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Regular Meetings

June:

- 9 Public Hearing on Budget, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber
- 18 Planning Board, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber
- 23 Special Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber, Adoption of Budget

July:

- 8 Regular Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber
- 17 Planning Board, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber

August:

- 11 Town Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber
- 20 Planning Board, 7:00 pm, Council Chamber

FY2014-2015 TOWN BUDGET

Over the course of the last few months, the Town Manager, Department Heads and Town Council have been working hard to present a stable budget for fiscal year 2014-2015.

The next step is for the public to have an opportunity to review the budget and provide input.

In addition to being available on the Town website (www.orono.org), residents will have the opportunity to review the budget at the Town Office.

The public is encouraged to attend the following public meetings on the proposed FY14-15 budget, all to be held in the Council Chamber:

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PRIMARY & RSU #26 BUDGET VALIDATION REFERENDUM ELECTION

TUES., JUNE 10, 2014

Voting for the June 10, 2014 Election will be held at the Birch Street School Senior Center, 10 Birch Street for Ward 1, Precinct 1 & 2 and in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Building, 59 Main Street for Ward 1, Precinct 3. Voting hours for the election are 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

The Registrar of Voters will be in Open Session on the following dates

and times in the Orono Town Office for the purpose of registering and enrolling new voters and to correct the voting list for the Primary and RSU #26 Budget Validation Referendum Election: June 3, 4, 5, 6 & 9 from 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. On voting day, registration of voters will take place at the voting precinct from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Absentee ballots are available at the Town Clerk's Office.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MOVING TO COUNCIL

After 24 months of public forums, monthly committee meetings, and a final public hearing May 29, the update of the Comprehensive Plan will be moving on to the Town Council for its review and consideration.

The updated plan touches on many aspects of life in Orono – housing, neighborhoods, economy transportation, open space, recreation, and water quality, and others. Each chapter of the

plan can be accessed online at www.orono.org/planning.

The 15-member Committee – including the Planning Board and seven at-large appointees – has worked diligently to create a blueprint to guide the next decade of growth and quality of life in town. The Town Council will take the proposed update through its review over several months, with action likely in the Fall.

INVESTING IN DOWNTOWN

It's hard not to notice the burst of construction activity in Downtown Orono.

The new University Credit Union headquarters at Main and Bennoch took shape through the winter and will open later this summer. It promises to be a landmark building in Downtown. Building owners along Main Street between Pine and Mill are busy renovating with assistance from a CDBG façade improvements grant. The former Dr. Records space is being renovated by

Woodman's Bar & Grill for reuse, and a deck has been added to the Family Dog.

Just down the street, work has continued on the renovation and reuse of the former St. Mary Church complex. These follow other renovations over the last several years – at University Inn, Verve, Harvest Moon Deli, Black Bear Brewery, the former Park's Hardware building, and Family Dog, among others. All are shaping the future of Downtown.

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Budget (continued from cover)

- June 9, 2014, 7:00 p.m., Public Hearing on the budget
- June 23, 2014, 7:00 p.m., Budget Adoption

Meeting dates/times will be listed on Cable Channel 7, and on our website at www.orono.org. Contact Town Manager Sophie Wilson at 866-2556, if you have any questions or concerns.

OPEN FIRE BURNING PERMITS

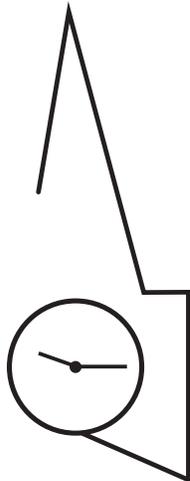
A reminder that a fire permit is required for any outdoor fires. This permit can be obtained at the fire station at a cost of \$10. Permits are restricted during high fire danger in the spring and summer. If you have questions, call 866-4000, 8:30 am-4:30 pm weekdays.

BOAT RE-REGISTRATIONS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Residents can re-register their boats on-line through the Orono website at www.orono.org or directly through www5.informe.org/online/boat. Make sure you have your old registration.

TRASH DELAY DURING HOLIDAY WEEKS

Trash pickup will be delayed one day during the weeks of July 4th and Labor Day, September 1st.



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ORONO PARKS & RECREATION NEWS

The Recreation Office is located at the Town Municipal Building, 59 Main Street



ORONO-VEAZIE

ADVENTURE CAMPS

Young Adventure Camp

June 23rd - August 15th, Grades K-5 from 7:30 am –5:30 pm, Monday-Friday. This camp provides young children with a safe and engaging environment to be active and explore. Each week there will be swimming, fieldtrips, activities, games and crafts. Each week will feature a different theme.

Middle School Explorers Camp

June 23rd-August 15th, Grades 5-8 from 7:30am-5:30pm, Monday-Friday. This camp is a great way to keep your young teens active through the summer. Activities include hiking, swimming, dodgeball, team sports, group games, fieldtrips, drama club and much more.

Fees: \$95/week or \$22/day. There is a \$10/week family discount for each additional child. Additional information is available online at www.oronorec.com or by emailing Camp Director Don Clark at dclark@orono.org.

SPORTS CAMPS

Orono Parks and Recreation offers a wide variety of sports camps. Check us out at www.oronorec.com for more information on the following programs:

- **LTC Football Academy - June 23-June 27**
- **Stix Field Hockey Camp - June 23-June 27**
- **Orono Basketball School -**
 - Girls: June 23-June 27**
 - Boys: June 30-July 3**
- **Advantage Tennis Camp - July 14-July 18**
- **Riot Youth Football Camp - July 14-July 18**
- **Seacoast Soccer - July 14 - 17**
- **British Soccer Camp - July 21-July 25**
- **Sweet Spot Golf Academy - July 28-August 1**
- **Paddle Camp - August 11-August 15**

RECREATION WEBSITE

To register for a Recreation program, go to www.oronorec.com. Check us out and create your own family account in order to register for programs and activities. On-line payments are available. Like us at www.Facebook.com/OronoParksandRec.



POOL OPENS JUNE 20TH

Pool Schedule through Sunday, August 24, 2014:

Weekdays

9:30-11:30 am	Swim Lessons	Monday-Thursday
11:30-12:30 pm	Lap Swim (15 yrs+)	Monday-Friday
1:00-4:00 pm	General Swim	Monday-Friday
4:30-5:30 pm	Lap Swim	Monday-Friday
5:30-7:30 pm	Family Splash	Monday-Friday

Weekends

12:00-1:00 pm	Lap Swim	Saturday/Sunday
1:00-3:30 pm	General Swim	Saturday/Sunday
3:30-5:00 pm	Family Splash	Saturday/Sunday

Daily Pool Fees: \$3 a day; Seasonal Pool Passes:

- * Family Pool Pass \$80 * Single Pool Pass \$40
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DANCING IN THE MOONLIGHT

THE PROM FOR ADULTS

Saturday, June 14th, 7-11pm, Buchanan Alumni House, UMaine, to benefit the Orono Village Green Campaign, hosted by OPLF. Tickets: \$40 each/\$75 per couple. Cash bar and hors d'oeuvres. Prom MC: Deb Neuman, music by DJ: Al Jackson. Tickets available at Orono Public Library or online at www.orono-libraryfoundation.org.

AIR CONDITIONED

Visit your air conditioned library this summer to check out the latest summer reads, listens and viewing opportunities and perhaps make an appointment to learn how to download audiobooks and ebooks onto your computers and mobile devices or improve your technology skills with our one-on-one tech tutors. Call 866-5060.

MAINE DISCOVERY MUSEUM PASS

Purchased by the Friends of the Library, we give out one pass each day, allowing up to four people in your family or group **free** admission to the museum. Call to reserve a pass. Also free passes to the **Maine State Museum** in Augusta!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

It's time to celebrate summer at the library! Join us on Thursday, June 19th, for our Annual Backyard Bash with *Julie and the Bug Boys*. The socializing and eating begins at 5:30, with the music beginning at 6:00pm. The Friends of the Library and Kiwanis will be providing hot dogs and watermelon and more. Bring your own picnic or enjoy a little of ours!

For six weeks, from 6/23 – 8/1, the kids can sign up for our independent

reading program, win prizes, and come to our weekly stories and activities. There will also be a teen program and a tween program every week, which will include movies, henna art, mystery parties, sci fi trivia games, and more! More information will be posted on our website: <http://library.orono.org>.

Don't miss 3 spectacular events this summer! **Jackson Gillman, storyteller extraordinaire**, will be performing at the Orono Middle School cafeteria, on Monday, July 7th, 10:30am. Orono Parks and Recreation will be co-sponsoring **Harry Potter Day** at the library, on Friday, July 25th, all day! **Mad Science of Maine** will be performing a Fizz, Boom, Pop! program on Thursday, July 31st, at the Orono Middle School Cafeteria, at 10:30am. Please check the library's calendar for other scheduled events: <http://library.orono.org/calendar>.

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OPPORTUNITY



REPORT ON CLEANUP EVENTS

This year's Street and Stream Cleanup Event was a great success despite the foul weather. Over 70 community members and Town staff worked to collect trash from our streets, trails, and river banks today.

At the same time, Public Works staff partnered with UMaine and other local communities at an E-Waste Collection Day at the Steam Plant Parking Lot where nearly 300 community members brought televisions and other electronic devices to be recycled.

If you add in the 'Free Week' event at the landfill, the Town of Orono collected and processed over 75 tons of demolition debris, trash, and recycling in a safe and environmentally responsible way.

The residents and town staff can be proud of working together to have a wonderful and positive effect on the community.

KIWANIS AUCTION JULY 17, 18 & 19

The 68th Kiwanis Auction will take place starting at 5:00 pm, Thursday, July 17th through Saturday, July 19th at the Kiwanis Barn located on Forest Avenue in Orono.

Come check out the auction items, trash and treasure barns, book and toy barns, and try the legendary hot dogs!

DOG LEASH LAW

The Animal Ordinance (Sec. 6-29) addresses dogs running at large and the leash requirements. The language is as follows:

“(a) It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog, whether licensed or unlicensed, to permit such dog to run at large, except when used for hunting. (b) Any dog shall be controlled by a leash of not more than eight feet in length in the following areas within the Town of Orono: (1) All properties, public ways, and sidewalks located within the Village Commercial District; (2) School and library properties; (3) Birch Street School property; (4) Marden Park; and (5) Webster Park.

Nothing in this subsection shall require the leashing of any dog while it is on the property of its owner. No dog shall be left unattended in the areas listed in this subsection.”

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WHO OR WHAT IS THE ORONO LAND TRUST?



Orono Land Trust (OLT) is a thriving, community-oriented organization dedicated to conserving special, local places for future generations within the towns of Orono, Veazie and Old Town. Through collaboration with Bangor Land Trust, OLT has embraced a broader perspective and has conserved thousands of acres within a wildlife and recreation corridor that extends from Bangor to Hudson. Because of its non-profit status and work with the many generous, private landowners who allow access over their lands, OLT has purchased lands and obtained conservation and trail easements. Of utmost importance to OLT is conserving habitats for mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians through the protection of vegetation

and water, including vernal pools. Providing access to woods and waters for recreational activities and for education is also a high priority.

Orono Land Trust is an all-volunteer organization with a volunteer Board of Directors. OLT members include Stewards and Assistant Stewards who monitor the condition of its conservation easements, the properties that it owns and town lands, and who work to maintain trails for public access. Each OLT property is managed differently based on a land management plan with an eye towards maintaining or creating diverse habitats. Timber may be cut, trails may have special designs to expose unique features, and trails may be closed during certain times of the year to protect wildlife species in sensitive areas.

The Orono Land Trust Board takes its responsibility seriously as trustee for these preserved areas. To this end, the Board is working diligently to become accredited by the Land Trust Alliance. This has been a tremendous undertaking, but accreditation is within sight, maybe even in 2014. All residents can be assured that OLT properties are well known and properly cared for. OLT communicates with local businesses and the Town Council to ensure that important habitats and trails are part of the town's comprehensive plan.

If you want to help, volunteer and become an OLT member online at: www.aronolandtrust.org or mail your membership to P O Box 4, Orono, ME 04473-0004.

ORONO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Collectibles & More Sale

Festival Day, Saturday, September 6, 2014

10am-3pm, Keith Anderson Community House

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66 Forest Avenue, Orono | \$239,000

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LEAVES AND BRUSH ACCEPTED AT LANDFILL

The Town of Orono now accepts bagged leaves and brush at the landfill.

Residents with a free permit (obtained at the Town Office) may haul brush and bagged leaves to the landfill during regular operating hours (Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8am-4pm).

Materials must be dumped in the designated area as directed by Public Works staff. No contaminated materials will be accepted. Contact Public Works or the Town Office with any questions.

CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING

The Town seeks applications from residents interested in serving on the Board of Appeals and the Board of Assessment Review. Committee Application Forms are available at the Town Office or on the website at <http://www.orono.org/council/committees>. Please consider volunteering. Your input makes a difference!

For more information on what is involved in serving on a board or committee, stop by the Town Office or call us at 866-2556.

ORONO VILLAGE FESTIVAL DAY SATURDAY, SEPT. 6TH

Join in the food, fun, crafts, and entertainment for all ages in downtown Orono on Saturday, September 6, 2014. Mark your calendar and check Cable Channel 7 and the Town's website at www.orono.org for details about the day. Contact Belle Ryder at 866-2556 to reserve space for the event.

Town of Orono Hours of Operation

Town Office: **866-2556**
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Public Works: **866-5062**
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Tuesday-Friday

Recreation: **866-5065**
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Monday-Friday

Library: **866-5060**
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Saturdays - 9 AM - 1 PM
Sunday - Closed

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