

Town Manager's Report: Town Council Meeting of 12/04/2012:

1. The FYI Folder: FYI Folder which contains items that come in between the Town Council Meetings has the following this evening: READ List

2. Bin Sale:

PITTSFIELD RE-USE CELEBRATION: BACKYARD COMPOST BIN SALE

The sale is over with, however, people can still order a bin as we were under the maximums required for an order so we have a few more that will be available for each of the Earth Day products.

To celebrate re-use in the community, the Town of Pittsfield is part of a statewide backyard composting bin sale. A home compost bin and how-to-guide with a combined retail value over \$100 can be purchased for only \$45.00 (tax included). The bin is black, has a 10 year warranty, and is made of 100% recycled plastic. It's approximately 35" high and 33" wide, or large enough for a family of five. **The Town will also have the wing digger compost turner for a discounted price of \$17.00 and the Reotemp Backyard Compost Thermometer with a 20" stem for \$18.50.**

It is estimated that 25% of the average household's waste consists of kitchen scraps and yard trimmings which can be easily composted. Pittsfield residents can save \$54.12 for every ton of waste they compost rather than placing the material in with their garbage that is shipped out of town for disposal.

Pittsfield's recycling rate for 2011 was 62%. Let's keep working at our recycling rate and boost it even more while helping our gardens grow!

3. Egg Festival Volunteers: Read Notice

4. Library News: The Pittsfield Public Library invites families to its regular activities that are great fun: Storytime continues on Mondays at 10:15 am and the Playgroup meets Wednesdays from 10:30 am – 12:00 noon for active play in the Library's Play Hut and Tunnels.

The Friends of the Public Library are selling framed photographic prints by Pittsfield resident Irwin Leibowitz. The photographs of flowers, birds and landscapes sell for \$10.00; the profits go to the Friends to support library programs. The display of 24 photographs can be seen in the library lobby.

5. Christmas Movie: The Pittsfield Community Theatre Free Movie this Year is Puss & Boots to be held on Saturday, December 15, 2012. Doors open at 12:30 pm and the movie starts at 1:00 pm. Come Join the Fun. Each child can have a free kids popcorn and a free kids drink. There will be a drawing for gifts after the movie.

6. Maine Municipal Association Workshop: The Town will be the host of a regional workshop on Thursday, 04/11/2013 in the Town Council Chambers. Set-up is at 3:00 pm with Registration at 4:00 pm and the workshop on roles and responsibilities for elected officials and town managers/administrative assistants will be held from 4:30 pm to 8:30 pm with a break for dinner at 6:00 pm. This is a rare opportunity to have a workshop right in Town for the region with less travel distance for everyone. We recommended that Vittles cater the workshop.

