Hope & Kindness are not cancelled…be strong and stay healthy.

- Full Strawberry Moon is Friday, June 5th
- Harrison **Summer Rec Program** will be running this summer and it is opening Early, **Monday, June 8th**. You can sign up and pay for 2 extra weeks. See Harrison Rec Dept in newsletter or the Website for details.
- **Food4vets** On **Wednesday, June 17, between 2 to 5pm** the New England Patriots are sending us a trailer truck load of food for vets to Bridgton!! See info at end of update.
- We are **open** to the public as of **Monday, May 18, 2020** with social distancing and other changes. Please be patient.
- **Tuesday and Thursdays 8:00 am to 10:00 am** we are serving citizens that are 65 or older. Please allow our vulnerable citizens this time to complete their transactions.
- Select Board Meeting Thursday, **June 11, 2020** in Meeting room.
- Out-date Vehicle Registrations are due by **June 12, 2020**.

In consideration of the safety of the vulnerable populations within our community, we encourage people to use on-line services for renewal of registrations (car, trailer, boat, ATV), pay taxes, get fishing licenses, etc. links can be found through our town website [www.harrisonmaine.org](http://www.harrisonmaine.org).

Stay strong Friendly Village, take care of yourself, wash your hands and stay home! We will be putting this all behind us before we know it.

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**Maine Fun Facts:** Geographical High Point: Mt. Katahdin at 5,268 feet, located in the county of Piscataquis (source: U.S. Geological Survey)

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If you have town related business, or information on events you would like included in the update, please email the information to newsletters@harrisonmaine.org.

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**From the Desk of the Town Manager ~ Tim Pellerin**

Dear Citizens:
Welcome back! We are open for business as of Monday, May 18, 2020! As we re-open in these unprecedented times, we are opening with some new changes. We ask you for your patience and to respect our policies for the safety of other citizens and our employees. We expect it to be quite busy when we first open so if you call and are unable to get through please know that we are doing our best and will return calls as quickly as possible.

- Masks or face coverings are required to protect employees. If you cannot wear a face-covering or mask **please call** and we will schedule an appointed time to do your transactions.

- Code Enforcement business (permits/inspections) will be done by appointment. They will be conducting business in the meeting room at a designated table not in the Administrative Offices and only by
appointment. - If you do not make an appointment and wait in-line they will do their best to accommodate you but they could be on an inspection or on the phone or otherwise unable to help at that exact moment.

- Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 am to 10:00 am we are reserving for citizens that are 65 or older. Please allow our vulnerable citizens this time to complete their transactions.

- We will be closing on Friday afternoons at noon if possible for cleaning, paperwork and reports. Monday through Thursday hours are 8:00 pm to 4:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am to noon.

If you have any questions, concerns or problems please contact us.
- It is important for all of you to remain calm, not panic and follow State & Federal guidelines. Please take a moment and be sure to check on your neighbors and friends and watch out for each other. If you know someone who needs help or are not sure how to help them, please call us for guidance and/or assistance. We know that these are uncertain times and if you have any questions or concerns please contact us.

- Let’s all be respectful and courteous to each other. Things will get better. Please stay safe. We will get through this as a Town and a family.

The Town Meeting has been changed to July 14, 2020. It is by secret ballot voting from 8 am to 8 pm. Please consider getting Absentee Ballots.

Thank you for your continued support and have a good weekend.

From the Town Clerk ~

REMINDER!
If you have a vehicle you purchased while the town office was closed now is the time to come in and get it registered. Please do not wait until the last minute. The deadline for registering your new to you vehicle, in Harrison, is June 12th.

We are using the meeting room door as our entrance for the public. This is not the door most are used to using so please pay attention to signage. We ask everyone to please follow the markings on the floor to safeguard safe distancing for everyone and to wear a face covering when entering the building. If the staff becomes ill we won’t be open to help anyone. If you cannot wear a mask due to a health condition, please call us at 583-2241 ext. 2 and we will make arrangements with you.

The clerk’s office is very busy. Please make sure you have all the required paperwork with you to do your business.

➢ Car registrations need proof of insurance and mileage. We will not be able to call your insurance company and get that information for you, please plan ahead.

➢ Anything new to you requires a bill of sale, title, proof of insurance, and mileage.

➢ New from dealer requires bill of sale, window sticker, blue title application, proof of insurance, & mileage.

➢ For a complete list of what you need for most registrations, please go to our website and look under the Announcement section for Re-opening the town office and what you need to know.

VOTE HEALTHY – VOTE ABSENTEE!

* This is the first-year town meeting is by secret ballot. There are 31 questions plus candidate seats to vote on. This can take time. Voting from the comfort of your recliner, on your schedule, lets you take as long as you need.

* There will also be a school ballot, a State candidate ballot and a referendum ballot.

* For your safety and the safety of all the election workers you can still vote and have your vote count with no health worries.
* It's easy to receive an absentee ballot. [Order online here](#) or call the town office at 583-2241 ext. 2 or 6 and we will mail the ballot to you.

Please stay tuned to the newsletter for updates and/or visit our website for updates as we have them. We are working hard to keep our information on our website current and keep you up to date on what is happening here in Harrison.

**THE CODE OFFICE**
Anyone needing assistance from the code or assessing office is required to call and set up an appointment. The number is 583-0923. If you don’t have an appointment you will need to wait in line to reach the clerk’s counter in order to get assistance and a code officer may not be available.

**BALLOT INFORMATION** – Want to know what is on the ballot or need more information about a question, go to the website, [www.harrisonmaine.org](http://www.harrisonmaine.org) and follow the link under Announcements to Election Information. There is a Municipal Ballot Guide to help with the municipal ballot and all the updates for the ordinances that are on the ballot are there as well. Hard copies will be available at the town office starting next week.

The school ballot is the usual validation question. Meaning do you agree with the budget that will be voted on at a date TBD. I will let you know when I have the date.

I also have a link to the State ballot information as well. The information is currently very limited and pertains to candidate information at this time but as we get closer the State will have more information pertaining to the referendum questions that will be on the ballot, so keep checking the link.

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**Fire & Rescue Responses ~**

- **Emergency - 911** – Non-Emergency Sheriff Dept. – 893-2810

**HARRISON FIRE/RESCUE CALL RESPONSES**

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**From the Transfer Station ~**

The Transfer Station is still open with regular hours but please observe social distancing and do not enter the buildings. This is for the safety and protection of our employees and the public.

Spring weather is here and we are looking to spruce up some areas on town property. We are looking for perennial plants and shrubs anyone would like to donate. Spring is a good time to divide many plants and if
anyone has some extras they would be willing to share please stop by the transfer station and let me know or email me at transferst@harrisonmaine.org. Spread the word!!!!

Harrison Rec Dept~ For more information contact Kayla at 583-2241 or klaird@harrisonmaine.org

Summer Rec will start June 22nd with special precautions in place. We are able to open earlier, starting Monday, June 8th. You can sign up and pay $100/wk ($80/wk for 2nd child) on-line. Email me if you want to reserve a spot. See important info at end of update.

We have cancelled all field trips for the summer. Though field trips are cancelled, we will still have Rec on those days. We plan to make Tuesday’s a little extra special as we know how fun field trips are.

There will be no swimming lessons this year but they will be back next year!

Baseball and softball will be starting practices next week!. Though this is very exciting news, understand that there will be restrictions to ensure that we are following all guidelines from the CDC especially with social distancing and no more than 50 people at an event. For example, at some fields, parents may have to watch from their cars, thankfully our complexes are quite large and will be a bit easier to space families and fans out during games. There will also be no sharing of equipment such as helmets, gloves, batting gloves etc. Many players have their own equipment but for those that don’t, they will be assigned equipment for the season which will then need to be returned when the season has finished.

There will be no 5k Run by the Lake this year unfortunately.

RADR gates are open for those that enjoy walking the around the fields or just taking in the gorgeous views!

Please remember if you are using Crystal Lake Park be respectful of social distancing and that we are now having Summer Rec and need to have special precautions and to keep separated.

Harrison Village Library ~

The Harrison Village Library will offer curb service beginning Monday, June 1. The building will remain closed to the public, but you may request items to be checked out to you and arrange a time for pickup in our parking lot. Our curb service will be available Monday and Wednesday from 1-7, Thursday from 11-5, and Saturday from 10-2, but given the fluid nature of things lately and our very small staff, our hours are subject to change. Any library materials you have been holding may be returned beginning Monday. We are not accepting donations of books, movies or magazines at this time. Please call or email for more information 583-2970 or kkramer@harrison.lib.me.us). Thank you for your understanding and support!

Recurring Events ~

HARRISON FOOD BANK – Tuesdays – 1:30pm to 6:30pm
Located at the Harrison Food Bank, Ronald G. St. John Community Center located at 176 Waterford Road in Harrison, mailing address: PO Box 112, Harrison, ME 04040 Telephone 207-647-3384

Upcoming Events ~

Lakeside Grange #63 Yard Sale is cancelled until further notice.
Good Morning from Post 67 25 Depot St.

On Wednesday June 17, between 2 to 5pm the New England Patriots are sending us a trailer truck load of food for vets!! Please register ahead of time, today!!, right now!! if possible. We need the sign up so they can package the cases of food. Every veteran is entitled to a case (14 day supply) and additional cases for their dependents: husbands, wives, children living at home. If you are a survivor of a veteran, you are entitled, as long as you bring the deceased veterans ID indicating military service. i.e. DD214, VA id card, drivers license with flag, etc. If you are not a veteran but know of a veteran, they may not have an email....

**PLEASE PASS THE WORD ON TO THEM AND HELP THEM SIGN UP.**

There is **NO COST INVOLVED WHATS SO EVER!!!!**

**You do not need to be a Legion Member!!**

**Help us give to those who gave so much!!!!!!!**

For God and Country
Commander Mulcahy

VA Truck will be delivering food at Bridgton Community Center site on June 17th

**FOOD4VETS** a program funded by The New England Patriot’s organization is hosting major food distribution sites in Maine (and New England) for Veterans and their families who may be food insecure. This is a multi-organization collaboration with the New England Patriots partnering with **222cares** and the **VET Center in Lewiston** to deliver boxes of food to the Lewiston and Brunswick areas. The American Legion Post 67 Bridgton has asked to expand this coverage to include Bridgton. Plans are to have the site up for distribution on Wednesday, June 17th at the Bridgton Community Center 25 Depot St. in the afternoon from 2 pm to 5 pm. A box of food will be provided to each family member registered. Two individuals in the family, two boxes etc. Families in which the veteran has passed away may still register provided they have the DD214 as proof of service. Vets or their families needing this support must register for food on the **222cares.org** website and **present a DD214 or proof of service at the time of food pick-up**. Please pass this info on to all veterans in need of this support. For more information please contact: Commander Donald Mulcahy, **post67commander@gmail.com** or call 207-890-8874
Harrison Summer Rec 2020

Important Information

We have made many modifications to our Summer Rec Program to make it as safe as possible from the current Covid-19 pandemic. There are several changes for our staff, campers and parents. It is crucial that we all work together and follow the plan set in place.

**Drop off procedure:** Will start at 8:30, this will allow for more time for campers to be dropped off and less crowded. We are asking that parents follow the signs in the parking lot to keep traffic going in one direction. Parents will remain in their vehicle and the child will then go to a designated area (that will be marked) to have their temperature taken by Kayla or Mike.

**Pick up Procedure:** Campers will need to be picked up by 3:30, again this allows for a more staggered pick up. 2 Counselors will be by the parking lot with a radio and parents will pull in and let the counselor know who they are picking up. The child will then be sent over from their group and to their vehicle.

**Groups:** Campers will be placed in a group and will have a designated area in which they will keep all their belongings. We will not be using the dugouts as they don't allow for a lot of space. Campers will keep all their belongings in this designated area throughout the day.

**Sharing of items:** There will be no sharing of sunscreen, water bottles, towels, hats, clothes, etc. Please make sure that you are sending your child in with what they need for the day. Please make sure your campers belongings are labeled with their name.

**Downtown Lunch:** This year we will not be allowing our older campers to sign out to go downtown for lunch. This is to help us keep everyone safe and have less interaction with the public during camp hours. We will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, nachos and pizza from the snack shack. We are open to more suggestions for lunch foods to sell.

**Masks:** Fortunately for us we are outside in a big area! Though we will be following the social distancing guidelines, we have been notified that campers will not need to wear masks when running around and playing games. During lunch time campers will be spread out so that no masks are needed. If we find ourselves not being able to follow social distancing, we have masks on hand.

**Hygiene:** It is very important that we emphasize how important it is to be washing our hands and using hand sanitizer. We have purchased an additional wash sink that will be placed on the side of the snack shack. Groups will be stopping throughout the day for handwashing. Groups will also have hand sanitizer available as well as bottles placed at the snack shack and around the park. We highly recommend that you try and send your child with their own hand sanitizer as well.

**Sick or illness:** If you child is not feeling well, please do not send them to Rec! Temperatures will be taken upon arrival and any child with a high temp will be sent home. If your child is showing any signs of Covid-19 they will be asked to stay home for 14 days. We will have a designated medical tent next to the snack shack. This will be used if we have a camper that is feeling ill and showing any signs or symptoms of Covid-19. Parents will be contacted, and the child will need to be picked up immediately.
**Swimming:** We will be roping off half of the beach during Rec hours for our campers. Unfortunately, this year there will be no swimming lessons due to Red Cross classes being cancelled and not having instructors for the season. We will be back stronger than ever next summer!

**Rain Days:** On bad weather days there will be no Rec. Unfortunately, we don’t have the option to use the school. Cancellations will be posted on the Harrison Rec Facebook page by 7:30am.

**Bathrooms:** The bathrooms will be open to Summer Rec and the public however, they will be cleaned multiple times a day and will only allow 2 people in the bathroom at a time.

**Payment:** Payments will be due each Friday for those with remaining balance. Payments can be made at the Town Office or placed in an envelope in your child’s backpack.

**Lost & Found:** This year it is extremely important that campers are taking care of their belongings. We will not be taking any items inside the snack shack at the end of the day. We will have groups pack their bags and ensure they have everything.

**Electronics:** We do not allow for campers to have any electronics during Rec hours. We want campers participating in activities and having fun. Any electronics that get brought to Rec will be kept in their backpacks. We are not responsible for any lost or stolen electronics.
Select Board Meeting Notes for
HARRISON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Special MEETING
Tuesday June 2, 2020 – 10:00 A.M.
In person in Community Room and Teleconference – On-line Meeting

Present: Chairman Matthew Frank, Vice Chairman Raymond Laplante, Selectman Richard Sykes, Selectman Penny Bean (by computer), Selectman Henry Dumont arrived at 10:20 am, Town Manager Tim Pellerin, Secretary Denise Dumont

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call the Meeting to Order at 10:07 AM

3. Old Business - None

4. New Business
   a) Olde Mill Tavern – Outside Tables
   Submitted a plan asking the town for permission to temporarily use 2 parking spaces to have up to 12 tables of outdoor seating. The way the Governor has opening for restaurants he does not have enough indoor seating to keep the Restaurant going. This will hopefully help his business stay alive. He plans to close outdoor seating around dusk.
   Motion to allow Olde Mill Tavern to temporarily have up to 12 outside tables using 2 parking spaces until October 15, 2020 made by S. Sykes, 2nd by S. Laplante. Approved 4-0 (Selectman Dumont not there at time of vote)
   Town Manager will send a letter today stating that Municipal Officials voted to allow up to 12 outside tables using 2 parking places; put up Jersey barriers to protect the patrons, and moving handicap space to another accessible spot until October 15, 2020.

   b) Gazebo Rentals this summer
   Do we allow Gazebo Rentals? Discussion followed it was agreed to add to Gazebo Agreement maximum of 50 people; use social distancing. S. Sykes asked about Crystal Lake Park and beach how that would work?
   Town Mgr. we are not going to police but could get a sign please practice social distancing. Summer Rec. closes off part of the beach for swim lessons etc. but the problem comes when summer camp buses show up.
   It was decided that a sign stating No buses allowed. Some summer camps are not opening or are opening differently like not venturing out of camp for field trips. So, this may not be as much of a problem this year.
   Motion to allow Gazebo Rentals this summer with addition of a maximum of 50 people with social distancing added to Rental Application and open beach and park with signage No Buses. Made by S. Sykes, 2nd S. Laplante. Approved 5-0

   c) Summer Recreation Program
   Town Manager explained that Rec. Dept. submitted a detailed Harrison Summer Recreation Contagious Disease Operational plan that he sent to Attorney after we received the Governor’s for re-opening and we are above recommendations by the state so Attorney Ok’d plans. Tim suggests they proceed but in these uncertain times also wants the Board to give approval to go ahead. Town Manager, Tim asked the Rec Director to give overview of what will be done and how will proceed with Summer Rec if it is approved.

   Kayla Laird, Rec Director was in attendance to speak on Summer Recreation Program and Asking for approval to run Harrison Summer Recreation Program supposed to start June 22 but would like to start early by adding two additional weeks at a cost of $100/wk and $80/wk 2 or more children. This cost would be for everyone (residents and non-residents). They would like to begin on June 8th if approved.

   Additional discussion followed about the precautions to be used.
Motion to allow the Summer Recreation Program Contagious Disease Operational plan in place to run this summer with change to recommending no carpooling, adjusting temperature taking if needed and adding the 2 additional weeks (wk June 8th and June 15th) with $100 charge per week (second child $80/wk) making the start date of June 8th made by S. Sykes and 2nd S. Laplante. Approved 5-0

d) HVAC system at Town Office
This was just an update on quotes that we received to install UV sanitizers and to have our air returns cleaned and maintained properly. They need to be cleaned, scrubbed and sanitized 2-3 times a year. More information to follow with renovations being done to bring garage and back office up to code for insurance.

e) Budget Update
Just updating that taxes are being paid coming in and excise tax also slowly coming in but it is coming in.

5. Adjourn
Motion to adjourn at 11:21 am by S. Laplante and 2nd by S. Dumont Approved 5-0