



The Arrow

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Towns of Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Wells & Arundel Household Hazardous Waste Day

Saturday, October 26th

Kennebunk Public Services Dept

36 Sea Road

8 am to 1 pm

**Proof of residency
is required**



FMI on what is accepted go to
www.arundelmaine.org

Attention All Building Trades, Landscapers & Paver Contractors

At the annual 2019 Town Meeting, a revision was approved to the Land Use Ordinance that **reopened registration** for grandfather status for any contractor storage yard that was legally operating before June 10, 2015. This registration applies to all building tradesmen, landscapers, or pavers operating out of their homes or in a residential zone where contractor yards are currently not permitted.

The term “legally operating“ means that the business was legally operating before the zoning requirements changed or the business received a permit from the Planning Board or the Code Enforcement Officer. The advantage to being registered as a legally existing operation is that the business will no longer be classified as “non-conforming”. As such, it will be much easier to get a business loan or to sell the business or the property in the future. In some cases, the business will be able to expand both in area or intensity where it would not be able to under the existing rules.



However, there is a **DEADLINE**. The **registration period ends August 1, 2020**. So, you must submit a complete application to the Planning Board before that date. To find out more about the application process click on the link on the Town website www.arundelmaine.org or pick up an information and application package from the Town Clerk’s Office. Questions? Call the Town Planner at 207 985-4201 x 108.

TRANSFER STATION CHANGES EFFECTIVE September 1st

Beginning September 1st, Pine Tree Waste will no longer be accepting cash at the Transfer Station for trash, recycling or demo. **Payment must be made using punch cards or checks.**

To assist residents, punch cards of \$20 and \$40 increments can be purchased at the Town Office using cash, check or credit card. The punch cards can still be purchased at the Transfer Station, however, only by CHECK.



If you have questions or concerns you can email the Town Manager at townmanager@arundelmaine.org or call 985-4201 Ext 115.



Goodwill has chosen to remove the collection boxes located at the Arundel Transfer Station as of July 31, 2019. FMI go to Goodwillnne.org

Drop off locations closest to Arundel are the Store at Five Points Shopping Center or at the Kennebunk Sea Road Public Service Dept.

Notes from the Town Clerk’s Office

Auto, Boats, ATV, Snowmobiles, H&F

licenses: Please remember to bring in your old registration when you come in to renew or take a photo on your phone of the **Plate or Registration number** or sticker. This will avoid errors as some of the State’s systems do not purge out old registrations. Also, Inland Fisheries & Wildlife is requesting customers show a Maine Driver’s License or ID to confirm Maine residency status.



Marriage Licenses: The new license forms are more detailed and must be processed Online which requires more time. Please allow at least a half hour to complete the license process. Due to these changes, we request that you plan your application between the hours of 9-11 am and 1-3 pm, as we have more staff available to assist you as well as other customers. FMI call the Town Clerk at 985-4201 Ext 102



NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDING UPDATE

Someone asked recently why they had not received a Municipal Construction Progress Report? The answer is that we found it might be uninteresting to report on weeks and weeks of meetings and hours of long, hard discussions while basically having no final decisions to report. The building committee and Port City Architecture have been working almost every Tuesday night. We have met to discuss the details of the construction project. Because of the need to finalize this project to present to the voters, additional sub-committee meetings were scheduled to address specific construction topics in an attempt to meet deadlines.

The committee participated in the planning phase of the project and it was understood that this time would be necessary to prepare the construction document in order to send the project "out to bid".

Even though many discussions have been held, the big question remains unanswered. How much will this building cost? Until bids are opened, this question will remain "to be determined".

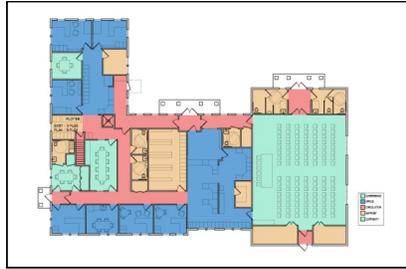
It would be very tedious to report on all the hours of building committee/architect discussions. However, you may be interested in some of the major topics that have been addressed by the committee. As one would expect, it all starts with the land. One had to be confident that the soil is appropriate to construct a building. The site is flat, basically without any tree growth and, generally, the soils are clay-based, which is common in Arundel, and will be appropriate to accommodate the building.

The building design is non-commercial and the space which is designated for meetings, voting, etc. is somewhat barn shaped. The parking is designed to be behind the building as the committee wanted to avoid the typical commercial "grocery store" parking lot image that one would see from the road. Public bathrooms are included in the proposed design to accommodate the Arundel Conservation Trust usage of the adjoining property.

Landscape drawings and parking lot design became an interesting conversation. Vault construction and office space locations were adjusted many times. Insulation and wall design, attic space and storage were debated at many meetings.

One major eye opener for many members was the influence of the local ordinances and the state codes which dictate many of the construction details. The number of required bathrooms and their designs are generally controlled by local and state codes. (On a lighter side....we, the committee, did have a choice of toilet tissue dispensers.) However, the word "code" became a very common response to the "why?" questions frequently asked by the committee.

The discussion on furniture became interesting when it was determined that furniture was separate from the general construc-



tion and had to go out to bid separately. Many of us had no idea how many different chairs there are on the market! Buying furniture seems like a simple assignment but bidding furniture is basically a headache. Generally, the committee directed the bid specifications to be not in the low end range, resulting in furniture that will need to be replaced in only a few years. Nor was it the committee's request to be in the high end range that one might find in the private executive office. The group requested a strong, functional "middle of the road" quality product.

Floor coverings, which will be practical and maintenance free, such as tile and linoleum were generally specified. Security, audio visual and technology continue to be a topic for meetings.

The infrastructure of heat, air exchange and what the industry calls "mechanical" was an assignment for the specialized engineers, and sub committee meetings.

Speaking of mechanical...our longest and most interesting discussion has been centered around energy related options. With engineer calculations providing the expected kilowatt usage, the committee set out to be free of outside electricity providers. A self sufficient solar powered building with a back up emergency generator was the goal. Considering the amount of necessary air exchange requirements, air conditioning demands, lights and heat coupled with technology usage, a 100% solar powered facility is expensive to install. This subject is still in the research phase. Bids will be sent out to solar energy providers and the details of how this will look and how much it will cost, will soon be determined. What is truly exciting about the solar topic is the amount of money Arundel will save in the years to come, which is expected to be a significant figure. With the building built with double insulated walls and designed for heat efficiency, electricity powered by solar should save the Arundel tax payers future energy costs. The goal is to send this project out to prospective contractors on August 19, 2019, with bids due and opened on September 9, 2019, at the regular selectmen's meeting.

The committee is planning an **informational meeting to report on the details of the bid package, to be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2019.** It is expected that the town will call a special town meeting to vote on the project in November. Of course, the results of the bid and or, the process of selecting a contractor may influence this date.

The committee is ready to advertise for a Clerk of the Works to work for the Town of Arundel. A Clerk of the Works is the town employed construction project supervisor, who represents the town at the construction site and, is the eyes and ears for the town, overseeing all the contractors, and reporting to the town manager and selectmen.

As a reminder, this entire proposed project will require Arundel voter approval.

Upcoming meetings are always announced on the town web site and are open to the public.

Note's from Arundel Social Services Wendy Lank, GA Administrator & Social Services

This year the **Summer Free Lunch Program** administered by many volunteers and sponsored by Community Outreach Services supplied nutritious lunches to several families in our town. The volunteers delivered the lunches to homes and our Parks and Recreation department to cover the entire week. Thanks to several donations, the Arundel Social Services was able to provide snacks, lunches and water to **any** child that attended the Arundel Summer Rec Program and came without enough or in some cases nothing to eat or drink for the entire day. With these two programs we were able to keep our children fed, hydrated and energized throughout the entire summer. We thank all those who donated towards these two programs.



I would like to extend a heartfelt Thank You to all the residents of Cape Arundel Cottage Preserve who attended the 2nd Annual Clubhouse Party. Their goal was to donate **School Supplies** to help families in Arundel that are in need.

We all know how expensive it is to get your child set up with new school clothes, shoes and sometimes a list of school supplies that can fill a sheet of paper for the upcoming school year. We are so grateful for this donation.

If you are a family in need please call or stop by my office between, **Wednesday, August 28th thru Friday, September 6th** to see what items are available.



2019 Holiday Season

I know most of you, including myself, do not want to even think about the upcoming holiday season. For those Arundel families that are struggling though, this special time of year sits in their minds as they stress about how they are going to come up with that extra money to pay for things. Community Outreach Services offers those in need a food basket for both the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. They also host Thanksgiving and Noel dinners at St Martha's Parish for those wanting to dine with others. **Requests can be submitted to me starting October 5th.**

Secret Santa helps to provide Christmas gifts to children from birth through 18 years of age or still in High School. Parents and/or Guardians that are in need should contact me starting **October 5, 2019 to request an application.** These applications need to be completed and returned to me by the **due date**, which is usually the **first week of November.** If they are not returned to me by that date then Secret Santa will not be able to help. They do not accept late applications. Tags are made listing the age and sex of the child along with the suggested gift. They are placed on the Christmas tree that will be in the Town Hall lobby the week of Thanksgiving. Anyone wishing to purchase a gift may take a tag from the tree and return the unwrapped gift to the Town Hall along with the tag. The week before Christmas Secret Santa will distribute the gifts from their location to the parents or guardians.

Anyone wishing to request a food basket or apply for Secret Santa can reach me at 985-4201 ext 113 or email ga@arundelmaine.org.

May the rest of your summer be wonderful and full of great memories!



Recreation Program Updates Jenn Shea, Parks & Rec Director



As another great season of Summer Rec draws to a close, we cherish the memories and look ahead to our fun school-year Rec programs. We bid a fond farewell to Bri Roy who has worked in our programs year-round for the past 3 years and has built some great relationships with kids, parents and staff. We will miss her. We wish her the best of luck as she begins a new job in her family's business, and we will look forward to her visiting us when she can.

We are excited to welcome two new employees to the Rec Department staff as the new school year begins. Deb Sutherland will be working in the Before & After School program with Miss Laurie, Miss Allison, Miss Martha & Miss O. Tyler Bernaiche, who joined us for Summer Rec, will stay on as a full-time department staff member. He graduated from Endicott College in May with a degree in Sports Management and he will be focusing on building up our current youth sports programs, starting up new youth sports programs, family events, and adult sports programs as well.

This fall, in addition to our Before & After School program, half-day and no-school days trips, and youth soccer, we will also be offering Flag Football and Indoor Hockey with Tyler. Please visit our website <http://arundelrec.com> for program details and to register online. If you do not have an account on our website, please visit our website and set up an account. Our website is our primary source of keeping in touch about what's going on in the Rec Department. **If you don't have an account, then you won't get our notes.**



Arundel Historical Society Jake Hawkins, President



7th Annual Arundel Heritage Day September 14th

Greetings to neighbors and friends! It is hard to believe but we are approaching September with school openings ahead and vacations behind us. For the Arundel Historical Society September means our **Annual Arundel Heritage Day** as we again celebrate the past and look to the future. It will be held on **September 14th** starting at **10am** at the North Chapel Common site [corner of Limerick Road & Route 111]. This is a great day for the family--lots of things to see, entertainment, food, and activities to enjoy along with free admission and parking. There will be historical exhibits, of course, but also crafts and vendors, antique engines, and demonstrations of skills such as rope making, quilting, spinning and fiber crafts. Farm animals and equipment, a Boy Scout encampment, Civil War living history, activities for kids, an apple pie baking contest, and a ladies skillet toss all add to an interesting and fun way to spend a day and connect with the Arundel community. **If you haven't visited this event before, give it a try!**



Vintage Baseball Game September 15th



The next day, Sunday, **September 15**, there will be a **Vintage Baseball game** at North Chapel Common. Come see how the game was played when it was just starting out (no gloves, for one thing!). Hot dogs and drinks will be available.

The game starts at **11am**
Maine's Dirigo Team
vs Essex

Bring chairs or blankets so you can watch it in comfort.



Donations benefit
The Arundel
Historical Society



Arundel's past and its future are very important to the historical society and we are working hard to provide a Meetinghouse at North Chapel Common to serve the entire community for years to come. Proceeds from our fund-raising activities and the donations we receive provide financial support for that goal. If you would like to learn more about that project or lend support please contact us.

Visit our newly redesigned website www.arundelhistoricalsociety.org or call 283-9699.

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