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

- Just a reminder - we do have a Fireworks Ordinance. There are NO fireworks allowed in Harrison.
- **Welcome Summer**! It is the Summer Solstice on Saturday night.
- **Happy Father’s Day** to all the Father’s out there.
- The Town Office only will close at **1:00 pm on Tuesday, June 30, 2020**.
- The Town Office will be closed on **Friday, July 3, 2020** for the Independence Day Holiday!
- The Transfer Station will be closed on **Saturday, July 4, 2020** for Independence Day Holiday!
- **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.
- **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.

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).

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**Maine Fun Facts:** Key Industries: Agriculture including poultry, cattle, fishing, apples, maple syrup, paper, wood products, lumber, electronic equipment, and textiles.

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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**

**Brain Teaser of the Week:**
A man pushes his car to a hotel and tells the owner that he is bankrupt. Why?

**Last week:** What can you keep but cannot share, once you share it you can’t keep it anymore? **Answer: A Secret**

Dear Citizens:
It is turning out to be a busy summer with wonderful weather so far! Things will look a little different as businesses start to reopen for customers. Thank you for being patient and we ask that you are respectful of their policies for the safety of other citizens and their employees.

As a reminder, we have a Fireworks Ordinance; There are No fireworks allowed in Harrison. It is a $250.00 fine for a first offense.

The Town Office only will close at 1:00 pm on June 30, 2020.

Summer Rec will be in full swing on Monday, June 22, 2020. See Kayla’s Recreation section for more details.

Crystal Lake Park and Beach open. Please use CDC guidelines and social distancing. Keep safe.
Baseball and softball games are starting at Crystal Lake Park and Radr. Come out and see a game. Please follow their guidelines.

The Town Office will be closed on Friday, **July 3, 2020** for Independence Day Holiday. The Transfer Station will be closed on **Saturday, July 4th** for Independence Day.

**The Town Meeting has been changed to July 14, 2020.** It is by secret ballot voting from 8 am to 8 pm. As in the Town Clerk’s section there are a lot of questions and ballots so why not take your time at home and consider getting **Absentee Ballots**.

Select Board Meeting changed to Thursday, **July 16, 2020** at 6 pm.

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

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**From the Town Clerk ~**

**RABIES ALERT**

There has been a positive case of a rabid racoon located on Tolman Road this week. A reminder to all that rabid animals can travel a distance so please pay extra attention to children and pets. DO NOT EVER approach a wild animal for any reason and be especially mindful that wild animal infected with rabies may attack for no apparent reason. It is a symptom of the disease and we all just need to be aware of our surroundings.

**ELECTION UPDATE:**

I have finally received guidance from the Secretary of State’s office in conjunction with the CDC, as to what I am allowed and not allowed to do during the election and what protocols I have to put in place. My biggest priority is keeping my workers and anyone coming in to vote safe. All the workers will be required to wear face coverings.

Show you care about your friends and neighbors working to support your right to vote by wearing a face covering. If you don’t want to wear a covering for whatever reason, please vote absentee. A little kindness can go a long way during these trying times.

Speaking of absentee ballots…. **VOTE HEALTHY – VOTE ABSENTEE!**

I know have everything in house and we have started to ship absentee ballots out to voters. Ballots can be mailed back (you will need to put postage on them) or you can drop them off at the town office or in the drop box on the outside of the building.

It's easy to receive an absentee ballot. [Order online here](#) or call the town office at 583-2241 ext. 2 and we will mail the ballot to you.

Need help understanding some of the questions on the municipal ballot? We have a **Town Meeting Ballot Guide** available at the town office or on our website to help answer any questions you may have. Please take some time to look at the website, I have put everything for the election I could think of including sample ballots for everything (municipal, school and state) that will be voted on July 14th.

Go to [www.harrisonmaine.org](http://www.harrisonmaine.org) and follow the link under Announcements to Election Information.

**LATE HOURS TO ABSENTEE VOTE OR REGISTER TO VOTE**

Thursday July 9th, the Clerk’s office will be open from 4pm – 6:30pm for absentee voting and for anyone wishing to register to vote.

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**Quote of the Week:**

Who said this quote?

"We Make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."
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 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.

Transfer Station will be closed on Saturday, July 4, 2020 for Independence Day Holiday!

We can only dispose of illegal fireworks if they have been soaked in water for 24 hours.

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. See important info at end of update.

The extra two weeks of Rec has been a great success! We had small groups which was a great start for adjusting to all the new changes. Our equipment is the cleanest it has ever been! Both staff and campers have done a phenomenal job with following our new rules and guidelines. A reminder for our parents that if there is inclement weather, we will not have Rec that day.

Softball and Baseball have started games! Our fields will be busy but will sure be great to see games being played!

Adult softball is playing Friday nights at Crystal Lake starting 6pm!

Harrison Village Library ~

The Harrison Village Library is open for curb service. Call or email with your requests, and we’ll bring them right to your car when you arrive! Here is a link to our catalog (you don’t need to be logged in to search): koha.harrison.lib.me.us

You can search by title, author, or keyword, and you can also browse the "Lists" section above the search bar to see recent acquisitions and other lists, such as book club selections. Curb service is available Monday and Wednesday from 1-7, Thursday from 11-5, and Saturday from 10-2. 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 – 12:00pm to 6:00pm

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.
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 illnes: 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.