



The Biddeford Beat

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, October 9: - CITY HALL CLOSED

(Observance of Columbus Day)

Tuesday, October 10:

7:00 PM - School Committee Meeting (live)
7:00PM - Solid Waste Commission Meeting
(371 Hill St.)

Wednesday, October 11:

4:00 PM – Historic Preservation
(2nd floor conference room)
6:00 PM – Zoning Board of Appeals (live)

Thursday, October 12:

8:00 AM – Downtown Taskforce (Mayor’s Office)

Monday, October 16:

6:30 PM – Policy Committee Meeting (live)

Tuesday, October 17:

5:00 PM - Finance Committee (live)
5:00 PM - Capital Projects
(2nd floor conference room)
6:00 PM – City Council Meeting (live)

For Full Calendar, [click here](#)

Do you have Suggestions or Questions?

Do you have questions, topics or other suggestions that you would like us to cover in “The Biddeford Beat?”

If so, we would like to hear from you. Please send us your questions, suggestions, concerns or ideas to: newsletter@biddefordmaine.org.

Have a question or concern?
Not Sure who to call?

PLEASE CONTACT US!

DEPARTMENT	PHONE #:	ADDRESS:
City Manager’s Office	284-9313	205 Main St.
City Mayor’s Office	286-9385	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/Planning	282-7119	205 Main St.
Facilities	571-1602	205 Main St.
Finance Department	284-9333	205 Main St.
Fire Department	282-6632	152 Alfred Rd.
Police Department	282-5127	39 Alfred Rd.
Public Works Department	282-1579	371 Hill St.
Recreation Department	283-0841	189 Alfred Rd.

For more information, please check out the City of Biddeford website: <http://www.biddefordmaine.org/>

Saco River Dredge Project Beginning Soon

The Cities of Biddeford and Saco have been working with the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) over the past two years to prepare for dredging of the federal navigation channel at the upper portion of Saco River. Within the week, a barge will be arriving to clear identified debris from the channel in preparation for the USACE dredge activity scheduled for early November.

This preliminary work will involve divers entering the river to locate and secure the debris for removal. The debris removal project will be completed on or before October 31.

Questions/Comments: t. 207.284.9313 e. newsletter@biddefordmaine.org w. biddefordmaine.org

Career Day at USM

Recently, the University of Southern Maine hosted a career day with 74 employment vendors. Biddeford Police Department was the only law enforcement agency present.

Biddeford Officers were able to network and reach out to job seekers from several communities. Job seekers were also able to obtain information from the Maine Career Center. The Maine Career Center has an event coming up called the Maine Hire-A-Vet program (which assists military veterans in job placement).

After brief interactions throughout the day, officers held recruiting conversations with 12 possible candidates for patrol and 1 candidate for dispatch.

Officers pictured are Officer Devon Spates on the left and Sgt. Jeff Greene seated at the right.



On Thursday, September 28th, The City of Biddeford held its 2nd annual Employee and Volunteer Appreciation Banquet. The following staff members were presented with the 2017 Departmental Recognition Awards/Certificates:

Assessor's Office, presented by Frank Yattaw:

Employee Recognized: Nicholas Desjardins

Police Dept, presented by Roger Beaupre:

Employee Recognized: Ronald Legere

Employee Recognized: Ronald Phillips

Fire Dept, presented by Scott Gagne:

Employee Recognized: Ricky Dussault

Employee Recognized: Tim Sevigny

Public Works, presented by Guy Casavant:

Employee Recognized: Jerry Court

City Clerk Office, presented by Carmen Morris:

Employee Recognized: Kristen Barth

Finance Office, presented by Cheryl Fournier:

Employee Recognized: Gerry Matherne

Facilities Dept, presented by Phil Radding:

Employee Recognized: Cynthia Adams

Employee Recognized: Kristopher Reynolds

Recreation Dept, presented by Carl Walsh:

Employee Recognized: Matt Duplisea

Codes Office, presented by Roby Fecteau:

Employee Recognized: Scott Welton

Economic Development/Planning Office, presented by Daniel Stevenson:

Employee Recognized: Brad Favreau

Technology Department, presented by Brian Phinney:

Employee Recognized: Pat Conway



Biddeford Recreation Department

Now that fall is officially here, the Biddeford Recreation Department is gearing up for some **Spooky October** favorite fall events!

Fun begins with "Screeemfest" at Canobie Lake Park. The Teen Center is hosting a trip for youth aged 12-16 on Friday October 20th. For more information on cost of "Screeemfest" contact the Teen Center at 282-4167 or check out the Recreation Department web site.

On Friday October 27th there will be two separate Halloween Events. The **Youth Halloween Party begins at 6:30 and runs to 8:30 pm at the J. Richard Martin Community Center Gym**. This event is for youth up to 10 years old. The Teen Center Halloween Event for ages 11-16 will kick off at 6:00 and runs to 8:00 p.m. **Both the Youth and Teen Halloween events are free of charge.**

The Teen Center party requires pre-registration by calling the center at 282-4167. For more information on any of these programs or others not listed for a variety of age groups, please visit www.biddefordrec.com.

CITY OF BIDDEFORD NOTICE TO THE CITIZENS OF BIDDEFORD

The Biddeford City Clerk's Office is now taking **ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATIONS** For the upcoming November 7, 2017 State Referendum Election and Municipal General Election.

You may request an absentee ballot by telephone (284-9307) or by coming into the City Clerk's Office during the business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

Absentee ballots will be available around October 9th.

You may also go to:

<http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl> and request an absentee ballot electronically.

Absentee ballot **requests** must be received by the City Clerk's Office by 7:00 p.m. on **Thursday, November 2nd, 2017**, unless special circumstances exist. There will be no absentee voting on Friday, November 3rd or Monday, November 6th.

Please be advised that all voting on Election Day, regardless of Ward, will now take place at the Tiger Gym at the Biddeford High School on Maplewood Avenue.