

# **TOWN OF READFIELD – Town Manager**

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# **Town Manager Report**

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# Administration and Personnel:

- Many administrative tasks are wrapping up this month and next, providing opportunity for a transition to other projects.
- Welcome back to Chris Cassiani, our returning for a second summer season with our maintenance crew.
- We are still looking for Beach Attendants contact the Town office if you are interested!
- Beach passes are free to residents but are still required to access the property.
- Negotiations are complete and a new contract is in place AFSCME 93.
- Holiday Closure Memorial Day Monday, May 29, 2023 Town Office and Library closed.

# Roads, Traffic, Parking and Safety:

- Spring sweeping is complete. Let us know of any areas that may have been missed, recognizing that there is a lot of winter sand on the shoulders that the sweeper can't get. We are trying to clear in the worst areas.
- Brush clearing and tree work are complete on Church Rd. Reclamation and paving are scheduled for the weeks ahead.
- Roadside mowing will start soon. Equipment preparation and staff planning have begun.
- We held a productive public meeting with Gorrill Palmer to consider preliminary design options for the Church Rd. Sidewalk proposal. We will have another public meeting in mid-to-late June to discuss revised proposals that respond to input from residents, the Road Committee, Maine DOT, and the project engineers. This meeting has not yet been scheduled.
- An active review of traffic and parking at Readfield Corner is underway in response to questions and requests from businesses and residents in the area.
- An RFP for work at the intersection of Nickerson Hill and P-Ridge will be issued next week.

# Maintenance and Transfer Station:

- Summer cemetery work and grounds maintenance are in full swing.
- Brush grinding is taking place at the Transfer Station this week we cannot accept brush during this time due to safety and insurance considerations. Grinding should be complete by Saturday, but please call ahead!
- We have a special spring composting event and activities at the Transfer Station from 8-12 on June 11. Remember composting saves money and supports local gardening and farming!
- The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will be on Sunday, July 9 from 9am to noon and include our three member towns plus Mt. Vernon, Belgrade, and Vienna.
- Summer Sunday Transfer Station hours start June 4<sup>th</sup>, 8-12 noon and run through August 27.