



TOWN OF READFIELD

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Town Manager Report

May 1, 2017

Administration:

- We had our annual state assessing audit last Tuesday. Our valuation ratio was certified to be at 97% overall. We have increased from 84% to 88% for our waterfront ratio over the past three years. This is a positive direction and we are on the margins of requiring an adjustment.

Solid Waste and Recycling:

- Thank you to everyone who participated in the drug take-back program on Saturday.
- Our next big event will be the annual Hazardous Waste Collection Day on May 20th from 9:00am to Noon at the Augusta Public Works Garage. Pre-registration is required.

Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- Roads are no longer posted. Thank you to everyone for their cooperation and patience.
- Road grading will begin when we have a stretch of dry weather.
- Road and lot sweeping is scheduled to begin around May 8th, but may be delayed due to wet weather.
- Spring work started in earnest last week with both maintenance staff performing some outdoor work and beginning to prep. Facilities for seasonal use.
- Cemetery spring maintenance is ahead of schedule due to the thorough work last fall.

Personnel:

- We have received several applications for the part-time seasonal grounds maintenance position. Review of applications will take place this week. The position will be open until filled.
- We are managing vacation time usage more actively to ensure the needs of employees and the public are both met.
- Jacki Robbins, our Assessing Agent for the past 7-8 years has finished her time with the Town of Readfield and we are looking for a replacement. I want to thank her for her excellent and candid work. We will likely have an interim Assessing Agent by the end of May.

Announcements:

- We are still accepting nominations for the Spirit of America Awards. Please have them in by the end of the week, May 5th.
- Don't forget to vote for the RSU budget on May 17th.
- Absentee Ballots for the Town of Readfield will be available May 15th.