

KENNEBUNK CURRENTS

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Absentee ballots available May 17th for the June 13th Election

Absentee ballots for the June 13, 2023 election will be available beginning May 17th through June 8, 2023. You can request a ballot or vote early in one of the following ways:

- Complete an online request (PDF) and return it via email, fax or mail. Your ballots for the election will be mailed to you.
- Call 207-604-1326 and request a ballot be sent to your mailing address.
- Visit the Town Clerk's Office and take ballots home to all in your household.
- Come in to the Town Clerk's Office and vote in person once absentee ballots are available.

In addition to regular office hours Monday through Friday 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, the Town Clerk's Office will also be open for Early Absentee Voting on:

- Saturday June 3rd, 2023 from 10am - 1pm
- Sunday June 4th, 2023 from 10am – 1pm
- Thursday June 8th, 2023 until 7:30pm



The Climate Action Plan Task Force wants to hear from you!

Our community is beginning to observe the effects of climate change, and this situation will require action and investment on the part of the Town and its residents.

Please scan the QR code below with your phone's photo app to take this five-minute survey or visit www.kennebunkmaine.us/captf to find a link and learn more. By participating in the survey you will help the town understand your concerns and opinions about climate.

Paper copies of the survey are available at the Town Office, Kennebunk Free Library, and Cummings Market. The survey will be open through May 26, 2023.

Scan the QR code to take the Kennebunk Climate Action Plan Survey





Or visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/KennebunkClimate



Public hearing on proposed parking ordinance changes to be held May 23rd



The Select Board will be reviewing changes to Kennebunk's parking ordinance and holding a public hearing on proposed changes on Tuesday, May 23. The Police Department and other town staff have reviewed the current ordinance and made recommendations based on public safety and traffic demands. The public can review the proposed changes at www.kennebunkmaine.us/townordinances.

Fire Permits



Kennebunk Fire Rescue now uses the online burning permit system, Warden's Report. Residents can apply for all burning permits, with the exception of beach fire pit permits at Narragansett Point.



To get a permit for a beach fire pit at Narragansett Point you MUST come into the Fire Station on the day that you wish to have a fire at the fire rings provided at Narragansett Point. A maximum of two permits daily will be allowed on a first come first serve basis. Phone calls will not be permitted.

All other burn permits including seasonal campfire permits are available online through Warden's Report. Visit www.wardensreport.com to apply for a permit.

Boat Registration – Did You Know?

Resident Boats - Maine Residents must register their boat(s) and pay excise tax annually in their town of residence. Excise tax is calculated based on the length & year of the boat and the horsepower of the motor. All new boat registrations must be processed in person at the Town Clerk's Office. Please bring a bill of sale and proof of sales tax when applicable. Renewals can be processed online through the State of Maine's website www.maine.gov or in person at the Town Clerk's Office (you must know your ME# or bring your prior registration so we can renew your boat in person).



Non-Resident Boats - Saltwater Boats: It is state law that all boats located in Maine for more than 60 consecutive days must be registered. If a boat is in Maine more than 75 days during a calendar year, the non-resident must pay excise tax to the Maine town where the boat is principally moored, docked or located before registration. If the boat is exempt from tax, a tax exemption form must be completed by the owner and submitted with registration application and registration fee.

Freshwater Boats: All motorized watercraft on inland waters must display the Lake and River Protection sticker ("Preserve Maine Waters" sticker; also referred to as a "Milfoil" sticker). "Motorized watercraft" includes any boat with any type of motor, including canoes with electric motors and personal watercraft. Owners of non-Maine registered boats are required to purchase and affix a new lake and river protection sticker every year.

The Town of Kennebunk does not sell Lake and River Protection Stickers, but they are available at select agents throughout the state including the Biddeford, Saco, Sanford and Wells Town Halls. More information about boat registrations can be found on the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife website.



Do you have old electronics to dispose of?

Do not put them in the trash! Your local STAPLES (Biddeford) offers in-store recycling for most E-Waste items including adapters, cables, printers, and batteries. Visit www.staples.com/recycling to see a list of acceptable items.

Buy-A-Brick at the Waterhouse Center

Help support the many programs offered at the Waterhouse Center by purchasing a personalized, engraved brick that will be installed at the facility. There are three levels of sponsorship: Brick 1 - \$100, Brick 2 - \$500 & Brick 3 - \$1000, open to any individual, family, organization or business.



Order forms are available online at www.kennebunkmaine.us/buyabrick or at Town Hall. Orders received by June 30 will be filled and installed in Fall of 2023.

May Day Festival 2023



Family-Friendly Activities! Fun for all!

Parade Pancake Breakfast
Make a May Day Basket!

SATURDAY, MAY 6
DOWNTOWN KENNEBUNK

Staff Updates

Please join us in welcoming the new Finance Director, Kayla Tierney, and the new Administrative Assistant for the Police Department, Mary Lou Nedeau. Congratulations to Audra Blaney on her recent promotion from Police Officer/School Resource Officer to Sergeant. Ashley Desrochers has been assigned as the new School Resource Officer and will begin in Fall 2023.

Goodbye and thank you for your service Officer Frank Marcotti and Officer Kaitlyn Sawyer & K-9 Otto.

Current Job Openings

- Seasonal Laborers, Public Services
- Ocean Guards, KFR
- Community Service Officers, PD
- Summer Camp Counselors, Rec
- Part-time Bus Drivers, Rec
- Part-time Board Clerk- Charter Commission
- Full-time Police Officers, PD



To learn more and apply, please visit www.kennebunkmaine.us/jobs

Kennebunk Free Library Happenings

1-2-3, Play With Me! is a seven week series on Thursdays, April 20-May 25, from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. This play-based, informal series is geared toward ages 0-5 and their caregivers and provides the opportunity to spend time together, make new friends, and talk one-on-one with a different resource professional each week. Registration required.

It's time to welcome the faeries back to KFL! Join us on Saturday, May 6, from 9:30 a.m.- 11:00 a.m. for faerie crafts and fun! Submit your own faerie house to the library by Wednesday, May 2.

The **May Day Book Sale** will run Saturday, May 6, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Adult paperbacks are 4/\$1.00. Children's books, media, and puzzles will be available for purchase as well.

For more information and the rest of our program lineup, or to provide feedback, email us at kfl@kennebunklibrary.org, call us at 985-2173, or visit us at kennebunklibrary.org

Upcoming Events

<p>May 6 - May Day - Downtown Kennebunk All day! View the schedule of events at www.kennebunkmaine.us/mayday (Parade begins at 1:30 p.m.)</p>
<p>May 20 - Community Yard Sale 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Waterhouse Center</p>
<p>May 20 - Select Board Outreach Session 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. Town Hall Room 300</p>
<p>May 27 - Artisans Marketplace Saturdays 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. from May 27 through October 7</p>
<h3>Meetings</h3>
<p>May 30 - Second Public Hearing for Warrant & FY23/24 Budget 6:30 p.m. Town Hall Room 301</p>
<p>Charter Commission The Charter Commission meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Town Hall Room 301</p>
<p>Select Board Meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Town Hall Room 301</p>
<p>Planning Board Meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Town Hall Room 301</p>