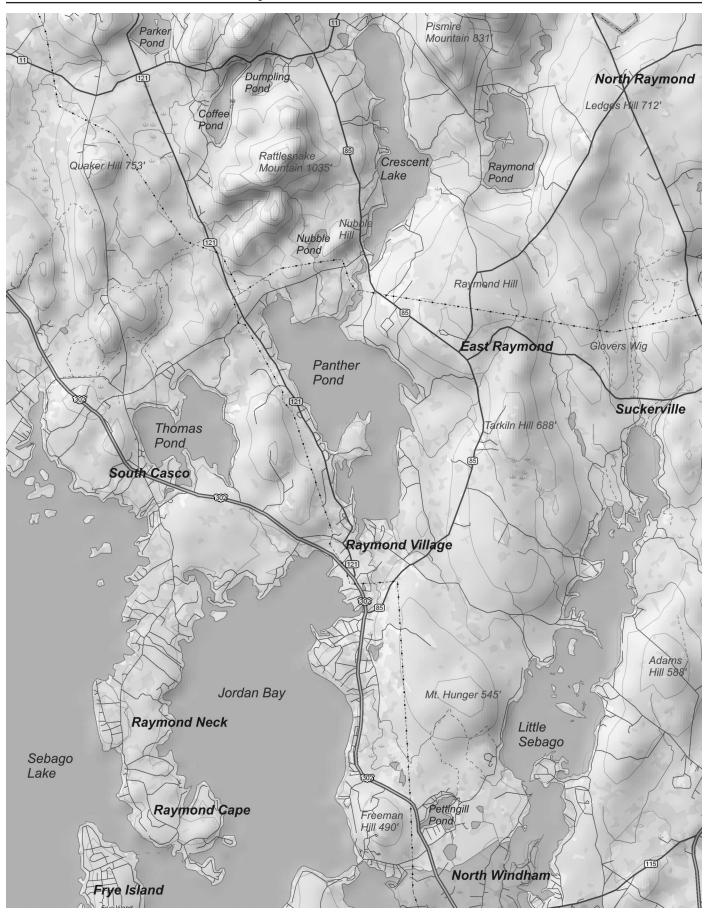
# 2017 Annual Report Raymond, Maine





# Raymond, Maine 04071



# Annual Report of the Town Officers Raymond, Maine

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017



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#### **TOWN OF RAYMOND**

Founded by Joseph Dingley and Dominicus Jordan in 1770 Incorporated June 21, 1803 Town Website: www.raymondmaine.org

#### **Town Office Hours**

Saturday & Sunday	Closed
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	8:30 am to 7:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Thursday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm

### **Bulky Waste Disposal Alternatives**

Lake Region Bulky Waste Facility	627-7585
Mid-Maine Waste Action Corporation (MMWAC)	783-8805
Riverside Recycling Center	797-6200

#### **Important Telephone Numbers**

If you don't get immediate service, please leave your name and number and we will return your call.

Town Office - Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer	655-4742
Code Enforcement Office	655-4742 ext 161 & 142
Assessors Office	655-4742 ext 133 & 151
Public Safety Building	655-1187
Public Works Director	653-3641
Jordan-Small Middle School	655-4743
Raymond Elementary School	655-8672
RSU #14 Superintendent's Office	892-1800
Cumberland County Sheriff's Department	774-1444
Cumberland County Dispatch (non-emergency)	1-800-501-1111
Animal Control Issues	1-800-501-1111
EMERGENCY: FIRE/RESCUE/POLICE	911

#### **Important Dates to Remember for 2017-2018**

July 1, 2017	2017-2018 Fiscal Year begins
October 15	Begin to issue Dog Licenses
October 31	First half tax payment due 2017-2018
November 2	Last day to request an absentee ballot for the 2017 Referendum & Municipal Election
November 7	Election Day
December 31	Dog License renewal deadline IF & W Licenses expire Boat Registrations expire
April 1, 2018	All property, both real and personal, is assessed to the owner of record as of April 1. Owners must bring in a list of property to the Assessors to be able to make claims for abatement.
April 21	Abatement Application deadline 3:00 pm
April 30	Second half tax payment due 2017-2018
June 5, 6:00 pm	Town Meeting
June 7	Last day to request an absentee ballot for the June 2018 Election
June 12	Municipal Elections
June 30	ATV & Snowmobile Registrations expire 2017-2018 Fiscal Year ends

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## Volunteer Appreciation

First and foremost, we would like to extend our hearty thanks to the many dedicated volunteers, without whom the Town of Raymond would not be the wonderful place it is! As you will see in the reports following in this book, they have been very busy this year contributing to our quality of life. The members of the numerous boards and committees spend countless hours working for the benefit of the town and its citizens.

If you would like to become involved in volunteering for a board or committee, please contact Town Clerk Sue Look at 207-655-4742 x121 or email her at sue.look@raymondmaine.org. Applications and descriptions can be found at www.raymondmaine.org. The next 2 pages are a tear-out Volunteer Application you can also use.

#### TOWN BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Beautification Committee
Board of Assessment Review
Board of Selectmen [elected]
Budget/Finance Committee [elected]
Cemetery Committee
Conservation Commission

Fire/Rescue Department
Planning Board
Technology Committee
Veterans' Memorial Committee
Zoning Board of Appeals

#### OTHER COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS:

Parent Teacher Organization
Raymond Baseball Association
Raymond-Casco Historical Society
Raymond Fire/Rescue Association
Raymond Recreation Association

Raymond Revitalization Committee
Raymond Village Library committees
Raymond Waterways Protective Association
Tassel Top Park Board of Trustees





# The Town of Raymond Needs Volunteers

# To Serve on Various Boards and Committees

If you are a Raymond resident and interested in serving on any of the following committees or boards, please fill in the information below and return it to the Town Clerk, who will make sure it gets to the appropriate board or committee chair(s) for consideration and response. Not all committees and boards currently have openings, however, vacancies occur on a regular basis.

- Beautification Committee
- Board of Assessment Review
- Cemetery Committee
- Conservation Commission
- Planning Board

Name:

Raymond Recreation Association

- Recycling Committee
- Tassel Top Park Board of Directors
- Technology Committee
- · Veteran's Memorial Committee
- Zoning Board of Appeals

There are many other opportunities to serve your town as an elected official, a member of a community resource organization, an election worker on Election Day, etc. Contact the Town Clerk for more information.

Please complete this form and submit to:

Town Clerk, 401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond ME 04071 or via fax to (207) 655-3024

or via email to sue.look@raymondmaine.org

Mailing Address:	
Telephone Number:	
Occupation:	
E-mail Address:	
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Volunteer Application Form

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# Town Officials and Administration



Crescent Beach

# Report of the Town Manager

#### Dear Citizens of Raymond:

I am pleased to transmit the FY 2016-17 Annual Town Report. This report provides a brief overview of the many activities of your local government during the past fiscal year. The information contained within covers the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. In addition to municipal information, there are reports from RSU #14 Windham-Raymond School District as well as several volunteer community service organizations. Much more information can be found on the website at <a href="www.raymondmaine.org">www.raymondmaine.org</a> and on our Facebook page. I would also like to encourage residents to sign up for our electronic newsletter and news updates.

This year I would like to begin by extending thanks to our many dedicated town volunteers. Raymond has always had an abundance of folks willing to step up and help make our community stronger. If you would like to join the town team, I am always eager to discuss available opportunities. Raymond is also fortunate to have town employees who are truly committed to providing excellent service. Working with our volunteers and employees together is very rewarding.

Raymond's financial position continues to be strong with a low ratio of municipal debt to valuation and more long-term debt to be retired in the FY 2017-18 fiscal year. Undesignated fund balance (Surplus) exceeds both auditor recommended levels and selectman adopted policy. At 12.10 per thousand valuation, the property tax rate is one of the lowest in Cumberland County.

During the past year there were several improvement projects completed including road construction work on Mill Street, Shaker Woods, Shadow Woods and Pond Roads. A new standing seam metal roof was installed on the Central Fire Station at a cost of \$145,000.

The Main Street Sidewalk Project will benefit from a \$324,000 Maine Department of Transportation Locally Administered Federal-Aid Project Grant award with a town matching share of \$81,000.

Raymond has been working with Windham, Gray and Standish under the banner of the Lakes Region Broadband Partnership to develop a strategy to obtain robust Internet service. Together, the towns received a \$15,000 ConnectME Authority Community Broadband Planning Grant to study the possibility of installing 40 miles of fiber backbone and developing a long-term management plan. Broadband Internet infrastructure is fundamental to the future of Raymond and is increasingly a major factor considered by both relocating business and residential property owners.

In the area of municipal personnel changes, longtime Finance Director Nancy Yates retired and was replaced by Cathy Ricker. Many thanks to Nancy for her years of service and welcome Cathy.

The Raymond "Revitalization Committee" was reorganized as the "Vitalization Committee" and continues to provide volunteer advisory assistance to the town in the areas of economic, community, and business development.

A new volunteer driven effort was initiated with the goal of improving Sheri Gagnon Memorial Park on Mill Street. Plans are now underway for major renovations. If you would like to get involved, please contact me at the Town Office.

In closing, I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their ongoing dedication to improving Raymond and for the guidance and support they provide as we work together to achieve our shared mission of providing quality municipal services in the most cost effective manner possible.

Sincerely,

Don Willard

**Town Manager** 

401 Webbs Mills Road

Raymond, Maine 04071

Don.willard@raymondmaine.org

207-655-4742 x 131

207-650-9001 (cell)



# Report of the Assessors

### Report of the Assessors

Assessing Department
Curt Lebel, Assessors' Agent
8:30 - 4:00 Thursdays
Please call ahead for availability

Kaela Gonzalez, Assessor's Assistant kaela.gonzalez@raymondmaine.org 207.655.4742 x 133

2016-2017 Tax Rate:	2016 Real Estate Land	2016 Real Estate Building	2016 Personal Property	2016 Exemptions	2016 Total Taxable Valuation
\$12.10/\$1,000	\$557,782,300.00	\$494,170,500.00	\$7,118,200.00	-\$45,277,800.00	\$1,013,793,200.00

	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013
County Appropriation	\$676,263.00	\$647,967.00	\$617,503.00	\$627,814.00	\$589,109.00
County Tax Rate	\$0.67/\$1,000	\$0.64/\$1,000	\$0.62/\$1,000	\$0.63/\$1,000	\$0.60/\$1,000
Net Municipal Appropriation	\$2,595,896.96	\$2,657,736.32	\$2,443,248.35	\$2,177,505.00	\$2,115,045.22
TIF Financing	\$206,511.85	\$224,334.90	\$218,013.20	\$203,505.69	\$199,555.74
Overlay	\$41,604.06	\$16,789.44	\$30,673.67	\$34,682.79	\$27,080.63
Town Tax Rate	\$2.80/\$1,000	\$2.86/\$1,000	\$2.68/\$1,000	\$2.42/\$1,000	\$2.35/\$1,000
Net School Appropriation	\$8,746,621.85	\$8,523,009.41	\$8,530,675.88	\$8,202,639.33	\$8,151,520.45
School Tax Rate	\$8.63/\$1,000	\$8.45/\$1,000	\$8.50/\$1,000	\$8.20/\$1,000	\$8.16/\$1,000
Total Appropriation	\$12,266,897.72	\$12,049,674.86	\$11,840,114.10	\$11,246,147.06	\$11,082,311.04
Total Tax Rate	\$12.10/\$1,000	\$11.95/\$1,000	\$11.80/\$1,000	\$11.25/\$1,000	\$11.10/\$1,000

# Report of the Code Enforcement Officer

#### REPORT OF THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

For the 2016-17 fiscal year, the Code Department issued the following permits and collected associated fees:

Fiscal Year	2016-2017	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14
Building Permits	249	272	246	152
New Single Family Houses	20	33		
Tree Removal Permits	61	50	40	54
Permit Fees	\$49,824	\$53,131	\$53,769	\$31,677
Estimated Construction Cost	\$9,496,580	\$13,511,159	\$13,482,496	\$7,026,106
Septic Permits & Plumbing Permits	198	124	104	81
Septic & Plumbing Fees	\$35,315	\$23,882	\$19,190	\$12,674
Electrical Permits	103	87		
Electrical Permit Fees	\$8,951	\$8,581		
TOTAL CODE FEES COLLECTED	\$94,090	\$85,594	\$72,959	\$40,856

Raymond is still seeing development in residential construction. In commercial construction we have Dunkin Donuts and A La Mexicana, both of which have been issued permits and have started the construction process. Interest in subdivisions and commercial development continue. In the shoreland zones, construction is still strong with many "tear-downs" and rebuilds.

In the coming year, I am hopeful there will continue to be a steady increase in development, and, as I am new to the town of Raymond, I will continue to improve my ability to issue permits as soon as possible. If you have questions regarding your project in Raymond, it would help set up an appointment in advance by calling Mary Quirk at 207-655-4742 x 161. I welcome your comments and suggestions for how we can improve our services for residents and contractors alike.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Dvorak
Code Enforcement Officer
ceo@raymondmaine.org
401 Webbs Mills Road
Raymond, Maine 04071
(207) 655-4742 x 142

# Report of the Voter Registrar

#### To the Voters of Raymond:

For State Representative, Raymond is split (at a line made up of Route 302 – Main St – Mill St – Brown Rd) into 2 State Representative districts: #66 to the North of the line and #67 to the South of the line.

- · District 66 includes portions of Casco, of Poland, and of Raymond
- District 67 is made up of Frye Island and a portion of Casco, of Gray, and of Raymond

As of 6-30-2016, there were a total of 4,117 active voters:

- All are in State Senate District 26
- 3,031 are in State Representative District 66 74%
- 1,086 are in State Representative District 67 26%
- 1,140 Democrats - - 27.7%
- 181 Green Independents - - 4.4%
- 21 Libertarians - - 0.5%
- 1,235 Republicans - - 30.0%
- 1,540 Unenrolled - - 37.4%

#### Over the past year there were:

- 91 new voters added who have not been registered in Maine before
- 388 voters added who moved from another municipality in Maine to Raymond
- 473 voter records that were corrected (address or name changes, data corrections, etc)
- 20 voters canceled due to being deceased
- 10 voters moved out of state
- 271 voters moved to another municipality in Maine

Respectfully submitted, Sue Look Registrar of Voters



# Report of the Town Clerk

## July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Vital Statistics	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13
Births	26	46	27	31	38
Marriages	26	25	34	31	18
Deaths	31	36	27	27	42

#### We honor these Raymond residents who passed away...

Ernest E. Allen Sr.	86
Virginia N. Beach	85
Robert Kenneth Bickford	82
John Robert Bose	68
Mary Dustin Carey	96
Scott Christopher Coyne	44
Leona V. D'Arcangelo	95
Samuel Mark Dixon	65
Jack William Dow Jr.	73
Thomas Joseph Giannotti	80
David George Glicos	52
Raymond E. Gould	90

Patton Seymour Griggs	63
Anne L. Harriman	89
Rosellen Theresa Kelly	97
Harold Thomas Neuberger	87
Robert John Rankin	64
Arthur Wesley Richardson	80
Fausto G Sakay Sr	77
Doris M. Sandell	88
Justin G. Sharaf	93
William John Towle	80
Steven Boyd Whitcomb	68
Elizabeth Wilson	86

#### **Elections**

- □ November 8, 2016 Presidential Election 2,898 votes cast 69.7% of the active voters
- □ June 6, 2017 Raymond Annual Town Meeting 60 voters present 1.5% of the active voters
- ☐ June 13, 2017 Municipal & Referendum Election 255 votes cast 6.2% of the active voters

Dog Licenses	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13
Not Altered	36	44	96	46	57
Altered	380	455	403	514	578
Registered Online - Not Altered	13	6	10	11	10
Registered Online - Altered	217	205	194	141	126
Kennels	1	1	1	1	2
Service Dogs	5	4	4	3	1
Total	652	715	708	716	774

# Report of the Town Clerk

Inland Fisheries & Wildlife	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13
Hunting/Fishing Licenses	357	383	343	422	522
Boats	1,048	1,088	1,038	1,038	1,016
Non-Resident Milfoil Stickers	50	54	58	136	61
ATVs	187	187	168	181	190
Snowmobiles	265	188	271	291	247
Total	1,907	1,900	1,878	2,068	2,036

<u>NOTE</u>: The counts for Inland Fisheries & Wildlife do not include those licenses or registrations acquired online through the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Look Town Clerk



Hancock Road in Fall

# Public Safety



# Report of the Raymond Fire & Rescue Department

We were once again challenged with the increased demands of a record call volume. We realized in our ongoing risk assessment that we need to hire more staff to provide services at the same level considering the increase in demands. We have the same issue as the rest of the country and state – a lack of volunteers or in our situation "call members" despite being paid by the call. This issue effects the fire service country wide. It is very difficult for people to dedicate the huge amount of time necessary to do the

job of a firefighter and or EMT. It is also difficult for most, to accept the risks associated with the job. In the past, it was accepted that you would get a response of folks who did their best, if they were around and could respond to help those in need. When there was a call or two each week it was easier to get people to leave work, family, or the safety of their home or bed to respond. Today things are far more complex. Fuels have changed, homes are adorned with lightweight low mass synthetics, framed in lightweight construction which fails rapidly in fire conditions, and the demand on EMS is far more complex than the first aid requirements of the early 1970s when EMS first came into place. The smoke released in a fire is not benign, it is fuel and is extremely toxic. Levels of Carbon Monoxide and Hydrogen Cyanide are off the charts. We must decontaminate our equipment after each exposure so we are not re-exposed to these cancer-causing toxins which embed in our protective gear, hose, skin and tools.





Two summer homes burn on Thomas Pond in a wind driven fire. Other exposed area homes were saved, the fire was contained to the two original buildings and the wooded area.

These changes and the expanded scope of service in our emergency services organization, compounded with the expectations of the tax payers and insurance companies who require standards be met, require us to have the people and equipment needed to protect your biggest investment and the lives of your family! We added funding to provide two more staff during the day when we are the most at risk as members are out of town for their jobs and cannot return for a call. All towns are in the same boat.

Required training certifications have increased hours and have become cumbersome, at times overwhelming, to call company members. The needs of the public have expanded and the challenge to provide increased services with increased expectations is unfortunately limiting the number of people who can do the job. Firefighters and EMTs need to meet ongoing physical standards,





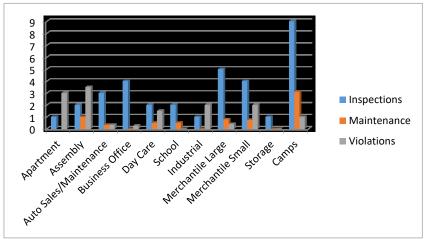
Units operate at a woods fire on Panther Pond. A bald eagles nest with chicks, and a stand of very old trees was protected and saved.

respiratory monitoring and testing and training for the job. There were over 147 overlapping incidents (times when there were more than one emergency call happening at the same time).

A peek into where our time is spent:

- Over 1,700 hours invested in training and education, not including college classes
- 4,500 hours in emergency incidents
- 1,300 hours in inspections, public education, issuing permits and pre-planning
- Daily, we work on the maintenance and cleaning of the stations and small repairs, maintenance of hydrants, required yearly hose testing, and equipment checks totals more than 3,500 hours annually
- Additionally, the on-call hours for members coming from home, committing their time to be in town and ready to roll in the event of an emergency, totals over 20,000 hours annually

We provide fire and health prevention, public education, planning, codes, training and education for our members, management of risk reduction systems, maintenance, testing, and response for emergency services. The fire prevention duties of the department included over 31 inspections and we have identified and helped resolve the violations. In contrast to years past, this year we had only 30 violations compared to 213 violations in 2015. Fire prevention activities include public education programs in schools, day cares, meetings with camp road associations, CPR and AED classes for members and the public in conjunction with Windham Raymond Adult Education. Pre-plan inspections put firefighters in buildings when conditions are good rather than having them see the building for the first time when it is involved in heavy smoke or fire conditions.





Despite all the demands, the Fire Service is a second family for all involved. Firefighters and EMTs perform an extraordinary job, rely on each other, and become one unit. They need to meet ongoing physical standards, education and training standards. A member can perform many functions from driver operator, fire police, EMT, Firefighter, work in the marine unit as a deck hand or full pilot, or all the above. Do you have what it takes to be a member of a great team? Stop by and visit fill out an application.

We applied for five grants this year and to date have been awarded one in the fiscal year, the others will be noticed after July. We were awarded a forestry grant for protective wildland fire clothing and received eleven sets of brush fire pants and shirts. We completed the metal roof project with IRC winning the bid and completing the job in the spring. The entire roof was stripped and ice and water shield applied. The standing seam 24 gauge steel roofing was applied followed by ice / snow guards to keep the snow from sliding off all at once. This project corrects many flaws in the original roof which allowed snow and rain to leak into the building.





Units operating at Ala Mexicana at the same time as the woods fire on Panther Pond, a testament to what Mutual aid is designed to be. Thank you to all our mutual aid partners Windham, Casco, Standish, Naples, Bridgton, Gray, Otisfield.

Addressing: "Help Us Help You" is the motto we have adopted. It is easier than you would expect. Simply assure your address numbers are posted in an obviously visible place, that they are maintained clear of obstructions, not faded or missing, and are reflective. We respond to emergencies in rain, snow, and darkness and try to get there quick when seconds count, but often are delayed because buildings are not numbered correctly, or not at all. Please, help us find you. Numbers only cost a few dollars and assuring we can find them in a standard location expedites the response. It may be obvious to you where you posted the address, but we don't know your home and often need to be answering the radio while driving and looking in trees, bushes, mail boxes, well houses, or on barns to see if we are at the correct address.

We support the Code RED system of notification which provides emergency information to your phone. It is a free app and can help keep you in the loop with important information for or area. Please sign up at:

#### Cumberlandcounty.org/regional-communications-center

Once again thank you for your support to our department.

Sincerely,

Bruce D Tupper

Fire Rescue Chief

The interrupted lunch or dinner, more typical than not.



# **Public Works**

# Report of the Public Works Director

#### Dear Citizens of Raymond:

List of road work completed in the 2016-2017 fiscal year			
Road Name	Description		
Mill St	Reclaim road base		
Mill St	Reconstruction and drainage		
Pond Rd	1" surface		
Shaker Woods Road	1" surface		

All the roads listed above were ditched and trees removed to improve drainage and site distance.

Citizens are welcome to get small amounts of sand/salt for walkways and driveways starting November 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday through Friday from 7am to 3pm, from the small shed located on the right side of the lot just inside the gate. During storms this area will remained closed to the public due to plow traffic. Please understand that all other areas of the Public Works yard and equipment are not for public/residential use. Please contact the Public Works Director if you have any questions at (207) 653-3641 or Nathan.white@raymondmaine.org.

I would like to thank the Public Works crew – Jason Dipietro, Jason Larrabee, Scott Picavet, and Shep Stults for their continued work. As well as our subcontractors – Rodney Knights excavating, P&K sand and gravel for plowing and F.R Carroll out of Limerick for paving.



As always, we welcome any suggestions, as your satisfaction is our #1 priority.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan White, Public Works Director 207-653-3641 Nathan.white@raymondmaine.org

Check out Raymond Public Works at http://www.raymondmaine.org/public-works

# Education

## Report of the Raymond Schools

Raymond Elementary School (RES) is pleased to welcome Beth Peavey, long time Raymond resident, as our new assistant principal. Mrs. Peavey replaces Deb Hutchinson who served the Raymond community for over 25 years as a guidance counselor and assistant principal.

The RSU 14 schools have developed the following goals and initiatives for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Conduct an audit of student achievement in math due to concerns that our district's math instructional
  practices may need to be revised to meet the demands of the "Common Core" math standards adopted
  by the State of Maine a few years ago.
- Second year of implementation of our new writing program called "Units of Study" developed by Lucy Caulkins. This framework, and the embedded instructional practices, create a rigorous writing experience for all students in K-8. Preliminary results from the first year of implementation show students' ability to write in various styles and types of writing to be improving.
- The 90% Literacy Goal for grades K-2 is in its second year. When fully implemented, we hope to have created a reading instructional program that results in 90% of our students reading at, or above, grade level standards by the time they complete second grade. This challenging work requires extra efforts from all our kindergarten, first and second grade teachers as well as several support staff who work with small groups of struggling readers. Strong reading skills are a must for our students as they progress from school to the occupations of the 21st century. Early intervention is critical to ensuring this occurs.
- Continue our work to create a more Proficiency-Based, Learner Centered educational experience for all students. This work started prior to consolidation of the Windham and Raymond schools and has many components. Our students who are currently high school freshman are the first graduating class that are required to be awarded a proficiency based diploma. This type of diploma not only includes credit hours but also requires students pass each individual standard that is assessed. The traditional practice of reaching an average score to "pass" a class is no longer sufficient. In other words, attaining a 70% score overall does not determine if a student has passed the course and attained credit. Our K-8 teachers have been working diligently for many years to prepare their students for this new requirement.

Some recent accomplishments of our schools include:

- The third annual Color Run at RES. This event is our one big, school-wide fundraising event and also
  an excellent community experience. Kids as young as 4 and adults of all ages run/walk the one-mile
  course, get sprayed with colorful water along the way and gather for a celebration with "color packets"
  when everyone has completed the course.
- The Jordan Small Middle School (JSMS) garden and greenhouse was recently awarded a grant of \$3,000 from the Maine "Ag in the Classroom" program. The school garden and greenhouse are integrated into our fifth grade science curriculum and special education programs. The bulk of the food raised goes directly into our school lunch program so that students can see the full cycle of production from planting a seed, harvesting, preparing meals and finally, composting. Our thanks to all of you who purchase the Maine Ag license plate when you register your vehicles. These fees make this grant program possible!
- The JSMS community service projects that occur in the fall and spring continue to be important learning
  experiences for all students and connect them with people and places in Raymond that they otherwise
  would not know about. If you know a neighbor or local organization that could use some assistance
  with fall or spring chores, please contact the JSMS office (655-4743).

If you would like to know more about our schools, please call us to schedule a visit. We like to showcase the great work of our students and staff each and every day! Thank you for your support.

Respectfully Submitted,

Randy Crockett, Principal

RES and JSMS

# Report of the RSU #14 Board of Directors

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The RSU 14 administration and staff worked very hard this past year to begin implementing the three long term goals of our new five-year Strategic Plan for 2016-2020. The first goal is *Design For Learning*. All students will be engaged in authentic, personalized learning experiences to master standards through multiple pathways. The second goal is *Environment For Learning*. All students will continue to learn in a school environment that meets the developmental needs of learners and supports balance and quality of life for all members of the RSU 14 community. Examples of work done this past year to support this goal include two committees that were formed to study school start times and a review of homework practices. The third goal is to provide *Technology For Learning*. All students will be proficient users of technology and have consistent, equitable access to resources needed to support mastery of personalized learning goals. The Strategic Plan serves as a road map to assist staff in achieving our mission of "Success for all Students" and guides our planning and decision-making as we continue the work of implementing a proficiency-based learning environment.

Our schools in Raymond continue to receive needed repairs and updating. Over the summer, roofs at both of our schools received repairs due to leakage issues along with painting and masonry work. The most visible project this year however, was the playground work at the Elementary School. RSU 14 applied and received approval for the state Innovative Readiness Training program (IRT) to assist us with this project. For two weeks, after school was finished, our facilities became a make-shift military base for the Maine National Guard. Although the work is not complete, this proved to be a great partnership and we are so thankful for their hard work.

The budget process this past year was especially difficult. RSU 14 received approximately \$14.5 million in state allocations which is similar to the amount received nine years ago! However, after much deliberation the FY 18 budget passed at \$44,799,277 which is a 3.98% increase over last year. RSU 14 continues to provide a quality education that has a lower per pupil cost than the state average.

I would like to recognize the following staff that has retired from the Raymond schools: Deb Hutchinson, Deborah Tarr, Patricia Allen and Janice Payne. These ladies have served our students for many years and had such a positive impact on our community. We are so thankful to have had such caring, high-quality individuals in our district.

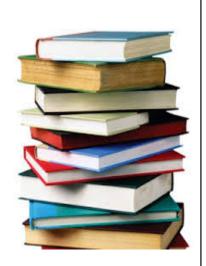
Thank you again for allowing me to serve on the RSU 14 Board of Directors. I encourage you to visit the district web site, www.rsu14.org, to review the strategic plan, committee information, policies, or up-coming events and meeting schedules.

Respectfully submitted by:

Diana Froisland, RSU 14 School Board Vice Chair

# Report of 2017 Scholarships Awarded

The Board of Selectmen awarded \$1,000 scholarships to the following students:



Marcus Aexander Pongratz

Holden Bradford Willard

McKenzie Larson

Anna Laprise



The scholarships are provided by the following funds:

#### Alva M. Clough Scholarship

Alva Clough was a teacher and resident in Raymond for forty years. Her interest in the education of Raymond's youth was characterized by her dedication and love for her pupils.

#### Carleton E. Edwards Scholarship Trust Fund

Carleton E. Edwards was a Selectmen for the Town of Raymond for over 50 years, had 6 terms in the State Legislature, as well as being a life-long resident and dairy farmer. The town officials, through donations of many interested citizens and his family, formed this scholarship fund in his memory recognizing his interest in the education of the youth of Raymond. The annual scholarship is to be given to one student with outstanding credentials and needs, and should be enrolled in a four-year college course.

#### Collins-Day Scholarship

Ruth Day and Anna Collins took an active interest in the youth of Raymond. To perpetuate their ideals of character and scholarship excellence, they left a fund for annual awards to a Raymond resident, graduating from secondary school, who exemplified scholarship and character of the highest order and who wished to continue his or her education in college or technical school.

#### George E. Wood Memorial Scholarship

The scholarship fund was raised by the many admirers of the late George Wood, who was a well-known selectman, teacher, football coach and musician. As a teacher and coach at the Providence Country Day School, where he taught a major part of his life, he influenced the lives of hundreds of boys. When he retired he moved to his summer home in Raymond and took an active part in the community life. This scholarship is to be awarded to a Raymond student who, having shown interest and ability in mathematics, intends to continue studies in college or in a technical or vocational school.

If you would like to contribute to any of the Raymond Scholarship funds, please contact Cathy Ricker, Finance Director, at the Town Office: (207) 655-4742, Extension 132.

# **Town Boards and Committees**



Photo courtesy of RVL - Community Garden

# Report of the Budget-Finance Committee

Raymond's Budget/Finance Committee provides a checks and balances system for the development and review of the town's annual municipal budget. The goal of the Committee has been to reasonably align the ever-increasing needs for necessary growth in the town's services, with the impact on the taxpayers. Adding to the stress on taxpayer dollars are changes in state funding; an annual increase in the county budget; and the demands of RSU14. Revenues are also a key component in the budgeting process. Input from the community of Raymond is valued in helping to determine the financial direction for the town.

As the means to this goal, the Budget/Finance Committee vets all budget requests. We do this through a series of televised sessions starting in late February and early March. In those sessions, the department heads, and other invited guests, will present and explain their requests. During the 2017-2018 cycle, this process included a presentation from the Cumberland County Commissioner and her team. In late March, the Committee meets with the Select Board in a workshop format. The final recommendation vote on all warrant articles by the committee is done in mid-April. Throughout this process, the public is always invited to view the process and comment on budgetary items. Videos of all Budget/Finance Committee meetings are available on the Town of Raymond website.

Thank you to the members of the 2017-2018 cycle of the Budget/Finance Committee: Stephen Crockett, Debra Duchaine, Robert Gosselin, Barry Moores, Diane Picavet, Nicholas Pitarys, Brien Richards, and Brian Walker.

Marshall Bullock Chairman



"Walk n Weed" Beautification Comittee Members

# Report of the Beautification Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Raymond Beautification Committee came together fourteen years ago to look at ways to maintain the landscaping put in place during Raymond's Route 302 Improvement Project of 2003. The committee works with town government, local businesses, clubs and volunteers to enhance the atmosphere of the busy Route 302 Corridor through the use of gardens, landscaping and seasonal decorations. **Walk & Weeders** meet each Friday from April to November to maintain some of the 70+ planted areas. Through the **Adopt a Garden** program, individuals, businesses and clubs maintain gardens on their own schedules. Small signs recognizing adopters serve as advertising as well as incentive for others to adopt. We are always looking for new volunteers. Please contact Town Clerk, Sue Look, to find out how you can help.

Hawthorne Garden Club members are regular participants in Walk & Weed and garden adoption. Local businesses and individual citizens provided funds to buy wreaths for all the Route 302 Project light poles last winter, and we hope they will make that same commitment again this year. We thank all these people and many others who were not mentioned by name.

The Town of Raymond is demonstrating its long-term commitment to the preservation of the gardens by assigning seasonal employees from Public Works to help the Walk & Weeders. They can use power tools, do heavy lifting, rigorous pruning, debris removal and use town equipment that the volunteers cannot. We are noticing great improvement in the Raymond Beach gardens and the overall Corridor landscape. Volunteers have been able to spend more time on "beautification" and it really shows. The Beautification Committee sincerely appreciates this help and looks forward to an even more beautiful Gateway to Raymond next season.

The Beautification Committee accepts tax deductible donations (made out to **Town of Raymond**, *for Beautification Committee*) to fund annual flowers and decorations. This is a great opportunity to contribute to the changing colors of the seasons in Raymond's public places like the Veterans' Memorial Park, Town Hall, Raymond Village Library, Public Safety Building sign planter and the Welcome to Raymond Signs.

Beautifying our town is a wonderful way to showcase Raymond's sense of community pride and welcoming spirit. The Raymond Beautification Committee thanks everyone who makes it possible, and we invite everyone to participate.

Respectfully submitted,

#### Raymond Beautification Committee,

Sharon Dodson Elissa Gifford Mary McIntire Shirley Bloom

Christine McClellan Fran Gagne Elaine Keith Jan Miller

Mitzi Burby

# Report of the Conservation Commission



#### Report of the Conservation Commission

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

During the municipal year of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 the Raymond Conservation Commission assisted Loon Echo Land Trust with initial trail planning efforts for the newly established Raymond Community Forest (RCF). We also worked with Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and the Town to complete a trail map for the information kiosk at the Morgan Meadow parking area off Egypt Road. We did not meet regularly, however, we kept the lines of communication open.

Early in the summer of 2016, Loon Echo Land Trust completed the purchase of the 356 acre RCF parcel from Hancock Land Company, which was made possible by generous donations from Raymond citizens, the Town of Raymond, area camps, the Portland Water District, private foundations, Hancock Land Company and the State of Maine. Over three miles of trails were constructed on the property with help from the Appalachian Mountain Club trail crew, Raymond citizens and land trust supporters, and more trails are being planned. The RCC encourages Raymond citizens to enjoy this local gem with friends and family; more information including volunteer opportunities is available at <a href="http://www.loonecholandtrust.org">http://www.loonecholandtrust.org</a>

The Raymond Open Space Reserve Fund provided critical support for the Community Forest project. A summary of draws from the fund since its inception is as follows:

- ➤ In 2016 the fund provided \$36,800 for the Raymond Community Forest land purchase protecting 356 acres on the east side of Crescent Lake including Pismire Mountain.
- ➤ In 2014 the fund provided \$15,000 to support the Tenny River Corridor project protecting 30 acres along 900 feet of shoreline of the Tenny River.
- ➤ In 2010 the fund provided \$10,000 to support a 19 acre addition to Morgan Meadow.
- In 2005 the fund provided \$25,000 to support the 70 acre Files parcel purchase on Egypt Road.

The RCC encourages the Town to protect its natural resources - which support the local economy; doing so will also ensure that future generations can enjoy some of what surrounds us today.

For information on any of the above activities, or if you are interested in becoming a member of the RCC, please contact the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

John Rand, Chair Bill Fraser Russ Hutchinson Kimberly Post Jim Ross Ben Severn Leah Stetson Marlee Turner

# Report of the Planning Board

The Raymond Planning Board has a full complement of 7 members for the first time in many years. Our Board has always had a strong spate of members, but business and personal schedules always seem to dictate a constant change of the roll. Sheila Bourque jointed us in Fall 2015, followed by Kyle Bancroft in Fall 2016, Patricia Beaton in Winter 2016, Ed Kranich in Spring 2017, and Danielle Stumper in Summer 2017. Our most recent chair, Robert O'Neill, resigned in Summer 2017 to follow his dream of a life sailing his boat wherever the fancy took him and Bruce Sanford and Greg Foster were elected chair and vice-chair, respectively, at the July 2017 meeting.

The Board considered a fairly customary list of applications during the year and seemed to evade any applications of contention within the community. Our town planner, Jim Seymour of Sebago Technics, and our code enforcement officer, Chris Hanson, continued their sterling work representing the Town to applicants and assisting the Board as we wade through the technicalities and requirements of our statutes as they apply to applications before us. The Board had a number of workshops to review the Town Ordinances, with the goal of having consistency in terminology and clarification of requirements.

Members of the public are always welcome at Board regularly scheduled meetings to observe the application review processes we undergo and to include their community input into the planning processes of the Town of Raymond.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Sanford, Chair



"Walk n Weed" Beautification Comittee Members

# Report of the Technology Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Technology Committee supports town activities and objectives—municipal, educational, commercial, and non-profit—by maintaining the technological infrastructure that these organizations rely upon in order to serve you. Besides ongoing care-taking of the items listed below, we are always researching trends and opportunities in technology that show the most promise for reducing costs and improving services for the Town of Raymond.

Our primary strategy is to seek open source solutions whenever possible or practical, as compared to purchasing commercially equivalent products that can cost hundreds or thousands of dollars more, both to acquire and to maintain. We have repeatedly demonstrated that open source alternatives allow us to make improvements without the corresponding exponential increase in expenses that is typically found in the commercial approach to technology software and services. We're proud to report that many of the same open source back-end technologies used by Facebook, Google, Amazon and Yahoo are powering our technology infrastructure right here in Raymond.

Our main focus this past year has once again been on hardware and software upgrades. We also continue to be ruthless about network security from both an "unauthorized access" perspective and from a "disaster recovery" perspective. To that end, we have implemented protocols, policies and strategies that affect everyone to some degree; have changed antivirus providers; and have also implemented a process of sending bulletins and notices to town staff.

The Broadcast Studio also continues to be an area of focus, where the opportunities to improve services both inexpensively and efficiently are evolving almost more quickly than we can implement them.

This past year's accomplishments and activities include:

- Creation of an appointments database for boards and committees:
- Upgrading the library network and the Public Works network;
- Upgrading to VMware's vSphere 6.5;
- Transitioning to IPTV (configuration of station server and studio workstation);
- Installation and configuration of security cameras at RPS and the Town Office;
- · Upgrades to Windows 10 (operating system);
- Installation of Office 365;
- RPS server upgrades and NAS installation;
- FNAS upgrades;
- Network VLAN reconfiguration and network locks upgrade;
- Website upgrade;
- Video archive improvements;
- Consulting on implementation of online training program for town staff.

We're also still actively involved with neighboring communities in sharing expertise and resources, wherever practical. The best example of this is our representation on an "area broadband" committee, spearheaded by Windham's Economic Development Corporation and

anchored by St. Joseph's College, which also includes the towns of Windham and Gray, as well as representatives from various area IT firms and other businesses.

At present, the Technology Department is responsible for:

- strategic direction of the technology systems supporting the objectives—present and future—of the Town of Raymond;
- office inter-connectivity utilizing VPN technologies to link the various municipal locations;
- email hosting and support for the Town Office, Public Safety, Public Works, the library and Tasseltop;
- computer support for all town employees and for the Raymond Village Library;
- server maintenance in support of all of the above, as well as licensing and upgrades of all peripheral equipment and software;
- the calendar system for all town entities, which can be used to automate facility and staff scheduling, as well as to advertise upcoming events and meetings and to post past meetings' minutes;
- the town's website, including its ongoing upgrade and redesign;
- the cable broadcast station, including cameras, recording, streaming, editing, playback and archiving;
- design and implementation of a safe and secure network comprising all of the above and including upgrades, back-ups and threat analysis;
- GIS/GPS: software configuration, licensing and upgrades plus its hardware support and maintenance:
- numerous ad hoc requests for help, recommendations and consultations.

### **Technology Committee Looking for Volunteers**

We're always looking for skilled technical people who are willing to donate some time or equipment to support the technological infrastructure of the Town of Raymond (see list above), which includes all municipal buildings and the Village Library. If you have any such skills and are willing to provide consistent support to or on the committee, please contact me at laurie.forbes@raymondmaine.org.

For the Broadcast Studio, our immediate need is for folks who would like to learn videography in order to provide back-up to our current personnel.

Respectfully submitted, Laurie Forbes, Chair

Committee members: Shaun Dudley, Thomas Golebiewski, John Hanley, Elisa Trepanier, Kevin Woodbrey

#### Technology Committee Mission:

The promotion of democracy and community through understanding, knowledge and equity based on complete, accurate, accessible and timely information delivered by a variety of well-managed and cost-effective technology solutions.

# **Town Organizations**



Raymond Community Forest Opening

## Report of the Raymond Recreation Association

#### **Report of Raymond Recreation Association**

**Mission:** Raymond Recreation Association (RRA) is dedicated to promoting recreational programs for the benefit of the children of the Town of Raymond, by engaging in charitable and educational purposes.

**Philosophy:** The volunteer board of directors believes in the value of active recreation and basic sports instruction – for all children. Our program emphasis is on lifetime sports as well as recreational participation in team sports.

**History:** Parents and educators founded RRA in 1966 as a private, not for profit organization. In 1976, the organization was granted 501© 3 federal tax status. The Wednesday afternoon alpine ski program and the American Red Cross summer swim programs have been offered to Raymond children since the RRA began.

**Growth:** Through the years RRA has responded to ideas and efforts of parents be beginning, discontinuing or refining operating programs. Currently, RRA offers opportunities in 8 programs to children in Kindergarten through high school, with most opportunities for children up to 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Volunteers are needed to assist with all programs as well as administrative work. Call Beth at 627-8771 to offer your assistance.

**Funding:** Funding of programs is primarily dependent upon participant fees. With the of "Every Child a Swimmer", RRA has previously sponsored and greatly subsidized the expenses of the Summer Red Cross swim program. In 2016, we were unable to hold our annual citrus fruit sale, due to the loss of our distributor. In the Spring of 2017 we were able to obtain a new fruit provider and hold a small sale to help offset costs of our Swim program. With strong partnerships with the school department and Town government, with all volunteer leadership and with very little overhead expense, our board of directors strives to keep the program fees reasonable and affordable for all. The intent is to give access to recreational activities for many who might not afford participation in other programs. Monetary donations are gratefully received.

Programs 2016-17	# Participants	Dates	Leadership
WED Afternoon Skiing @RES	27	Jan – March	Gail Troiano
Wed Afternoon Skiing @JSMS	25	Jan - March	Shannon Nassa
Friday Night Skiing	20	Jan – March	Gail Troiano
Karate	30	Sept – June	Bushido Karate Dojo Center
Basketball	60	Dec – March	Jim Beers/Peter Brooks
Soccer	100	Sept – Oct	Dan Swett
Cross Country Skiing	40	Spring	Charlotte Engleman
Summer Swim Program	50	July	Lisa Magiera

Officers for 2016-17

President: Beth Clark Vice President: Peter Brooks
Treasurer: Leigh Walker Secretary: Alex Jackson

**Program Directors as listed above** 

Anyone interested in joining the Board of Directors should contact Beth Clark at 627-8771

Look for information on our 2017-18 programs at <a href="https://www.raymondmaine.org/raymondrecreationassociation">www.raymondmaine.org/raymondrecreationassociation</a>

Submitted by Beth Clark, Sept. 2017



## Report of the Raymond-Casco Historical Society

#### **Raymond-Casco Historical Society**

P O Box 1055 Raymond, Maine 04071

The RCHS has been busy filling the museum and barn with artifacts and heirloom treasures of our local families. Preserving and displaying history of this beautiful region is our main goal.

On display in the Museum and the barn is a 1900's kitchen and parlor, farming equipment, local summer camps, lumbering display, school pictures and sports equipment, Ernie Knight's life's work, an Iron display, the soda fountain from the Casco Inn, an anvil from a Revolutionary war veteran, 1800's fabric loom, spinning wheel, and many more items too numerous to mention.

School Children from Raymond visited the museum again this year with great success. This summer we had many visitors and wonderful contributions to our museum. We are in the process of digitally recording all items donated and where they will be placed on display.

The RCHS participated in "Everyone Loves Raymond" day in hopes to generate more interest in the society and to recruit new members.

Henry (Skip) and Zeena Watkins have been gracious to allow us to show their prized collection of antique cars that are located between the barn and Museum. We are open from Memorial Day to Labor Day, Wednesdays and Sundays from 1 to 3 P.M.

One of our future goals is to move our "Friends Schoolhouse" that is on the National Historical Registry. We want to move it to an area next to our Museum on Route 302. It is currently located on route 121 (behind the library) in Casco Village. The school is open once a year during Casco Days and interest is steadily rising. In 2017 we had an increase in the number of visitors. Having the school at our museum would afford us the opportunity to have it open to the public whenever the museum was open. This would be a wonderful benefit to the community.

With much effort, we have ascertained that the cost of moving the school would be \$35,000+. To have the school available to our residents and the general public, we ask for your contributions. With your help, we will reach our goal of raising the funds for the move. You may make a tax deductable donation to: Raymond-Casco Historical Society, P O Box 1055, Raymond, Maine 04071.

Please join us at any of our meetings held the second Monday of each month at 7 p. m., at the Museum on Route 302 in Casco.

Thank you.

**RCHS** 

### Report of the Raymond Village Library

#### **Library Director's Annual Report**

July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017

This past year has been a transformative one for the Raymond Village Library. The primary focus has been to provide patrons with a community space that is welcoming, accessible, and that provides a comfortable place to read, access information and attend engaging programs and events.

Improving physical access and creating a patron-oriented atmosphere has been a priority. Through a generous donation from Basil and Dia Chigas, in memory of Raymond residents Charles and Florence Chigas, the library was provided with the opportunity to renovate and modernize the staff office space and circulation area. An anonymous challenge grant combined with the generosity of the Raymond business community and individual donors also allowed for the renovation and construction of an ADA accessible restroom. A new outdoor reading space in the community garden was also constructed and donated by Highwire Hydroponics. These projects, along with a space reallocation project conducted by the staff, have resulted in a more accessible and welcoming environment for all residents. We would like to thank Island Cove Building and Development, Paris Farmer's Union, Miller Flooring, Hancock Lumber Company, Dave Blanchard, Woodbrey Consulting, Mike Knight, Tim Sanborn, Nick Hardy, Raymond Public Works and all the donors and volunteers who helped make these library renovations possible.

In addition to improvements to the physical space, new services were implemented, including at home delivery services, notary services and technology training sessions.

The library currently houses 21,750 books, audio books, magazines, and DVDs. The selection of materials continues to be a priority for all library staff. Through ongoing collection assessment and review of professional journals, staff have ensured that a balanced and current collection is available to meet the diverse needs and interests of a wide variety of patrons. The library circulated 20,079 items over the past year. To expand access to materials beyond our collection, interlibrary loan services were provided that allowed patrons to borrow materials from other participating libraries. Weekly van delivery supported through the Southern Maine Library District provided timely and easy access to a wide variety of holdings enabling 477 interlibrary loan requests to be processed this past year.

In addition to print materials, the library provided patrons with access to computers and online resources. The library is dedicated to providing this access and maintains four Windows computers with access to Microsoft Office Suite. There were 1,055 computer sessions logged over the past year. Printing, copying, scanning and faxing services, and 24/7 Wi-Fi access are also available. Online resources, including the Koha online catalog, MARVEL, which provides patrons with full-text magazines, newspapers and reference materials, and the Cloud Library, which provides patrons with access to downloadable audio books and eBooks were heavily utilized.

Children's services continued to be a priority at the library. Children participated in baby and preschool story time, Lego club, craft time and teen advisory group. The reading therapy dog program provided a fun and non-judgmental atmosphere for children to practice their reading skills. The summer reading program hosted several special events, including a fire safety session, Mad Science presentation, Hancock Lumber presentation, and a Chewonki reptile program. Other programs included a cupcake decorating party, "Take Your Child to the Library Day" events, Dr. Seuss Night, and a 4-H math program. Families also enjoyed access to community passes to the Portland Children's Museum and the Maine Wildlife Park, and the "Everybody Loves Raymond" event, which was organized and coordinated by the library this past summer.

The library continues to host a popular adult book group each month along with multiple author talks for adults, including presentations by Roger Guay, Tess Gerritsen, Bruce Coffin, Brenda Buchanan, Michelle Patch, Christopher Morin, Anne Gass & Monica Wood. A total of 185 programs were held for children and adults with 2,136 attendees.

A grant from the Ezra Keats Foundation allowed for the creation of a monarch butterfly garden space and a life cycle observation and release program. An additional grant from Loon Echo Land Trust allowed for a Chewonki reptile presentation and the addition of circulating nature backpacks to the collection.

In addition to annual donations and challenge grant fundraisers, the Raymond community has supported the library through participating in a variety of fundraising activities, including the bi-annual garden tour, annual and ongoing book sales, spring plant sale, holiday basket & bake sale, bottle redemption program and other special fundraising events.

Collaborative efforts are underway with a variety of organizations including the Raymond Schools, the Raymond Hill Community Center, the Age-Friendly Communities Initiative, the LIONS Club and local businesses. These collaborative efforts will allow for additional social and cultural enrichment opportunities for residents of Raymond.

The Raymond Village Library is deeply appreciative of all of the patrons, volunteers and donors who continue to actively support the library. This support has been invaluable in enabling the library to fulfill its' mission and commitment to the community. This community support has allowed us to save thousands of dollars on technology, maintenance and operational expenses each year. We are truly grateful for the continuing support from the Town of Raymond and the Raymond community.

Allison L. Griffin, Library Director Raymond Village Library

















# Report of the Tassel Top Board of Directors

Tassel Top Park continues to be a favorite destination place for people of all ages and from all over the world. There are many visitors (Over 10,000 to date) who we see year after year, and we are a new discovery for many as well. We pride ourselves on being a clean, safe, and family friendly facility and our staff works hard at keeping those points at the forefront of what they do. Tassel Top has a very dedicated staff who are passionate about the park and its wildlife, who love their job and who also love to see people enjoying all aspects, swimming, tanning, walking the trails or having a cookout. Birthday parties, family reunions, team building sessions and more are celebrated at Tassel Top.

Our challenge this year has often been the "iffy" weather and very high water levels which gave us far less beach to work with but, in spite of it all we are having another successful season.

Our cabin complex continues to be upgraded each season, is fully booked and very much enjoyed by our tenants. They are amazed at the privacy that is attained by the unique configuration of the buildings and the serenity of dinner on the beach and of nights around the campfire pit. Wildlife watching is also a favorited, with many species flying overhead or wandering through the park.

We continue to be grateful for Barry Alden, our visionary, fix anything, build anything man, who has been with us for 12 years. He upgraded the unloading/waiting area with a new covered bench, other benches and a sign board depicting living things that one might see in a park. He also has created a new entrance to the cabins as well as a new patio for our tenants.

Conservation has been and continues to be a major part of our mission and Tassel Top is home to all sorts of feathered and furry friends. New fawns are born and paraded around the park by their proud moms, for those that go slow enough to see, as are many other birds and creatures.

Tassel Top continues to represent the Town of Raymond in a positive way and it is a property that Raymond can continue to be proud of.

Respectfully,

Sue LaMarre





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# **State Elected Officials**

# Report of US Senator Susan Collins

SUSAN M. COLLINS

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#### United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-1904

#### Dear Friends:

It is an honor to represent Maine in the United States Senate. I am grateful for the trust the people of our State have placed in me and welcome this opportunity to share some key accomplishments.

Growing our economy by encouraging job creation remains a top priority. The tax relief bill enacted during this last Congress contains provisions I authored to provide small businesses with the certainty that they need to invest, grow, and, most important, hire new workers. The 2017 National Defense Authorization Act includes a provision the Maine delegation worked together to champion requiring that military recruits be provided with athletic footwear made in America, as is required for other equipment and uniform items whenever possible. This is a great victory for our troops and for the 900 skilled workers at New Balance factories here in Maine.

Maine's contributions to our national security stretch from Kittery to Limestone. As a senior member of the Appropriations Committee, I successfully advocated for critical funding for projects at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard and \$1 billion towards the construction of an additional ship that will likely be built at Bath Iron Works. This funding will strengthen the Navy and our national security, and the additional destroyer will help meet the Navy's goal of a 355-ship fleet.

Maine's growing population of older individuals creates many challenges. That's why, as Chairman of the Senate Aging Committee, my top three priorities are fighting fraud and financial abuse directed at our nation's seniors, increasing investments in biomedical research, and improving retirement security.

The Aging Committee's toll-free hotline (1-855-303-9470) makes it easier for senior citizens to report suspected fraud and receive assistance. Last May, a call to the hotline helped lead to the arrest of a national crime ring targeting seniors, and in June I worked to secure the humanitarian release of a Maine senior who had been imprisoned in Spain after being victimized by an international drug smuggling scam.

The Aging Committee also released an extensive report detailing the findings of our bipartisan investigation into the abrupt and dramatic price increases for prescription drugs whose patents expired long ago.

I advocated strongly for the \$2 billion increase in funding for the National Institutes of Health to advance research on such diseases as diabetes and Alzheimer's. I also championed and authored portions of the 21st Century Cures Act that will further support biomedical innovation and make significant reforms to our mental health system.

The Senate also took steps in the past year to combat the nation's heroin and opioid epidemic by passing the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA), which I was proud to cosponsor. CARA is a monumental step forward in our effort to address the devastating addiction crisis affecting countless families and communities across the country and right here in Maine.

A Maine value that always guides me is our unsurpassed work ethic. In December 2016, I cast my 6,236<sup>th</sup> consecutive vote, continuing my record of never missing a roll-call vote since my Senate service began in 1997.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve Raymond and Maine in the United States Senate. If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Portland state office at 207-780-3575 or visit my website at www.collins.senate.gov. May 2017 be a good year for you, your family, your community, and our state.

Sincerely,

Lunan M Collins
Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

# Report of US Senator Angus S King Jr

ANGUS S. KING, JR.

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COMMITTEES:
ARMED SERVICES
BUDGET
ENERGY AND
NATURAL RESOURCES
INTELLIGENCE
RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

#### Dear Friends of Raymond:

Since being sworn into the Senate in 2013, I have made it my mission to address at the federal level the most important issues facing our great state. Working closely with my colleagues in the Maine Congressional Delegation, we've been able to successfully secure a number of legislative victories that support our state's economy, our rich traditions, and the hardworking people I am proud to represent. In an increasingly polarized Congress, my goal as an Independent is to put partisanship aside, build consensus and further common-sense solutions to address the needs of the American people. To this end, I have co-founded the Former Governors Caucus, a group of former state executives who are frustrated with legislative gridlock and eager to find bipartisan solutions. And as always, I aim to bridge the partisan divide by hosting barbeque dinners in Washington with colleagues ranging from Ted Cruz to Elizabeth Warren. If you know a person's children, then you see them as a mother or father and not a rival vote, and working to further personal dialogue and build relationships can lay the foundation for successful legislation.

One of the accomplishments of which I am most proud is the legislative victory that protects our college students and their families from an expensive hike in student loan interest rates. In 2013, as students faced a significant spike in interest rates that would have taken thousands of dollars out of their pockets, I brought together colleagues from across the political spectrum to broker compromise legislation called the Bipartisan Student Loan Certainty Act. Thanks to this bill, students will save \$50 billion over the next 10 years by lowering their interest rates, which means that a student in Maine will now save between \$3,000 and \$6,000 over the life of their loan.

Being an Independent in the Senate has allowed me to make calls and vote on policies that are best for Maine, but it has also made it possible to play key roles in finding simple solutions and legislative fixes that make good commonsense to both parties. Of course, much of what we do in the Senate doesn't happen on the Senate floor, or even in committee. Instead, it involves working across all levels of government to ensure the State of Maine receives attention and support from the federal government. Take, for example, the opioid and heroin epidemic devastating communities across our state. While Congress has passed legislative solutions aimed at expanding access to medical treatment, I've also pressed for other changes that can be accomplished more quickly and make a more immediate difference in Maine. For example, I successfully urged the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to increase the number of patients to whom a doctor can provide medication-assisted treatment, and in 2015 brought the Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy to Brewer to meet directly with Mainers and hear their stories. I've also engaged law enforcement – including the Drug Enforcement Agency – to crack down on the production of opioids and work to limit their diversion. Together, Senator Collins and I helped pass the Northern Border Security Review Act to combat drug and human trafficking along our border with Canada. While the opioid epidemic is certainly our biggest public health crisis, job loss in Maine is still our number one economic problem and that's why we need to focus on bringing good paying jobs back to Maine and protecting the ones we still have. As a member of the Armed Services Committee, I teamed up with Senator Collins and Representative Poliquin to successfully secure a provision in the defense bill that can help domestic shoe manufacturers like New Balance. The three of us also worked together with the Department of Commerce to establish an Economic Development Assessment Team, known as an EDAT, to assist Maine's forest industry in the wake of several mill closures. We have an incredible spirit of innovation and ingenuity in Maine and I believe finding ways to invest in that spirit will reignite Maine's forest products sector and our economy. Part of our economic path forward must also include expanding access to high-speed broadband, which can help connect our businesses and communities to information and economic opportunities.

As a member of the Senate Armed Services and Intelligence Committees, I work to keep Maine and our nation safe. Part of that important work means continuing to work for funding for the construction of Navy ships that will be used to protect American interests across the globe. We all know that "Bath Built is Best Built," which is why I've fought to authorize funding for Navy ships built at BIW. The best way to preserve peace is by deterring war through unassailable strength, and to do that we must support our shipbuilders and our brave service members and invest in our military. I strive to meet this solemn responsibly every day as a member of these committees, which is why I hardly ever miss a hearing and take great care in overseeing the agencies sworn to keep us safe. Armed Services Chairman John McCain called me "one of the most serious and hard-working members" of the Committee, and that's a humbling compliment from a true American hero.

As always, please call or write me with thoughts or concerns with matters currently before Congress, or if you need assistance navigating a federal agency. Please call my toll-free line at 1-800-432-1599 or local office: (207) 622-8292, or write me on our website at www.king.senate.gov/contact. It is an honor and a privilege serving the people of Maine in the Senate, and I look forward to working with you in our search for a more perfect Union.

Sincerely,

Augus S. Ting, f.

Angus S. King, Jr., United States Senator

# Report of US Representative Chellie Pingree

2162 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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CHELLIE PINGREE
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
IST DISTRICT, MAINE

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

SUBCOMMITTEES

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED

Dear Friend,

I hope this letter finds you well. It's a privilege to share an update on my work to represent you and your family in Washington and in Maine.

As always, the interests of my constituents are what guide my work. There are many things I could talk about in that regard. But I want to focus here on one issue of particular importance—economic development. Having good-paying jobs allows future generations to make this wonderful state their home. With that goal in mind, I'm working to address Maine's economic challenges and capitalize on its opportunities.

One such opportunity is agriculture, where Maine is bucking national trends. The average age of our farmers is actually going down while acreage in cultivation is going up. Consumer demand for local food is driving that growth. I've been successful in reforming federal policies to help farmers and processors meet that demand. My work will continue this year as Congress reauthorizes the Farm Bill.

I'm also working to support jobs in our coastal communities. Last year, I helped block Sweden's proposed ban on the export of Maine lobsters to the European Union. I also introduced legislation to lift unnecessary regulations on seafood exporters and invest in working waterfront infrastructure.

On the House Appropriations Committee, I'm defending federal programs that support jobs throughout Maine. These programs invest in worthy projects that are beyond the reach of private, municipal, or state resources. In our state, they provide loans to small businesses, clean polluted sites for redevelopment, find new marketable uses for Maine's natural resources, build broadband infrastructure, and much more.

Aside from economic development, advocating for Maine veterans is one of my highest priorities. With Congress' current agenda, I'm also fighting to defend Medicare and Social Security, protect clean air and water, and ensure that our communities have the resources to address hunger, homelessness and lack of health care access.

Just as important as my policy work in Washington is what my office does to help individuals in Maine. Every year, my staff helps hundreds of constituents who have issues with federal agencies or programs. Please call my Portland office at (207) 774-5019 for assistance. It's an honor to serve you.

Take care,

Chellie Pingree Member of Congress

2 Portland Fish Pier, Suite 304 Portland, ME 04101 Phone: 207-774-5019 Fax: 207-871-0720



I SILVER STREET WATERVILLE, ME 04902 PHONE: 207-873-5713 FAX: 207-873-5717

# Report of Governor Paul R LePage



STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

1 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE
04333-0001

Dear Citizens of Raymond:

Maine has a long tradition of civil participation in both state and local government, and I thank you for being informed and involved citizens.

My vision for Maine is prosperity, not poverty. For this reason, one of my top priorities continues to be the reduction and eventual elimination of the income tax. Raising the minimum wage is not the path out of poverty; I want Mainers to earn a career wage. Reducing the income tax is the biggest and most immediate pay raise for all hard-working Mainers.

Not only does an income tax cut put more money back in your pockets, but it will also attract businesses that can offer good-paying careers to keep our young people here. It shows the nation that we are serious about wanting people and businesses to come—and stay—in Maine.

Unfortunately, voters approved a referendum question to raise the income tax to 10.15% on successful Maine households and small businesses. Enacting the second highest income tax rate in the country shows the nation we are eager to punish people for being successful. It will drive them out of our state and make it even more difficult to attract much-needed doctors, dentists, scientists, engineers and other professionals to Maine. They can live in neighboring New Hampshire, which takes no income tax from their paychecks. Even worse, there is no guarantee the extra revenue from this tax will go to fund education, as proponents promised.

As successful people leave Maine, state and municipal government will lose the significant amount they pay in property, sales and incomes taxes. This will put even more upward pressure on local property taxes. Municipalities will have to get more creative to provide local services without increasing property taxes. Reforming the tree growth program, collecting property taxes on land in conservation or preservation programs, charging a payment in lieu of taxes on state land that is taken off the property tax rolls and having non-profit organizations pay a two-percent tax on their net revenues are all ways for municipalities to increase revenues.

Such bold measures would take strong leadership and commitment from local officials and residents. If ever I can be of assistance to you or if you have any questions or suggestions, I encourage you to contact my office by calling 287-3531 or by visiting our website at www.maine.gov/governor.

Sincerely,

Paul R. LePage Governor

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www.maine.gov

FAX: (207) 287-1034

# **General Information**

#### **Animal Control**

#### **Lost Pets:**

Animal Control is on call for any concern relating to domestic animals. It cannot help with wild animal complaints. For those, call the Warden's Service at 207-657-2345. The Animal Control Officers can be reached through Cumberland County Dispatch (800-501-1111).

Animal Refuge League, 449 Stroudwater Street, Westbrook, Maine.

Raymond contracts with the Animal Refuge League to hold all stray pets. If you are missing your pet(s), you should call this organization at (207) 854-9771.

#### **Assessing Office**

The Assessing Office is open during regular Town Office hours except Tuesday. The contract Assessor has hours on Thursdays; the rest of the time an assistant assessor is available.

Information about your property valuation, exemptions, and abatements is found in this office.

#### Beach, Public

**Tassel Top Park:** [Roosevelt Trail/Route 302]

Tassel Top Park has picnic tables, charcoal grills, a snack shack, changing rooms, nature trails and 900 feet of white sandy beach with a marked swim area. There is also a cabin complex, which can be rented weekly during July and August and either weekly or daily during the off season. Tassel Top Park may open late or close early due to inclement weather or lack of business.

Park/Beach Hours (weather permitting):

- Memorial Day weekend to June 14 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
- June 15 to August 15 9:00 am to 8:00 pm
- August 16 to Labor Day 9:00 am to 6:00 pm

For more information call the Town Office at 655-4742 or the park office during the season at 655-4675.

Crescent Lake Beach: [Webbs Mills Road/Route 85]

Crescent Lake beach is a small beach where Raymond Recreation Association swimming lessons are held.

Raymond Beach: [Roosevelt Trail/Route 302]

#### **Boat Haul Outs**

#### Jordan Bay on Sebago Lake:

This is owned by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and managed by the Town of Raymond. There are several parking slots for vehicles and trailers and also for single vehicles. There is no charge. Use of the facility is from sunrise to sunset. No overnight camping is allowed. At times, there are rangers inspecting the vehicles, boats and trailers for milfoil, which is supported by the Raymond Waterways Protective Association.

#### **Crescent Lake:**

This is owned and maintained by the Town of Raymond. There is only roadside parking, so please park well off the road and not on private property. There is no charge. Use of the facility is from sunrise to sunset. No overnight camping is allowed. At times, there are rangers inspecting the vehicles, boats and trailers for milfoil, which is supported by the Raymond Waterways Protective Association.

#### **Cable Access Channels**

Raymond's cable franchise is with Spectrum.

Municipal: Channel 2School: Channel 3

#### Certified Copies - Birth, Marriage or Death

Each person requesting a copy must have a current photo ID; and if your name is not on the document, you'll also need proof that you have direct lineage to the person named, such as a certified copy of a vital record which relates you to that person. For example, if you want a certified copy of your grandchild's birth record, you would need to have a current photo ID and a certified copy of the parent's (your child's) birth record showing you as his/her mother/father. You will also need a note from that parent (your daughter/son) giving permission for you to obtain your grandchild's record.

#### **Code Enforcement Office**

#### Permits, Building and Septic, Etc:

Raymond's Code Enforcement Office is open during regular Town Office hours. Inspections are provided by appointment (655-4742 ext. 161). Please call for an appointment if you wish to meet with the Code Enforcement Officer. The Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals meetings are scheduled through this office.

#### Fire & Rescue Department

#### **Burning Permits:**

Burning permits are required for anyone burning debris other than in a constructed fireplace or fire pit. People wishing to burn should call the Fire Department (655-1187) to ask if permits are being written for that day. To get a Fire Permit you must go to the Public Safety Building during regular business hours (8:00 am to 6:00 pm). These permits are good only after 5:00 pm unless it's raining or there is ample snow on the ground. Wind conditions will also influence whether burning is permitted or not.

#### Call 911:

For any request for Fire Department or Rescue, please DIAL 911. Do not come to the Public Safety building because there may not be any personnel there to help you. They might already be out on a call. 911 will be answered by Cumberland County Dispatch, which has multiple sources of help for you.

#### **Food Pantry**

The Raymond Food Pantry is hosted by the Lake Region Baptist Church, 111 Roosevelt Trail, with hours on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. For donations, mail to PO Box 900, Raymond, in care of Rev. Elmer Young. Phone 207-232-5830.

#### **Genealogy Research**

People requesting aid with genealogy research can be helped during regular Town Clerk office hours. There is a charge for research done by the Town Clerk after 1 hour and for photocopies for information found.

#### **General Assistance**

#### Application:

Applicants must come in to the Town Office to fill out a GA application and make an appointment for a meeting with the GA Administrator. Appointments are usually scheduled on Tuesdays. Applicants must be residents of Raymond.

#### Licensing

#### Dog – Single Dog:

Current record of his/her rabies vaccination and if neutered a copy of the neutering certificate. Once the dog is licensed in the town, we only need to see a Rabies certificate when he/she has been re-vaccinated.

#### Dog – Kennel License:

A kennel license is for up to 10 dogs that are kept for hunting, showing, breeding or farming. Before a municipal kennel license is issued, the kennel must be inspected by the Animal Control Officer. Other state licenses may be necessary depending on the use of the dogs.

#### Fishing and Hunting Licenses Etc.

- Resident: Current Maine photo ID (driver's license)
- Non-Resident: Current photo ID

#### **Liquor License**

#### Annual:

Licenses for restaurants serving liquor are handled through the state in the Department of Public Safety, Liquor Licensing & Inspection (207-624-7220). Once a liquor license is applied for, the applicant must come before the Board of Selectmen, after having been added to a regular Selectmen's meeting agenda. Notice of that meeting, if required, must be in a newspaper of general circulation for which the applicant must pay.

#### **Catering License:**

Applications must be obtained from the Department of Public Safety, Liquor Licensing & Inspection (207-624-7220). The completed application must be submitted to the Town Clerk with a \$10 fee. After the Town Manager has signed the application, it then goes back to the Liquor Licensing & Inspection Division.

#### Marriage License:

Each person must have a current photo ID, and if previously married, a certified copy of how that marriage ended (divorce decree or death certificate) written in English.

#### **Passports**

Raymond does not process US passports. Passports can be obtained from the US Post Office on Forest Avenue, Portland, or the Windham Town Office, 8 School Street, Windham, ME 04062 (207-892-1900). Find forms, fees and lots of information at http://travel.state.gov/

#### Post Office, U.S.

Location: 1233 Roosevelt Trail in the Country Shopping Center (207-655-4974).

#### **Public Works Department**

#### Street Signs:

Street signs are maintained by Public Works. To request a sign, please call Kaela at 207-655-4742 ext. 133 or email nathan.white@raymondmaine.org

#### **Road Conditions:**

For questions about the town's roads, please call Kaela at 207-655-4742 ext. 133 or email nathan.white@raymondmaine.org

#### Registrations

#### New Boats, ATVs and Snowmobiles:

Private Sale: bill of sale (description of vehicle, date of sale, VIN, mileage, seller(s)'s signature).

Dealer Sale: green Dealer's Use Tax sheet.

#### **Motor Vehicle Registration – New registrations:**

Private Sale: car's/truck's bill of sale (description of vehicle, date of sale, VIN, mileage, seller(s)'s signature), title (signed on the back to you with the owner(s)'s signature(s) and dated), and your current insurance card for that vehicle.

Dealer Used Sale: dealer inoice showing sales tax paid, blue Title Application form, and a current insurance card for that vehicle.

Dealer New Vehicle Sale: MSRP window sticker, green Dealer's Use Tax sheet, blue Title Application form, and a current insurance card for that vehicle.

Trailer (utility, boat, snowmobile): bill of sale, if over 3,000 lbs. title or MCO (Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin) form.

Trailer (RV, horse with living quarters): bill of sale, if over 3,000 lbs. title or MCO (Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin) form.

#### **Motor Vehicle Registration – Re-Registration:**

Car/truck: old registration and current insurance card for that vehicle.

Trailers: old registration

#### **Schools**

#### RSU #14 (Windham, Raymond) Schools:

- Jordan-Small Middle School, 423 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond, grades 5 through 8 (207-655-4743)
- Raymond Elementary School, 434 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond, grades K through 4 (207-655-8672)
- Superintendent's office is at 228 Windham Center Road, Windham, 207-892-1800.
- Raymond Principal's office is at Jordan-Small Middle School, 207-655-4743.

#### Selectmen Agenda

#### Agenda Item Submission:

If you would like a subject to be added to the Selectmen's agenda for discussion, go to www.raymondmaine. org/boards-committees/board-selectmen and click on the link to request an addition to the agenda not less than 14 days prior to a scheduled meeting.

#### **Taxes**

The taxable year is July 1st through June 30th. Raymond allows annual taxes to be paid in two installments due October 31st and April 30th. The first half, if not paid, will accrue interest beginning November 1st and the second half May 1st. Raymond does not provide for a prepayment discount on taxes.

#### **Town Office**

Hours: Monday - closed

Tuesday – 8:30am to 7:00pm Wednesday – 8:30am to 4:00pm Thursday – 8:30am to 4:00pm Friday – 8:30am to 4:00pm Saturday & Sunday – closed

#### **Veterans' Memorial Park**

The Veterans' Memorial Park can arrange for you or your loved one to have a military memorial paving stone. Application for the purchase of a stone is available at the Town Office or on the website at www.raymondmaine.org

#### **Voter Registration**

#### **New Raymond Resident:**

Current photo ID (driver's license) and a piece of mail showing your name and physical address in Raymond, such as a utility bill or a copy of your rental agreement.

#### **Change of Name or Address:**

Name change: certified marriage license or other official documentation

Address change: a piece of mail showing your name and physical address in Raymond, such as a utility bill or a copy of your rental agreement.

#### **Voting**

#### Location:

Raymond's elections and town meetings are held in the Jordan-Small Middle School gymnasium, 423 Webbs Mills Road.

#### **Annual Town Meeting:**

The first Tuesday in June at 6:00pm.

#### **Annual Municipal Election:**

The second Tuesday in June from 7:00am to 8:00pm.

#### **Primary Elections:**

The second Tuesday in June from 7:00am to 8:00pm.

#### State and Federal Elections:

The Tuesday after the first Monday in November from 7:00am to 8:00pm.

#### Website

The Raymond municipal website address is www.raymondmaine.org.

# Town Officers as of June 30, 2017

#### Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor

Teresa Sadak, Chairman, 2019 Rolf Olsen, Vice-Chairman, 2019 Joseph Bruno, Parliamentarian, 2018 Samuel Gifford, 2020 Lawrence Taylor, 2020

#### Town Manager [655-4742 x131]

**Donald Willard** 

#### Finance Director [655-4742 x132]

Cathy A Ricker

#### Town Clerk & Voter Registrar [655-4742 x121]

Susan L Look

#### Tax Collector [655-4742 x122]

Suzanne Carr

#### **GA Administrator [655-4742 x124]**

Alice Hamilton

#### Superintendent - RSU #14 [892-1800]

Sanford J Prince

# Principal - Raymond Elementary & Jordan-Small Middle Schools [655-4743]

Randy Crockett

#### Fire Chief [655-1187]

Bruce D Tupper

#### Deputy Chief [EMS] [655-1187]

Cathleen Gosselin

# Road Commissioner and Public Works Foreman [655-4742 x321]

Nathan L White

#### **Emergency Management Agency**

Bruce D Tupper, Director

#### **Health Officer**

Cathleen Gosselin, EMS Director

#### Animal Control Officer [1-800-501-1111]

Jessica Jackson

Linda Alexander, Asst.

# Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector [655-4742 x142]

Chris Hanson

#### **Registrar of Voters [655-4742 x 121]**

Susan L Look

#### **Town Attorney**

Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson

#### RSU #14 School Committee [Raymond]

Diana Froisland, 2018 Janis Cummings, 2019 Anna N Keeney, 2020

#### **Budget/Finance Committee**

Marshall Bullock, 2020, Chairman

Dana Desjardins, 2020 Deborah Duchaine, 2018 Robert Gosselin, 2018

Barry Moores, 2019

Diana Picavet. 2019

Brien Richards, 2018

Brian Walker, 2019

1 Vacancy, 2020

#### **Planning Board**

Robert O'Neill, Chair, 2019 Bruce Sanford, Vice Chair, 2020

Kyle Bancroft, 2018

Patricia Beaton, 2019

Sheila Bourque, 2018

Greg Foster, Vice Chair, 2018

Edward Kranich, 2019

1 Vacancy

#### **Town Planner**

James Seymour, Sebago Technics

#### Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)

Lawrence Murch, Chair, 2019

Patricia Beaton, 2020

Elden Lingwood, 2018

Joanne Stinson, 2020

Steve Warshaw, 2018

1 Vacancy (alternate)

# Elected State Representatives

#### Senator Bill Diamond

Representing Senate District 26, which includes Baldwin, Casco, Frye Island, Raymond, Standish, and Windham.

Address: 10 Crown Point, Windham, ME 04062

Home Phone: (207) 892-8941 Cel Phone: (207) 650-4713

Contact Information: Senate Democratic Office (207) 287-1515

Email: diamondhollyd@aol.com

Legislative Website: <a href="http://www.mainesenate.org">http://www.mainesenate.org</a>

Committee Membership: Transportation; Government Oversight Committee

Term Limited: 2022

#### Representative Jessica Fay

Representing House District 66, which includes part of Casco, part of Poland, and part of Raymond.

Address: 141 Spiller Hill Road, Raymond, ME 04071

Cell Phone: (207) 415-4218

**Business Telephone:** (207) 329-6148

**E-Mail:** Jessica.Fay@legislature.maine.gov

State House Message Phone: (800) 423-2900

**State House TTY Line**: (207) 287-4469

Committee: Joint Standing Committee on Environment and Natural Resourc-

es

#### Representative Susan M. W. Austin

Representing House District 67, which includes part of Casco, Frye Island, part of Gray, and part of Raymond.



Address: 136 Yarmouth Road, Gray, ME 04039

Home Telephone: (207) 657-4100

**E-Mail:** Sue.Austin@legislature.maine.gov

State House Message Phone: (800) 423-2900

**State House TTY Line**: (207) 287-4469

Committees: Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development

# Town of Raymond, ME 04071

Maine Area Code is 207

EMERGENCY       911         All emergencies       911         Cumberland County Sheriff       774-1444         Non-Emergency       1-800-266-1444         Maine State Police       1-800-482-0730         Raymond Public Safety Building       655-1187         Poison Control       1-800-222-1222
UTILITIES <u>Central Maine Power</u> (loss of power) 1-800-696-1000 <u>Fairpoint NE Telephone</u> (local service) 1-800-400-5568 <u>US Post Office</u> , Raymond
TOWN OFFICE 401 Webbs Mills Rd Don Willard, Town Manager655-4742 Hours: Tues 8:30am-7:00pm Wed-Fri 8:30am-4:00pm
Sat- Mon Closed RAYMOND VILLAGE LIBRARY 3 Meadow Rd, PO Box 297 Allison Griffin, Director
SCHOOLS Raymond Elementary School (K-4)
COMMUNITY MEETING LOCATIONS  Jordan-Small Middle School

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS	
<u>Lions Club</u> – Bob Fey <u>Parent Teacher Organization</u> (PTO)	655-5041
Sara Childs	655-3996
Raymond Recreation – Beth Clark	
Raymond Baseball – Bill Diffenderfer	
Raymond-Casco Historical Society	
Frank McDermott	655-4646
Raymond Conservation Commission	
John Rand	
Raymond Waterways Protective Associati	<u>on</u> 831-7157
Scouts:  Cub Scouts – David Fletcher	655 5000
Boy Scouts – Bill Diffenderfer	
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COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Family Services:	
Adult & Child Abuse-Neglect	
Al-Anon	
Alcoholics Anonymous	
Family Crisis Center & Domestic Vic	olence Hotline
1-800-537-6066 or 874-1793	000 5000
Food Pantry – Elmer Young 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs from 4pm to 6pm	232-5830
General Assistance – Alice Hamilton	655 1712 v121
Lake Region Explorer (bus)	
People's Regional Opportunity Program (I	
Head Start, Fuel Assistance, WIC, 6	
1-800-698-4959 or 553-5800	
Senior Services:	
Community Health Services	
Meals on Wheels	
Regional Transportation	
Southern Maine Agency on Aging	
Social SecuritySexual Assault Response Services	
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Tri-County Mental Health Services	
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Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile Club	0== = : : :
- Larry Wood	
Sheri Gagnon Memorial Park, Mill St	
- playing fields, playground, picnic	