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## RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION EXTENDED HOURS

The Recycling Center/Transfer Station will be open from 7:00am to 2:45pm on the following SUNDAYS:

May 19<sup>th</sup>, May 26<sup>th</sup> and June 2<sup>nd</sup>

## 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](http://www.biddefordmaine.org/) or on the Public Access Channel.

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>May 13, 2019</b>   |
| 4:30 p.m.        | Cable TV Committee Meeting @ Public Access Building             |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>May 14, 2019</b>   |
| 6:00 p.m.        | City Council – Special Meeting (Live)                           |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>May 15, 2019</b>   |
| 6:00 p.m.        | Comprehensive Plan Meeting                                      |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>May 16, 2019</b>   |
| 7:00 p.m.        | Conservation Commission @ 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room |
| 7:00 p.m.        | Harbor Commission Meeting @ Biddeford Pool Fire Station         |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>May 21, 2019</b>   |
| 5:00 p.m.        | Finance Committee Meeting (Live)                                |
| 6:00 p.m.        | City Council Meeting (Live)                                     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>May 23, 2019</b>   |
| 6:30 p.m.        | Airport Commission Meeting (Live)                               |

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

## “DEVELOPING AN INTERESTING FOOD SCENE IN ITS OWN RIGHT”



We're pleased to see that two of our Biddeford gems made it onto the Boston Globe's [list of 14 must-try restaurants in Portland](#). Congratulations to Elda and Palace Diner!

## NATIONAL KIDS TO PARKS DAY

May 18, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Join Biddeford Recreation at Memorial Park (Mayfield) for arts and crafts, introduction to pickleball, music, face painting, and and exploration of the Born Learning Trail!



Kids To Parks Day is a nationally coordinated day designed to connect kids and families with their local, state, and national parks. By discovering our public lands, kids across the country are learning about park stewardship, outdoor recreation, STEM, and history. Through teaching the next generation to appreciate our public lands, the National Park Trust is working to foster future park enthusiasts and create the next generation of park stewards.

Do you want to:

- \* Make a difference in your community?
- \* Find innovative solutions to issues you are passionate about?
- \* Have your voice heard by your government representatives?

**Join the Biddeford Youth Advisory Council!**



Biddeford Youth Advisory Council

The BYAC completes research and service projects on issues that affect youth in Biddeford and reports their findings to the Biddeford City Council.

Program dates: July 2019—June 2020

Must be entering 9th—12th grade in Fall 2019

Apply online at [www.biddefordmaine.org/BYAC](http://www.biddefordmaine.org/BYAC)

## BIDDEFORD YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

The City of Biddeford is now accepting applications for the first program year of the Biddeford Youth Advisory Council! Applications must be submitted by May 24, 2019.

The Youth Advisory Council was established to give Biddeford youth a voice in their local government. Members will advise the Biddeford City Council on issues that affect youth in the community and complete service projects that make Biddeford a better place to live.

The first session of the Youth Advisory Council will begin in July 2019 with an orientation program. Meetings will be held at least once per month in City Hall.

For more information about the program or to apply, visit [www.biddefordmaine.org/BYAC](http://www.biddefordmaine.org/BYAC) or contact Communications Coordinator Danica Lamontagne at [danica.lamontagne@biddefordmaine.org](mailto:danica.lamontagne@biddefordmaine.org).

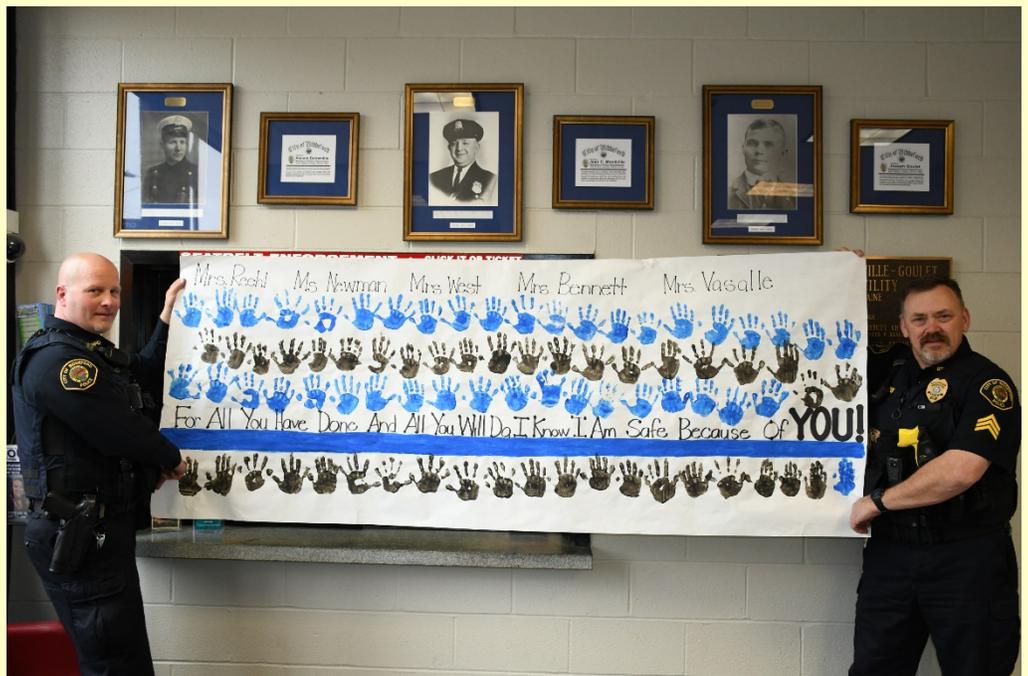
## NATIONAL POLICE WEEK 2019

May 12 – May 18

“Remembering those who served”

This month, law enforcement officers and supporters from across the country and around the world will gather at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C., to pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the line of duty this past year. We honor those brave men and women who have selflessly given their lives in service to our communities...We will never forget.

Students at John F. Kennedy School gave the Police Department a banner thanking our officers for the work they do to keep the community safe. The banner is on display in the front lobby of the police station.



## ROSS CENTER COMMUNITY PAINTING EVENT

In honor of National Painting Week, Sherwin Williams and Biddeford Painting teamed up for a community service project and provided supplies and labor to paint the Ross Center at the J. Richard Martin Community Center.

Community volunteers spent the day practicing their painting skills and enjoyed pizza, fries, and soda generously provided by TJ's Pizza. Special thanks to James Wiggs of Sherwin Williams, Kim Cochrane of Biddeford Painting, Recreation Department staff, and community volunteers who helped out with this project! Check out how the fresh coat of paint has modernized the space.

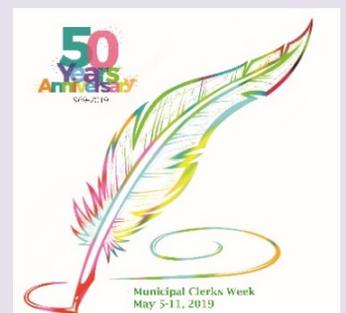
*Upper Right: Before*  
*Middle and Bottom Right: After*  
*Below: Volunteers at work*



## 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK

May 5-11, 2019

If you have ever come into City Hall to register your vehicle, get a beach permit, register to vote, or pay taxes, you have visited the City Clerk's office! The City Clerk and Associate Clerks are the link between municipal government and the public. The office has many responsibilities that help ensure that government runs smoothly. Between running elections, preparing meeting agendas and taking meeting minutes, processing permits and licenses, and more, Municipal Clerks really do it all!



# BIDDEFORD: THE CITY OF CLOCKS FIRESIDE CHAT WITH BIDDEFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

May 14, 7:00 p.m.

Historic Meetinghouse (corner of Pool Street and Meetinghouse Road)

If you looked at the Biddeford skyline in 1900, you would see the majestic clock towers on top of many buildings. How many clocks did Biddeford have? How many clocks are left? How did these clocks fit into mill life? Why was it an honor to ring the clock tower bells? Explore the history and function of these clocks that kept time for our community for over 100 years.

## BIDDEFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT ANALYSIS APRIL 2019

### Incident Type

<u>Incident Type</u>	<u>Occurrences</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
BFD FIRE IN OR ON A BUILDING	1	0.3
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL/AUTOMATIC AID STRUCTURE FIRE	1	0.3
BFD FIRE CONFINED TO COOKING APPLIANCE	1	0.3
BFD CHIMNEY OR FLUE FIRE	1	0.3
BFD FUEL BURNER/BOILER MALFUNCTION, FIRE CONFINED	1	0.3
BFD VEHICLE FIRE	1	0.3
BFD DEBRIS FIRE OUTSIDE	1	0.3
BFD EMS CALL RESCUE ONLY NO TRANSPORT	41	10.7
BFD EMS CALL RES/ENG NO TRANSPORT	11	2.9
BFD EMS CALL RESCUE ONLY TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL	138	36.0
BFD EMS CALL RES/ENG TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL	77	20.1
BFD EMS TRANSPORT SMHC TO A MEDICAL FACILITY	25	6.5
BFD RECEIVE MUTUAL AID FOR EMS CALL	5	1.3
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL AID FOR EMS CALL	6	1.6
BFD MVC W/OUT INJURY	5	1.3
BFD MVC W/ INJURY	4	1.0
BFD ELEVATOR RESCUE	1	0.3
BFD CABLE LINE DOWN	3	0.8
BFD TELEPHONE LINE DOWN	2	0.5
BFD POWER LINE DOWN	2	0.5
Attempted burning, illegal action, other	1	0.3
BFD WATER PROBLEM	3	0.8
BFD INSIDE SMOKE OR ODOR INVESTIGATION	3	0.8
BFD ASSIST POLICE OR OTHER AGENCY	1	0.3
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL AID NON STRUCTURE FIRE	4	1.0
BFD UNPERMITTED BURN	3	0.8
BFD EMS CALL CANCELLED ENROUTE	4	1.0
BFD BFD FIRE CALL CANCELED ENROUTE	2	0.5
BFD CANCELLED ENROUTE MUTUAL/AUTOMATIC AID STRUCTURE FIRE	2	0.5
BFD CHECK ON PERMITTED BURN	1	0.3
BFD OUTSIDE SMOKE OR ODOR INVESTIGATION	1	0.3
BFD MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX PULLS/SMOKES	18	4.7
BFD FALSE ALARM MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX SYSTEM MALFUNCTION	4	1.0
BFD FALSE CALL-GOOD INTENT	4	1.0
BFD RESIDENTIAL ALARM MALFUNCTION	5	1.3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>100.0</b>

For Districts: All  
For Situations: All  
For Jurisdictions: All  
For Street(s): All  
For Location: All



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HONOR  
INTEGRITY**

## BPD KEY METRICS

Through Month End: Tuesday, April 30, 2019

	2016	2017	2018	2018-YTD	2019-YTD	% Change	April 2019
<b>Total PSAP Calls For Service<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>53,723</b>	<b>49,883</b>	<b>50,582</b>	<b>15,481</b>	<b>15,792</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>4,076</b>
Per Month Average	4,477	4,157	4,215	3,870	3,948		
Public Initiated	15,496 41.2%	15,897 47.0%	16,125 50.6%	4,762 48.2%	4,380 43.7%	-8.0%	1,141 44.9%
Agency Initiated	22,143 58.8%	17,891 53.0%	15,743 49.4%	5,125 51.8%	5,646 56.3%	10.2%	1,399 55.1%
<b>Total Calls For Police Services</b>	<b>37,639 100.0%</b>	<b>33,788 100.0%</b>	<b>31,868 100.0%</b>	<b>9,887 100.0%</b>	<b>10,026 100.0%</b>	<b>1.4%</b>	<b>2,540 100.0%</b>
Per Month Average	3,137	2,816	2,656	2,472	2,507		
Criminal OF Reports	1,868 52.4%	1,892 52.8%	1,909 53.7%	624 55.0%	502 53.6%	-19.6%	141 51.8%
Non-Criminal OF Reports	1,699 47.6%	1,693 47.2%	1,646 46.3%	510 45.0%	434 46.4%	-14.9%	131 48.2%
<b>Total Offense Reports<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>3,567 100.0%</b>	<b>3,585 100.0%</b>	<b>3,555 100.0%</b>	<b>1,134 100.0%</b>	<b>936 100.0%</b>	<b>-17.5%</b>	<b>272 100.0%</b>
Per Month Average	297	299	296	284	234		
<b>Criminal Offenses - Actual</b>	<b>5,009 100.0%</b>	<b>4,561 100.0%</b>	<b>4,095 100.0%</b>	<b>1,409 100.0%</b>	<b>1,142 100.0%</b>	<b>-18.9%</b>	<b>332</b>
Per Month Average	417	380	341	352	286		
Juvenile Arrests	130 5.2%	147 6.5%	125 6.7%	44 6.9%	34 5.9%	-22.7%	7 4.4%
Adult Arrests	2,352 94.8%	2,111 93.5%	1,727 93.3%	590 93.1%	542 94.1%	-8.1%	151 95.6%
<b>Total Arrests</b>	<b>2,482 100.0%</b>	<b>2,258 100.0%</b>	<b>1,852 100.0%</b>	<b>634 100.0%</b>	<b>576 100.0%</b>	<b>-9.1%</b>	<b>158 100.0%</b>
Per Month Average	207	188	154	159	144		
<b>Total Use of Force Reports<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>130</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>-26.2%</b>	<b>10</b>
Per Month Average	11	11	12	11	8		
<b>Pounds of Drugs Collected<sup>4,6</sup></b>	<b>1,514</b>	<b>1,684</b>	<b>1,811</b>	<b>992</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>-42.7%</b>	<b>316</b>
Per Month Average	126	140	151	248	142		
Parking Tickets - Streets					722 33.8%		224 42.1%
Parking Tickets - Lots					1,413 66.2%		308 57.9%
<b>Total Parking Tickets</b>	<b>1,644</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>1,969</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>2,135 100.0%</b>	<b>225.5%</b>	<b>532 100.0%</b>
Per Month Average	137	176	164	164	534		
<b>Traffic Stops Conducted</b>	<b>12,534</b>	<b>10,078</b>	<b>8,884</b>	<b>3,190</b>	<b>3,264</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>755</b>
Per Month Average	1,045	840	740	798	816		
<b>Traffic Warnings Issued</b>	<b>13,669 79.0%</b>	<b>10,637 75.7%</b>	<b>9,461 75.5%</b>	<b>3,375 73.0%</b>	<b>3,571 78.7%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>803</b>
Per Month Average	1,139	886	788	844	893		
<b>Traffic Citations Issued</b>	<b>3,627 21.0%</b>	<b>3,420 24.3%</b>	<b>3,076 24.5%</b>	<b>1,246 27.0%</b>	<b>965 21.3%</b>	<b>-22.6%</b>	<b>251</b>
Per Month Average	302	285	256	312	241		
<b>Motor Vehicle Crashes</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>804</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>-15.8%</b>	<b>41</b>
Per Month Average	58	68	67	68	58		
<b>OUI Arrests</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41.9%</b>	<b>15</b>
Per Month Average	10	9	9	8	11		
ACO - Dispatches	997 98.3%	1,152 99.1%	1,057 99.1%	228 99.1%	238 97.9%	4.4%	80 100.0%
ACO Backup - Dispatches	17 1.7%	10 0.9%	10 0.9%	2 0.9%	5 2.1%	150.0%	0 0.0%
<b>Total Animal Control<sup>5</sup> - Dispatches</b>	<b>1,014 100.0%</b>	<b>1,162 100.0%</b>	<b>1,067 100.0%</b>	<b>230 100.0%</b>	<b>243 100.0%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>80 100.0%</b>
Per Month Average	85	97	89	58	61		

Note<sup>1</sup>: Represents total calls answered by the Communications Center for Biddeford Public Safety and the other six communities serviced by the Center.

Note<sup>2</sup>: Represents reports generated by officers to document information gathered when responding incidents.

Note<sup>3</sup>: Represents reports generated by officers when any level of force is required to control an aggressive or resistant person.

Note<sup>4</sup>: Represents pounds of outdated and/or unwanted prescription or over-the-counter drugs turned in to BPD by the public.

Note<sup>5</sup>: Represents only calls that the ACO or ACO Backup were dispatched to (excludes Animal Complaint calls responded to by Patrol Officers)

Note<sup>6</sup>: The 2019 Pounds Of Drugs Collected has been adjusted to be the net weight (excluding tare weight) of drugs.