

Town Manager's Report  
Tuesday  
October 22, 2013

Electronic Waste Collection: The Bridgton Recycling Committee reminds our community and the surrounding communities of the Electronic Waste Collection to be held this Saturday from 9-2 PM at the Depot Street parking area by the Bridgton Community Center. The collection will **only include** televisions, digital picture frames, printers and cartridges, Monitors, lap tops and game systems.... All other E-waste may be brought to the transfer station and may be subject to a disposal fee.

Emergency Management Drill: Todd Perrault, Bridgton's Emergency Management Director is part of a state wide test or drill to be conducted over a three day period. Bridgton's part will take place on Wednesday, November 6, 2013 from 4-8 PM. The Select Board room will be set up as the Emergency Operations Center and several key staff members will be present. Though the community will not see the actions of that day, the town staff will be challenged with various scenarios that will test our ability to respond. The last major community wide emergency event was the ice storm of 1998 and the State has felt the need to test the "readiness" of all communities and their cooperating agencies and entities.

Extended Office Hours: The Town Clerk's Office will be open on Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM for the purpose of accepting voter registration and other election related business. No other town business will be conducted during this time.

Tax Auction: The Town will conduct the tax foreclosure auction on Thursday, October 24, 2013 at 10:00 AM. Instruction and information are available at the Town's website [www.bridgtonmaine.org](http://www.bridgtonmaine.org) or by calling the town office at 647-8786. Payments may be made by bank certified check, cash or money order. No personal checks or credit cards will be accepted.

Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Guidelines Issued: Annually at this time of the year we issue a budget development guideline memo to our department heads to start preparing for the next fiscal year budget. Within our guidelines for this year we are allowing department heads to increase their utilities and supply line items by no more than 2% and will continue to develop the budget around preserving the core services that we are providing now.

The proposed budget will be delivered to the Select Board on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 for its full review in preparation for the June town meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Manager