

TOWN OF READFIELD – Town Manager

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Town Manager Report

July 19, 2021

Maintenance & Infrastructure:

- Road sweeping was completed in mid-June.
- Shoulder gravel has been applied to most areas of new paving.
- Our mobile speed trailer was placed on Church Rd. from June into July and showed a high number of speed violations. We continue to look at safety enhancement options with the sidewalk being a top priority project. We have a kickoff meeting with MDOT this Thursday.
- Roadside mowing is underway, as are light brush cutting work and other summer maintenance activities.

Parks and Recreation:

- Swim lessons have started! It was a delight to see the kids get in the water last week under the watch of YMCA and Town of Readfield staff. Registrations were less than anticipated but this is the first year of the program and we had a late start.
- We now have the ability to accept online registration for rec sports programs through the Town website using the same platform as for online tax payments.
- We have received a site plan for the new Softball field and proposed basketball court at the Fairgrounds. We will begin the permitting process in conjunction with fundraising and stakeholder involvement efforts.

Transfer Station:

- We expect the new Point of Sale system at the Transfer Station to be ready by the end of July.
- With vacations and staffing challenges we've been short staffed at the Transfer Station. We appreciate the patience of our residents as we work to keep things moving.
- The Hazardous Waste Collection Day was very successful. We collected a lot of material and were able to streamline the event even with more participants. We received a lot of positive feedback. Special thanks to our SWRC volunteers and Sheriff Ken Mason for their help.
- We have the official launch of our Food Waste Composting Program scheduled for this Saturday from 8-4 with a ribbon cutting at 10am with our partner organizations and Sen. Craig Hickman. The public and Select Board are invited. We will have educational materials, treats, and free compost buckets and bins. We're also hosting a food drive for the Maranacook Food Pantry. We hope to see you there and will have the full schedule of events out soon!
- Sunday hours will run through the weekend before Labor Day.