



# The Biddeford Beat

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## Public Notice:

### ATTENTION:

### Clam Flats to be Closed

Per the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), the Biddeford clam flats will be **closed** beginning August 1, 2018 and will be closed through August and September. This closure is in effect for commercial and recreational clambers. The flats will be closed for water quality reasons.

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

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| <b>Monday</b><br>5:00 PM               | <b>July 30, 2018</b><br>Personnel Committee Meeting  |
| <b>Monday</b><br>5:00 PM<br>6:30 PM    | <b>August 6, 2018</b><br>Finance Committee Mtg (Live)<br>Downtown Development Commission<br>(2 <sup>nd</sup> floor conf. room) |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>5:00 PM<br>6:00 PM   | <b>August 7, 2018</b><br>City Council Mtg (Executive Session)<br>City Council Mtg (Live)                                       |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>3:00 PM<br>6:00 PM | <b>August 8, 2018</b><br>Social Services Review Committee Mtg<br>Zoning Board of Appeals (Live)                                |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>6:00 PM              | <b>August 14, 2018</b><br>City Council Workshop (Live)   |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>6:30 PM<br>7:00 PM  | <b>August 16, 2018</b><br>Airport Commission Mtg (Live)<br>Conservation Commission<br>(2 <sup>nd</sup> floor conf. room)       |

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## CALEA Awards Biddeford Police Department the National Law Enforcement Accreditation



Chief Beaupre, Lieutenant Doyon, and Sergeant Greene are congratulated by the CALEA hearing panelists after BPD's successful hearing.

The Biddeford Police Department has been awarded its national accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA®); joining a select group of only 5% of law enforcement agencies that are nationally accredited.

BPD began the voluntary accreditation process in 2016. The accreditation process is designed to improve the delivery of public safety services and seek professional excellence by adopting and demonstrating an adherence to a set of established professional standards. The process includes an external, objective evaluation of departmental operations.

In addition to providing an opportunity for self-improvement, accreditation can instill a greater sense of confidence among departmental employees, the community and city leaders, and improve overall service delivery.

On July 28, 2018, Chief Roger P. Beaupre, along with Councilor John McCurry, Lieutenant Ricky P. Doyon and Sergeant Jeffrey J. Greene, attended the accreditation hearing where the police department staff testified and accepted the award during the subsequent banquet at the CALEA Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Biddeford Police Department must stand for re-

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accreditation every four years, a process which includes detailed annual reports, in-depth on-site assessment, community input and a formal hearing before a panel of commissioners.

### About CALEA

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., (CALEA®) was created in 1979 as a credentialing authority through the joint efforts of law enforcement's major executive associations: International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives (NOBLE), National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), and Police Executive Research Forum (PERF). The purpose of CALEA's Accreditation Programs is to improve the delivery of public safety services primarily by: maintaining a body of standards, developed by public safety practitioners, covering a wide range of up-to-date public safety initiatives; establishing and administering an accreditation process; and recognizing professional excellence.



Providing professional and progressive law enforcement services that enhance the quality of life, promote a safe and caring environment, and ensure the fair and respectful treatment of each individual.

## Biddeford Disc Golf Course Opens

On Monday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, a ribbon cutting ceremony was held to celebrate the opening of Biddeford's Disc Golf course at Rotary Park.



Mayor Casavant along with Zachary Boston, Brad Gagnon and representatives of the donors for the Disc Golf Course pictured here during the ribbon cutting ceremony on July 23, 2018.

## Biddeford Cultural and Heritage Center Celebrating What Makes Biddeford Special "Weaving together the fabric of our ethnic quilt"

This week, the Biddeford Beat will highlight the stories of Jeremiah Hill and Robert McArthur who are both Inaugural Members of the Biddeford Hall of Fame as selected by the BCHC.



**Jeremiah Hill** (April 30, 1747- June 11, 1820) was an entrepreneur, lawyer and a captain in George Washington's Army during the Revolutionary War. He was also founder of the Second Congregational Church in Biddeford.



**Robert McArthur** (1838-1914) was a mill worker, philanthropist and community contributor to the City of Biddeford. McArthur Library in Biddeford is named in his honor.

As an immigrant from England, he worked in the mills, but McArthur had a love of books and knowledge. After the library in Biddeford was destroyed in a fire, he bought the Pavilion Congregational Church on Main Street in Biddeford to open and use it as a library.

Robert McArthur felt that the community needed a public library to provide everyone with the opportunity to advance in life. He is also known for having started the McArthur Home for the Aged.

For more information on the BCHC, you may go to:  
<http://biddefordculturalandheritagecenter.org/>

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<b>BIDDEFORD CITY DEPARTMENTS:</b>	<b>PHONE #:</b>	<b>ADDRESS:</b>
City Manager's Office	284-9313	205 Main St.
City Mayor's Office	286-9385	205 Main St.
Chief Operating Officer	571-0032	205 Main St.
Assessing Department	284-9003	205 Main St.
City Clerk's Office	284-9307	205 Main St.
City Engineering	284-9118	205 Main St.
Code Enforcement	284-9236	205 Main St.
Economic Development	282-7119	205 Main St.
Facilities	571-1602	205 Main St.
Finance Department	284-9333	205 Main St.
Fire Department (Non-Emergency)	282-6632	152 Alfred St.
General Assistance	284-9514	205 Main St.
Human Resource Department	286-0593	205 Main St.
Planning Department	284-9115	205 Main St.
Police Department (Non-Emergency)	282-5127	39 Alfred St.
Public Works Department	282-1579	371 Hill St.
Recreation Department (Community Center)	283-0841	189 Alfred St.
Technology/Public Access/GIS	571-0032	205 Main St.
Teen Center (Recreation ) Rotary Park	282-4167	550 Main St.
Tax Collector	284-9326	205 Main St.
Waste Water Treatment Plant	282-1350	371 Hill St.
<b><u>Other Important Community Contacts:</u></b>		
Biddeford City Theater	282-0849	205 Main St. Biddeford
Biddeford District Court	283-1147	25 Adams St. Biddeford
Biddeford Housing Authority	282-6537	22 South St. Biddeford
Biddeford Municipal Airport	282-1893	88 Landry St. Biddeford
Biddeford/Saco Chamber of Commerce	282-1567	22 Water St. #1 Biddeford
<b>Biddeford School Department</b>	<b>282-8280</b>	<b>18 Maplewood Ave. Biddeford</b>
Heart of Biddeford	284-8520	205 Main St. Biddeford
Maine Water Company	282-1543	93 Industrial Park Rd. Saco
Shuttle Zoom Bus	282-5408	13 Pomerleau St. Biddeford
Social Security Office	1-800-772-1213	110 Main St. Saco