



**TOWN WARRANT
INSIDE**

MAINLY RICHMOND

Town of Richmond

May 2015

**PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING:
PREVIEW OF TOWN BUDGET
MAY 20, 2015 AT 6:00P.M., MARCIA BUKER
TOWN MEETING**

**JUNE 2, 2015 AT 6:00P.M., HIGH SCHOOL
ELECTIONS**

June 9, 2015 8:00A.M.-8:00P.M., HIGH SCHOOL

The following pages represent the department budgets for warrant article purposes. First is the Town Warrant, followed by the Department breakdown spreadsheets.

The Town of Richmond votes on the Total of the Department Budget(s), not the individual line items.

Please keep in mind that the line items are used by the Town Manager and the Board of Selectmen as a guide when approving expenditures. The proposed line item amounts do not hinder the Board from making adjustments within departments.

15-16 SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED DEPARTMENT BUDGET:	\$1,932,746
PROPOSED NON-DEPARTMENT WARRANT ARTICLES:	<u>208,000</u>
Articles # 21: (NEW) Fire Department Reserve	\$ 1,500
# 27: Social Services	\$ 1,500
#28: Cobbossee Mil-Foiler Program	\$ 5,000
#32: Road Project	\$200,000
	\$2,140,746
Article #29 (\$2,685) and Article #30 (\$995) Public Services:	<u>\$ 3,680</u>
TOTAL OF ALL MONETARY ARTICLES:	\$2,144,426

May 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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June 2015						
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Community Events:

**Armed Forces Day: Yard Sale
May 16, 2015**

American Legion (Tables available 737-4201)

**Meet the Candidates Night
Tuesday, May 19, 2015**

Enterprise Grange 6:30p.m. Gather, 7:00p.m. candidates speak followed by Q&A.

**Plant Sale: Richmond Area Food Pantry
Saturday, May 23, 2015 9a.m.-2p.m.**

Kennebec Cutters parking lot, Main Street
To volunteer or if you have plants or baked items to donate contact the pantry at richmond-foodpantry.me@gmail.com or 607-2777.

Town Dates & Reminders:

5/11 Richmond Recreation 6:00p.m.

5/12 Comprehensive Planning 6:00p.m.

5/13 Selectboard meeting 6:00p.m.

5/20 Information Budget Session 6:00p.m. at the Marcia Buker School.

5/25 Memorial Day-Town Office Closed

5/26 Planning Board 6:00p.m.

5/27 Selectboard meeting 6:00p.m.

6/2 TOWN MEETING at 6:00p.m. at the Richmond High School

6/9 ELECTIONS 8:00-8:00p.m. at the Richmond High School

6/10 Selectboard meeting 6:00p.m.

6/23 Planning Board 6:00p.m.

6/24 Selectboard meeting 6:00p.m.

All meetings are held at the Town Office unless noted otherwise. Meetings are posted on our website.

2015 Dump Stickers are available: Residents \$10., \$2. for additional. Commercial \$30.

2015 Peacock Beach Season passes available. \$30 May -September.

TOWN OF RICHMOND

26 Gardiner Street
Richmond, Maine 04357
(207) 737-4305

TOWN OFFICE HOURS
MONDAY-THURSDAY
7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Closed Friday

www.richmondmaine.com

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE
737-4423

The community calendar will be a regular feature of our newsletter. Please submit your events for consideration by the following deadlines: 4/23/15 and 6/18/15.

Town meeting warrant and budget explanation spreadsheets

ARTICLE 1: To elect a Moderator, by secret ballot, who will preside at said meeting. The "Maine Moderator's Guide" shall be utilized by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 2: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Administrative Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 215,530

ARTICLE 3: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Animal Control Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 8,241

ARTICLE 4: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Benefits Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 250,175

ARTICLE 5: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Boards and Committees Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 16,950

ARTICLE 6: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Outlay Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 127,700

ARTICLE 7: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Code Enforcement/LPI Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 35,955

ARTICLE 8: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Debt Service Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 120,164

ARTICLE 9: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 79,410

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Assistance Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 15,500

ARTICLE 11: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Insurance Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 58,695

ARTICLE 12: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Intergovernmental Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 9,620

ARTICLE 13: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Legal Services Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 17,500

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Abatement Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 5,000

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Isaac F. Umberhine Public Library Account.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation:

Appropriate \$1,000 from the Story Hour Account and raise and appropriate \$38,160 for a total appropriation of \$39,160

- ARTICLE 16: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Parks & Cemeteries Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 20,100
- ARTICLE 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Police Department Operations Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 241,649
- ARTICLE 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Professional Services (not including Legal Services) Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 28,730
- ARTICLE 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Safety Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 119,720
- ARTICLE 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Works Operations Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 319,282
- ARTICLE 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500 for the purchase of Fire Department equipment, said amount to be held in a newly established Fire Department Equipment Reserve Account until such time as disbursement of the funds is necessary as determined by the Selectboard; provided, however, that the balance of this reserve account shall not exceed \$10,000.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval
- ARTICLE 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following amounts for the following Reserve Accounts:
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| Fire Department Vehicle Reserve: | \$25,000 |
| Legal Services Reserve: | \$ 5,000 |
| Employee Contingency Reserve: | \$ 5,000 |
| Town Office Technology Reserve: | \$ 5,000 |
| Building Repair and Maintenance Reserve: | \$10,000 |
| Police Department Reserve | \$10,000 |
| Public Works Vehicle Reserve: | \$15,000 |
| TOTAL: | \$75,000 |
- Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval
- ARTICLE 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Senior Center Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 13,650
- ARTICLE 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Solid Waste Account.
 Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$ 44,730
- ARTICLE 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate for Summer Recreation Activities.
 Selectboard Recommendation: Appropriate \$16,088 of Summer Recreation Reserve Account funds and raise and appropriate \$5,447 for a total appropriation of \$21,535.
 Budget Committee Recommendation: Appropriate \$16,088 of Summer Recreation Reserve Account funds.

ARTICLE 27: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following amounts for support of the following Social Services for the ensuing year:

American Red Cross:	\$500
Spectrum Generations:	\$500
Kennebec Behavioral Health:	\$500
TOTAL:	\$1,500

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval

ARTICLE 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Friends of the Cobossee Watershed Mil-Foiler Program.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$5,000

ARTICLE 29: Shall the Town of Richmond raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,685 for the support of Midcoast Maine Community Action (MMCA) services in the Mid-coast area? MMCA provides the community with Head Start, WIC, emergency fuel and housing assistance, surplus food distribution, Family Development Case Management, and affordable rental housing.

(Note: Submitted by Petition)

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: \$0.00

ARTICLE 30: To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of \$995 to help defray the costs of New Hope for Women, and to act thereon. New Hope has requested \$995 from the Town of Richmond for the year 2015 to help finance protective services to battered women, their children, and all people affected by domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in Sagadahoc, Lincoln, Knox and Waldo counties.

(Note: Submitted by Petition)

Selectboard Recommendation: Further Discussion at Town Meeting
Budget Committee Recommendation: \$0.00

ARTICLE 31: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate an amount not to exceed \$16,000 from the Town Properties Improvement Fund for roofing and shingles on the Richmond Fire Department Myrtle Street Station.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval

ARTICLE 32: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200,000 to pave portions of the following dirt roads: Stable Road, Parks Road, Lincoln Street, Knickerbocker Road, Weeks Road, and Spruce Street.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval

ARTICLE 33: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate fifty-percent (50%) of the money received from the State of Maine for snowmobile registrations to the Richmond Sno-Rovers Club for the maintenance of their system or network of snowmobile trails, on the condition that those trails be open to the public for snowmobile purposes at no charge in the snow season, and to authorize the Selectboard to enter into an agreement with the Club under such terms and conditions as it deems advisable for that purpose.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Approval

ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$636,400 from the Estimated Revenues Account (Non-Property Tax Revenue) to be applied to reduce the Fiscal Year 2015-16 tax commitment.

Selectboard/Budget Committee Recommendation: Accept as Written

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to fix the date when property taxes become due and payable, with the first payment being due and payable on November 10, 2015; and the second payment being due and payable on May 11, 2016; and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 7% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s).

- ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to set the rate of 3% interest per annum on abated taxes and to authorize such interest paid or abatements granted to be appropriated first from the Abatement Account then, if necessary, overlay funds then, if necessary, from unassigned fund balance.
[Note: 36 M.R.S.A. § 506-A provides the rate of interest may not exceed the rate set for delinquent taxes, nor be less than that rate reduced by 4%]
- ARTICLE 37: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept prepayment of taxes not yet committed, with no interest to accrue on any excess paid over the amount finally committed.
- ARTICLE 38: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to offer a Fiscal Year 2015-16 Tax Club Plan to taxpayers who enroll no later than July 31, 2015; who pay the total amount of FY 2015-16 taxes by monthly payments from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016; who abide by the requirements of said plan as established by the Selectboard; who shall receive from the Town, in return for such payments, full credit for such taxes paid without incurring any charge of interest.
- ARTICLE 39: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to apply for State, federal (including Community Development Block Grants) and other grants on behalf of the Town for purposes deemed by the Selectboard to be in the best interests of the Town; to accept such grants, including, when necessary, the authority to sign contracts and related documents and to accept conditions of approval; and to appropriate such grant funds for any purpose for which the Town has appropriated funds in Fiscal Year 2015-16.
- ARTICLE 40: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to retain, sell or dispose of, by a means and upon such terms and conditions as the Selectboard deems advisable, any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, and to execute such contracts, deeds and other instruments, and to take such other actions as may in the Selectboard's judgment be advisable to effect the sale of such property, or, if the property is prior-owner occupied residential property, to convey the property to the prior owner upon payment in full of all taxes, interest and charges incurred by the Town within 90 days of notice to the prior owner of the repurchase opportunity.
- ARTICLE 41: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to waive the foreclosure of a tax lien mortgage by recording a waiver of foreclosure at the Registry of Deeds in which the tax lien certificate is recorded prior to expiration of the right of redemption pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 944 upon a finding by the Selectboard that ownership of the property that is subject to the tax lien mortgage would be contrary to the Town's best interests.
- ARTICLE 42: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to sell or otherwise dispose of Town-owned personal property deemed by the Selectboard to be obsolete on such terms and conditions as it deems advisable.
- ARTICLE 43: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to accept or reject donations of personal property and/or to accept or reject gifts of money to the various accounts of the Town for the ensuing year and to appropriate those monies donated for specific purposes.
- ARTICLE 44: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to make final determinations, after notice and hearing, regarding the winter closing of roads in accordance with 23 M.R.S.A. § 2953(3) and final determinations, after notice and hearing, to annul, alter or modify such orders in accordance with 23 M.R.S.A. § 2953(4).
- ARTICLE 45: Shall an ordinance entitled "Town of Richmond Floodplain Management Ordinance" be enacted?
[The proposed ordinance is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.]
- ARTICLE 46: Shall an ordinance entitled "2015 Amendments to the Town of Richmond Land Use Ordinance" be enacted?
[The proposed ordinance is available for review and inspection at the Town Clerk's Office and will be available at the Town Meeting.]

ARTICLE 47: To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Richmond by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the property tax levy limit.
[Note: If this article is needed, a written ballot is required.]

ARTICLE 48: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectboard to execute and deliver a boundary line and right-of-way agreement, as requested by the State of Maine acting by and through its Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IF&W), in order to clarify and confirm access and maintenance of a common right-of-way and to clarify and confirm the common boundary line of the parties, which is the easterly boundary line of property owned by the Town located on and adjacent to the Kennebec River (Tax Map U□2, Lot 17 as of the 4/1/14 assessment date) and the westerly boundary line of property owned by the State of Maine located on and adjacent to the Kennebec River (Tax Map U-2, Lot 16 as of the 4/1/14 assessment date), all as set forth generally on a boundary survey prepared for IF&W by Gartley & Dorsky Engineering and Surveying dated February 8, 2015, on such terms and conditions as the Selectboard deems to be in the best interests of the Town.

ARTICLE 49: To elect by secret ballot the following officials:
 A. Two (2) Selectmen/Assessors/Overseers of the Poor for three (3) year terms.
 B. One (1) RSU #2 member for three (3) year term.
 C. One (1) RSU #2 member for two (2) year term.
 D. One (1) Budget Committee member for three (3) year term.
 E. One (1) Budget Committee member for one (1) year term.
 F. One (1) Richmond Utilities District member for three (3) year term.
 G. One (1) Richmond Utilities District member for a one (1) year term.

Acct #	ADMINISTRATION	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
11-010	Payroll Expenses	185,000	161,984	159,500	(2,484)	-1.53%
11-011	Payroll - Part Time	1,750	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
11-012	Payroll - Overtime	500	500	540	40	8.00%
11-015	Manager Expense	1,000	500	0	(500)	-100.00%
11-017	Election Supplies	500	1,300	1,300	0	0.00%
11-021	Telephone	3,700	3,000	2,100	(900)	-30.00%
11-022	Electricity	3,000	2,400	2,500	100	4.17%
11-023	Heat	1,900	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
11-024	Water & Sewer	540	540	570	30	5.56%
11-030	Computer Maint. Contracts	13,500	14,534	14,560	26	0.18%
11-031	Postage	5,400	6,000	6,000	0	0.00%
11-032	Office Supplies	2,000	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
11-033	Copy Paper	725	500	500	0	0.00%
11-034	Postage Meter Rental	760	760	760	0	0.00%
11-035	Printer Cartridges	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
11-039	Building Supplies	700	700	500	(200)	-28.57%
11-041	Building - Repairs & Maint	800	700	700	0	0.00%
11-060	Copier Lease	8,600	8,600	8,600	0	0.00%
11-061	Advertising	400	250	250	0	0.00%
11-062	Town Reports	0	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
11-065	Tax Bills	770	750	750	0	0.00%
11-071	Training	1,500	2,000	2,000	0	0.00%
11-072	Membership Dues	1,300	1,300	450	(850)	-65.38%
11-075	Miscellaneous	500	0	0	0	0.00%
11-077	Mileage	2,400	2,400	1,000	(1,400)	-58.33%
11-078	Books & Subscriptions	285	200	200	0	0.00%
11-080	Liens & Discharges	4,400	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
11-081	Building Cleaning	1,200	1,350	1,350	0	0.00%
11-098	Northeast Security	288	288	200	(88)	-30.56%
TOTAL ADMIN		244,418	221,756	215,530	(6,226)	-2.81%

Acct #	ANIMAL CONTROL	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
34-010	Payroll	3,600	4,000	4,080	80.00	2.00%
34-075	Vets/Misc		1,000	750	(250.00)	-25.00%
34-304	Animal Shelter Contract	3,400	3,411	3,411	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL ANIMAL CTRL		7,000	8,411	8,241	(170.00)	-2.02%

Acct #	BENEFITS	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
84-006	FICA/Medicare	48,447	51,416	53,550	2,134	4.15%
84-007	Employee Insurance Plan	147,553	157,455	155,000	(2,455)	-1.56%
84-008	Employee Retirement	34,850	38,354	38,400	46	0.12%
84-003	FSA Plan	0	1,807	1,500	(307)	-16.99%
84-004	Wellness Incentive	0	1,750	875	(875)	-50.00%
84-005	Firemen Accident Ins	0	920	850	(70)	-7.61%
TOTAL BENEFITS		230,850	251,702	250,175	(1,527)	-0.61%

Acct #	BOARDS & COMMITTEES	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
15-010	Payroll - Selectmen/ Budget/Planning Board	14,150	15,500	15,500	0.00	0.00%
15-115	Expenses - Selectmen	250	300	200	(100.00)	-33.33%
15-117	Expenses - Planning Board	640	1,000	750	(250.00)	-25.00%
15-118	Expenses - Appeals Board	500	500	500	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL BOARDS/ COMMITTEES		15,540	17,300	16,950	(350.00)	-2.02%

CAPITAL OUTLAY	Department	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec	
Paving- Shim worst spots (Dingley, Langdon, Brown , Center) est. \$74/ton - Overlay shims from last year)	Highway	40,000	90,000	90,000	0	0.00%	
	Highway	21,850	8,000	0	(8,000)	100.00%	
	Highway		40,000	0	(40,000)	100.00%	
Move old PW generator to Town Office (14/15 budget purchased new generator for PW)	Highway		10,000	5,000	(5,000)	-50.00%	
	Holding		8,000	0	(8,000)	100.00%	
Trench Compactor	Highway		0	2,500	2,500	100.00%	
Brown Road Culvert project - replacing 4' x 60' culvert (approx. \$59.07/ft) (8 ton of hot-top at \$74/ton) (36 yds gravel @ \$12/yard) (riprap both ends - 40 yds @ \$18/yard)	Highway		0	5,500	5,500	100.00%	
	Fire	4,200	2,250	0	(2,250)	100.00%	
	Fire		22,240	0	(22,240)	100.00%	
(2) Scott AV3000 2.2 Air-Pak w/ face-piece, cyl & valve	Fire		0	9,000	9,000	100.00%	
Basic Law Enforcement Training Academy (1 employee)	Police		0	3,000	3,000	0.00%	
Striping/Lettering/lights/Siren/change over to police cruiser	Police		0	3,000	3,000	100.00%	
Election Voting Booths	Office		0	3,700	3,700	100.00%	
Computers	Office	6,500	6,500	6,000	(500)	-7.69%	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY			72,550	186,990	127,700	(59,290)	-31.71%

Acct #	CODE ENFORCEMENT	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
43-010	Payroll	27,810	34,125	34,820	695.00	2.04%
43-071	Training	1,000	1,000	500	(500.00)	-50.00%
43-072	Membership Dues	35	35	35	0.00	0.00%
43-075	Misc. Expenses	850	850	400	(450.00)	-52.94%
43-077	Mileage	400	400	200	(200.00)	-50.00%
TOTAL CODE ENFORCEMENT		30,095	36,410	35,955	(455.00)	-1.25%

DEBT		13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
PW Garage [\$325,000] MMBB Loan 03C (Due 11/1 & 5/1)	Paid off: Nov 2023	24,542	21,926	22,086	160	0.73%
Dump Truck & Paving FY09 [\$288,606] [Front Street Sidewalk payment is under the Downtown TIF] [\$210,000] Loan #9009 (Due 12/21)	Paid off: Dec 2016	49,083	47,529	45,903	(1,626)	-3.42%
Paving FY10 [\$300,000] Loan #9010 (Due 10/28) FINAL PAYMENT	Paid off: Oct 2015	65,031	63,483	30,394	(33,089)	-52.12%
2012 Freightliner Dump Truck FY13 [\$101,292] Loan #9011 (Due 11/12)	Paid off: Nov 2017	0	22,791	21,781	(1,010)	-4.43%
Refinancing Outstanding Debt [\$1,206,000] Loan #9008 (Due 10/8)	Paid off: Oct 2014	278,352	265,096	0	(265,096)	100.00%
TOTAL DEBT		417,008	420,825	120,164	(300,661)	-71.45%

Acct #	FIRE DEPARTMENT	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
22-010	Payroll Expenses	36,000	33,500	34,300	800	2.39%
22-013	Medical, Shots, Physicals	1,500	1,500	2,100	600	40.00%
22-021	Phones, Internet	1,080	1,225	1,145	(80)	-6.53%
22-022	Electricity	2,500	2,250	2,500	250	11.11%
22-023	Heat	6,421	7,300	8,000	700	9.59%
22-024	Water & Sewer	1,200	1,200	1,350	150	12.50%
22-032	Office Supplies	150	225	225	0	0.00%
22-039	Building Supplies	100	200	200	0	0.00%
22-040	Equipment Repair & Maint	100	1,000	0	(1,000)	100.00%
22-041	Building Repair & Maintenance	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
22-071	Training	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
22-072	Membership Dues	300	300	340	40	13.33%
22-073	Call Out Expenses	0	0	200	200	100.00%
22-098	Northeast Security	288	288	200	(88)	-30.56%
22-200	Dry Hydrants	100	0	0	0	
22-233	Vehicle/Equipment, Repair/Maint	4,000	3,000	9,500	6,500	216.67%
22-252	Tools & Equipment	2,000	1,000	3,000	2,000	200.00%
22-253	Clothing	8,000	5,250	5,500	250	4.76%
22-284	Radio - Repair & Maintenance	400	1,000	3,000	2,000	200.00%
22-285	Furnace - Repair & Maintenance	600	800	1,000	200	25.00%
22-288	Preventative Maintenance	3,800	4,200	4,500	300	7.14%
22-298	Public Education	500	0	150	150	100.00%
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT		71,339	66,438	79,410	12,972	19.52%

Acct #	GENERAL ASSISTANCE	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
86-808	Food Services	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0.00%
86-860	Expenses	18,000	18,000	15,000	-3,000	-16.67%
86-861	R.E.A.P.	2,000	2,000	0	-2,000	100.00%
TOTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE		25,000	25,000	20,000	(5,000)	-20.00%

Acct #	INSURANCES	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
85-848	Unemployment	4,600	3,300	2,920	(380)	-11.52%
85-849	Worker's Comp.	23,000	20,000	22,500	2,500	12.50%
85-850	Town Liability & Vehicle	31,000	32,000	33,275	1,275	3.98%
TOTAL INSURANCES		58,600	55,300	58,695	3,395	6.14%

Acct #	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
	New Mills Dam	0	0	5,110	5,110	100.00%
83-831	Cobbossee Watershed	4,200	4,510	4,510	0	0.00%
TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL		4,200	4,510	9,620	5,110	113.30%

Acct #	LEGAL	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
91-924	Legal (Personnel)	10,000	10,000	7,500	(2,500)	-25.00%
91-925	Legal (General)	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL LEGAL		20,000	20,000	17,500	(2,500)	-12.50%

Acct #	ABATEMENTS	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
91-926	Tax Abatements	5,000	7,300	5,000	(2,300)	-31.51%
TOTAL ABATEMENTS		5,000	7,300	5,000	(2,300)	-31.51%

Acct #	LIBRARY	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Se-lectmen's Proposed	Increase/ Decrease	% Inc/ Dec
82-010	Payroll	13,728	15,925	24,320	8,395	52.72%
82-021	Phone	360	360	435	75	20.83%
82-022	Lights		1,500	960	(540)	-36.00%
82-023	Heat		1,500	1,585	85	5.67%
82-024	Water & Sewer		540	560	20	3.70%
82-030	Computers & Software	1,000	1,500	650	(850)	-56.67%
82-031	Postage	100	100	0	(100)	100.00%
82-032	Office Supplies	1,000	1,000	500	(500)	-50.00%
82-039	Building Supplies	0	180	150	(30)	-16.67%
82-075	Building Repair/Maint	0	1,960	1,000	(960)	-48.98%
82-078	Books, DVD's & Videos	5,000	6,500	6,500	0	0.00%
82-081	Cleaning	216	1,352	1,300	(52)	-3.85%
82-098	Northeast Security	0	288	200	(88)	-30.56%
	Rent	8,400	0	0	0	
82-821	Programs	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL LIBRARY		30,804	33,705	39,160	5,455	16.18%

Acct #	PARKS & CEMETERIES	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
50-010	Payroll	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
50-021	Internet	276	288	0	(288)	-100%
50-022	Electricity	1,600	2,000	2,220	220	11.00%
50-024	Water & Sewer	620	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
50-039	Building Supplies	900	1,000	500	(500)	-50.00%
50-041	Building Rep & Maint	0	500	500	0	0.00%
50-075	Misc	1,100	550	550	0	0.00%
50-501	Floating Docks	2,500	2,200	2,200	0	0.00%
50-502	Lane Field	2,600	2,876	2,900	24	0.83%
50-503	Mowing	1,000	2,230	2,230	0	0.00%
50-505	Cemetery Flags	200	200	200	0	0.00%
50-508	Grounds Maintenance	1,000	1,500	1,000	(500)	-33.33%
50-518	Peacock Beach	3,300	3,300	3,500	200	6.06%
50-520	St. Matthias Church/Hall		1,000	800	(200)	-20.00%
TOTAL PARKS & CEMETERIES		17,596	21,144	20,100	(1,044)	-4.94%

Acct #	POLICE DEPARTMENT	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
33-010	Payroll	163,600	166,194	169,466	3,272.00	1.97%
33-011	Parttime/Constable	14,980	17,120	16,020	(1,100.00)	-6.43%
33-012	Overtime	13,650	13,650	12,000	(1,650.00)	-12.09%
33-013	Medical, Shots, Physicals	1,000	1,000	750	(250.00)	-25.00%
33-021	Phone	3,800	4,104	3,800	(304.00)	-7.41%
33-022	Electricity	3,000	1,700	2,220	520.00	30.59%
33-023	Heat	700	542	715	173.00	31.92%
33-024	Water & Sewer	564	548	558	10.00	1.82%
33-028	Contracted Services	200	0	0	0.00	0.00%
33-029	Operating Supplies	1,500	2,000	2,000	0.00	0.00%
33-030	Computer Contracts/Software	300	500	500	0.00	0.00%
33-031	Postage	250	250	250	0.00	0.00%
33-032	Office & Investigating Supplies	1,500	0	0	0.00	0.00%
33-039	Building Supplies & Maint.	700	700	500	(200.00)	-28.57%
33-040	Office Equipment & Maint.	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00	0.00%
33-060	Copier Lease & Maintenance	1,450	1,450	1,450	0.00	0.00%
33-061	Advertising	250	0	0	0.00	0.00%
33-071	Training	2,500	2,500	2,500	0.00	0.00%
33-072	Membership Dues	350	350	320	(30.00)	-8.57%
33-075	Miscellaneous	400	100	100	0.00	0.00%
33-078	Books & Subscriptions	450	450	400	(50.00)	-11.11%
33-081	Building Cleaning Services	1,200	1,200	1,300	100.00	8.33%
33-098	Northeast Security	288	288	0	(288.00)	-100.00%
33-233	Vehicle - Rep & Maintenance	7,500	7,000	7,000	0.00	0.00%
33-258	Tires	2,000	2,000	1,200	(800.00)	-40.00%
33-335	Uniforms	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.00	0.00%
33-336	Community Services	250	100	100	0.00	0.00%
33-337	Copsfast Officer	14,000	14,000	14,000	0.00	0.00%
33-339	Firearms Maint. & Ammo.	1,500	1,500	1,500	0.00	0.00%
TOTAL POLICE DEPT		240,882	242,246	241,649	(597.00)	-0.25%

Acct #	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (NOT INCLUDING LEGAL)	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
12-100	Assessing - update cards	10,000	10,300.00	10,300.00	0.00	0.00%
12-101	Tax Maps - GIS Maps	5,250	5,250.00	5,250.00	0.00	0.00%
12-102	Audit	12,700	12,700.00	9,500.00	(3,200.00)	-25.20%
12-103	MMA Membership	3,600	3,600.00	3,680.00	80.00	2.22%
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SVCS		31,550	31,850.00	28,730.00	(3,120.00)	-9.80%

Acct #	PUBLIC SAFETY	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
36-010	Civil Emergency-Payroll	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
36-359	Public Health Officer	100	100	100	0	0.00%
36-362	Hydrant Rental	89,800	89,800	92,620	2,820	3.14%
36-363	Street Lights	22,000	22,000	25,000	3,000	13.64%
36-364	Pedestrian Safety	500	500	500	0	0.00%
36-365	Emergency Preparedness (prev. Emergency Preparedness Equipment)	500	500	500	0	0.00%
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		113,900	113,900	119,720	5,820	5.11%

Acct #	PUBLIC WORKS	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
26-010	Payroll Expenses	156,624	159,120	165,326	6,206	3.90%
26-011	Payroll - Part Time	3,800	3,800	4,766	966	25.42%
26-012	Payroll - Overtime	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
26-013	Medical, Shots, Physicals	350	450	350	(100)	-22.22%
26-021	Phone & Cell Phones	1,500	900	850	(50)	-5.56%
26-022	Electricity	3,400	3,200	3,100	(100)	-3.13%
26-023	Heat	8,400	6,000	9,500	3,500	58.33%
26-024	Water & Sewer	564	550	570	20	3.64%
26-032	Office Supplies	100	100	100	0	0.00%
26-041	Building Maintenance	700	700	1,000	300	42.86%
26-071	Training	500	500	500	0	0.00%
26-075	Miscellaneous	0	100	100	0	0.00%
26-077	Mileage	50	50	50	0	0.00%
26-081	Cleaning Services	600	1,200	1,040	(160)	-13.33%
26-098	Northeast Security	288	288	200	(88)	-30.56%
26-232	De-Icer-Calcium	3,000	3,000	2,500	(500)	-16.67%
26-233	Vehicle Equip. & Repairs	22,000	22,000	22,000	0	0.00%
26-234	Ice Control Salt	55,000	55,000	51,000	(4,000)	-7.27%
26-238	Hot Top	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
26-248	Gravel	19,000	19,000	15,000	(4,000)	-21.05%
26-249	Winter Sand	12,000	12,000	12,000	0	0.00%
26-250	Leased Equipment	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
26-251	Calcium Chloride	1,000	1,390	1,430	40	2.88%
26-252	Garage Tools & Equipment	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.00%
26-253	Clothing Allowance	700	700	700	0	0.00%
26-254	Safety Equipment	300	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
26-255	Tree Removal	900	900	900	0	0.00%
26-256	Building & Garage Supplies	800	800	800	0	0.00%
26-257	Street Signs	700	700	500	(200)	-28.57%
26-258	Tires	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%
26-292	Cutting Edges	3,300	3,300	3,300	0	0.00%
26-293	Culverts	2,500	2,500	2,500	0	0.00%
26-294	Cold Patch	700	700	700	0	0.00%
26-297	Road Maintenance	1,000	1,000	1,300	300	30.00%
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		315,976	317,148	319,282	2,134	0.67%

Acct #	RESERVES	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase / Decrease	% Incr/Decr
92-934	Fire Dept Vehicle	25,000	25,000	25,000	0	0.00%
92-935	Legal Services	10,000	10,000	5,000	-5,000	-50.00%
92-936	Employee Contingency	10,000	10,000	5,000	-5,000	-50.00%
92-937	Town Office Technology	6,000	6,000	5,000	-1,000	-16.67%
92-940	Building Repair & Maint	0	20,000	10,000	-10,000	-50.00%
92-938	Police Dept	8,400	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%
92-939	Public Works Vehicle	15,000	1,500	15,000	13,500	900.00%
TOTAL RESERVES		74,400	82,500	75,000	-7,500	-9.09%

Acct #	SENIORS	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
53-010	Payroll	7,020	7,750	7,910	160	2.06%
53-021	Phone/Internet	900	636	660	24	3.77%
53-022	Electricity	480	500	780	280	56.00%
53-023	Heat	3,000	3,400	4,100	700	20.59%
53-032	Office Supplies	115	200	200	0	0.00%
53-039	Building Supplies	100	285	0	(285)	100.00%
53-040	Equip Repair	0	40	0	(40)	100.00%
53-075	Misc	0	250	0	(250)	100.00%
TOTAL SENIORS		11,615	13,061	13,650	589	4.51%

Acct #	SOLID WASTE	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
60-010	Payroll	14,334	15,600	21,000	5,400	34.62%
60-013	Medical	0	0	200	200	100.00%
60-022	Electricity	500	750	500	(250)	-33.33%
60-023	Heat	0	0	250	250	0.00%
60-071	Training	200	200	200	0	0.00%
60-072	Membership Dues		40	40	0	0.00%
60-075	Miscellaneous	500	500	500	0	0.00%
60-507	Portable Toilet	1,044	1,044	1,080	36	3.45%
60-508	Grounds Maintenance	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
60-650	Bulky Waste Disposal	7,000	7,000	5,700	(1,300)	-18.57%
60-651	Town Solid Waste	2,000	2,000	1,500	(500)	-25.00%
60-652	Annual License	722	399	700	301	75.44%
60-656	Tire Removal	800	800	560	(240)	-30.00%
60-659	Freon Removal	0	100	200	100	100.00%
60-661	Universal Waste Disposal	200	200	0	(200)	100.00%
60-670	Wood Removal	8,100	8,100	4,000	(4,100)	-50.62%
60-671	Recycling-Haul/Removal	7,500	7,200	7,300	100	1.39%
TOTAL SOLID WASTE		43,900	44,933	44,730	(203)	-0.45%

Acct #	SUMMER REC	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
51-010	Payroll	16,350	16,350	16,560	210	1.28%
51-075	Misc	1,615	1,615	1,000	(615)	-38.08%
51-515	T-Shirts	625	625	625	0	0%
51-516	Bus Trips	3,700	3,700	3,350	(350)	-9.46%
TOTAL SUMMER REC		22,290	22,290	21,535	(755)	-3.39%

Acct #	TOWN FUEL	13-14 Budget	14-15 Budget	15-16 Selectmen's Proposed	Increase/Decrease	% Inc/Dec
24-368	Town Fuel	46,500	53,000	48,000	(5,000)	-9.43%
24-369	Tank Repair & Maintenance	675	1,300	750	(550)	-42.31%
TOTAL TOWN FUEL		47,175	54,300	48,750	(5,550)	-10.22%

Article #34 Estimated Revenues

Acct #	Item	12-13	13-14	14-15	14-15	% Collected	15-16	Inc/(Decr)	% Change
		Actual	Actual	Estimated	Actual as of 4/28/15		Estimated		
11-421	Interest - Delinquent Taxes	25,611.12	21,571.73	20,000	20,820	104.10%	20,000	0	0.00%
11-422	Interest - Bank Interest Income	214.68	715.42	200	1,111	555.50%	1,000	800	400.00%
11-424	Lien Fees	10,654.90	11,133.93	10,000	10,136	101.36%	11,000	1,000	10.00%
11-482	Town Misc (Notary Fees)	4,023.76	4,007.44	3,000	4,137	137.90%	4,000	1,000	33.33%
11-487	Photocopy/Fax	639.50	400.00	400	99	24.75%	300	(100)	-25.00%
11-488	Clerk Fees	5,058.40	2,683.50	3,000	1,753	58.43%	3,000	0	0.00%
11-489	Dog License		2,219.00	2,000	2,493	124.65%	2,000	0	0.00%
11-494	Marriage Licenses		913.50	1,000	468	46.80%	900	(100)	-10.00%
15-464	Appeals Fees	0.00	0.00	200	0	0.00%	200	0	0.00%
15-466	Planning Fees	950.00	500.00	1,000	1,350	135.00%	750	(250)	-25.00%
22-472	Fire Dept Misc	10.00	0.00	0	194	100.00%	0	0	0.00%
26-431	MDOT URIP money	46,884.00	45,148.00	41,384	41,408	100.06%	41,400	16	0.04%
33-445	Police Misc	174.00	244.00	500	547	109.40%	500	0	0.00%
33-446	Concealed Weapons	445.00	254.00	100	200	200.00%	100	0	0.00%
33-447	Police Fines	60.00	125.00	0	55	100.00%	0	0	0.00%
33-448	Animal Control Fines	75.00	100.00	0	250	100.00%	100	100	100.00%
43-432	Dresden Share Code Officer			0	6,122	100.00%	8,100	8,100	100.00%
43-465	Building Permits	5,893.34	5,823.10	6,000	6,177	102.95%	6,000	0	0.00%
43-467	Plumbing Permits	2,572.50	3,505.00	2,000	5,003	250.15%	3,000	1,000	50.00%
50-476	Mooring Fees	260.00	300.00	500	120	24.00%	300	(200)	-40.00%
60-450	Dump Stickers	6,000.00	6,370.00	5,500	6,429	116.89%	5,500	0	0.00%
60-451	Haulers Licenses	550.00	100.00	450	250	55.56%	450	0	0.00%
60-452	Bulky Waste	4,911.00	4,583.00	5,000	3,926	78.52%	5,000	0	0.00%
60-453	Universal Waste Building	385.25	391.25	500	636	127.20%	500	0	0.00%
60-454	Metal & Brush	4,808.95	4,914.60	5,000	3,293	65.86%	5,000	0	0.00%
86-430	General Assistance	7,535.74	5,135.40	9,000	1,665	18.50%	7,500	(1,500)	-16.67%
91-411	Excise - Autos	466,512.51	490,000.30	475,000	393,745	82.89%	475,000	0	0.00%
91-412	Excise - Boats	4,356.80	4,107.90	4,000	1,398	34.95%	4,000	0	0.00%
91-433	Snowmobile Reimb. (1/2 to club)	503.12	585.87	800	586	73.25%	500	(300)	-37.50%
91-434	Tree Growth Exemption	13,948.73	11,000.00	11,000	2,035	18.50%	11,000	0	0.00%
91-435	Veterans Exemption	117.00	1,500.00	1,500	1,460	97.33%	1,400	(100)	-6.67%
91-461	Agent Fees - Auto	10,809.00	11,116.00	11,000	8,437	76.70%	11,000	0	0.00%
NEW	Library Receipts				1,259	0.00%	1,000	1,000	100.00%
NEW	Summer Recreation	0.00	0.00	0	315	0.00%	5,000	5,000	100.00%
91-462	Agent Fees - Moses	1,218.50	1,109.75	700	793	113.29%	900	200	28.57%
TOTAL NON-PROPERTY TAX REVENUE		625,613.45	640,737.64	620,734	528,670	85.17%	636,400	15,666	2.52%
91-436	State Revenue Sharing	246,716.70	181,444.53	170,768	126,117	73.85%	190,445	19,677	11.52%
91-437	Homestead (do not include in other revenues)	41,667.00	73,460.66	77,777	36,730	47.22%	76,111	(1,666)	-2.14%
91-438	BETE (do not include in other revenues)	2,076.00	6,724.00	13,321	13,318	99.98%	11,736	(1,585)	-11.90%
	Use of Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	0	0		0	0	
	<i>(Amounts derived from tax commitment calculator)</i>								
Total Revenues		916,073.15	902,366.83	882,600	704,835	79.86%	914,692	32,092	3.64%

Revolving Loan Program

With spring finally here, many people are looking to make home or business improvement. The Town has the following loan programs available:

TIF Business Loans

TIF Business Loans are available for Richmond businesses and can be used for:

- Building improvements and/or repairs;
- Business equipment;
- Marketing; and
- Cash flow.

The maximum aggregate amount to borrow is \$25,000, with repayments up to five years at five percent interest. *Business Plan assistance is also available.*

Home Improvement Loans

Home Improvement Loans are available for:

- Energy conservation improvements;
- Installing septic or water systems;
- Replacing heating systems;
- Repairing roofs; and
- Other home repairs.

Application Process

Applications are available at the Richmond Town Office or online at www.richmondmaine.com. The Loan Board Committee meets the first Tuesday of every month, as needed. Meetings are at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Office. Applications need to be submitted by the 15th of the month prior to the meeting date.

Questions? Contact:

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"Richmond's loan programs helped us with home improvements and also with the purchase of our business property. I highly recommend these programs!"

- Joyce McKenney, McKenney Tree

News from the Fire Department

By: Matt Roberge

As we are in the weather that is great for working in the yard and are doing cleanup of leaves and brush, please remember that to do any outside burning you must have a permit as required by law. Here in Richmond we have made it easy for our citizens to get those permits free of charge with your computer and printer by going to www.wardensreport.com to fill out the permit and print it. Please keep in mind that during most of the season we ask that you perform your burning after 4:00pm because that is the time the winds die down and also that members of the fire department return to town from their day jobs in case our assistance is needed.

It is important that home and building owners in Richmond make sure to put your house number on both sides of your road side mailbox as well as attach your house number to the street side of your house, so that emergency services can find your house no matter which direction they are travelling to get there. There have been a few calls this year where we had to get out to confirm that we were at the right location for the call which can cause delays in our response.

RICHARD'S LAWN CARE

FREE ESTIMATES

207-737-2815 (CFMI)

RICHMOND, MAINE 04357

Code Enforcement Update

By: James Valley, CEO

Amendments to the Town of Richmond Land Use Ordinance concerning Modular and Newer Mobile Homes will be placed on this year's town warrant. Please take the time to review the changes and contact my office if you have any concerns or questions. The amendments can be viewed on the towns website: www.richmondmaine.com or we have copies available at the Town office.

Ben Rhein	30 Overlook Drive	R02-053-01-07	36 by 64 Ranch 26 by 26 Attached Garage
Gary Nash	65 Main Street	U02-174-00	144S.F. Remodel and 436S.F. enclosed Storage Area
Richard Lee	453 Main Street	R02-022-00	8 by 10 Chicken Coop
Rodney Bradeen	13 Springer Street	U01-054-00	8 by 12 Deck
Rodney Bradeen	13 Springer Street	U01-054-00	Replacement of Exterior Basement Wall
Sly Chaput	81 Peaceful Place	U13 006-00	Interior Replacement Plumbing
Lance Tlumac	0 Plummer Road	R04 008-02-03	Interior Plumbing New Home
Lance Tlumac	0 Plummer Road	R04 008-02-03	New Septic System

New Business: Maine Organic Lawn Care

By: Victoria Boundy

The mission of Maine Organic Lawn Care is to extend the vision and principles of organic agriculture to the care of the landscapes that surround us in our daily lives. Maine Organic Lawn Care provides a variety of services to meet the client's needs. They include:

- An initial site visit starts the process to discuss client needs and expectation and matching services for a positive outcome.
- Scheduled turf management including soil testing and interpretation, organic fertilization, pH adjustment, soil conditioning, seed slice, overseeding and aeration.
- Spring and fall cleanup using collected material for composting to be later added back to the environment.
- Mowing, trimming and blowing are performed with quiet, battery operated equipment.
- Consultation is available for organic land care and compost production.

Maine Organic Lawn Care is owned and operated by Richmond resident Wayne G. Davis, an Accredited Organic Land Care Professional by Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA). Mr. Davis has lived in Richmond for over 15 years, and for the last ten years ran a composting consulting and testing company.

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News from the Isaac F. Umberhine Public Library

By: Donna McClusky, Librarian

Our Drama Club has started up again and we already have a play picked out. My partner, Jen Rioux, has had to leave us. We will miss her; she was a great asset. Thank you for all you have done, Jen! On the other hand, I have a new person who has generously offered to take Jen's place. I'm sure most of you know her. Her name is Joleen Valley. Her daughter Emma is one of our actors. Welcome aboard Joleen! We are always looking for new members between the ages of 8-12. We meet every Thursday evening at 6:00p.m.

On Monday, May 11 at 6:00p.m., we have Kate McCarthy from the University of Maine Cooperative Extension Preservation to teach the basis of canning and freezing, including how to use pressure canners and water bath canners to preserve pickles, jams and vegetables. Come and learn from the experts.

Coming in June, we will be having "Buster the Bee" kicking off summer with a song and story program. Please check the Umberhine Facebook page closer to June for more details.

As always we have Story Hour on Wednesday mornings at 9:30a.m. Lisa Wells has been coming in and playing her mandolin and singing with the children whenever possible. It's been a great asset to the program.

Returning again this summer in June is the "Let's Talk About" Program. This year we will be reading *Detective Fiction in the 20th Century: A Notion of Evil*. The program starts June 9 and will meet every other week until August 4. It will be held in the Umberhine Library Community Room.

The library would like to do a float for Richmond Days this year. So if anyone would like to volunteer to help build it, we would greatly appreciate it. The theme is Renaissance. If you are interested, please call the library at 737-2770.

ADULTS

A Spool of Blue Thread, Anne Tyler, book/CD
The Buried Giant, Kazuo Ishiguro, book/CD
Last One Home, Debbie Macomber, book/CD
The Assassin, Clive Cussler, book/CD
Prodigal Son, Danielle Steel, book/CD
Dead Wake, The Last Crossing: Erik Larson, book/CD
Being Mortal, Atul Gawande, book
Every Day I Fight, Stuart Scott, book
Bettyville, George Hodgman, book
The Stranger, Harlan Coben, book/CD
Every 15 minutes, Lisa Scottoline, book/CD
Memory Man, David Baldacci, book/CD
The Precious One, Marisa de los Santos, book/CD
NYPD Red, James Patterson, book/CD
Go Set a Watchman, Harper Lee, book/CD
A Dangerous Place, Jacqueline Winspear, book/CD
Pioneer Girl, Laura Ingalls Wilder, book/CD
H is for Hawk, Helen MacDonal, book/CD
The Angel Court Affair, Anne Perry, book

YOUNG ADULT, JUVENILE, CHILDREN

Seraphina, Rachel Hartman, book
Shadow Scale, Rachel Hartman, book
Independence Study, Joelle Charbonneau, book
Graduation Day, Joelle Charbonneau, book
Prodigy #2, Maria Lu, book
Champion #3, Maria Lu, book
Infinite Sea, Rick Yancy, book
The Adventures of Beekle; The Unimaginary Friend, Dan Santat, book
Crooked Star's Promise, Erin Hunter, book
Aqualicious, Victoria Kahn, book
Rosie Revere Engineer by: Andrea Beatty, book
Pet the Cat, Construction Destruction, James Dean, book

Upcoming Swan Island Events

All events are \$8 per person with 3 years and under free, unless otherwise noted. All events meet at the Richmond parking area unless otherwise noted. All events occurring on the Island require a reservation; call 547-5322. Space may be limited! www.Maine.gov/swanisland

Saturday May 30 Free Fishing for Kids 15 and Under!

Time: 9am – 1pm **Space Limited:** First 30 people

Bring the kids for this great 'learn to fish' opportunity. All equipment, bait and tackle will be provided at no charge and volunteer instructors will be on hand to assist. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Thursday June 4 Evening Wildlife Tour

Time: 6:30pm – 7:30pm **Space Limited:** First 20 people

Join Swan Island staff for an evening sightseeing wildlife tour to observe the abundant wildlife when they are more visible. Enjoy riding in our tour truck the length of the island through a variety of habitats. Dress for the weather and don't forget your camera!



Sunday June 21 On Father's Day, Free Admission for Maine Residents

Time: All day on four scheduled ferry trips.

Fee: Free!

The history of Swan Island and surrounding communities are deeply intertwined creating a deep sense of appreciation by area residents and visitors. Well...now we want to invite you to come see what the island has to offer and hopefully you will return to enjoy some paddling, camping, hiking, or wildlife viewing right in your own backyard. **The Tubbs-Reed house will be open to the public!**

Saturday June 27 Paddle Tour to Little Swan Island

Time: 10:00am – 1:30pm

Bring your canoe or kayak to explore Swan Island while paddling the Kennebec River. This will be a great opportunity to see another perspective of the island and learn about this important interface for wildlife between water and land. Maybe even see a prehistoric looking sturgeon leaping from the water! We will stop part way and have lunch on the island.

Trip is suitable for beginners but be aware that the river is tidal so portions of the trip could be "upstream" paddling. Be sure to have PFDs, paddles, canoe or kayak, lunch, water, bug spray, sunscreen, and binoculars or camera.

Saturday July 11 Boat Tour of Swan Island

Time: 9am – 11am **Space Limited:** First 50 people

Fee: Free!

Come enjoy some time on the water as we explore the shores of Swan Island. Dress for the weather as it can be cooler and breezy on the water. Bring your camera and/or binoculars!

General Use Fees:

All 5 and under visitors are free!

Day use: \$8 per person. Camping: \$8 per person plus \$20 per site per night

Season passes also available. Call 207-547-5322 to make a reservation!

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Thanks to all who took the time to vote in November with particular thanks to those who voted for me. Please be sure to attend Town Meeting on June 2nd and to vote in our municipal elections on June 9th.



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Businesses: We Want YOU Involved in Richmond Days

We are celebrating Richmond Days in *Medieval Renaissance* fashion, on July 24-25. The Richmond Days Committee is seeking involvement from local businesses. First of all, we are seeking sponsors to help support our annual Richmond Days Celebration and in particular, help defray the cost of the fireworks and float rental (*We no longer have use of the Swan Island launch*). **Any donations would be greatly appreciated.** In return we would like to help you advertise your business. All contributors will also be listed on day-of-event promotional materials. More details below.

Secondly, we would like to invite any business, or coalition of businesses, to have a float in our parade, which begins at 10:00 a.m. (assembly begins at 9:30 a.m. in the High School parking lot). If your business or coalition plans to have a float, please let us know. **There will be a contest, with prizes, for best float this year.**

Please review the following Sponsorship Packages:

Gold Sponsor: \$500.00 includes:

- A full page advertisement in the **July** Issue of the Mainely Richmond (*this goes out to every household*)
- A full page advertisement in the **September** Issue of the Mainely Richmond

Silver Sponsor: \$300.00 includes:

- A half page advertisement in the **July** Issue of the Mainely Richmond
- A half page advertisement in the **September** Issue of the Mainely Richmond

Bronze Sponsor: \$150.00 includes:

- A quarter page size advertisement in the **July** Issue of the Mainely Richmond
- A quarter page size advertisement in the **September** Issue of the Mainely Richmond

We would be happy to help with design of your advertisement as well. Please send donations to the attention of "Richmond Days Committee" and make checks payable to the Town of Richmond. All artwork can be emailed to laurisaloon@richmondmaine.com. Questions: please contact Victoria Boundy, Director of Community & Business Development, 737-4305 or [director@richmondmaine.com]. Thank you!



July 2015
24 & 25



Friday: Children's parade, carnival games, Woodside One Wheelers (WOW), Outdoor movie, cupcake decorating.

Saturday: Parade (prizes awarded), Costume Contest for best King, Queen, Prince, Princess, Jester and Knight! Food, bounce houses, water slide, medieval entertainment including sword fights and demonstrations, comedy, archery, belly dancing, music and fireworks!



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