

**TOWN OF ROCKPORT
DEPARTMENT REPORTS
SEPTEMBER 2011**

General Government

Thomas Ford, Planner/Community Development Director
Linda Greenlaw, Town Clerk – No Report Received
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 – No Report/No Activity
Mark Kelley, Police Chief
Abbie Leonard, Harbor Master
Bruce Woodward, Fire Chief- Statistics Only

Office of Planning and Community Development

Monthly Report –September 2011

Permits

Miscellaneous Permits: Twenty-nine permits were issued in September 2011. The figure included sixteen building permits (accessory structures, additions, renovations, decks, etc.), seven sign permits, one use permit, two vegetative clearing, one home occupation and two filling and excavating permits. Twenty-eight permits were issued in September 2010.

Plumbing and Subsurface Wastewater Permits: Eight internal plumbing permits and one subsurface wastewater disposal permit were issued in September 2011. Five internal plumbing permits and three subsurface wastewater permits were issued in September 2010.

Boards & Committees

Planning Board: The Planning Board did not meet in 2011 or 2010.

Zoning Board of Appeals: The Zoning Board of Appeals did not meet in September 2011. In September 2010 the ZBA met to review the application of Elliott and Sandra Mitchell to modify a grandfathered nonconforming lot by paving an existing crushed stone driveway.

Harbor Committee: The Harbor Committee did not meet in September 2011. In 2010 the Harbor Committee met to review a proposal for Town floats, landing and ramp at Marine Park.

Ordinance Review Committee: The Planning Office began organizing a list of suggested ordinance changes that may be endorsed by the Select Board for consideration by the Ordinance Review Committee for possible revision. The draft list was distributed to all Boards and Committees in September in preparation for an early October meeting to review the proposed list of Ordinance changes

Projects

SHIP Grant – Harbor Floats: The deadline for bid proposals for the Harbor Floats project passed with only one bidder for the project which was double the amount available to complete the project. The Public Works Director, Harbor Master and Town Planner determined the depth of mud to bedrock in the location of the proposed pilings. Based on that determination the floats plan is being redesigned with fewer unsocketed pilings and one less float.

Harbor Pump-Out Grant: The revised contract was delivered to the Maine Department of Transportation. We anticipate the final executed contract should be returned to Town in October with the installation of the pump out station being completed in November.

Opera House Insulation Project: The Planning Office received four bids for the Opera House Insulation Project. The Town Manager, Public Works Director and Town Planner are reviewing the bids.

Water Quality: The Planning Office has been working with the Maine Healthy Beaches program to develop an enhanced water quality testing program in the sub-watersheds of Rockport Harbor. The enhanced testing started in June with testing sites identified in Lily Pond Stream, Goose River and a sub-drainage area in the vicinity of Pascal Ave. and West St. The purpose of this effort is to identify the sources of bacterial contamination and take steps to eliminate those sources of contamination. Support for additional testing this fall is being provided by Maine Healthy Beaches.

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

Virginia B. Lindsey
Rockport Finance Director
Monthly Report - September 2011

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 September 2011 includes the following:

- Investments decreased during the month of September from the previous month by 4.56%.
- Interest earned on general funds was at the rate of 0.50% (last month 0.73%).
- 98.2% of taxes have been paid for FY 10-11.

	Previous Month August 2011	Current Month September 2011	Difference	% Change	One Year Ago September 2010	Difference	% Change
Budget							
Wages	109,561	127,476	17,915	16.35%	132,513	(5,036)	-3.80%
Other Expenses	996,636	1,031,927	35,291	3.54%	932,806	99,121	10.63%
Total Expenses	1,106,197	1,159,403	53,206	4.81%	1,065,319	94,085	8.83%
Total Revenue	497,221	1,256,244	759,023	152.65%	1,334,274	(78,030)	-5.85%
NET	(608,976)	96,840	705,817	-115.90%	268,956	(172,115)	63.99%
Cash on Hand Balance							
General Fund	666,032	764,136	98,105	14.73%	763,682	455	0.06%
Taxes Paid (for the month)	262,377	42,233	(220,144)	-83.90%	1,102,425	(1,060,192)	-96.17%
Taxes Paid (to date)	11,316,128	97,165	(11,218,963)	-99.14%	1,135,335	(1,038,170)	-91.44%
<i>2011 Taxes paid represent current fiscal year taxes.</i>							
Investments							
Public Assistance	314,152	299,839	(14,313)	-4.56%	287,630	12,209	4.24%
Cemeteries	397,020	378,931	(18,089)	-4.56%	355,508	23,423	6.59%
Wastewater	264,862	252,795	(12,067)	-4.56%	150,810	101,986	67.63%
Total Investments	976,034	931,566	(44,469)	-4.56%	793,948	137,617	17.33%
<i>Note: \$29,175 Perpetual Care Funds Collected FY 10-11 added to Cemeteries Investment.</i>							
Wastewater							
Expenses	66,691	48,915	(17,776)	-26.65%	53,684	(4,769)	-8.88%
Revenue	117,864	36,319	(81,545)	-69.19%	44,609	(8,289)	-18.58%
NET	(51,173)	12,596	63,768	-124.61%	9,075	3,521	38.80%
Wastewater Cash on Hand Balance							
WW General Fund	347,102	334,506	(12,596)	-3.63%	402,215	(67,709)	-16.83%
Certificate of Deposit*	100,959	100,959	(0)	0.00%	100,741	218	0.22%
Total Cash	448,061	435,465	(12,596)	-2.81%	502,956	67,709	-13.42%
<i>*CD-Interest not posted as of 10/11/11</i>							
WW Accounts Receivable							
30 Day	60 Day	90 Day	Over 120 Days	Advance Payments			
	42,675	4,607	6,471	27,373	(3,237)		
TOTAL WW Accounts Receivable September 2011					77,889	9.33%	
Accounts Receivable September 2010					71,242		

The department is currently covering the municipal financial software from NDS to TRIO.

September 2011
Department Head Report
Kerry Leichtman
Assessor

Tax bills: We committed taxes on Sept. 7, 2011, five days later than last year, at a mil rate of \$12.21, which was \$.57 higher than last year. While we experienced good growth in Rockport of slightly more than \$7 million, school costs continue to outpace any gains we might have made. Our obligation to the schools increased this year by \$570,000. If not for that increase, Rockport property taxes would have stayed flat with a \$11.64 mil rate.

Ginny and I met with the schools' finance director, Cathy Murphy, a few months ago. Cathy walked us through the school funding formula. I came away from that meeting annoyed at the inherent unfairness that is built into the system. What is most disappointing about it is that the system is not designed to be fair and equitable. Inequities are built into the formula.

Camden's school bill went down by more than \$200,000, and their mil rate went down a penny. We have been told that the increase for us, and decrease for Camden, is due to shifting student population numbers. Personally I find it hard to believe that that many students (\$770,000 worth) shifted from Camden to Rockport.

Residents are entitled to appeal their valuations for 185 days (6 months) after commitment. The cut-off date will be March 10, 2012. The law permits me to issue abatements for a full year.

The transition from NDS to TRIO: From the assessing department point of view, the changeover was fairly smooth. Although we run into quite a few problems, I found the Trio support staff to be knowledgeable, effective and patient. While the change to Trio affects the finance and clerk departments more than assessing, as assessing is more dependent on Vision and ArcGIS, the positive difference between NDS and Trio is readily apparent to the assessing functions. I asked NDS to convert our commitment book to a PDF file. I was told the request had to go to their technical department and that they'd put together a quote for me as soon as the techies got back to them. I asked again three or four times during the past year and was still waiting for a response when our NDS license expired. Conversely, after we transferred our Vision files to Trio for billing I printed the commitment book, then checked a box which then output the file as a PDF. No techies, no estimate, no wait.

Since tax bills went out, Eileen and I have been busy with taxpayer reaction. Most people, obviously, just pay their bills, others call or stop by with address changes, others want their property reassessed and their bills lowered. Eileen's been handling the address changes and has been working to find addresses for bills that come back as undeliverable. I spend a great deal of time on valuation problems – always listening to first determine whether or not a complaint has merit, but then do what I can to educate people about the relationship between their property's market value and its assessed value.

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Sue Dates, Rental Agent
RE: **Opera House Department Head Report**
DATE: **September 2011**

During the month of September BCC used the building for their last concert and rehearsal of the Summer Series. There was a wedding rehearsal and ceremony in the auditorium and the Windjammers Barber Shop held a rehearsal and their annual concert with an afterglow party. The Garden Club held their monthly meeting.

Revenue for September was \$1,277.50. The Opera House was used for at least one event on 8 of the 30 days.

Town meetings held in the Opera House Meeting Room this month were the Select Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board. These meetings were televised. VIE has started up with a monthly meeting and Knox County used the auditorium to hold a public hearing on an upcoming ballot issue.

Maintenance this month included: some painting of doors and other areas, looking at security issues, general cleaning, and meeting with various contractors about the upcoming auditorium and ceiling insulation project. We borrowed the lift from the CSD to change overhead bulbs and replace a bulb in one of the higher ceiling lights. The quarterly inspection of the sprinkler system was done. We still need to do the 5 year major system inspection. This must be done before freezing weather is here because the system is filled, left overnight, and drained and will require some work from the ceiling with staging. The good news is that the head of the State Fire Marshall's office was the MC for the Windjammers show and did an unofficial inspection of the building. He found everything in good repair and as it should be.

Last year maintenance included: annual cleaning of the furnace, borrowed the lift to replace bulbs, took the auditorium from seating to not seats to seats to tables to seats for various events, usual cleaning up for events, and quarterly sprinkler system inspection. Revenue for September was \$1,285.00 and the opera house was used on 10 of the 30 days.

Director's Report September 2011
Rockport Public Library

Circulation	Children / YA	Adults	Total	% Change
September 2011	1522/318	*3985	5825	+ 6.4 %
September 2010	1868	3607	5475	

**includes 87 honor system items*

Attendance	Children / YA	Adults	Total	% Change
September 2011	258/87=345	2195	2540	+ 3.3 %
September 2010	314/101=415	2044	2459	

Interlibrary Loan	September 2011	September 2010	% Change
Incoming	576	490	+ 17.6 %
Outgoing	479	358	+ 33.5 %

Computer Usage	September 2011	September 2010	% Change
	489	470	+ 4 %

Reference	September 2011	September 2010	% Change
	292	324	- 9.9 %

Technology Classes	September 2011	September 2010	% Change
	1	1	No change

Programs	Program type	No. of Programs	Participants
	Adult	18	106
	Child	10	Adults 31 Children 119 Total 150
	Total	28	(106+150) = 256

Volunteers

- Volunteers gave **125 hours** of support in September. This does not take into account the numerous hours related to the book sale.

Desk Income, Gifts, Grants, or Donations in September: \$14,300.17 among the gifts received this month were many given in memory of our library committee member, Mariann Lehmann who died unexpectedly on Saturday, August 20, 2011. These gifts given by friends, family, neighbors, and colleagues will go toward the purchase of books

Mariann would have enjoyed on topics such as hiking, nature, adventure, literary fiction, and art. A special bookplate had been designed using a photo taken by Mariann's friend and photographer, Carol Latta. Another fund was established by a gift from Laurie Adams to support art programming, and another to support the purchase of a memorial bench that will grace the library grounds. This was made possible by a gift from her childhood friends.

Mariann was a vital part of the library committee and our community. She is survived by many friends and a loving family. The staff sends our deepest condolences to Larry and her family.

A total of \$9,000 this past month was given to the library from the *Cascade Foundation* to support several projects on our wish list including the following: window treatments, iPads, Mac Mini, outdoor lighting repairs and upgrades. We are grateful for their generous support. We expect to purchase and have all equipment in use in October and November. A complete list of projects covered will be included in a future report.

The library received 3 new laptops and 1 desktop from the Maine State Library BTOP (Broadband Technology Opportunities Program) Grant. Maine's program entitled *Maine Public Library Information Commons Project*, establishes or enhances public computer centers in 107 public libraries in Maine. For more information about this project visit <http://www.maine.gov/msl/recovery/index.shtml>

Activities, services, and programs:

256 people attended library programs or benefitted from outreach programs in September:

- Community outreach at local daycare center with Liza Walsh
- Monthly Large Print Book exchange to local senior living facility
- Monthly book group with Jenni Ruddy
- Twice-weekly French Conversation Group with Paul Charbonneau
- Weekly story time for babies and toddlers with Liza Walsh
- Drop-in Mah-Jongg group on Wednesday evenings and Saturdays
- After-school story time on Wednesdays with Liza Walsh
- Monthly BookLovers' Café
- Weekly chess club for 5 consecutive weeks started the end of this month

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Larson, Library Director
October 10, 2011

TO: Robert Peabody, Jr., Rockport Town Manager & Board of Selectmen
FROM: Steve Beveridge, Director **Public Works** Department
RE: **Department Head Report**
DATE: **September 2011**

1. Worked on: serviced the air compressor; Vac-All to Rockport Steel for bed repair; '01 Freightliner body taken off – readied for another one and other work done; took the Oshkosh tires to Rockland and had them mounted.
2. Road Construction: West Street was paved and finished ahead of schedule. We graded the shoulders and did some sidewalk work. Thank you to the West Street residents for their support and understanding during this time of inconvenience. We only have a small time frame to get this kind of roadwork done and their understanding was appreciated. We had no complaints from residents and the only business on West St. asked that we keep the road to their driveway open whenever possible. We did this. We had many complaints from one Pascal Ave. business about closing West St. and worked with them whenever possible.
3. Pleasant St. – in conjunction with the West St. project and 2 residents – one on West. St. and one on Pleasant St. – worked on a major drainage issue from an easement on private property for drainage pipes and a catch basin. Removed and hauled 8 loads of hot top from the street. This project took, approximately, 8 days to complete with road closures for short periods with no complaints. We thank the residents of Pleasant St. for working with us. This will help the Pleasant St. rebuild slated for the next budget.
4. Town Office: Kevin worked for Stacey putting things into the cellar and Harbor Master building for storage.
5. Library: met about the a/c bid project
6. Garage: cleaned the storage shed and readied to put in items for winter storage; cleaned and picked up the garage to ready for Safety Works voluntary inspection
7. Meetings: Opera House Committee, Opera House Insulation rebuild, HM float meeting
8. Opera House: met with contractors about the Opera House Insulation Bid and picked up the lift from the CSD and took it back
9. Cemeteries: worked on the fence in Amsbury Cemetery- righted post and replaced missing chain
10. RES East- Steve, Bruce, and Sue responded to an alarm at the school, but found nothing; Steve and Sue did a walkthrough of the building on a different day to check for open windows and doors; Kevin mowed a portion of the ball field and around RES – the soccer field is being mowed by soccer during their time of practice and for games.
11. Parks & Rec Field: repaired the granite steps after a hurricane at Walker Park;
12. Hauled winter sand (2,881 cubic yards) and salt (297.60 tons) into the shed; rented a dozer to push this up. This project took most of the crew 4 days to help haul winter sand and 2 crew members to mix the sand/salt with the loader and push it up to the top of the shed with a dozer.
13. Made more street signs and put them up; put up 3 “No Parking” signs per PD
14. Graded Mt. Pleasant
15. Worked on the truck bid for the 2012 F550 truck and got it out; had truck bid openings and ordered the truck from White Ford
16. Graded Hartland Sand’s road in return for materials
17. Cut and picked up brush on Clam Cove Rd.; Beech Hill Rd.; several other areas of town and on the waterfront
18. Loamed & seeded and placed hay bales on Reflection Pond Dr. shoulders to try to stop erosion of the road

19. Repaired the iron rail on the high sidewalk
20. Painted catch basins in preparation for winter
21. Hauled sand for ditch for water and sewer project to our stockpile
22. Mail box shoulder repaired at the end of Clam Cove Dr.
23. Cold patched many areas around town
24. Picked up used oil for our waste oil furnace
25. Replaced a culvert on Warrenton St., which made it necessary to close the road for a short time
26. Robinson Dr. – cut the weeds at the end of the drive for the 2nd or 3rd time this year

Man hours available this month – 1000.5 regular hours and 17.5 OT=1018 hours; Approximate man hours on the above projects – 962.

This does not include the small extra projects, errands, and twice a week trash removal.

Last year we worked on the #1 '04 F550 transmission; serviced the '08 F350, '09 F550, '01 F450, & '04 Freightliner; put at new battery in the '93 L8000. Road Construction on Russell Ave sidewalk started and Meadow St. was 99% paved; hauled old hot top from our site and brought back reclaim; hauled 3" minus. At the Harbor we got ready for Hurricane Earl – hauled boats, floats and finger floats and put all but 2 back in; graded the dirt side and hauled brush off the beach. In preparation of Earl PW cleaned catch basins of debris, helped Camden clean 2 catch basins, pulled in trash cans from the village and put them back after, got the generator out and ready for use, secured sanders and the grader and put everything at the garage away. We moved furniture at the Library so the carpets could be replaced; cleaned the garage at least 2x and got read for MMA inspection, cleaned the parts room; attended 2 SB workshops, a Conservation Commission mtg. on Kononen Park Beach pollution, DH meeting, and Union negotiations & prep mtgs. At the Opera House we added a railing to the basement stairs & borrowed the lift from the CSD to replace bulbs. At RES we mowed the ball field each week, the library picked out the tables they want from the leftovers, opened the building so the Rotary could pick up some leftover articles. Put up 724 cy of sand and mixed it with last year's purchased salt; rented an excavator to clean out the brook and ditches on West St. Extension; dig safed 3 spots for Fairpoint & CMP for poles and other spots both public and private; had stumps removed; cut brush on Beech Hill; painted catch basins for winter; took loam to Patty's Circle for a project and seeded and hayed after complete; cleaned 290 catch basins; and did road patrol to make sure all roads and catch basins free from debris before storms. Man hours available were 966.5 and we could account for 743.

ROCKPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

September, 2011

OFFICER PRODUCTIVITY REPORT:

OFFICER:	# of Arrests:	Warnings:
201 / Chief Kelley	02	07
202/ Sgt. T. Ford	13	08
203/ W. Butler	08	03
204/ D. Smith	30	36
205/ D. Brown	04	02
211/ C. Cooley	06	10

212/P. Spear
213/ J. Butler

VEHICLE STATS:	Mileage:	Gals. of Gas.	M.P.G.
	6,775	434.1	15.6

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Rockport Police Department
Law Total Incident Report, by Nature of Incident

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Nature of Incident	Total Incidents
911 Hangup	6
Administrative	10
Agency Assistance	18
Alarm	32
Animal Problem	10
Animal Welfare	1
Assault	4
ATV Operation Problem	1
Non-sufficient Funds Check	1
Violation of Bail Conditions	1
Burglary	1
Car/Deer 10-55	1
Check In Per Court Order	1
Child Abuse or Neglect	1
Citizen Assist	8
Civil Problem	1
Communications Problem	2
Criminal Mischief	3
Custodial Interference	1
Detail Assignment	1
Disorderly Conduct	3
Domestic	4
Drowning	1
Controlled Substance Problem	4
Traffic - Erratic Oper Vehicle	26
Escort	3
Fall	1
False Information to Police	1
Fingerprinting	1
Found Property	1
Fraud	1
Harassment	7
Hit and Run 10-55	1
Information Report	11
Intoxicated Person	3
Juvenile Problem	2
K9 Search	1
Litter/Pollution/Public Health	1
Lost Property	1
Mental Health Issue	4
Miscellaneous CAD Call Record	1
Missing Person	1
Nuisance	1
Obstructing Gov't Admin	1
Paperwork Servd For Oth: Agenc	15
Parking Problem	2
Traffic Accident w/ Damage	7
Traffic Accident, w/ Injuries	2
Property Check	58
Radar Detail	14
Sex Offense	1
Sex Offender Registration	2
Report of shots fired	2
Suspicious Vehicle	8
Suspicious Person/Circumstance	15
Theft	8
Theft of Services	1
Threatening	3
Tobacco Problem	1
Traffic Hazard	10
Traffic Violation	36
Traffic Stop	8
Trespassing	3
Underage Drinking	1
Unsecure Premise	1
Utility Problem	7
Vehicle off roadway no damage	2
Vehicle Maintenance	11
Wanted Person	2
Well-Being Chck	3

Total Incidents for This Report:	406

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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	0	1	1	1	8	2	14
01:00-01:59	3	2	1	2	0	2	1	11
02:00-02:59	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	3
03:00-03:59	1	0	0	2	1	1	0	5
04:00-04:59	3	0	0	3	5	1	0	12
05:00-05:59	2	1	1	3	1	1	3	12
06:00-06:59	1	3	4	0	1	2	1	12
07:00-07:59	0	5	1	3	3	0	1	13
08:00-08:59	1	4	2	5	5	4	4	25
09:00-09:59	2	7	0	2	3	4	3	21
10:00-10:59	1	6	1	3	1	3	1	16
11:00-11:59	4	3	3	2	1	1	3	17
12:00-12:59	2	1	4	1	4	3	3	18
13:00-13:59	5	4	3	0	0	4	3	19
14:00-14:59	12	3	3	5	2	4	2	31
15:00-15:59	2	6	4	4	4	3	3	26
16:00-16:59	1	4	2	3	4	3	3	20
17:00-17:59	3	2	2	2	4	5	0	18
18:00-18:59	3	2	1	3	2	1	3	15
19:00-19:59	5	2	3	2	1	2	5	20
20:00-20:59	3	3	8	6	7	7	1	35
21:00-21:59	2	2	5	1	3	5	2	20
22:00-22:59	0	0	4	0	3	4	1	12
23:00-23:59	2	0	1	3	1	1	3	11
Total by Day	60	60	54	57	58	69	48	406

Report Includes:

All dates between `00:00:01 09/01/11` and `23:59:59 09/30/11`
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
September, 2011

It seemed that Hurricane Irene made way for some fantastic September weather. Some days felt more like a mid August heat wave than typical September but after the “spring” we had I think we deserve an extended summer. Most of the boats that came out for Irene went back into the water to enjoy the last boating of the season.

- Had a call from a resident who had lost their steering outside of Indian Island. One of the fishermen that was on his way back into the harbor towed the disabled boat in. I went out with Andre and was able to help the lobster boat to maneuver the disabled vessel back to its slip.
- Helped a man out of the water after he fell in trying to get his outboard engine onto the dock. The engine went to the bottom in a shallow spot so it was able to be retrieved and flushed with fresh water.
- On a patrol around the harbor I noticed a sailboat sitting low in the water. On further inspection the water was up over the floor boards. I pumped the water out and charged the battery so that the bilge pump was able to take care of any more water. I contacted the owner to make them aware of the problem.
- Charged a sailboat with a dead battery.
- We only received one bid for the SHIP grant project. Have been working with Tom Ford, Gartley and Dorksy and D.O.T. to bifurcate the bids so that the piling work and the floats can be bid on separately in hopes of attracting more bids. Also worked with Steve Beveridge to try to keep some of the work in house.
- In an attempt to test the depth of the mud in the river to determine how the pilings for the SHIP grant project need to be driven; Tom Ford put on a wet suit and Steve Beveridge and I were in a skiff with a rebar tool used to drive signs into the ground, driving it into the bottom of the river at low tide. We determined that there is ample mud to drive piles and as apposed to having to drill into ledge.
- Delivered a signed copy of the pump out grant contract to Augusta in hopes of expediting the process so we can start the project.
- The Harbor Committee did not have a quorum for the September meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for October 20.

Harbor Revenue

Boat Excise	\$83.60
Launching fee	\$37.25
Merchandise	\$357.00
Misc. fee	\$27.00
Dockage	\$388.00
Showers	\$28.00
Schooner Berthing	\$1,000.00
Total	\$2,200.85

BRUCE WOODWARD, FIRE CHIEF

On September 1, I observed the first fire drill of the school year at the Rockport Elementary School. I discussed some issue on evacuation routes and stairwell issues with the staff, and they took care of the procedural changes.

On September 9, we responded to Rockland Fire Station to provided coverage while they were at Fisher Engineering for a possible structure fire. The smoke source was located after an extensive search and found to be from malfunctioning electrical equipment.

On September 11, I joined emergency personnel from around Knox County at the Rockland Elks Lodge on Rankin Street. Hundreds of people were present to remember and pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the World Trade Center buildings ten years ago. A memorial plaque and monument were dedicated to those brave people.

Passers by may have noticed a boat parked next to the Public Safety Building during the last month. The boat is owned by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and is used for surveying the bottom of the harbors and waterways of New England. They determine when dredging is necessary for safe passage in the waterways. For many years we have assisted them with a place to park their equipment and vehicles, when they are surveying in the area.

On 9/29, I coordinated the annual inspection and tagging of all the Town of Rockport's sixty-six fire extinguishers.

Report Period: 01/01/11-09/30/11

Comparables: 01/01/10-09/30/10

Calls by Incident Type	Percent of Total Calls 2010	Percent of Total Calls 2011	Total Incidents 2010	Total Incidents 2011
Structure Fires	4.92%	6.06%	9	12
Vehicle Fires	0.82%	0.00%	1	0
Other Fires	1.64%	5.05%	2	5
Overpressure Ruptures, Explosion, Overheat	0.00%	2.02%	0	2
Emergency Medical Treatment	0.00%	1.01%	0	1
All Others	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Hazardous Condition Calls	34.43%	21.21%	42	21
Service Calls	4.92%	3.03%	8	4
Good Intent Calls	18.85%	21.21%	26	23
Severe Weather or Natural Disaster Calls	0.00%	1.01%	0	1
Special Incident Calls	0.00%	1.01%	0	1
Unknown Incident Type	0.00%	0.00%	0	0
Malicious Calls	0.82%	1.01%	1	1
Other False Calls	33.61%	37.37%	42	37
Total Calls	100%	100%	131	108
Total Fire Dollar Loss	\$8,750	\$800	\$8,750	\$800
Total Dollar Loss	\$8,750	\$1,000	\$8,750	\$1,000