SIMPLY SEBAGO

November 2021 Issue

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

Town Office Hours

Tuesday:

10am-7pm

Wednesday - Friday:

8am-5pm

CLOSED

Everyday 12-12:30 pm

Saturday, Sunday & Monday: CLOSED

Visit the Town Website

Contact Information

Clerk's Office: 787-2457

Public Works: 787-3337

Recreation: 595-4018

Photo of the Month Contest

Have your photo featured by emailing submissions to adminassist@townofsebago.org. Photo Credit: Ted Bridge-Koenigsberg Photo of: Sebago Elementary School Children Submission Deadline for **any** month is the second Tuesday.

Maine School Garden Grown SES at Cumberland Fair As part of Maine School Garden Grown students at Sebago Elementary School submitted an exhibit at the Cumberland Fair. The exhibit included peaches and apples from the trees in the bus circle and Concord grapes from the vines outside the building. This year thanks to Susan Coyne, a master gardener our flowers and tomatoes were amazing in the raised beds. Fourth graders selected Sunflowers, zinnias and dahlias to be part of the exhibit. In addition to the flowers, fruits and vegetables the fifth graders entered examples of the felted footwear we have been working on for the past three years. Included in that portion of the exhibit were



photos from the slideshow created by the students as well as a copy of the book written last spring. Fair visitors could see the process of making wool felted shoes and actual shoes worn by students. Photos of the Cumberland Fair exhibit are on the SES website. Some other projects we are working on focus on making things with the food we are growing. We have made sauce with peaches and salsa with tomatoes and other tomato ideas are pizza sauce and even tomato juice. The big event coming up is processing our purple grapes into fruit leather and juice for everyone to try. We have enough apples to try dehydrating them into apple chips for snacks this winter. So far we have avoided a frost so the flowers are still stunning but once they fade, we have garlic to plant as well as cover crops in the raised beds. Each year we experiment with different winter mulches to see which help the soil most. It has been a great growing season and being recognized at the fair was a great addition. Again a very special thank you to Susan Coyne for all her help in the garden since April and taking care of the exhibit at the fairgrounds.

Animal Control

Rabies Clinic: Saturday, November 6, 2021 10am-12pm

Dog Licensing begins October 15. All dogs 6 months and older need to be licensed every year. Licenses can be obtained at the Town Office or online. You will need your dogs current rabies certificate. If you register your dog online you will not receive the tag until after the beginning of the next month. If you no longer have your dog for any reason, please give us a call (207) 787-2457 or email adminassist@townofsebago.org so that we may remove your dog from our records and avoid a visit from the animal control officer.

Neuter/Spayed Dogs are \$6.00, Unaltered dogs are \$11.00.

ELECTIONS

Absentee Ballots are available for the Tuesday, November 2, 2021 State Election. Ballots can be requested in person, over the phone and online. If you request a ballot it **must be returned** by 8:00 pm on election night, whether you have completed it or not. Each ballot must be accounted for at the end of the election. There is a drop box available at the Town Office to the right of the front door if you don't want to mail your ballot back and would rather drop it off.

In person voting is available on election day from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Town Hall Building (418 Bridgton Road).

If you have recently moved to Town and need to register to vote, please bring your photo ID and a piece of mail or vehicle registration that shows your physical Sebago address.

TAXES - Snowmobile Registrations

While the election runs from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, the Town Office will only open from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and will be closed for lunch. If you have already mailed your tax payment but would like a receipt come see us.

Snowmobile registrations can be done at the end of October. Please bring last year's registration or the sticker number with you.

Town Stickers/Transfer Station Stickers

The new green stickers are available.

As residents come in to register their vehicles we have been handing out the new stickers.

There is no need to rush in to get a new sticker unless,

- 1. You don't have a sticker,
- 2. You register your vehicle online and don't normally come into the office, or
- 3. You are a non-resident property owner with an orange sticker.

How to get the green sticker.

- 1. Come into the Town Office, during office hours, with your license plate number.
- 2. Mail a note with your Name, Sebago Address, Phone Number, License Plate Number (s), and a Self Addressed Stamped Envelope and we will mail the stickers back to you.

The orange sticker will still be honored through June 30, 2022.

Please remember that **each** vehicle that goes to the Transfer Station or the Town Beach needs a Town Sticker or Hanging Tag that matches the vehicles license plate number. There are no limits on how many Town Stickers you can have. The only requirement is that you are a Sebago Resident or Property Owner. If you are renting we will need to see a copy of your rental/lease agreement.

If you are renting your property to a guest there is a \$5.00 a week or \$20.00 per month fee for the Hanging Tag. You need to gather the following info:

The dates they will be here, the name of the person, the plate number of the vehicle they are using and the state the plate is from.

If you have questions about what the Transfer Station accepts or what they charge for please call (207) 787-2176.

The Transfer Station is open the T's and the S's (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday) from 7am-5pm.

Capital Improvement Program

The CIP Committee will begin meeting on October 27, 2021 at 6:00 pm at the Town Office. Meetings are open to the public and will continue for a few weeks.

The purpose of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) is to plan and save for the replacement of vehicles and equipment as well as projects. This helps the town to avoid leasing or taking out loans by setting aside funds on an annual basis, which requires voter approval at town meeting every year.

In order to qualify for CIP, items must have a value of at least \$7,500 and have a shelf life of 3 or more years and must be referred by the Board of Selectmen.

<u>DATES TO REMEMBER</u> Monthly Meetings at the Town Office

Selectmen's Meeting <u>3rd</u> Tuesday at 6:00 pm: November 16th

Planning Board Meetings 2nd Tuesday at 7:00 pm: November 9th

Other Monthly Meetings

School Board Meetings: For more info <u>click here</u>

<u>Important Dates to Remember</u>

Friday, October 15 - Dog Licensing Starts
Tuesday, November 2 - Tax Due Day & State Election
Saturday, November 6 - Rabies Clinic 10am-12pm
Sunday, November 7 - Don't forget to "Fall Back"
Thursday, November 11 - Veteran's Day - Office Closed
Thursday, November 25 - Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
Friday, November 26 - Office Closed

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide truthful, up-to-date, and educational information on how the community works, in order to provide the opportunity for making informed decisions while also enriching the lives of our citizens that want to live here, prosper, and raise their families.