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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.

Monday	June 10, 2019
6:30 p.m.	Policy Committee Meeting (Live)
Tuesday	June 11, 2019
5:30 p.m.	City Council Workshop (Live)
Wednesday	June 12, 2019
4:45 p.m.	Wastewater Management Commission Meeting @ 2 nd Floor Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Shellfish Conservation Committee @ Biddeford Pool Fire Department
Tuesday	June 18, 2019
4:30 p.m.	Capital Projects/Operations Committee Meeting @ 2 nd Floor Conference Room
5:00 p.m.	Finance Committee Meeting (Live)
6:00 p.m.	City Council Meeting (Live)
Wednesday	June 19, 2019
6:00 p.m.	Planning Board Meeting (Live)
Thursday	June 20, 2019
7:00 p.m.	Conservation Commission Meeting @ 2 nd Floor Conference Room

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

BEACH PERMIT INFORMATION

Beach season is almost here! Beginning on **June 15**, you will need a parking permit to park at Biddeford's public beaches between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** until Labor Day. Beach permits can be purchased at the City Clerk's Office, and you must provide the registration for the vehicle that you will be putting the permit in.

A previous edition of the Biddeford Beat included an error regarding the start time for permit parking.

Resident Permit Prices

First Vehicle: **\$25**

Additional Vehicle Registered at the Same Address: **\$15**

Residents ages 65 and older: **\$15**

1-, 3- and 7-day parking permits can be purchased at new parking kiosks which will be located in each of the beach parking lots.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Note: Dogs are prohibited on the City's public beaches between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. from May 25 to September 15.



NOW HIRING: LIFEGUARDS

Biddeford Recreation is still seeking full- and part-time summer lifeguards! Starting pay is **\$12/hour**. For more information, please contact the Biddeford Recreation Department at **207-283-0841**.

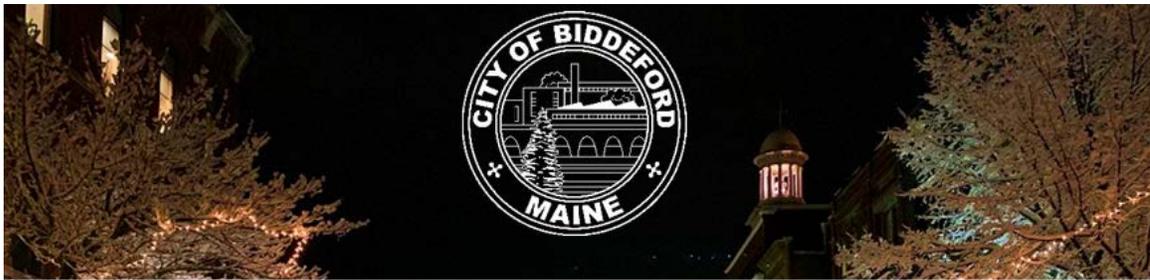
SCHOOL BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM ELECTION

The School Budget Validation Referendum Election will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2019. All Election Day voting will take place at the Biddeford High School Tiger Gym on Maplewood Avenue. The polling place will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.



The School Committee and City Council have both approved a \$38.9 million budget for the 2019-2020 School Year. This budget is a 2.99% increase from the previous year's budget, with 0.45% of the increase from core academics & operations and 2.54% from capital improvements.

[Click here](#) to read more detailed information about the School Budget on the School Department website.



The City of Biddeford's Downtown Development Commission is seeking information from community members about when and why they visit Biddeford's downtown. Visit www.polco.us/Biddeford to take the survey!



[SURVEY LINK](#)

The survey will close on June 22, 2019.

BIDDEFORD IN THE NEWS

Biddeford businesses were featured in multiple national media outlets this week!

Travel + Leisure magazine declared that "[This Small Town in Maine Should Be on Every Food Lover's Bucket List](#)".



Angelrox, which has made a home in the Pepperell Mill Campus manufacturing sustainable clothing, was [featured in Forbes](#).

MAYFIELD BUILDING IS PAINTED

The Recreation Department would like to thank Shannon Enman and her co-workers from Hannaford Supermarkets for donating their time to help transform the Mayfield Building. On Wednesday, they spent the day painting the restrooms and exterior trim, refreshing this facility. Their time and efforts are greatly appreciated!



MAINE LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Sixteen members of the Biddeford Police Department carried the Flame of Hope through Biddeford on Wednesday in the Maine Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics.

2019 marks the 35th anniversary of the Maine Law Enforcement Torch Run. This grassroots campaign is the largest annual fundraising and public awareness event for Special Olympics Maine. Last year over 750 members of Maine Law Enforcement brought in close to \$400,000 to help support the program.



At its most basic level the Torch Run is an actual running event, in which officers and athletes run the Flame of Hope™ to the Opening Ceremonies of local Special Olympics competitions and State and National Games. Annually, more than 85,000 dedicated, compassionate and volunteer law enforcement officers participate in the torch run throughout 35 nations, 12 Canadian provinces and 50 US states, raising over \$500 Million since its inception in 1981. Today, the Torch Run is more than just a run and encompasses a variety of fundraising events. Members of the Biddeford Police Department also participate in other fundraising efforts locally in Biddeford to support the Special Olympics.

Special Olympics is a year-round athletic training and sports competition program for children and adults with Intellectual Disabilities. In Maine there are over 4,400 athletes involved in the program. Law enforcement officers run from all over the state to the University of Maine Orono for the parade and opening ceremonies of the Special Olympics State Summer Games.

All funds raised benefit Special Olympics Maine athletes directly. As a matter of fact, one out of every five dollars spent each year by Special Olympics Maine is raised by the Law Enforcement Torch Run!

The money is used to provide athletes with sports equipment and proper training, venues, housing and meals at their events, as well as uniforms, etc. Funds are also used for the rental of sports facilities, the training of coaches and officials, the operation of a summer camp, the costs associated with sending Maine athletes to National and World Games events, a band for the banquet of champions at the summer games, free health screenings at the summer games and more.

FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND NEW MURAL IN BIDDEFORD

Recently, the Fire Department received a call for emergency services from a local Iraqi family that resulted in misunderstandings due to language barriers. Inspired by the situation, the FD has been working on breaking down those barriers through community outreach to the Iraqi community, including spending time with children in the neighborhood and distributing a fire safety information sheet in Arabic.



The Fire Department's outreach efforts reflect the same theme of community connections as a new mural that was finished this week on York Street. The mural depicts a boy speaking to a friend on the phone, and there is a coordinating mural across the world in Iraq.





**COURAGE
HONOR
INTEGRITY**

BPD KEY METRICS

Through Month Ending: Friday, May 31, 2019



	2016	2017	2018	2018-YTD	2019-YTD	% Change	MAY 2019 Sun 5/1 thru Sat 5/31
Total PSAP Calls For Service¹	53,723	49,883	50,582	19,944	20,120	1%	4,328
Per Month Average	4,477	4,157	4,215	4,017	4,053		4,328
Public Initiated	15,496 41%	15,897 47%	16,125 51%	6,255 49%	5,558 44%	-11%	1,178 45%
Agency Initiated	22,143 59%	17,891 53%	15,743 49%	6,570 51%	7,107 56%	8%	1,461 55%
Total Calls For Police Services	37,639 100%	33,788 100%	31,868 100%	12,825 100%	12,665 100%	-1%	2,639 100%
Per Month Average	3,137	2,816	2,656	2,583	2,551		2,639
Criminal OF Reports	1,868 52%	1,892 53%	1,909 54%	807 55%	642 53%	-20%	140 52%
Non-Criminal OF Reports	1,699 48%	1,693 47%	1,646 46%	656 45%	564 47%	-14%	130 48%
Total Offense Reports²	3,567 100%	3,585 100%	3,555 100%	1,463 100%	1,206 100%	-18%	270 100%
Per Month Average	297	299	296	295	243		270
Criminal Offenses - Actual	5,009 100%	4,561 100%	4,095 100%	1,791 100%	1,486 100%	-17%	344
Per Month Average	417	380	341	361	299		344
Juvenile Arrests	130 5%	147 7%	125 7%	58 7%	49 7%	-16%	15 10%
Adult Arrests	2,352 95%	2,111 93%	1,727 93%	733 93%	681 93%	-7%	139 90%
Total Arrests	2,482 100%	2,258 100%	1,852 100%	791 100%	730 100%	-8%	154 100%
Per Month Average	207	188	154	159	147		154
Total Use of Force Reports³	130	132	143	55	33	-40%	2
Per Month Average	11	11	12	11	7		2
Pounds of Drugs Collected^{4,6}	1,514	1,684	1,811	1,085	635	-41%	67
Per Month Average	126	140	151	219	128		67
Parking Tickets - Streets					894 34%		172 36%
Parking Tickets - Lots					1,715 66%		302 64%
Total Parking Tickets	1,644	2,113	1,969	838	2,609 100%	211%	474 100%
Per Month Average	137	176	164	169	526		474
Traffic Stops Conducted	12,534	10,078	8,884	3,979	4,113	3%	849
Per Month Average	1,045	840	740	802	829		849
Traffic Warnings Issued	13,669 79%	10,637 76%	9,461 75%	4,199 73%	4,429 78%	5%	858 75%
Per Month Average	1,139	886	788	846	892		858
Traffic Citations Issued	3,627 21%	3,420 24%	3,076 25%	1,514 27%	1,245 22%	-18%	280 25%
Per Month Average	302	285	256	305	251		280
Motor Vehicle Crashes	692	814	804	335	280	-16%	50
Per Month Average	58	68	67	67	56		50
OUI Arrests	120	106	103	39	56	44%	12
Per Month Average	10	9	9	8	11		12
Operating After Suspension or Rev Civil⁷	75 28%	73 30%	58 28%	22 25%	22 26%	0%	1 7%
Criminal⁸	192 72%	174 70%	149 72%	65 75%	64 74%	-2%	13 93%
Total	267 100%	247 100%	207 100%	87 100%	86 100%	-1%	14 100%
Per Month Average	22	21	17	18	17		14
ACO - Dispatches	997 98%	1,152 99%	1,057 99%	365 99%	371 98%	2%	133 97%
ACO Backup - Dispatches	17 2%	10 1%	10 1%	3 1%	9 2%	200%	4 3%
Total Animal Control⁵ - Dispatches	1,014 100%	1,162 100%	1,067 100%	368 100%	380 100%	3%	137 100%
Per Month Average	85	97	89	74	77		137
MENTAL HEALTH METRICS							
Calls - Mental Illness⁹	269	215	212	76	70	-8%	9
Per Month Average	22	18	18	15	14		9
Calls - Threatened/Attempted/Suicide⁹	253	263	279	109	102	-6%	21
Per Month Average	21	22	23	22	21		21
Police Transports for Crisis Eval¹⁰							
Transports - Juveniles	33 24%	42 32%	30 26%	16 33%	7 21%	-56%	3 27%
Transports - Adults	106 76%	88 68%	87 74%	32 67%	27 79%	-16%	8 73%
Total Transports	139 100%	130 100%	117 100%	48 100%	34 100%	-29%	11 100%
Per Month Average	12	11	10	10	7		11

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. Total does not include any reports in process.

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

Note⁵: Represents only calls that the ACO or ACO Backup were dispatched to (excludes Animal Complaint calls responded to by Patrol Officers).

Note⁶: Starting in 2019, the Pounds Of Drugs Collected has been adjusted to be the net weight (excluding tare weight) of drugs.

Note⁷: Represents the number of traffic summonses issued for the civil violation of failing to pay a fine or a reinstatement fee for previous traffic violation.

Note⁸: Represents the number of criminal offenses for operating a vehicle while a driver's license is suspended or revoked.

Note⁹: Based on the originating reason code for the call for police services.

Note¹⁰: Represents the number of transports by officers to crisis evaluation at SMHC for non-crime incidents.

Incident Type

<u>Incident Type</u>	<u>Occurrences</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
BFD FIRE IN OR ON A BUILDING	1	0.2
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL/AUTOMATIC AID STRUCTURE FIRE	1	0.2
BFD EMS CALL RESCUE ONLY NO TRANSPORT	32	7.8
BFD EMS CALL RES/ENG NO TRANSPORT	22	5.4
BFD EMS CALL RESCUE ONLY TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL	147	35.8
BFD EMS CALL RES/ENG TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL	79	19.2
BFD EMS TRANSPORT SMHC TO A MEDICAL FACILITY	30	7.3
BFD RECEIVE MUTUAL AID FOR EMS CALL	5	1.2
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL AID FOR EMS CALL	8	1.9
BFD MVC W/OUT INJURY	5	1.2
BFD MVC W/ INJURY	11	2.7
BFD DECON UNIT RESPONSE TO YORK COUNTY	1	0.2
BFD HAZMAT (MINOR) (GAS OR OIL SPILL)	2	0.5
BFD CARBON MONOXIDE	1	0.2
BFD ELECTRICAL PROBLEM	4	1.0
BFD TELEPHONE LINE DOWN	1	0.2
BFD WIRES ARCING	3	0.7
BFD TREE DOWN	1	0.2
BFD POWER LINE DOWN	1	0.2
BFD LOCK OUT VEHICLE OR STRUCTURE	2	0.5
BFD INSIDE SMOKE OR ORDOR INVESTIGATION	1	0.2
BFD PUBLIC ASSIST	3	0.7
Assist police or other governmental agency	1	0.2
BFD ASSIST POLICE OR OTHER AGENCY	1	0.2
BFD PROVIDE MUTUAL AID NON STRUCTURE FIRE	2	0.5
BFD UNPERMITTED BURN	1	0.2
PERMIT/CAMP FIRE INVESTIGATION	1	0.2
BFD STATION COVERAGE/STAND-BY	1	0.2
BFD EMS CALL CANCELLED ENROUTE	9	2.2
BFD BFD FIRE CALL CANCELED ENROUTE	2	0.5
BFD CANCELLED ENROUTE MUTUAL/AUTOMATIC AID STRUCTURE FIRE	1	0.2
BFD MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX WATER FLOW	1	0.2
BFD MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX PULLS/SMOKES	15	3.6
BFD MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX TAMPER OR TROUBLE	1	0.2
BFD FALSE ALARM MASTER/SUPERVISED BOX SYSTEM MALFUNCTION	1	0.2
BFD FALSE CALL-GOOD INTENT	2	0.5
BFD REPORTED FIRE UNFOUNDED	1	0.2
BFD PULLS/SMOKE DETECTOR ACTIVATION RESIDENTIAL	4	1.0
BFD RESIDENTIAL ALARM MALFUNCTION	5	1.2
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	1	0.2
TOTAL	411	100.0

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