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NOW HIRING

Lifeguard

Beach Custodian and
Maintenance

Field Maintenance Technician

Biddeford Recreation is still hiring for several summer positions! [Click here](#) to apply.



City Hall will be CLOSED on
Monday, April 15, 2019 in
observance of **Patriot's Day**.

Trash and recycling pickup will not be
affected.



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Meetings are located in the Council Chambers at City Hall unless otherwise stated. Live meetings can be viewed on the [City of Biddeford website](#) or on the Public Access Channel.

Monday April 15, 2019

Patriot's Day – City Hall CLOSED

Tuesday April 16, 2019

5:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting (Live)

6:00 p.m. City Council Meeting (Live)

Wednesday April 17, 2019

6:00 p.m. Comprehensive Plan Meeting @ 2nd Floor Conference Room

Thursday April 18, 2019

5:30 p.m. Budget Committee Meeting (Live)

7:00 p.m. Conservation Commission Meeting @ 2nd Floor Conference Room

Monday April 22, 2019

5:30 p.m. Downtown Development Commission Policy Committee Meeting (Live)

Tuesday April 23, 2019

5:30 p.m. Downtown Committee (Live)

Wednesday April 24, 2019

6:00 p.m. Comprehensive Plan Meeting @ 2nd Floor Conference Room

6:30 p.m. Airport Commission Meeting (Live)

Thursday April 25, 2019

5:30 p.m. Budget Committee Meeting (Live)

All meetings are subject to change. [Click here](#) to view updates on the full city calendar.



Biddeford is one of 20 communities in the running for USA Today's 2019 Best Coastal Small Town award! [Click here](#) to vote for Biddeford.

OUR COMMUNITY ROOM IS NOW OPEN!

Stop by Room 204 on the second floor of City Hall to see this new public space. The room will feature



news and updates about what is happening in Biddeford. You can also share your thoughts and ideas on the whiteboard wall!

BIDDEFORD HALL OF FAME

The Biddeford Cultural and Heritage Center is now accepting nominations for the Biddeford Hall of Fame! The Hall of Fame Award honors outstanding individuals in our community who have achieved success through their talents, accomplishments, work ethic and perseverance in making Biddeford and the greater world a better place in which to live and work. Nominees do not need to be residents of the City, but need to have a physical connection to Biddeford and have made a significant impact on the City or the world at large. [Click here](#) to visit the BCHC website and complete the nomination form.

The induction ceremony will be held on the La Kermesse Festival grounds on **Friday, June 21 at 8:00 p.m.** Stop by the Council Chambers in City Hall to view the display of current Hall of Fame inductees!



TRANSFER STATION CHANGES

Beginning on April 17, the following changes will go into effect at the Transfer Station:

Residents:

Residents may dispose of 1 cubic yard of household items *per day* at no charge. A fee of \$20 will be charged for each additional cubic yard that is disposed of on the same day.

Disposal of brush, grass, and branches will remain **free**.

Commercial Entities/Contractors ONLY:

The following disposal fees will go into effect on April 18:

\$10 per cubic yard of brush/grass/branches
\$20 per cubic yard of demolition debris

These changes will help assist with the costs of waste disposal while continuing to offer residents options for free disposal. Thank you for your cooperation.

FREE RESIDENT DEBRIS DISPOSAL

April 23 – May 4
Transfer Station (371 Hill Street)

Residents only (No Contractors) can dispose of acceptable wood debris (wood wastes cut into 3-foot pieces) in 1 cubic yard quantities free of charge. Sheetrock, roofing paper, and shingles cannot be accepted.

LATEX PAINT DISPOSAL REMINDER

Latex paint is accepted at the Biddeford Recycling Center, but it *must* be dried out completely with cat litter before it is entered into the waste stream.



Did you know? Sherwin Williams will accept **LATEX** paint that is **NOT** dried, up to five 1-gallon cans per visit. If you have more than 5 cans to dispose of at once, you must call them first at 207-282-9511.



**COURAGE
HONOR
INTEGRITY**

BPD KEY METRICS

Through Month End: March 31, 2019

	2016		2017		2018		2018-YTD		2019-YTD		% Change
Total PSAP Calls For Service¹	53,723		49,883		50,582		11,419		11,716		2.6%
Per Month Average	4,476.9		4,156.9		4,215.2		3,806.3		3,905.3		
Public Initiated	15,496	41.2%	15,897	47.0%	16,125	50.6%	3,315	46.3%	3,239	43.3%	-2.3%
Agency Initiated	22,143	58.8%	17,891	53.0%	15,743	49.4%	3,852	53.7%	4,247	56.7%	10.3%
Total Calls For Police Services	37,639		33,788		31,868		7,167		7,486		4.5%
Per Month Average	3,136.6		2,815.7		2,655.7		2,389.0		2,495.3		
Criminal OF Reports	1,868	52.4%	1,892	52.8%	1,909	53.7%	431	54.2%	361	54.4%	-16.2%
Non-Criminal OF Reports	1,699	47.6%	1,693	47.2%	1,646	46.3%	364	45.8%	303	45.6%	-16.8%
Total Offense Reports²	3,567		3,585		3,555		795		664		-16.5%
Per Month Average	297.3		298.8		296.3		265.0		221.3		
Criminal Offenses - Reported	5,183	103.5%	4,712	103.3%	4,265	104.2%	1,088	105.7%	829	102.3%	-23.8%
Criminal Offenses - Unfounded	174	-3.5%	151	-3.3%	170	-4.2%	59	-5.7%	19	-2.3%	-67.8%
Criminal Offenses - Actual	5,009		4,561		4,095		1,029		810		-21.3%
Per Month Average	417.4		380.1		341.3		343.0		270.0		
Juvenile Arrests	130	5.2%	147	6.5%	125	6.7%	30	6.4%	27	6.5%	-10.0%
Adult Arrests	2,352	94.8%	2,111	93.5%	1,727	93.3%	438	93.6%	391	93.5%	-10.7%
Total Arrests	2,482		2,258		1,852		468		418		-10.7%
Per Month Average	206.8		188.2		154.3		156.0		139.3		
Total Use of Force Reports³	130		132		143		25		21		-16.0%
Per Month Average	10.8		11.0		11.9		8.3		7.0		
Pounds of Drugs Collected⁴	1,514		1,684		1,811		438		301		-31.3%
Per Month Average	126.2		140.3		150.9		145.8		100.2		
Traffic Stops Conducted	12,534		10,078		8,884		2,439		2,509		2.9%
Per Month Average	1,044.5		839.8		740.3		813.0		836.3		
Traffic Warnings Issued	13,669		10,637		9,461		2,586		2,768		7.0%
Per Month Average	1,139.1		886.4		788.4		862.0		922.7		
Traffic Citations Issued	3,627		3,420		3,076		934		714		-23.6%
Per Month Average	302.3		285.0		256.3		311.3		238.0		
Motor Vehicle Crashes	692		814		804		217		189		-12.9%
Per Month Average	57.7		67.8		67.0		72.3		63.0		

Note¹: Represents total calls answered by the Communications Center for Biddeford Public Safety and the other six communities serviced by the Center.

Note²: Represents reports generated by officers to document information gathered when responding incidents.

Note³: Represents reports generated by officers when any level of force is required to control an aggressive or resistant person.

Note⁴: Represents pounds of outdated and/or unwanted prescription or over-the-counter drugs turned in to BPD by the public.