

# The Biddeford Beat

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## Reminder: Street Advisory

### Precourt Street paving: Mon. May 15<sup>th</sup> & Tue. May 16<sup>th</sup>

This will involve final grade paving of Precourt Street from Alfred to Elm Street between 6:30am to 7:00pm each day or until complete. Two-way traffic will be maintained with some traffic interruptions and delays.

### Main Street prep for paving: Mon. May 15<sup>th</sup> – Fri. May 19<sup>th</sup>

This will involve digging, removal of cobblestones and other related construction in preparation for shimming and final paving.

There will be NO PARKING along the Main Street corridor between Alfred Street and Elm Street between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00pm.

Limited short-term parking will be permitted in non-active construction areas for periods not to exceed 20 minutes. *(continued on A2)*

## Fire Department Survival Rate Rises

On Tuesday, May 9, 2017, new survival rates were reported and the City is pleased announce the Department is currently at a 42% survival rate. This is an extremely high percentage as the national average is currently 10.6%

The population of cardiac arrest patients are those who are/were clinically dead. The survival rates are measured by the number of cardiac arrest patients, from of those patients the number who regained pulses on the field along with those who were transferred to hospital for care who's pulses remained.

This is a great testimony to the quality of City's providers and early defibrillation.

For more information on Fire Department please visit the department website, [click here](#).

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### Tue May 16

5:00pm - Finance Committee  
(Biddeford City Hall Council Chambers)

6:00pm - City Council Meeting  
(City Hall Council Chambers)

### Wed May 17

6:00pm - Planning Board Meeting  
(City Hall Council Chambers)

### Thu May 18

6:00pm - Special Council Meeting: Public Hearing & 1<sup>st</sup> Reading  
(City Hall Council Chambers)

6:00pm - Harbor Commission  
(Biddeford Pool Fire Station)

6:30pm - POSTPONED Airport Commission  
(Location: TBD)

7:00pm - Conservation Committee  
(City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room)

## Biddeford LED Initiative Update

As reported in March 13<sup>th</sup> edition of the 'Beat,' the City signed an agreement with Realterm Energy for an investment grade audit of the citywide streetlight inventory. This detailed data provides the location, type of fixture, LED replacement recommendations and return on investment information. Realterm has completed 98% of the inventory within the City. Independently, The City has completed its own work of the LED street light conversion on Main St. from Water St. to Adams St (near People's United Bank).

LEDs have more advantages than typical blubs. They have a long life, low energy cost and do not contain mercury. Over the past years many communities have been working together to take advantage of a new law that allows communities to purchase and maintain their own streetlights.

The project was approved at a January 2017 City Council meeting. Staff projected \$100,000 annual cost savings. Goals for this project to be fully completed is June 2017.

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*(continued from AI Street Advisory)*

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Access to Biddeford Savings Bank parking lot and parking lot adjacent to Morning Natural Foods will remain accessible for those wishing to visit local businesses within the area. Delays and some detouring are expected.

All local businesses within the Main Street area will remain open for business during this construction period.

**SBOOI Update Week 15 (May 7 – 13)**

Saco Biddeford Opiate Outreach Initiative

**Totals for week 15:**

6 Outreach  
 5 Seen  
 2 Assessed  
 3 Placed  
 0 Overdoses

**Totals since Start:**

115 Outreach  
 49 Seen  
 26 Assessed  
 26 Placed  
 31 Overdoses

People and families recover. It begins with a conversation. Call Maegan Lambert-Irish at 207-571-1652 ext. 7190.

**Laconia Plaza at RiverWalk Is Officially Open**

On Thursday, May 11, 2017 the City held a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening of Laconia Plaza. Despite the cloudy weather, elected officials of the State of Maine, City Officials and staff of Biddeford and Saco, Doug Sanford, Owner/Developer and Scott Joslin, COO of Pepperrell Mill Campus along with private partners, press and supporters gathered for this special ribbon-cutting event. To view full press release, [click here](#).



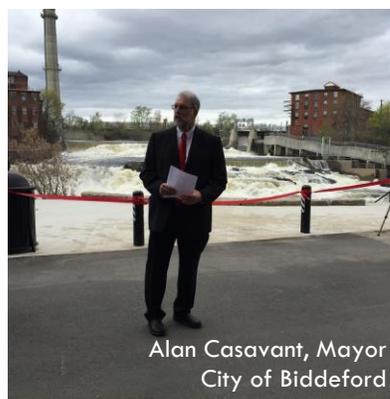
Left to Right: Economic Dev. Coordinator Brad Favreau, State Rep. Martin Grohman, Mayor Ron Michaud, Mayor Alan Casavant, Councilors: John McCurry, Norman Belanger, Michael Swanton



Doug Sanford, Owner Pepperrell Mill Campus



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Alan Casavant, Mayor City of Biddeford



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