

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT  
DEPARTMENT REPORTS  
May - 2015**

**General Government**

James Francomano,  
Planning & Community Development Director  
Linda Greenlaw, Town Clerk  
Virginia Lindsey, Finance Director  
Kerry Leichtman, Assessor

**Culture and Recreation**

Susan Dates, Rental Agent, Rockport Opera House  
Ann Filley, Library Director

**Public Safety**

Michael Young, Public Works Director – No Report Received  
Mark Kelley, Police Chief  
Abbie Leonard, Harbormaster – No Report Received  
Jason Peasley, Fire Chief & EMA Director

**Town of Rockport, Maine**  
**Planning and Community Development**  
**Monthly Report –May 2015**

## **Permit Activity**

**Miscellaneous Permits:** 26 (Twenty-six) permits were issued in May 2015. This includes: eleven (11) building permits for accessory uses; one (1) new dwelling unit; four (4) sign permits; two (2) use permits; 2 filling and excavation permits; one (1) demolition permit; and two (2) miscellaneous home occupation permits.

**Plumbing and Subsurface Wastewater Permits:** Two (2) internal plumbing permits; two (2) Sub-Surface Wastewater Design (SSWD) permits were issued in May 2015.

## **Boards & Committees**

**Planning Board:** The Planning Board met in May 2105 and approved the final Site Plan for “Route 90 Takeout,” a small lunch stand to be constructed by Joanne and Russell Spear alongside their home and existing business “Canvas, Etc.,” at 673 West Street.

**Zoning Board of Appeals:** The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in May 2015.

**Ordinance Review Committee:** The full slate of proposed amendments to the Land Use Ordinance was included in the Warrant Articles prepared for the Annual Report to be voted on in June.

## **High Priority Projects**

**2014 SHIP Harbor Grant:** The Town has been awarded a 2014 Small Harbor Improvement Program (SHIP) grant through MDOT to install 5 new floats for a total project cost of \$53,400. The floats will be constructed by the Town as in-kind matching funds. Work is ongoing on the floats at the Public Works garage. Prock Marine of Rockland will drive the pilings in June.

**Bond funded projects approved by the Voters.** In January we prepared and issued an RFQ to procure the services of an engineering firm to aid in design, bid specifications and inspections during construction of several projects bonded by the Voters at 2014 Annual Town Meeting. In April, Gartley & Dorsky was hired to provide survey, engineering and bid specifications. The Opera House renovations will be the first to go out to bid in early June.

**2015 NEA “Our Town” grant application.** In May we continued research and scoping work on a grant proposal to the National Endowment for the Arts due in the fall. Ideally this would involve improvements to the Opera House’s quality and quantity of live performances, extensive outreach and music education for local families as well as seed funding and guidance to support a House Manager, promotion and/or event booking-type position.

**2015 Maine Coastal Program grant application.** In May we submitted an application to the MCP grant program for funding to continue water quality studies and watershed analysis. This work is intended to narrow down or indentify areas where non-point source pollution of the type frequently reported at Goodie’s Beach originates and to provide public outreach on best management practices. Bob Kennedy is the lead author on this grant application and Leticia VanVuuren of Knox County EMA will provide GIS mapping analysis and support.

**2015 EDA and 2016 CDBG grant opportunities.** Using TIF proceeds as matching funds, we hope to access these grant programs for funding assistance on the next phase of Route 1 sewer extension. More to come on this.

**2016 NBRC grant opportunity.** We have continued to reach out to grant administrators and people with experience with this source of funds. This is an avenue to explore for buildout of the proposed “Fiber to the Home” network.

**TOWN CLERK  
MONTHLY REPORT  
MAY 2015**

We issued 16 (13) Fishing Licenses, 2 (2) Junior Hunting License, 4 (6) Hunting and Fishing Licenses, 1 (1) Spring & Fall Turkey, 0 (1) Superpack, 1 (0) Saltwater Fish Registry, and 0 (3) Over 70 Complimentary and 0 (1) Duplicate License. Fees collected totaled \$602.00 (\$835.00).

108 (88) Boat Registrations, 4 (1) Dup Registration & Stickers, and 7 (11) ATV Registrations, 71 (58) Milfoil Stickers (Preserve Maine Waters) were issued. Fees collected were \$5,411.81 (\$3,871.91), which includes \$2,114.81 (\$1,004.91) for sales tax.

We issued 6 (5) dog licenses at a fee of \$32.00 (\$22.00).

Processed 10 (11) transfers, 247 (320) passenger cars, 12 (6) antique vehicles, 21 (20) commercial vehicles, 59 (55) trailers, truck camper 1 (0), 22 (36) motorcycles, 1 (5) tractor/spec mobile, 0 (1) special equipment, 1 (1) farm truck, 2 (1) moped, 4 (7) duplicate registrations and 12(5) duplicate stickers. Monies taken in for these transactions (excise tax) totaled \$71,987.57 (\$61,391.88), which is up 17.26%.

We processed \$312,093.14 in real estate taxes this year compared to last years' \$395,527.41. The second half taxes were due on April 15<sup>th</sup>. We sent 609 (689) reminder letters to anyone who had not paid their 2014 real estate taxes (taxes outstanding total \$864,427.53). The next step in the process is to send a 30 day notice.

We collected \$18,137 (\$10,443) for mooring, tie-off, dinghy rack space, private float, river dinghy space, waiting lists and commercial float fees. We also collected \$3,116.50 (\$2,896.50) in boat excise tax.

I attended one Select Board meeting and took minutes for same. Brenda, Shay and I attended the School Budget Election. I prepared ballots, etc. and posted warrants for the June Town Meeting and School Elections. Flags for our deceased veterans were placed on the cemetery lots. Walter Greenlaw (husband) and Heaven Bartlett (granddaughter) and I had the honor of placing flags on the lots at Sea View Cemetery. Thank you to all who assisted the Town in making the cemeteries ready for Memorial Day.

This month we have been making files for all of our cemetery lots. We are preparing all of our cemetery information, getting ready to input it into our new cemetery software.

\*The first number represents 2015 and the second one in parenthesis 2014

**Virginia B. Lindsey**  
**Rockport Finance Director**  
**Monthly Report - May 2015**

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 2015 includes the following:

- Interest earned on all deposit accounts was 0.85%.
- 93.96% of taxes have been paid for FY 14-15; \$802,116.41 remains outstanding in taxes receivable.

	Previous Month April 2015	Current Month May 2015	Difference	% Change	One Year Ago May 2015	Difference	% Change
<b>General Fund</b>							
<b>Budget-Current Month Expenses</b>							
Payroll	105,263	84,683	(20,580)	-19.55%	138,142	(53,459)	-38.70%
General Fund Checking	1,025,352	1,007,691	(17,661)	-1.72%	964,932	42,759	4.43%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,130,616</b>	<b>1,092,374</b>	<b>(38,241)</b>	<b>-3.38%</b>	<b>1,103,074</b>	<b>(10,700)</b>	<b>-0.97%</b>
<b>Budget-Current Month Revenues/Transfers</b>							
Deposits Only	4,091,725	489,083	(3,602,642)	-88.05%	489,426	(343)	-0.07%
<b>NET</b>	<b>2,961,109</b>	<b>(603,291)</b>	<b>(3,564,400)</b>	<b>-120.37%</b>	<b>(613,648)</b>	<b>10,700</b>	<b>1.69%</b>
<b>Cash on Hand Balance</b>							
All GF Cash Accounts	4,484,352	3,881,473	(602,878)	-13.44%	3,257,036	624,437	19.17%
<b>Taxes Paid (for the month)</b>	<b>3,816,804</b>	<b>307,348</b>	<b>(3,509,456)</b>	<b>-91.95%</b>	<b>374,698</b>	<b>(67,350)</b>	<b>-17.97%</b>
<b>Total Taxes Paid-end of Month</b>	<b>12,181,600</b>	<b>12,488,948</b>	<b>307,348</b>	<b>2.52%</b>	<b>12,098,782</b>	<b>390,166</b>	<b>3.22%</b>
<b>Investments-Bar Harbor Trust Services</b>							
Public Assistance	286,740	288,397	1,658	0.58%	269,236	19,161	7.12%
Cemeteries	388,774	391,022	2,248	0.58%	340,229	50,793	14.93%
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>675,514</b>	<b>679,419</b>	<b>3,905</b>	<b>0.58%</b>	<b>609,465</b>	<b>69,954</b>	<b>11.48%</b>
<b>Investments-The First (Opened 11/27/13)</b>							
Public Assistance	129,301	129,394	93	0.07%	128,340	1,054	0.82%
Cemeteries	174,811	174,937	126	0.07%	162,193	12,744	7.86%
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>304,111</b>	<b>304,331</b>	<b>220</b>	<b>0.07%</b>	<b>290,533</b>	<b>13,798</b>	<b>4.75%</b>
<b>Combined Totals Investments</b>	<b>979,626</b>	<b>983,750</b>	<b>4,125</b>	<b>0.42%</b>	<b>899,998</b>	<b>83,752</b>	<b>9.31%</b>
<b>Wastewater</b>							
<b>Budget-Current Month Expenses</b>							
Expenses	48,874	51,720	2,846	5.82%	65,413	(13,693)	-20.93%
Revenue	48,566	85,829	37,263	76.73%	933,359	(847,530)	-90.80%
<b>NET</b>	<b>(308)</b>	<b>34,109</b>	<b>34,417</b>	<b>-11177.56%</b>	<b>867,946</b>	<b>(833,837)</b>	<b>-96.07%</b>
<b>Wastewater Cash on Hand Balance</b>							
WW General Fund	294,931	329,040	34,109	11.57%	1,086,446	(757,406)	-69.71%
BHTS-Investment	269,365	270,922	1,557	0.58%	0	270,922	
The First-Investment	116,126	116,210	84	0.07%	383,566	3,567	0.93%
<b>Total Cash</b>	<b>680,422</b>	<b>716,172</b>	<b>35,750</b>	<b>5.25%</b>	<b>1,470,012</b>	<b>(482,917)</b>	<b>-51.28%</b>
<b>WW Accounts Receivable</b>							
	<b>30 Day</b>	<b>60 Day</b>	<b>90 Day</b>	<b>Over 120 Days</b>	<b>Advance Payments</b>		
	28,225	25,545	3,734	29,740	(4,096)		
	<b>TOTAL WW Accounts Receivable May 2015</b>				83,147	22.20%	
					68,040		

\*May 2014-GF Includes Proceeds for BAN \$885,000

**May 2015  
Department Head Report  
Kerry Leichtman  
Assessor**

**State Board of Property Tax Review:** The upcoming hearing dominated the month of May for me. Working with the attorneys to prepare for the hearing, gathering documentation, researching lease rates, potential witnesses are some of what took place in May. At some point in early May (or possibly late April) Interim Town Attorney Amy Tchao brought in another Drummond Woodsum attorney, Ted Kelleher, to assist her in preparing and presenting our defense. Ted was an excellent addition to the team. His perspective and manner was as intelligent as it was aggressive. As a result we reached a negotiated settlement on May 29 that represented a good outcome for us.

**Reval Update:** Although the State Board hearing dominated my month, I was able to spend a reasonable amount of time on the reval. We're in the home stretch now - at the end of May - and are tackling some of the more difficult issues. I've sent data to Mike Rogers, of Maine Revenue Services, for his input. Mike does the state valuation for MRS, and works on and approves all of the municipal valuations as calculated by MRS field staffers, so Mike's the guy to ask difficult questions of.

**Conferences:** I attended the Northeast Regional Association of Assessing Officers (NRAAO) conference in Portsmouth, NH, on May 18, and was honored by the organization with its Sherry Vermila Award for outstanding service to the assessing profession. I was surprised and humbled (ever so slightly) by the award. I take my responsibility to levy the tax burden fairly and evenly very seriously, so it was nice to be recognized by my peers.

One of the workshops I attended there was a panel discussion on the income approach. The panelists were an appraiser, two lawyers and a judge. Hearing a judge speak from his perspective was new to me and very enlightening.

Later in May I attended the annual Vision Users Group conference. It was held in at the Cliff House Resort in Ogunquit this year. There's an entire module of Vision I hadn't ever used until working with Rob and Ken on the reval. I don't know many assessors who are fluent in its use. The courses I took at the conference all had to do with using this sales analysis module. After the current reval concludes, I intend to tweak Rockport's valuation whenever adjustments are warranted by changes in the economy. This module will enable me to instantly analyze sales by any category I choose. It's a powerful tool, one that clearly separates Vision from Trio. I had already spoken with Rob and Ken about getting training on it from them after the reval. The courses showed me the breadth of what this module has to offer.

TO: Rick Bates, Rockport Town Manager & Select Board  
FROM: Sue Dates, Rental Agent  
RE: **Opera House Department Head Report**  
DATE: **May 2015**

During the month of May the Opera House was rented by: Pen Bay Healthcare for a health lecture, the Garden Club held their monthly meeting, Station Maine held a successful auction, Five Town's Communities that Care held a rock concert with 5 bands, the CSD Liberian Educational Fund held a contra dance, we hosted the memorial service for Jim Brown, and BCC held the Odeon Rehearsal and Concert. Almost all of this was done in the auditorium with different setups and required different needs.

Revenue for the month of April was \$1,900.75 and the Opera House was used 14 days of the 31 available for at least one event each day and several days were two events.

Town meetings held in the Opera House Meeting Room this month were the Select Board regular meeting, the Planning Board, and the Zoning Board. The Library held a Toastmasters lecture in the auditorium, a candidate's forum that was televised from the meeting room, and a sale in the meeting room with a setup the day before. MCSWC used the meeting room for union arbitrations on 2 dates.

Maintenance this month included: trying to arrange time to setup for events & keep things cleaned as best as we could. This was a challenge during this month as several events were added during the month—some on short notice. This month in the auditorium we had a chair setup to table setup to chair setup to no tables or chairs to all chairs. The BCC shell was put up after the contra dance on Saturday and before their Odeon Rehearsal on Tuesday evening. The shell will remain up until late in July when we have a dance performance scheduled and it will go back up just after. Geoff was instrumental in helping make sure Station Maine had the proper sound for their auction & that Nance Brown had proper sound for Jim's Memorial Service. In both of these cases he was available and came right over.

Last year maintenance included: work —cleaning & parts replaced - on the gas stove by PG Willey; a radio alarm was installed to send signals to Seacoast Security instead of depending on a phone line; the underground phone and cable lines have broken and we do not know when they will get replaced; the front railing was replaced, which meant sanding the old one and painting everything the same white color; the marquee was repaired and put back up after the January accident; Randy cleaned the 2 lower cabinets in the kitchen that had several items from the Booster's club and other organizations; Sue met with several renters and caterers during the month and had several bookings; painting and touchup's were done for the summer season, along with some outside painting of old trim that lost the paint during the winter to preserve the wood; the quarterly sprinkler system testing was done.

Revenue was \$20.00 and the Opera House was used on 7 of the 31 days.

## ROCKPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY

### MAY 2015

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It was time for spring cleaning at the library this month! The library ramped up the work needed to be done to get the attic/eaves/storage area cleaned up and ready for the first and perhaps only Tag and Bake sale. Due to the amount of so many “treasures” that had been stored in the attic space we thought it would be a great opportunity to partner with the Friends of the Rockport Library and offer items for sale along with wonderful baked goods as a pre-sale teaser for the annual book sale. With the help of the Friends, the Rockport Garden Club and wonderful staff and volunteers, we were able to lug mountains of items to the Opera House and hold our sale from 9-noon. It was a great success with the Friends presenting a check in the amount of \$750.00 to the library.

Ben Blackmon continued to host our monthly foreign film night with “If you don’t, I will”. This French film is one of the library’s growing collection of Film Movement movies. The library once again sponsored a lively Toastmaster Speech Contest, which took place at the Opera House.

The library continued community outreach with Ben Odgren, our Youth Services Librarian, as he went to Camp Mechuwana in Winthrop to read to 14 children on a field trip from Maine's outer islands (Cliff Island, Frenchboro, Isle au Haut, Cranberry Islands, Matinicus, and Monhegan). These are all smaller islands, a lot of them one-room school houses with only two or three students. This is the second time Ben has done this for the Outer Islands TLC, the organization that brings all these schools together for twice-a-year field trips off their islands. Ben read for an hour and read so many books!

The library ended the month with librarian Ben O. and resident graphic novel enthusiast hosting a free workshop for all ages discussing the past and present of the graphic novel medium. If you have never tried this format, remember that we have something to offer each age group.

Book checkouts are lower in comparison to last year, and that decrease can be seen to be in areas of children’s books and Young Adult books. Adult materials are staying steady. We continue to track right around 60,000 items each year! What we can see is an increase in the number of younger kids coming to weekly story times which is wonderful. We continue to look for an opportunity to find programs that have appeal for older kids (like our graphic novel workshop) and will begin a chess program soon.

I would like to formally thank the work of Kathleen Meil, who has been and continues to be such a great support of the library through her volunteer efforts as chairperson of the Library Committee. Kathleen has been integral in helping move the conversation forward regarding what is next for the library building. Kathleen has put in many hours with the town listening tours of last year, the Steering Committee, the two non-binding referendum and moving forward the hiring of library consultant Steve Podgajny and working with the town to hire an engineering

study of the building. Thank you Kathleen, you will be missed in your role as chairperson of the Library Committee.

The library consultant and the building engineering study are underway and the results will be presented in public forums next month! June 15 at 7:00 and June 30 at 6:00 respectively.

The visits to the library are increasing with summer and the library continues to be an important resource for tourists and visitors.

STATISTICS:

Circulation	May-15	May-14	% Change
Adults	3019	3371	
Young Adults	211	274	
Children	1101	1492	
Total	4331	5137	-15.7

Total circulation also includes 35 Honor System Books (and puzzles)

Attendance	May-15	May-14	% Change
Adults	3412	2360	
Young Adults	38	109	
Children	197	271	
Total	3647	2740	47.7

Total attendance (people coming into the library)

Interlibrary Loan	May-15	May-14	% Change
Incoming	477	575	-17.
Outgoing	520	632	-17.7

ebooks	May-15	May-14	% Change
Audio	79	57	38.6
ebooks	103	122	-15.6

COMPUTER	May-15	May-14	% Change
Computer Usage	358	385	-7.0

\*of the 358 units of computer use, 64 were identified as people using their own devices with the library WI-FI.

Reference	May-15	May-14	% Change
Reference	468	456	2.6

Programs, Services and Activities

	Programs	Participants	Tech Sessions
Adults	14	257	
Young Adults		6	
Children	15	254 Children 61 Adult	
Total	29	578	4

Tech Tutor sessions are individualized sessions of at least 15 minutes

***Activities, services, and programs:***

578 people attended 29 library programs or benefitted from outreach programs in May

- Graphic Novel workshop
- Tech Tutors: Individual lessons on eReaders and other technology
- Foreign Film Night
- Toastmasters
- TLC Field trip
- Tag and Bake Sale
- Twice monthly Fiber Arts Group
- Monthly book group with Jenni Ruddy
- Twice-weekly French Conversation Group
- Weekly story time for babies and toddlers
- Weekly Wednesday after-school story time
- Poets' Corner Poetry Month programs
- Weekly Community Outreach Programs-Ben Odgren and Kim Slocomb
  - Coastal Opportunities
  - Pen Bay Child Care
  - YMCA Child Care
  - Little Learners Day Care
  - Mid Coast Recreation child care
- Drop-in Mah-Jongg group on Wednesday evenings and Saturdays
- BookLovers' Café facilitated by Ann Filley

All activities are located on the library's website <http://www.rockport.lib.me.us/> where you can find our **News section** and **Events Calendar**.

**DESK INCOME, GIFTS, GRANTS OR DONATIONS: \$ 3,380.22**

The library received several gifts in the amount of \$290.00 to sponsor interlibrary loan service, and a check from the MLDC charitable fund in the amount of \$1500 to help with children's programming and materials! We continue to be very grateful to the people who are so generous.

**VOLUNTEER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Volunteers gave 39 hours or \$487.50 savings to the town (calculated at \$12.50 per hour). In-house library volunteers help process books, shelve, facilitate programs, and other duties as assigned.

06/10/2015 Completed by Ann Filley, Library Director. Also find us on Facebook!

# ROCKPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

## MAY, 2015

### OFFICER PRODUCTIVITY REPORT:

OFFICER:	# of Arrests:	Warnings:
201 / Chief Kelley	01	18
202/ Sgt. T. Ford	17	20
203/Dana Smith	76	53
204/Robbi Shaw	04	20
205/ Cooper Plaisted	26	24
206/ James Moore	10	05
211/ C. Cooley	13	21

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VEHICLE STATS:	Mileage:	Gals. of Gas.	M.P.G.
	9,625	650.7	14.791

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Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
911 Hangup	11
Administrative	6
Agency Assistance	16
Alarm	26
Animal Problem	7
Animal Welfare	3
Assault	4
Sexual Assault	1
Bail Check	1
Violation of Bail Conditions	3
Boating Accident or Incident	1
Citizen Assist	6
Civil Problem	3
Criminal Mischief	5
Deliver Message	3
Detail Assignment	10
Disabled Vehicle	3
Disorderly Conduct	6
Controlled Substance Problem	4
Traffic - Erratic Oper Vehicle	20
Escort	1
Fish & Game	1
Found Property	3
Fraud	1
Harassment	2
Hit and Run 10-55	1
Identity Theft	1
Illegal Burning	1
Information Report	12
Juvenile Problem	3
Lost Property	2
Mental Health Issue	7
DUI Alcohol or Drugs	3
OUI Detail	2
Parking Problem	5
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	9
Pedestrian Check	4
Violation of Protect Frm Abuse	1
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	2
Police Information	1
Probation/Bail Check	2
Probation Violation	1
Release of Property	1
Property Check	68
Public Works Referral	1
Radar Detail	38
Recovered Stolen Property	1
School Visit	4
Search Warrant	1
Sex Offender Registration	1
Stray Animal	2
Suspicious Vehicle	9
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	8
Theft	3
Theft - Automobile	1
Threatening	3
Tobacco Problem	1
Traffic Detail	7
Traffic Hazard	4
Traffic Violation	123
Traffic Stop	4
Trespassing	3
Underage Drinking	1
Vehicle off roadway no damage	2
Vehicle Maintenance	16
Vehicle Search	1
Wanted Person	3
Well-Being Chck	58
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Total Incidents for This Report:	568
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Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Total
00:00-00:59	1	1	0	2	0	3	10	17
01:00-01:59	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	5
02:00-02:59	0	1	2	2	3	3	4	15
03:00-03:59	5	4	5	3	1	2	4	24
04:00-04:59	5	3	1	4	4	1	5	23
05:00-05:59	3	3	1	1	1	3	2	14
06:00-06:59	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	7
07:00-07:59	5	1	9	5	9	1	1	31
08:00-08:59	3	2	5	2	4	3	3	22
09:00-09:59	3	3	6	3	2	1	4	22
10:00-10:59	4	6	5	4	3	1	2	25
11:00-11:59	8	2	1	2	7	3	3	26
12:00-12:59	5	3	2	3	6	3	6	28
13:00-13:59	6	2	5	3	4	2	7	29
14:00-14:59	3	7	5	9	9	3	3	39
15:00-15:59	7	3	6	4	3	6	3	32
16:00-16:59	6	4	6	8	7	11	3	45
17:00-17:59	1	4	3	11	5	6	1	31
18:00-18:59	4	5	9	6	3	3	3	33
19:00-19:59	3	4	3	4	2	4	2	22
20:00-20:59	1	2	2	1	6	5	1	18
21:00-21:59	1	6	1	7	6	6	3	30
22:00-22:59	1	1	4	0	4	7	4	21
23:00-23:59	2	2	0	0	3	0	2	9
Total by Day	78	72	86	84	94	78	76	568

Report Includes:

- All dates between `00:00:01 05/01/15` and `23:59:59 05/31/15`
- All agencies matching `0704`
- All offenses observed
- All offenses reported
- All offense codes
- All nature of incidents
- All location codes

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## **Rockport Fire Department May 2015**

06/08/2015

Spring for Rockport Fire has been very quiet with limited calls and activity in the area. Firefighters participated in several Memorial Day parades in Rockport and Camden in remembrance for those who have and are currently serving our Armed Forces.

A total of 6 calls for the month of May saw one of the lowest numbers for a month in many years. Two car accidents with no injuries, 3 false alarms, 1 illegal/unpermitted burn, and a mutual aid call to Camden for a Structure fire. Rockport Fire was first on scene to the house on John St Camden and was able to get inside the home and make the initial attack and start knocking the fire down. The midafternoon fire brought 17 Rockport Firefighters out to assist our neighbors.

Training brought out 18 members to Mills St where the firefighters set up Engine 22 on the bridge and drafted water from the stream. The water was pumped up the road through our 4" supply lines to Engine 23 parked Clay Tolman's driveway where firefighters used the deck gun and hand line to flow water. This training taught each member how to properly flow water from a source other than a hydrant as well as control water pressure.

The department spent several hours on our monthly meeting night tour the entire Samoset resort learning where water hook ups,, propane shut offs, and sprinkler system are located. The tour included the kitchen area, condos, hotel section, outdoor pool area and banquet hall. Meeting some of the maintenance supervisors and there supporting rolls.

Sincerely,

Chief Jason Peasley