



# RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

## TOWN OF RAYMOND – DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



Town Office will be closed Friday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> for Christmas Day & Friday, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day.  
**WE WISH YOU ALL A SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON!!!!**



# Thank You

## For Contributing to Wreaths on Raymond's Business Corridor

- Wayne & Anita Holmquist \* Joyce Crockett
- Walt & Daphne Lindell \* Linda Flahive
- George & Joan Clark \* Charlotte Hewson
- Karen Johnson, Mira Bella Hair Salon
- Davis & Louise VanWinkle, Camp Wohelo
- Sam & Elissa Gifford \* Neil & Peggy Jensen
- Mark Accuosti & Nancy Jodrie, Speedy Stop Land Holdings
- Pam & Ingo Hartig, Ultimate Hair Salon
- Kevin Gagnon, Raymond Shopping Center
- Donald Drew, Cricket's Corner
- Marshall & Rhonda Bullock
- Frank & Nancy Fowles \* Panther Run Marina
- Don & Christine McClellan, The Mosquito
- Ron & Jennifer Sturzenberger \* Brenda Holmes
- Island Cove Building and Development
- Robert & April Fey \* Susan Adams
- Desiree Merritt & Richard McIntosh
- Elaine Chipman, Chipman Farm Market
- Kim Riddell, Jordan Bay Animal Hospital
- Theda Logan \* The Good Life Market
- Ivy Jordan, Water's Edge Studio
- Paul Cullinan & Margaret Burby
- Bruce Wiley, Village Donut Shop and Bakery
- Dorothy MacConnell \* Miguel & Kaela Gonzalez
- Marie Connolly \* Rep. Sue W Austin
- David & Deborah Cutten
- Michael & Michelle McClellan
- Donald & Megan Willard \* Janice Miller

**THANK YOU** to Jessica Fay at Maine Lakes Wedding and Event Florist for getting the wreaths and for donating her skill and labor for the bows!

**THANK YOU** to Don McClellan for helping with logistics and putting the bows on the wreaths.

**THANK YOU** to Raymond Public Works for hanging all the wreaths on the light poles!

Please note: This list was posted December 11, 2020.  
If you have donated since then, thank you too!

Contributions for the Beautification Committee's plantings are very much appreciated any time of the year.

TO MAKE A TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION,  
please write a check to:

The Town of Raymond - ATTN: For Beautification Committee  
Drop off or mail to: 401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond ME 04071

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to Title 17 M.R.S §§ 2851-2859  
(Dangerous Buildings)

**ZOOM MEETING - OPEN TO ALL!!**  
**Tues., January 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Raymond, Maine will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. via a public Zoom meeting. The purpose of this public hearing is to determine whether three residential dwellings located at 9 Shaker Woods Road and shown on the current Town of Raymond Tax Maps as Map 019 Lot 039-000 are dangerous or a nuisance by the definition in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 17 M.R.S § 2851. FMI, please contact the Code Enforcement Office at 207-655-4742.

Meeting access information: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82809833166?pwd=SHpDQ1cvYU5vNDJ3dGdGSKwwdS96QT09>  
Meeting ID: 828 0983 3166  
Passcode: jV6dc3

### HELP THE LIBRARY REACH THEIR GOAL!

The library is inching towards their goal of raising \$40,000. Please consider helping them reach this target, so that they can continue enriching the community. They have many gift baskets for all ages that can be viewed and purchased throughout the holiday season as well as an ongoing book and media sale. Find links online at:



**WWW.RAYMONDVILLAGELIBRARY.ORG**



**(1) Full Time  
PARAMEDIC/FF**  
**(1) Part Time  
EMT/FF**

The Town of Raymond is seeking one part time EMT/ FF and one full time Paramedic/FF to join our Public Safety Department. These positions are scheduled on 24 hour rotating shifts. The qualified applicant must be experienced with an excellent work history, self-motivated and hold a clean valid Maine Driver's license. Current Maine EMT or Maine Paramedic License and Firefighting Certifications are required. Must successfully pass the Fit for Duty physical test and a complete background check.

*The Town of Raymond offers a competitive salary as well as a comprehensive employee benefit package.*

Applications and job description is available on the website at: [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org) and at the Raymond Town Office, 401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond, Maine 04071.

Cover letter, application and resume will be accepted by email at: [rita.theriault@raymondmaine.org](mailto:rita.theriault@raymondmaine.org), by fax to: 207-655-3024, or mailed to: Rita Theriault, Human Resource Officer, Town of Raymond 401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond, Maine 04071

**POSITION OPEN UNTIL FILLED.**

*The Town of Raymond is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*



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**ON DEC. 8, 2020, THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SET THE BUDGET GOALS AND APPROVED THE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR.**

**January 15, 2021:** Deadline for Agency Requests to be submitted to Town Manager, Don Willard or Finance Director, Alex Aponte

**February 23, 2021:** Board of Selectmen: Town Manager submits budget to Board of Selectmen and Budget-Finance Committee

**March 2, 2021:** Joint Meeting: Department Head Review #1 (CIP Requests will be included in the Department Reviews to which they belong)

Administration • Assessing • Code Enforcement  
Town Buildings • County Tax • Insurance • TIF

*Public Services:*

Cemeteries • Parks & Recreation/Tassel Top  
Provider agencies • Raymond Village Library • Revenues

**March 16, 2021:** Joint Meeting: Department Head Review #2

*Public Works:*

Solid Waste • Snow • General Assistance • Community Development

*Public Safety:*

Animal Control • Fire Department  
Emergency Management • Technology

**March 30, 2021:** Joint Meeting: Budget Workshop

**April 13, 2021:** Board of Selectmen: Warrant Article review & approval

**April 27, 2021:** Budget-Finance Committee: Vote on recommendations for each budget warrant article.

**June 1, 2021:** Tues. 6:00 PM Annual Town Meeting (Format TBD)

**\*\*This schedule is subject to change\*\***



**for the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) & Planning Board**

**ZBA** - The ZBA hears appeals of decisions by Raymond's Code Enforcement Officer regarding Raymond's Land Use and Shoreland Ordinances. To volunteer on this board, you must be at least 18 years of age and reside in Raymond. Meetings are held as needed at 7:00 pm the last Tuesday of the month via ZOOM (for the duration of the health emergency) and are streamed live and broadcast for public attendance. Every ZBA meeting is also a public meeting; i.e. the public will be given the opportunity to express their concerns and comment on the merits of the application.

Site walks are held on Saturday morning, nine days before the meeting.

Meetings typically last about an hour and only meet on an as-needed basis. No experience is necessary, just an interest in the well-being of the community.

**Planning Board** - If you are interested in guiding the orderly development of the Town of Raymond, as well as ensuring the environmental protection of our five ponds, two lakes, and shoreland then this is the opportunity for you! The Planning Board enforces the Land Use Ordinance and has a hand annually in developing future ordinances and changing existing ordinances.

To volunteer on this board, you must be at least 18 years of age and reside in Raymond. If you care about your town and want to have a hand in its protection, then this is the place for you. Background in municipal planning, development, real estate, building, etc., each have something to add to the Planning Board as well.

Meetings are held at 7:00 pm the second Wednesday of the month via ZOOM (for the duration of the health emergency) and are streamed live and broadcast for public attendance.

**For an application go to [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org) or call 655-4742 ext 161 and speak to Mary for more information.**



### ESports League

Join Raymond Parks & Recreation Department's first ever ESports League powered by GGLeagues! Compete against other Maine communities in these games: Rocket League 1v1 and 3v3, Madden21, FIFA21, NBA2K21 and Super Smash Bros. Enjoy the leagues from the comfort of your home! Registration ends January 6th! For more information and to register please go to [www.raymond.recdesk.com](http://www.raymond.recdesk.com)

### Tassel Top Park - Project Updates

Exciting news for Tassel Top Park! There are a couple of projects in development. First, the Trail Head will be moved from the parking lot to the front of the Park. This will allow parking for trail use and a kiosk that will have information on Tassel Top Park and the trails. Jonah Martin is building this kiosk for his Eagle Scout project.

The second project is developing the Snack Shack area for more activity space. We are clearing brush and trees to open up a field area for more picnic tables, event or activity space, and a much anticipated playground! Our mission is to provide a space to recreate at Tassel Top Park in many different ways.

### Winter Rec Equipment Donations Wanted

Got any gently used winter recreational equipment like snowshoes or cross-country skis in your garage? We are looking for donations to support winter activities and programs for youth and young adults, although all sizes are welcome. Please drop-off your donated items to the Town Office during normal business hours. Don't have any equipment to donate? We will gladly take cash/check donations. For more information please contact Joseph Crocker at [joseph.crocker@raymondmaine.org](mailto:joseph.crocker@raymondmaine.org).



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Raymond Fire Rescue Department responded to 74 calls in almost one month's time (11/10 to 12/09). The storm on Dec. 5th accounted for 16 of those calls!

## PUBLIC WORKS WRAPS UP PROJECTS

This year the Public Works Department wrapped up a few road projects and completed two other major road improvements. The beginning of the season brought the completion of Brown and Gore Road with surface paving and shoulder work. The entire length of Mountain Road from Tenny Hill Road to Conesca Road received a full reconstruction. The drainage was improved by re-ditching and replacing culverts. There was also extensive tree work performed to improve visibility, sight lines and winter conditions by reducing the overhanging canopy which will allow sunlight to reach the roadway. This helps keep the road clear of snow and ice. Tree removal is vital for maintaining safety for vehicles and pedestrians alike. A stop sign was also added to the intersection of Tenny Hill Road and Mountain Road. The traffic entering onto Tenny Hill Road from Mountain Road now must stop before continuing. Nathan White, Public Works Director, stated that there have been several complaints and inquiries regarding that intersection that led him to consult with Maine Department of Transportation Traffic Engineers to determine the best course of action. Shaw Road was also reconstructed with subsurface pavement, ditching improvement and tree work. "Every year we plan to improve at least one public road," White explained.