

REMINDER!!

Tax Payments are Due October 31st



RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

TOWN OF RAYMOND – OCTOBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

Code Enforcement Update:

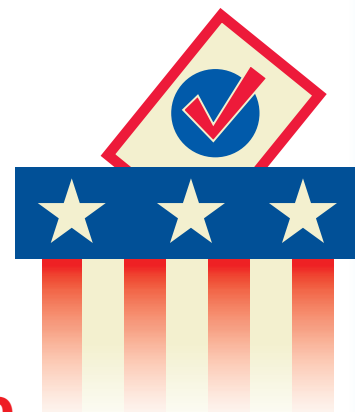
You can now schedule an inspection, meeting or ask for a return call by going to <https://townofraymond.setmore.com>.



Please be aware it can take up to 4 weeks for a permit to be processed.

STATE OF MAINE AND TOWN OF RAYMOND

Notice of General and Local Referendum Elections



Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020

Voting Place Name: Jordan Small Middle School
Voting Place Location: 423 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond
Polls Open at 7:00 A.M.
Polls Close at 8:00 P.M.

Absentee Ballot Processing:
Saturday, October 31, 2020

- 1-Hour Inspection Time Period: 9am to 10am
- Time Processing Begins: 10am

Monday, November 2, 2020

- 1-Hour Inspection Time Period: 9am to 10am
- Time Processing Begins: 10am

Processed by Warden During Election Day, Nov.3, 2020

- Processing Time(s): 10am, 2pm, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm

Federal and State Offices To Be Voted On:

- President
- U.S. Senator
- Representative to Congress, District 1
- State Senator, District 26
- State Representative, Districts 66 and 67

Cumberland County Offices:

- County Commissioner, District 2
- Register of Probate

Local Question To Be Voted On:

- **Question 1:** RSU #14 withdrawal – Do you favor the withdrawal of the Town of Raymond from the regional school unit RSU 14 subject to the terms and conditions of the withdrawal agreement dated July 24, 2020?

Sample ballots and RSU withdrawal information can be found at www.raymondmaine.org. Also available are links to ranked choice voting information, past election results and election statistics.

Raymond Referendum Question

ON NOVEMBER 3RD THE VOTERS OF RAYMOND ARE BEING ASKED TO VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING QUESTION:
Do you favor the withdrawal of the Town of Raymond from the regional school unit RSU 14 subject to the terms and conditions of the withdrawal agreement dated July 24, 2020?

Estimated Budget Summary for FY 2021-20211 if Town votes to withdrawal

Function	Expenditures
Pre-Kindergarten	132,756.22
Raymond Elementary School	1,827,442.15
Jordan Small Middle School	1,773,385.42
Secondary Tuition	2,382,997.00
Co-Curricular (K-8)	22,712.65
Security	140,000.00
Technology	202,752.73
C. I. A.	280,763.67
Nutrition	200,000.00
School Board	50,000.00
Office of Superintendent	165,357.60
Business Office	81,357.85
Operation & Maintenance of buildings	968,843.56
Special Education - - Student Services	1,992,071.01
Student Transportation	668,197.01
Additions to Staff	210,000.00
Contingency	200,000.00
Total Expenditures	11,298,637.37

Projected Revenues & Debt	
Projected Revenues	
Balance Forward	150,000.00
State Funds	896,431.95
Local Funds	10,252,205.41
Debt	
Revolving Renovation Fund (10 years)	93,496.00
Bus Lease for 7 th bus (5 years)	20,329.00
Boiler Lease (4 Years)	27,548.00
Total Town Funds	10,393,578.41

More information can found at: www.raymondmaine.org/content/2018-20-rsu-14-withdrawal-effort.



USE YOUR VOICE
VOTE

RES Super Heroes Return to School

By: Beth Peavey, RES Principal

Days before the school year began, staff were in the building preparing and planning. Many of our meetings and discussions focused around the new guidelines, protocols, and procedures. There were definitely big worries. Worries about students required to wear masks and how to help them adjust to the new school norm with social distancing. We questioned if we needed more time to prepare but what we really needed was the students in the building. As soon as the students arrived and walked through the RES doors, the apprehension and worries dissipated.

The RES students including our new pre-k students have shown us how resilient and passionate they are. They know wearing a mask helps us stay safe and healthy. They are our little Super Heroes!

I had the pleasure of interviewing a few of our Super Heroes.

What do you like best about school?

“I like to go to the gym class because we take our masks off and get to run on the field.” ~ Pre-K Aria Parker
 “Mrs. Cashman because I love her.” ~ Pre-K Reese Nelson
 “Going outside and play.” ~ Pre-K Dallas St. Cyr

What is your favorite thing about your classroom?

“Go in the kitchen to cook and take care of babies.” ~ Pre-K Aria Parker
 “Playing with toys in my class.” ~ Pre-K Reese Nelson
 “I like centers.” ~ Pre-K Dallas St. Cyr

What is the best thing about being back in school?

“Back to school, seeing all my friends.” ~ Gr. 1 James O’Brion
 “We get to play.” ~ Kindergarten Wesley Wheaton
 “The best thing is to finally do math and fun stuff.” ~ Gr.3 Alyse Powell

What do enjoy about the outdoor classroom.

“It’s really fun because you can mask off and do fun activities.” ~ Gr. 2 Zeke Stretch
 “I like it because we are outside.” ~ Kindergarten Wesley Wheaton

What’s been the hardest thing in school?

“Having to wear a mask. We get to take off the mask when we go outside.” ~ Gr. 4 Cameron Lawler
 “Not in school a lot. Don’t see friends as often.” ~ Gr. 2 Zeke Stretch

Thank you to my RES Super Heroes on giving us some insight on how school is going!



DO YOUR PART! YOUR MASK KEEPS ME SAFE! THANK YOU!



DOG LICENSES NOW AVAILABLE FOR 2021
 at the Town Office or online to avoid any wait time (there is a link in the right hand column at www.raymondmaine.org). The cost is \$6 for spayed/neutered and \$11 for unaltered dogs. Make sure to have on hand proof of current rabies vaccination. **The DEADLINE is January 31, 2021**
Late fees begin February 1st, 2021.

Would you enjoy getting calls from someone who shares your interests?



Join the fun, friendly telephone connection program!

When you sign up, you will receive regular social calls. This is a great opportunity to get to know someone in your community, share stories, and enjoy a friendly chat. **We need social connections more so than ever!** You don’t have to do anything except pick up the phone and chat. It’s a fun way to connect with someone in your community! Multiple studies have shown that socializing does wonders for the brain and can be the key to keep your mind healthy and active. Social connections make us stronger. We hope you’ll join this program!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 207-893-7641 OR EMAIL: IIA@SJCME.EDU

Sand/Salt REMINDER



THE SAND AND SALT SHED ON PLAINS ROAD (FL 89) OPENS TO RAYMOND RESIDENTS ON NOVEMBER 1ST
for those who wish to get sand for use on their residential driveways.

The small wooden shed for residential use is located just inside the gate to the right. Hours open are Monday-Friday 7am to 3pm, unless during a snow storm due to plow truck traffic. Residents should expect to get no more than a couple 5-gallon buckets at a time. **Please be aware that all other areas of Public Works yard are not for resident use.** If you have any questions, contact Public Works Director, Nathan White at 207-653-3641.

DID YOU KNOW?

THE RAYMOND LIONS CLUB HAS TWO DONATION BOTTLE BINS:
ONE AT THE TOWN OFFICE AND ONE IN FRONT OF JORDAN BAY ANIMAL HOSPITAL. Your donations of bottles and cans enable Raymond Lions to continue giving yearly scholarships to Raymond students, supporting the Raymond Food Pantry, Meals on Wheels and the Good Shepherd Food Bank and much more. To learn more go to <https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/raymondme> Thank you for your continued support by placing your returnables in the Raymond Lions bottle bins!



ELECTION DAY FOOD DRIVE



ASSESSING DEPARTMENTS ACROSS THE STATE ARE HOLDING A

GET YOUR **CAN** TO THE POLLS!

“THANKS FOR GIVING” FOOD DRIVE TO BENEFIT LOCAL PANTRIES.



Donations received here in Raymond will benefit the Raymond Food Pantry. Please consider bringing non-perishable food items when you come to the Town Office for absentee voting or bring them to the polls on November 3rd.