

## **Town Manager's Report: Town Council Meeting of 06/19/2007:**

**1. The FYI Folder:** The FYI Book contains the following items this week: Read List

**2. 2006-2007 Property and Casualty Pool Coverage Report:** The total value of additional benefits received by the Town was \$2,932. The Town received \$2,131 in dividends for the calendar year 2006 for the Property and Casualty Pool. The Town made 10 changes to the policy, adding items during the year. The value of these changes was \$409. The Town received 4.13 service hours in Loss Control visits worth \$392.

**3. Historical Society Project:** The Pittsfield Historical Society is looking for volunteers and donations to assist them with rebuilding the cupola at the caboose and painting the caboose. The caboose needs to be re-painted after the vandalism. In order to paint the caboose, the wooden cupola needs to be rebuilt. Anyone who has carpentry skill would be welcome at the Pittsfield Historical Society to assist them with this very important project which will then allow the painting to take place. They have one volunteer at this time. More are welcome. Anyone who would like to donate or would like more information, please contact Tom Brown at 487-4926 or Clem Spencer at 487-2408.

**4. Vickery School Third Grade:** We would like to thank all of the third grade teachers and students who have toured many town properties learning about government. The third graders went to the Town Office, Police Station, Fire Station, Public Library and the Historical Society. Some classes also went to the Parks for Tree Walks along with second grade classes.

**5. Pittsfield Public Library Launches Summer Reading Program:** Super sleuths and daring detectives are invited to join "Get a Clue @ Your Library" at the Pittsfield Public Library. The 2007 Summer Reading Program, with special programs and activities, is open to all children, preschool through teen. Special programs will be held every Tuesday afternoon from June 26 through August 7 at 1:00 for children ages 4-7 and 2:00 for children ages 8-12. A full schedule of events is available at the library.

Children who keep a record of the evidence of books read throughout the summer will receive a free book. Older children and teens can participate in the OYO (On Your Own) book club. They will read books and write brief reviews to share. Participants can enter to win weekly prizes. The new book, "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows", donated by Mr. Paperback in Waterville, will be awarded as the grand prize on July 23.

The library hours are 10:00 – 6:00 Monday through Friday, 10:00 – 1:00 on Saturday through June. During the summer, the library will be open until 8:00 on Tuesday nights.

**6. Seabcooke Valley Federal Credit Union:** The Credit Union's Open House at its new location on Somerset Avenue on Saturday, 06/16/2007 was quite nice. There was a ribbon cutting and presentation of a \$500 donation to the Recreation Department.

**7. Fendler Park Dedication:** The Dedication Ceremonies for the Barbara Fendler Memorial Park will be held at the park facilities on Saturday, June 23, 2007 from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. The activities will include a dedication, thanking all of the contributors, refreshments and a community forum with information on tree plantings and environmental issues. There will be

time for socializing and enjoying the park facilities. The rain date is Saturday, June 30. Programs were passed out to the Town Councilors this evening.

**8. Garden Tour to Benefit the Library:** The Pittsfield Community Garden Club will sponsor a Garden Tour on Saturday, July 14, 2007 to help raise funds for the Library Restoration and Expansion Project. The Garden Club has 12 gardens that will be available, including two homes that will be open.

**9. Pittsfield Farmers' Market:** Rain or shine all Summer and Fall, the Pittsfield Farmers' Market will be in Hathorn Park until November 1 every Monday & Thursday from 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm. We have new brochures at the Town Office for anyone who is interested.

Saved for future TM Reports:

**1. E-911 Implementation:** E-911 matches a physical address with a telephone number and this information is displayed on a computer screen to dispatchers. With each letter, the Town opted to purchase and enclose numbers to be placed on everyone's houses and businesses. All numbers are supposed to be up on 05/01/2007, on homes or mailboxes if your house is away from the road. We need your new numbers up so that Public Safety can find you as well as to help the post office, delivery companies and visitors. Remember, the Post Office will deliver your mail up to 1 year from the date of your notification, so you have time to use up your checks, letterhead, etc. With your next order, just order the items with your new address. Copies of the new two-sided map with an urban in-town map and a country roads map is available at the Town Office and Library. More and more people have their numbers up. If your numbers are not up, please put them up. If you have lost your numbers, we have extras available at the Town Office until they run out.

**2. Reminder for police issues:** If there is an emergency, call 911. If you are calling in a police complaint, please call the regular police number of 487-3101 and relay the issue. The Police voice mails should not be used for filing police complaints. With a rotating schedule and days off, it may be 2 or more days for a police officer to check their voice mail. Complaints need to be answered right off so they can not be left on the officers' voice mail.

**3. Water/Sewer Services:** With over 60 miles of water and sewer pipes and approximately 700 gate boxes, 1400 service boxes, 500 manholes and 10 sewer cleanouts, the Water and Sewer Department can be kept quite busy. If anyone notices a manhole or box sunken or heaved in the roadway, please call Assistant Water/Sewer Superintendent Scott Noble at the Water/Sewer Garage at 487-5203 listing the road and approximate location. With literally hundreds of these items in the roadway and the difficult winters we are having now, a few of them are going to shift out of place.

**4. Recycling & Environmental Dates:**

Dates	Make A Difference Day	4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday in October Set Nationally each year
Saturday,	Trash to Treasure Day	Established locally to Match Make A

## **Difference Day Activities**

**Wednesday,                      National Recycling Week    Set each year**  
**Wednesday,                      "Maine Recycles"**

\*Trash to Treasure Days: In case of inclement weather on the scheduled date, the day long event will be held the following Saturday (11/03/2007 for the Fall date).