



Property Tax Reminder:

Second Half Tax Payments are due April 30th

PUBLIC NOTICE Town of Raymond ROAD POSTINGS

This is to notify you that Raymond closed its roads to vehicles weighing in excess of 23,000 pounds on **March 1, 2021 and will remain closed until May 1, 2021.** Routes 85, 121, 302 and the Egypt Road are exempt from this closure because they are State maintained roads.

29-A.M.R.S.A. § 2395

- Ball Drive
- Brown Road
- Canal Road
- Cape Road
- Caton Road
- Chapel Street
- Conesca Road
- County Road
- Crockett Road
- David Plummer Road
- Deep Cove Road
- Dolimount Road
- Dyer Road
- Elizabeth Avenue
- Frye Road
- Gay Street
- Giselle Avenue
- Gore Road
- Harmon Road
- Ledge Hill Road
- Lloyds Lane
- Lyn Court
- Mailman Road
- Main Street
- Martin Heights
- McDermott Road
- Mill Street
- Mountain Road
- North Raymond Road
- Panther Pond Pines
- Patricia Avenue
- Peterson Road
- Pine Lane
- Pipeline Road
- Plains Road
- Pond Road
- Presidential View
- Raymond Hill Road
- Ridge Road
- Salmon Run
- Shaker Woods Road
- Shaw Road
- Spiller Hill Road
- Tarkiln Hill Road
- Tassel Top Drive
- Tenney Hill Road
- Valley Road
- Wawenock Road
- Westview Drive

Nathan White, Public Works Director



RAYMOND ROADRUNNER TOWN OF RAYMOND – MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

TOWN OFFICE UPDATES AND REMINDERS

The 2019-2020 Annual Town Report is now available at: www.raymondmaine.org

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Meeting information available at: www.raymondmaine.org/raymond-event-calendar
- **March 24, 2021 – RSU #14 Board of Directors, Budget Workshop @ 6:30pm via Zoom**
 - **March 30, 2021 – Budget-Finance Committee with Selectboard, Budget Workshop @ 6:30 via Zoom**
 - **March 31, 2021 – Zoning Board of Appeals @ 7:00pm via Zoom**
 - **April 13, 2021 – SelectBoard Meeting @ 6:30pm via Zoom**
 - **April 14, 2021 – Planning Board @ 7:00pm via Zoom**
 - **April 27, 2021 – Budget-Finance Committee @ 6:30pm via Zoom**

The FY 2021-2022 Proposed Budget is available at: www.raymondmaine.org

– TOWN OF RAYMOND PUBLIC NOTICE – NOMINATION PAPERS

will be available beginning 8:30 a.m., Monday, March 1, 2021 for the following positions:

- Selectman – 1 position for a 3-year term
- Budget/Finance Committee – 3 positions for 3-year terms
- Budget/Finance Committee – 2 positions for 2-year terms
- RSU #14 Board of Directors – 1 position for a 3-year term

Positions to be elected on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 7:00 am to 8:00 pm at Jordan Small Middle School gymnasium

Nomination papers are available at the Raymond Town Office, 401 Webbs Mills Road, during regular office hours. 25, but not over 100, registered Raymond voter signatures are required to be added to the ballot.

The DEADLINE for submission of nomination papers to the Town Clerk is Friday, April 9, 2021, at 4:00 pm.



TOWN SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS APRIL 30, 2021.
For more info. contact, Sue Look, Town Clerk at 207-655-4742 x121 or visit: www.raymondmaine.org/town-office/town-clerk/town-scholarships. Applications can be mailed to: Sue Look, Town of Raymond, 401 Webbs Mills Rd, Raymond, ME 04071

LIBRARY NEWS & UPDATES

www.raymondvillagelibrary.org
(207) 655-4283
Follow RVL on Facebook

1ST ANNUAL SPRING BIRDHOUSE RAFFLE IS UNDERWAY!
We have 27 uniquely designed birdhouses on display at the library. All birdhouses entered in the raffle can also be viewed on our website. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. Tickets can be purchased at the library, by phone, or online. Raffle drawings will be held on April 4th. Winners will be notified by phone, or email and can pick up their birdhouse in the library, or through curbside pickup. Raymond residents can also request home delivery. All proceeds from the birdhouse raffle directly support library programs, materials and services for the Raymond community.

EASTER EGG HUNT & BASKET RAFFLE
RVL will be holding a children's Easter Egg Hunt at the library in early April! Contact Miss Karen at the library on how to sign-up for this activity. Kids can also enter our free Easter basket raffle at the front desk. Kids will be able to receive their free raffle ticket during checkout at the circulation desk starting in late March. Donations of new toys and/or Easter candy for the Easter egg hunt or the children's basket raffle are welcomed.

VOLUNTEER SUMMER BOOK SALE COORDINATOR NEEDED
for our annual summer book sale, one of our largest and most popular fundraisers of the year. The coordinator would be responsible for organizing book and movie donations into categories on a weekly basis, boxing up items and transferring boxes to the storage shed, creating signage, setting up outdoor book sale tables for the July sale, and supervising sales during our two-day summer fundraising event. Contact the Library Director at rvidirector@gmail.com for more information.

RAYMOND PTO NEWS/EVENTS
HANNAFORD SCHOOL DOLLARS
Helping our community raise money for our schools!! 4 Products = \$3 School Dollars. Program runs from March 14th through May 29th. Help support Raymond Schools by depositing your School Dollars into the tower located at the North Windham Hannaford.
PTO BOARD ELECTIONS ARE THIS MAY!
The Raymond PTO serves both Jordan Small Middle School and Raymond Elementary School. The PTO is involved in many events and fundraisers throughout the year that support important endeavors such as class field trips, teacher appreciation week and scholarships to graduating Raymond seniors. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please email RaymondschoolsPTO@gmail.com FMI.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK MAY 3-7
This year has been particularly challenging for our teachers & schools staff as they navigate teaching remotely and in-person. Please consider showing your support by contributing to our Venmo account (@RaymondSchools-PTO) so that we really can show them how much we appreciate everything they do every day to give our students the best experience possible.
ITEMS NEEDED FOR SILENT AUCTION!!!!
No item is too big, or too small. Are you a crafter? Have hats, mittens, or a quilt you could donate. Items to make gift baskets (movie night, spa items, baking kits, etc.) would be welcome. Could your business offer up a gift card or you would be willing to contribute a gift card to a local restaurant. Can you offer a weekend away at a cabin you own, offer a boat tour around Sebago? Be creative! Email: silentauctionraymondpto@gmail.com if you have something to contribute!

ONE YEAR LATER COVID-19

The Town of Raymond is now one year into our COVID-19 response. Front and center to our efforts has been our Health Officer, Cathy Gosselin. Cathy has provided countless hours of education, support, and research not only to assist town staff to navigate all the best practices and ins and outs of Coronavirus, but she has also provided support to local businesses, helping them to continue operating in a safe manner. She has worked hard to stay up to date with all the best practices and Maine CDC guidelines, along with coordinating a phone tree to check on vulnerable citizens, run errands for those in quarantine and has been the point person for questions on Covid-19 testing sites, and now is helping to find vaccination sites. Cathy has been with the Raymond Fire & Rescue Department for 22 years, she is also the Deputy Fire Chief!

As we have all been affected by the pandemic, we urge all of you to continue to follow the recommendations on mask wearing, washing hands and social distancing. It is our hope that in the next few months as more get vaccinated, the CDC will lift some of the restrictions.

If any of our citizens need help in getting an appointment or transportation to a COVID-19 vaccine, you can contact Cathy at 207-756-2374 or email her at cathy.gosselin@raymondmaine.org.

MAINE COVID-19 COMMUNITY VACCINATION LINE

If you need help getting information about COVID-19 vaccine clinics, call the Maine COVID-19 Community Vaccination Line at:

- 1-888-445-4111 Mon-Fri: 7am-7pm or Sat-Sun: 8am-2pm**
The Community Vaccination Line can help Maine people who:
- Do not have internet access
 - Need assistance connecting to or navigating online resources
 - Require interpretation assistance
 - Are home bound and need transportation
 - Have other questions about resources in their area

For translation services: Call 1-888-445-4111 and state the desired language
For deaf and hard of hearing individuals: Dial 711 and ask to be connected to 1-888-445-4111

Note: The Maine COVID-19 Community Vaccination Line will not provide faster access to clinic appointments.

Second-Grade Student, Emma Matthews, Donates Birthday Money to the Fire Department

Emma Matthews, a second-grade student at Raymond Elementary School, wished to celebrate her eighth birthday in a way not all children think of. Instead of presents this year, she wanted to receive money that she could donate to a cause in Raymond. She was told of several entities that she could support, such as the Food Panty or the Library. In the end, Emma decided that she wanted to donate to the Raymond Fire & Rescue Department. Her family held a drive-by birthday with a collection bucket placed outside. She was able to raise \$30!



Submitted photo

This is not the first time Emma has done something like this. She once emptied her piggy bank and donated every penny to Daisy's Children, a non-profit organization based out of Southern Maine that provides food, water and shelter to children and families in Honduras, her great grandmother, Linda Eldridge explained to me.

Over 200 Maine Esport players participated in the winter season. Join the Raymond Parks & Recreation's Esports Team for the Spring Season!

FMI & to register visit: www.Raymond.Rec.Desk.com

★ DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS MARCH 29, 2021 ★

Based on a recent poll we put out to parents, we have decided as a board that we will do Tee Ball (Ages 4-6) & Player Coach Pitch Baseball & Softball (Ages 7 & 8) here in Raymond (If we have enough volunteers) and All Minors (Ages 9 & 10) Majors (ages 11 & 12) & Juniors Baseball & Softball (ages 13 & 14) we will combine & play with Gray/New Gloucester.

- For Tee Ball & Player Coach Pitch Baseball & Softball Register at www.raymondbaseballssoftball.com
- ★ WE NEED A VOLUNTEER TO COORDINATE TEE BALL
This involves managing the registrations, dividing the teams, assigning coaches, making practice & game schedules. If somebody does not volunteer, we will need to cancel the season and issue refunds
- ★ WE NEED A VOLUNTEER TO COORDINATE PLAYER/COACH PITCH BASEBALL
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- For Minors, Majors & Juniors baseball & softball Register at: www.gnglitleleague.org