BIG Grant: The Planning Office is also working on a BIG grant with input from Mike Young and Abbie Horton for additional improvements in the Harbor.

Economic Development: Tom Ford is working with community development directors from Belfast, Camden and Rockland on efforts to better publicize economic opportunities and challenges here in the Mid –Coast. The development directors are working on a proposal to address how the Maine Coast Economic Alliance might be sustained with a specific initiative to benefit the mid-coast economy. It is anticipated the Alliance Board will meet in September to review proposals presented by the Community Development Directors.

Sidewalk Grant: Camden and Rockport joined forces to in grant application to MDOT to extend the sidewalk in the MDOT right of way from Quarry Hill in Camden to L.E. Leonard's in Rockport. If this project is approved, design, planning and construction will extend over a period of three years.

Information and supporting documentation on all permits and projects is available for public review at the Planning and Community Development Office.

**TOWN CLERK
MONTHLY REPORT
JULY 2012**

We issued 12 (9) Fishing Licenses, 3 (1) Hunting Licenses, 2 (4) Fishing & Hunting License, 1 (1) Duplicate Licenses, 0 (1) Migratory Bird License and 1 (0) Saltwater Fish Registry. Fees collected totaled \$459.00 (\$425.25).

51 (63) Boat Registrations, 0 (0) Snowmobiles and 8 (12) ATV Registrations, 1 (0) Duplicate ATV, 25 (34) Milfoil Stickers (Preserve Maine Waters), and 1 (0) Non-resident Milfoil Sticker were issued. Fees collected were \$2,281.05 (3,081.30), which includes \$630.05(1,087.30) for sales tax plus \$12.50 sales tax on a documented boat.

We issued 11 (9) dog licenses at a fee of \$47.00 (\$38.00), plus 1 replacement tag. Nine of these dogs are new to Rockport.

Processed 5 (8) transfers, 235 (262) passenger cars, 2 (1) passenger cars (no fee), 0 (0) passenger (half rate), 11 (7) antique vehicles, 15 (11) commercial vehicles, 29 (31) trailers, 0 (0) motor home, 11 (13) motorcycles, 2 (2) moped, 0 (4) duplicate registrations and 0 (5) duplicate stickers. Monies taken in for these transactions (excise tax) totaled \$58,317.88 (\$57,890.72), up .74%.

We processed \$277,873.84 (\$174,194.05) in real estate taxes this month. On July 25th, we processed 27 (32) personal property summons. This is for taxes that have not been paid. The due dates were October 17, 2011 and April 17, 2012. We sent 550 (544), 30 day notices for real estate taxes that are unpaid. Also sent notices to 43 (4) new owners. The next process will be liens in mid-August.

We collected \$5,249.25 (\$5,887.15) for mooring, tie-off, dinghy rack space, etc. and waiting lists fees. We also collected \$1,467.50 (\$1,594.60) in boat excise tax.

We sold one (seven) cemetery lot at the West Rockport Cemetery for \$350 (\$16,050).

I attended a Select Board meeting and took minutes for same. Also attended a Goals Session with Select Board and the Rockport Library Book Sale and had the pleasure of volunteering for a few hours.

***The first number represents 2012 and the second one in parenthesis 2011**

July 2012
Department Head Report
Kerry Leichtman
Assessor

Staffing: Unfortunately for me, my new assistant, Bob Mentzinger, was offered a full-time position elsewhere. His last day here was July 20. He'd done some good work while here, but the time it took to train him did not pay off as he wasn't here long enough.

Personal Property: Working together, Bob and I came close to finishing the major portion of the personal property work: that is getting all the data organized and entered into Vision. I still have a few tough situations to handle, and then have to process all BETE (Business Equipment Tax Exemption) applications. There are quite a few and processing them will take some time. BETE law is difficult to understand and, therefore, difficult to administer. Dave Ledew, the director of the property tax division, refers to the BETE statutes as, "the single-most complex piece of legislation that assessor's have ever had to deal with bar none." (I'm able to quote him directly as I'm just back from Property Tax School where he again made the statement, though this time I was recording it.) The law was passed in 2007. Each year the law is tweaked and interpreted, so that rather than the law becoming clearer with time and experience it's becoming more and more nuanced. Once the BETEs have been processed, the BETRs (Business Equipment Tax Reimbursement) are next. This program is also time consuming to process but administering it is more straightforward. Most BETR applications can wait until after commitment.

I have had to get insistent with a couple of major businesses in town to get them to file credible personal property schedules and have been pleased with the initial results.

Inspections: I'm doing as many as time allows, but my other responsibilities don't allow me to focus on this as much as I'd like. On a really good day I can do 12-14 inspections. Unfortunately, that "really good day" will result in as many as two days of follow up work in the office. Follow up includes, entering the data into Vision, researching deeds when necessary, writing to homeowners alerting them to a rise in taxable value when that rise is \$500 or more, filing field data.

Board of Assessment Review: We had a B.A.R. hearing on July 25. The opposing attorney was not properly prepared and rather than rule in the Town's favor, they granted a continuance. While that was a very polite thing to do it was not the right thing to do. However I do not exercise any authority over them as their responsibility is to hear both sides and make a judgment according to statute and their by-laws. Since I (representing the Town) am the defendant and the applicant the plaintiff, the board must act independently. The hearing was continued to September 19. We have a second appeal to hear, this will be August 14.

Meetings/Education: Property Tax School started on July 30. The course selections offered by Maine Revenue Services is excellent. Because Tax School is held in the Hutchinson Center in Belfast I am able to commute each day rather than have to book a motel room and buy meals as do most other attendees, which makes this an even better value for Rockport.

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Sue Dates, Rental Agent
RE: **Opera House Department Head Report**
DATE: **July 2012**

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

During the month of July Bay Chamber rented the Opera House for a weekly rehearsals and Thursday concerts and a special student concert on a Saturday; Station Maine held a Gordon Bok concert; Waterfall Arts and Cycles of Life held 2 contemporary dance performances; and Maine Media held their Monday and Tuesday lecture series in either the auditorium or the meeting room – depending upon their needs. The Garden Club held their monthly meeting.

We are now on a yearly contract with Bay Chamber. They will be paying once a year and I will report the one payment when it comes in. They are allowed 14 concerts and 45 rehearsals under the new contract. If they go over the number of concerts and rehearsals, they will be charged at the regular rate. Revenue for July was \$2372.00. The Opera House was used on 21 of the 31 days for at least 1 and usually 2 events each day.

Town meetings held in the Opera House Meeting Room this month were the Select Board, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board. The Library held their weekly Children's programs in the meeting room

Maintenance this month included trying to keep events in the correct place at the correct time and trying to keep the opera house cleaned up for each of the events. Randy repaired several of the balcony chairs as they are starting to break down on a more frequent basis. They are too old to get parts for. He is trying to check all 110 each week because Bay Chamber is in each week. Maine Media does all of their setup. Geoff Parker is donating his time to get things set up with the new sound system that was purchased. We had hoped to get it installed this month, but realize that due to the number of uses during July and August that this has proven impossible. There will be a sound and light booth in the back of the auditorium when we are finished. This is as it should be from a professional performance perspective. The old system will be stored and used in the meeting room. This should help the groups who do presentations and could use some sound amplification in that room. Next comes the repairs and additions to the light system. We had a starter switch disintegrate in the large a/c unit. Unfortunately, it did this late in the afternoon on a Thursday – just before a BCC concert. It was very hot that night and almost everyone suffered because of it. Public Works sent a man to the only place in the State that had the 1 starter left the next morning and it was put in by an electrician through our contractor. The a/c is working very well now. One of the toilets in the ladies room overflowed during the dance performance. We had to turn off the water as the chain broke. We tried to replace this toilet, which is the one that has given us almost all the trouble during the last few years, and found that we need an industrial toilet and cannot purchase one "off the shelf". The original toilet was repaired and is now working. We are discussing replacement of this toilet as it has cost us a lot in repairs and water bills. A light bulb blew in one of the stairwells to the auditorium. Because this is a safety issue, Mike (who was in town) and Sue (who had the light bulb) went in to change it. Mike is tall enough, so he didn't need a ladder to change it. It has been an eventful month for everyone.

Last year revenue for July was \$1796.00. The Opera House was used for at least one event on 19 of the 31 days. Maintenance included: keeping everything ready for meetings and concerts, work trying to trouble shoot a couple of problems with the air conditioning system. This can be difficult to do when it is an intermittent problem, until the problem actually breaks down. This did finally happen.

Rockport Public Library
July 2012

Circulation	July 2012	July 2011	% Change
Children	1968	1640	+ 5.9 %
Young Adults	484	480	
Adults	*3997	3970	
Total	6449	6090	

**Circulation: totals of materials checked out of this library by our patrons (includes 101 honor system items)*

Attendance	July 2012	July 2011	% Change
Adult	2407	2591	- 7.9 %
Young Adults	144	222	
Children	388	378	
Total	2939	3191	

Attendance means visits or the number of people coming into the library. We count this by hand. We do not use a door counter. This number therefore, is conservative.

Interlibrary Loan	July 2012	July 2011	% Change
Incoming	586	508	+15.4 %
Outgoing	619	531	+ 16.6 %

Interlibrary loan is books borrowed by our patrons (incoming) from other libraries and books loaned (outgoing) by this library to other libraries.

Computer Usage	July 2012	July 2011	% Change
	455	493	- 7.7 %

Computer usage: Calculated by number of session computers are in use.

Reference	July 2012	July 2011	% Change
	392	406	- 3.4 %

Programs	Programs	Participants	Tech. Sessions
Adult	19	149	3
Young Adult			
Children	16	365(c)	
		185(a)	
Total	35	699	

Unless a program is specifically targeted to YA the participants will be counted as children Tech. sessions must be scheduled and at least ½ hour in length otherwise counted in reference statistics.

Volunteers

	FY 93/94	FY 06/07	FY 10/11	FY 11/12	% FY 10/11	% FY 93/94
Circulation Children	18100	20363	26856	25348	5.6%	40.0%
Circulation Adult	23934	41609	41818	50057	19.7%	109.1%
Total Circulation	42043	61972	68674	75405	9.8%	79.4%
Attendance Children		3391	3546	3954	11.5%	only total
Attendance YA			1471	1529	3.9%	attendance was
Attendance Adults		24738	25540	25620	0.3%	recorded in 93/94
Total Attendance	14,200	28,129	30,557	31,103	1.8%	119.0%
Incoming Interlibrary loans	177	4105	6673	6773	1.5%	3726.6%
Outgoing Interlibrary loans	24	4519	4852	6809	40.3%	26270.8%
Internet Usage	0	3709	4387	4789	9.2%	n/a
Reference	1200	2078	3543	3962	11.8%	230.2%
Programs Adults	5	68	193	236	22.3%	4620.0%
Programs Children	60	77	149	165	10.7%	175.0%
Program Attendance Adults	300	1139	1824	2524	38.4%	741.3%
Program Attendance Children	840	1151	2784	3845	38.1%	357.7%
Volunteer Hours	780	818	1399	1295	7.4%	66.0%

Please let me know if you have questions on these figures.

Molly Larson
Library Director
August 5, 2012

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Steve Beveridge, Director **Public Works** Department
RE: **Department Head Report**
DATE: **July 2012 (from June 29 thru August 2)**

1. Worked on: the truck lift – it has broken beyond repair- we ordered a new one and jack hammered out the cement and pulled out ½ of the lift in preparation for delivery and placement of the new lift; '08 Sander; Grader; put a tool box on the '10 F550; took the '08 F350 to Rockland Ford to replace alternator and melted belt; worked on backhoe;
2. Road Construction: Pleasant Street – met with residents about project several times, reclaimed pavement, graded road and got ready for paving; Maine Water came in to replace old lines; put calcium chloride – both liquid and solid- on the dirt road to keep dust down; George Hall started their portion of work; check Pleasant Street progress – sometimes several times a day; cut cedar trees; ditched
3. Paving done – Main Street in village area, Main Street from Simonton's Corner @ Park St. to the Town Line with Camden; Annis Lane; all of the Mistic Subdivision
4. Town Office: repaired Melody's desk
5. Library: book sale –took tables from the book sale back to their storage places and books to MCSWC; helped move furniture in the Library
6. Garage: cleaned the salt shed, storage shed, and garage; broke up old fuel tank pad; picked up garage
7. Meetings: Steve, Mike and Sue invited to & attended Garden Club meeting; Select Board meeting & workshop; meetings with Pleasant Street residents; meeting with Pathways Committee for proposed sidewalk addition on Rt. 1; Dick Nightingale in regards to his roads in subdivision; Capital Improvements workshop attended; Mike met with Tom, Abbie, and Ginny about grant for Harbor lights – met with Abbie about grant
8. Harbor: worked on floats for Abbie; made sure Harbor cleaned up after Pop the Cork; fixed path to the Harbor; worked on kilns for Abbie – placed signs and put up safety fences; Mike attended several meetings about lighting project; built and placed 2 wooden fences at the Harbor; started work on the chess board in Kononen Park; cut brush and hauled 12 loads from Harbor; cut more brush and hauled; had some trees cut on Goose River side of Harbor
9. Bridge at Annis Lane – built and placed forms for cement, had cement poured, took off forms, placed 2 beams under the bridge to help support the bridge, and rebuilt the guard rails. (2 fish were caught by hand and released to the correct side of the water)
10. RES East: made sure Pop the Cork cleaned up – this took a while due to wet weather and conditions on field; mowed the field each week; fixed ruts in field left from activity; met with Bettina about water on the field; made up and put out bid for Asbestos Removal in the building; met with contractor about Asbestos Bid
11. Parks & Rec Field: cut brush and put out new bark mulch around gym set
12. Chickawaukie Property: placed a silt fence, cut trees, hauled 85 cubic yards of rock and fill and graded site, took down camp and hauled to MCSWC, loamed and seeded site, measured site and staked out lot, placed erosion control, met with neighbors on several occasions
13. ROH: sent a man to pick up a/c starter from business in Newport
14. Hauled 7 loads of tailings to South St.
15. Cut and removed trees and brush-some cut by others- on Pascal Ave., Main St, Pleasant Street; High Street; cut brush and grass at Camden Street;
16. Put out and took in flags for the Fourth of July
17. Cold patched several times
18. Looked at graffiti on the rocks at Beauchamp Point on private property
19. Cleaned up pile of sand placed by a resident on the pathway
20. Cut grass and brush around stop signs around Town
21. Replaced 3 culverts on Mistic Ave.

22. Replaced a stop sign on Mystic Ave. and checked signs elsewhere
23. Screened dirt in stockpile for rocks, etc. on several days
24. Placed and took up signs for the Camden Garden Club annual Kitchen Tour
25. Helped MCSWC with a check dam, ditched and placed rip rap for them
26. Replaced a culvert at the Riley School on Warrenton St.
27. Cut brush and hauled 9 loads from various places
28. Hauled fill to West Rockport

July was a very busy month for everyone with many projects around town.

Man hours available this month -1405; Approximate man hours on the above projects – 1400.
This does not include the small extra projects, errands, and twice a week trash removal.

Last year we had available 850.25 man hours and accounted for 764. We worked on the '93 1800, '01 Freightliner, '09 F550, #1 '04 F550 – sent out; bids for Paving & Storm Drainage work went out for West Street, bids opened and awarded, met with residents, work was started, calcium chloride was placed on the street and the construction crew sprayed water to try to keep the road dust down; a small project on Pleasant Street was started in preparation for next year's road construction; at the Town Office screens were repaired, extra trash taken, ant problem addressed; at the Library – the tables and books were moved for the book sale and picked up and taken back after; the garage was picked up and cleaned and the area was cleaned, dirt was screened and loam was made; Meetings attended- SB workshop, RES East, ROH, West St. Paving abutters meeting, Camden Garden Club kitchen tour; Opera House – did several walk-thrus for upcoming insulation bid with contractors, set up for SB workshop; Cemeteries – cleaned up tree at Seaview; RES East – major walk-thru of building with interested parties, helped take out kitchen equipment for resale- which was a major process due to fire system, mowed field each week, took left over items from Rotary lawn sale away; Parks & Rec – moved one doggie pot to Beauchamp Point; used a rented mini excavator to overhaul detention pond on Wellington, ditched at Wellington, repaired 2 driveways; got a larger excavator and replaced a culvert on Ashley Terrace, West St. Extension, ditched 600 ft. on West St. Extension, 700 ft. on Mt. Pleasant, and 850 ft. on Meadow St.; put out flags and took in; assisted the Camden Garden Club with their tour with cones and signs; cold patched; trimmed bushes and grass in several spots.

ROCKPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

July, 2012

OFFICER PRODUCTIVITY REPORT:

OFFICER:	# of Arrests:	Warnings:
201 / Chief Kelley	0	0
202/ Sgt. T. Ford	03	05
203/Wes Butler	09	05
204/Dana Smith	29	26
205/Robbi Shaw	07	12
211/ C. Cooley	07	02

VEHICLE STATS:	Mileage:	Gals. of Gas.	M.P.G.
	7,965	473.8	16.8

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Rockport Police Department
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Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
911 Hangup	3
Administrative	6
Agency Assistance	24
Alarm	23
Alcohol Offense	1
Animal Noise	3
Animal Problem	6
Animal Welfare	1
Bail Check	1
Car/Deer 10-55	2
Citizen Assist	8
Citizen Dispute	1
Civil Problem	8
Criminal Mischief	7
Dead Body	1
Detail Assignment	1
Disorderly Conduct	8
Domestic	1
Controlled Substance Problem	1
Traffic - Erratic Oper Vehicle	18
Escort	1
Fire Alarm	4
Fireworks	5
Found Property	7
Grass/Woods/Forest Fire	1
Harassment	3
Hit and Run 10-55	1
Information Report	14
Juvenile Problem	3
Lockout	1
Lost Property	2
Mental Health Issue	2
Miscellaneous CAD Call Record	1
Missing Person	1
Nuisance	2
DUI Alcohol or Drugs	2
Paperwork Servd For Othr Agenc	19
Paperwork Servd For This Agenc	1
Parking Problem	5
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	19
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	6
Release of Property	1
Property Check	59
Radar Detail	3
Runaway Juvenile	3
Report of shots fired	2
Sickness or Sick Person	1
Stray Animal	2
Structure Fire	1
Suspicious Vehicle	6
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	8
Theft	5
Threatening	2
Traffic Hazard	6
Traffic Violation	37
Traffic Stop	4
Trespassing	4
Unknown Medical Problem	1
Unsecure Premise	3
Utility Problem	5
Vehicle off roadway no damage	1
Vehicle Maintenance	10
Well-Being Chck	55
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Total Incidents for This Report:	443

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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	1	3	3	0	3	2	2	14
01:00-01:59	4	2	3	3	1	1	1	15
02:00-02:59	2	3	2	0	2	4	3	16
03:00-03:59	3	2	2	3	1	3	6	20
04:00-04:59	2	1	4	1	1	0	2	11
05:00-05:59	0	0	1	0	2	1	2	6
06:00-06:59	0	1	1	2	2	1	2	9
07:00-07:59	1	3	0	0	0	3	4	11
08:00-08:59	0	2	1	5	5	2	2	17
09:00-09:59	3	3	2	2	4	6	4	24
10:00-10:59	0	5	4	4	0	2	4	19
11:00-11:59	1	3	3	2	5	2	3	19
12:00-12:59	5	5	2	0	2	4	2	20
13:00-13:59	1	5	6	1	4	7	2	26
14:00-14:59	7	3	1	5	0	4	4	24
15:00-15:59	1	4	3	2	2	2	3	17
16:00-16:59	7	4	2	4	7	2	5	31
17:00-17:59	3	1	1	2	2	3	2	14
18:00-18:59	2	1	3	0	1	1	2	10
19:00-19:59	5	7	2	2	2	2	4	24
20:00-20:59	1	3	4	3	2	1	3	17
21:00-21:59	6	7	2	5	5	8	6	39
22:00-22:59	4	3	5	2	6	5	1	26
23:00-23:59	3	5	1	1	0	2	2	14
Total by Day	62	76	58	49	59	68	71	443

Report Includes:

All dates between `00:00:01 07/01/12` and `23:59:59 07/31/12`
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
JULY 2012

I dare say that July of 2012 has had one of the best stretches of weather we can hope to have on the coast of Maine. The floats have seen more overnight transient traffic than usual (revenues are up 80% for dockage) and the park is alive with folks enjoying the weather and the troves of Mackerel and Squid that this season has brought to the harbor.

- In early July we took delivery of the forth and final float to complete our current SHIP grant project. The M.D.O.T. provided additional funds for us to complete the project as our initial plan was to place three floats with the idea of funding a forth in the future. The river floats and pilings are a huge improvement for the river area. The 20+/- dinghies that are tied up on them demonstrate the need for such a spot. A proposed fee for dinghy tie-off permits will be brought to the Harbor Committee and Select Board in August.
 - A huge thank you to Steve, Mike and the Public Works crew who have been working on beautifying the harbor. There has been fence building, brush and tree cutting and parking lot grading to name a few of the projects that they have been working on in the Marine Park. The improvements are certainly noticeable as I have received many compliments on how the park looks. Thanks Guys!
 - On Monday, July 16th, the 83' sailboat "Adventuress" was brought over from Rockport Marine to the park where she sat for a week while being rigged for the Saturday launch. The 80,000+ man hours that Rockport Marine put into the reconstruction showed as the boat and its history became an attraction all week down here. More than 1,000 people turned out to see her go in the water. It was my first experience with a big launch and it went off with out a hitch. Times like that remind me why I love this community, its maritime traditions and the wealth of talent and expertise that is here. Thanks to Rockport Marine who in compensation for the use of the parks facilities have offered to re-finish all of the wood on the Harbormaster building, which will result in a large savings in the budget.
 - The pump-out has been seeing more and more use as folks begin to discover that it is there.
 - The chess board is set to be poured in the beginning of August. Public Works has done all of the preliminary work to set up the area. At the same time the concrete walk way to the beach that was pulled up for the pump-out will be repaired.
- Let's hope that August is a repeat of July!

Revenue Comparison	2011	2012
Boat Excise	\$1939.20	\$1467.00
Rack Space	\$70.00	\$100.00
Launching	\$200.00	\$110.00
Misc Fees	\$40.00	\$35.00
Moorings	\$860.00	\$1734.00
Merchandise	\$869.75	\$1004.00

BRUCE WOODWARD, FIRE CHIEF

Freedom Fire Protection performed the quarterly sprinkler check on the Public Safety Building. All checks performed properly.

On the evening of July 5th, we were at the Marine Park training on the operation of the Harbormasters boat. We were interrupted by a fire alarm from 181 Mill Street. We determined that the alarm was caused by a malfunction of the fire alarm panel. The boat operations training will have to wait for another day.

The sprinkler system at the Opera House needed attention twice during the month. On the 10th, the custodian doing some early morning cleaning discovered a leak in the water supply line just inside the foundation wall. His keen observation prevented a major flood as the leak would probably have flooded the downstairs meeting room if it had not been discovered promptly. The leak in the piping was repaired the same day. On the 19th we received a fire alarm when the air compressor for the dry pipe system failed. The same day, the sprinkler company had a temporary air compressor running so that the sprinkler system could remain operational for the busy summer season.

I replaced the filters in the Town Office air conditioning system to maintain clean and efficient operations.

Report Period: 01/01/12-06/30/12
Comparables: 01/01/11-06/30/11

Calls by Incident Type	Percent of Total Calls 2011	Percent of Total Calls 2012	Total Incidents 2011	Total Incidents 2012
Structure Fires	6.33%	1.35%	11	2
Vehicle Fires	0%	1.35%	0	1
Other Fires	2.99%	2.70%	5	2
Overpressure Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat	2.99%	2.70%	2	2
Emergency Medical Treatment	1.49%	0.00%	1	0
All Others	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Hazardous Condition Calls	23.88%	28.38%	18	21
Service Calls	4.48%	12.16%	3	10
Good Intent Calls	17.91%	18.92%	14	16
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Calls	1.49%	0.00%	1	0
Special Incident Calls	1.49%	0.00%	1	0
Unknown Incident Type	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Malicious Calls	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Other False Calls	35.82%	32.43%	26	24
Total Calls	100%	100%	87	78
Total Fire Dollar Loss	\$800	\$300	\$800	\$300
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