

# Vienna Record



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## SELECTMEN’S MINUTES JUNE-JULY

### Minutes of Selectmen’s Meetings

#### June 7, 2016

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Wayne Whittier, Brian Church, Marti Gross

1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting.
3. Reviewed and signed Warrant #11 (\$11,938.50)
4. Discussed tax bill with a town resident. There was a question on the assessed value, in regards to the Tree Growth law. The property in question has shore frontage and some acreage in Tree Growth. Dodi will contact assessing agent John Sexton to review the situation. Resident was

given abatement applications.

5.The Vienna Fire Department has received two grants from Maine Municipal Association totaling \$2138.00. The money will be used for Self Contained Breathing Apparatus.

6. Mark Holmes from the fire department contacted John from the MMA about chimney cleaning. At this time the town is not covered for Chimney cleaning under the Workers Compensation policy. Selectmen will contact Kyes Insurance, who provides the town insurance, about coverage

7. Vienna Fire Department, Inc has bought gear bags for the fire fighters.





**SELECTMEN'S MINUTES CONTINUED**

- 8. Selectmen reviewed and signed the Bank Reconciliation report.
- 9. Looked through plumbing permits from 1987 to 1989 looking for a septic plan. The plan in question is not on file.

**June 14, 2016**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Lidie Robbins, Mike Rogers

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
- 2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting
- 3. Another request for reviewing the valuation of a resident's property. The increase in valuation was due to the 2016 tree growth rates.
- 4. Discussion with Lidie Robbins of 30 Mile River Watershed about the Parker Pond Boat Launch. The pavement has been gradually breaking away over time. There is now a plan to put in riprap and stone to improve the area. The town will supply the materials and the YCC will provide the labor for the project.
- 5. Mike Rogers of Maine Revenue Service did a sales ratio analysis of recent sales. This is done annually to determine the Certified Ration for the town. Since our last town wide reassessment, we have been able to remain at 100% when doing the Tax Commitment. The town will receive his results at a later date.

**June 21, 2016**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Marti Gross, Alan Trask, Brian Church

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
- 2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting.
- 3. Reviewed and signed Warrant # 12 (\$156,233.68)

4. Alan Trask requested a letter to be sent to the United States Postal Service stating that the property taxes on the Post Office building have been paid in full. The postal service leases the building from Mr. Trask.

5. Discussed Fire Engine #82 pump issue: Chief Church informed the selectmen that Engine 82 did not pass the 2016 pump test. The engine needs a seal replaced on the dry side of the pump along with other parts on the wet side. Chief Church is waiting for an estimate from Reliance for the repair of the pump.

**June 28, 2016**

No minutes available.

**July 5, 2016:**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Marti Gross, Lenny Meader, Colleen Meader

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
- 2. Reviewed and signed Warrant #13 (\$62,848.33)
- 3. Request for signature on Central Maine Power pole paper work.
- 4. Received the Kennebec Country tax bill for 2016 - \$67,634.47, due before September 1st.
- 5. The \$10,897.48 balance in the 2015 paving account has been carried over to the 2016 paving account. This is money received from the State of Maine DOT. This year the paving will be performed on a portion the Bean Road (grinding and paving).

**July 12, 2016:**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Annie Tibbetts, John Archard

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.

**SELECTMEN'S MINUTES CONTINUED**

- 2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting
- 3. On Wednesday, July 27, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m at the Vienna Town House. The subject of the hearing is to discuss possible changes to the Building Ordinance, Shore Land Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance. This has been posted at the Selectmen's Office, Post Office, Town Clerk's Office and the Vienna web site.
- 4. Signed warrant for the RSU 9 budget revote. This will be held Thursday, July 28th from 1 PM to 7 PM at the Vienna Community Building.
- 5. Discussed building permits and possible permit denial with Code Enforcement Officer Archard.

**July 19, 2016**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff, Susan Burns, John Archard

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
- 2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting
- 3. Reviewed and signed Warrant 14 (\$22,937.90)
- 4. Discussed 30 Mile River Watershed and possible YCC projects with Sue Burns, Vienna's representative. (Rock dams, fabrics, to help with erosion control, etc).
- 5. Discussed creating a road committee made up of 5 town residents, preferably from various parts of Vienna. Will put a notice in the August Newsletter.
- 6. Discussed Fire Department communication and possible Mutual Aid transmitter being placed on the new cell phone tower on Bessey Road.
- 7. Selectmen signed the letter of commitment with auditor Stephen Hopkins for the 2015 Audit.

- 8. Selectmen reviewed a letter of denial for abatement from John Sexton. A copy of the letter will be mailed to property owner.

**July 26, 2016**

Present: Dodi Thompson, Chris Smith, Jeff Rackliff.

- 1. Reviewed and dispersed mail.
- 2. Read and accepted minutes from the previous meeting.
- 3. Health Officer Dr. Dan Onion notified the selectmen that the water test for the Flying Boat launch/swimming area passed. Dr. Onion stated that the water test showed less than 1/100cc for E-coli. A copy of the test was sent from the lab as well.
- 4. Selectmen received the results of the sales analysis done by Mike Rogers of the Maine revenue services. The combined sales ratio is 93%. This means our certified ratio will remain at 100% for 2017.
- 5. Selectmen completed a 2016 MMA Legislative Issues survey.

**NOTICE**

**Notice to Town Residents**

Selectmen are looking to create a Road Committee to be in place by 2017. The committee should consist of five (5) members from various parts of town. If you are interested in being on this committee please contact Dodi Thompson at [bdthompson@fairpoint.net](mailto:bdthompson@fairpoint.net).



PLANNING BOARD NEWS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VIENNA PLANNING BOARD HELD MAY 25, 2016

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM at the Town House. Regular members present were Waine Whittier, Creston Gaither and Ed Lawless.

Minutes of the April 27 meeting were read and accepted.

It was noted that the April 27 minutes exclude Findings of Fact for the Burt application and that the Board, pressed for time as daylight faded, had not gone through them on the Burt site that night. The Board therefore went through the usual Findings of Fact as per the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, and retroactively confirmed that the Burt application of April 27, 2016:

- (1) Will maintain safe and healthful conditions;
- (2) Will not result in water pollution, erosion, or sedimentation to surface waters;
- (3) Will adequately provide for the disposal of all wastewater;
- (4) Will not have an adverse impact on spawning grounds, fish, aquatic life, bird or other wildlife habitat;
- (5) Will conserve shore cover and visual, as well as actual, points of access to inland waters;
- (6) Will protect archaeological and historic resources as designated in the comprehensive plan;
- (7) Will avoid problems associated with floodplain development and use; and
- (8) Is in conformance with the provisions of Section 15, Land Use Standards.

Creston briefly outlined the gap in the records of the Board's minutes on the Town website concerning late summer 2011. He will try to

locate the missing minutes and have them posted on the website.

Minutes of the September 21, 2011 meeting, which were evidently never formally accepted by the Board, were read and accepted as a matter of form.

Alan Williams has raised concerns about the disparity in setback requirements between the new Building Ordinance and the Subdivision Ordinance. These were briefly discussed and it was agreed to table the matter until the March Town Meeting approaches more closely.

State grants regarding broadband service were briefly discussed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Creston Gaither, secretary

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE VIENNA PLANNING BOARD HELD JUNE 22, 2016

At 6:20 Regular members Waine Whittier, Creston Gaither and Ed Lawless met with Nathan James on his Kimball Pond site shown on tax map 3 as lot 40- K, to consider his proposal to add a 6 foot loft on the main portion of the existing camp and to place fill in the existing driveway, which is low and wet; and to place fill in a low wet area between the camp and the pond, and to remove 3 trees which he feels constitute a safety hazard.

At 7:00 PM the said Board members arrived at the Town House and were joined by Nathan for the Board's regular meeting, with regular member Alan Williams also present.



**PLANNING BOARD NEWS - CONTINUED**

Minutes of the May 25 meeting were read and accepted.

Creston said he is still working on locating the minutes for August 24, 2011 (see May minutes).

The Board discussed Mr. James' proposal as outlined above. Section 15.P. of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance (SZO) was reviewed. It was agreed that the three trees can be removed without a permit. Alan has visited the site separately and all present agreed that the trees are a hazard.

Table 1 and Section 15.H.(6). Of the SZO were reviewed. Item 20 in Table 1 indicates that filling of less than 10 cy is allowed without a permit. It thus appears that the driveway and lawn area can be filled. It was recommended that crushed stone be used.

As to the loft proposal, it appears that the footprint of the existing structure will remain unchanged, and that it lies about 28 feet from high water mark; based on Nathan's verbal representations and the Board's observations on site, and assuming a favorable subsequent review of the pertinent FEMA flood map, which Creston agreed to examine, the Board concluded that this project:

- (1) Will maintain safe and healthful conditions;
- (2) Will not result in water pollution, erosion, or sedimentation to surface waters;
- (3) Will adequately provide for the disposal of all wastewater;
- (4) Will not have an adverse impact on spawning grounds, fish, aquatic life, bird or other wildlife habitat;
- (5) Will conserve shore cover and visual, as well as actual, points of access to inland waters;

- (6) Will protect archaeological and historic resources as designated in the comprehensive plan;
- (7) Will avoid problems associated with floodplain development and use; and
- (8) Is in conformance with the provisions of Section 15, Land Use Standards.

The Board then voted 4 – 0 to authorize Creston to issue the usual permit letter for this proposal, subject to these CONDITIONS:

- 1). The driveway will be rebuilt in such fashion as to divert runoff to its sides.
- 2). Stone will be placed beneath the new drip edges because the height of the roof will be higher.
- 3). Nathan will obtain the necessary Building Permit from Code Enforcement Officer John Archard.

Disparities in setback requirements between the Building Ordinance and the SZO and the Subdivision Ordinance were discussed. Creston's interpretation is that the Subdivision Ordinance setback requirements would only apply to a subdivider building in a proposed subdivision but agreed that this could be argued otherwise and that it should be clarified.

Alan felt that this issue should not be left until March and that 15 feet from a right-of-way line or 40 feet from a travelled way as in the SZO should be instituted in all the ordinances. Alan will bring language for this proposed change to the next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

 Creston Gaither, secretary



**ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The Vienna Ordinance Review Committee (VORC) met Thursday, July 21, 2016. Three people attended: two members, Marianne Archard and Susan Burns and the Vienna CEO, John Archard.

The first discussion item was the next VORC meeting date. The date was set for Thursday, September 22nd, 6:30 pm at the Vienna Town House.

The second discussion item was a proposal to amend structure setback requirements in three Vienna ordinances to bring them into conformance with each other. The three are the Building, Shoreland Zoning and Subdivision ordinances.

Committee members and the CEO agreed that making the road setbacks uniform is desirable as long as the effort maintains the current road setbacks contained in the recently adopted Vienna Building Ordinance. The discussion also recognized that occasionally shorefront lots cannot meet both road and water setbacks contained in the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. In such cases it was agreed that the water setback is the priority and consideration of a waiver of the road setback is appropriate.

Other possible ordinance work considered for the coming year are amendments of the Subdivision Ordinance to make it clear that divisions of land to create three or more lots or to site three or more units in a mobile home park is covered by the subdivision definition and to make sure that any existing or proposed language is in accordance with state law concerning mobile homes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.  
Susan Burns, Vienna Ordinance Review Committee

**FROM THE TOWN CLERK**

**Town Clerk**

Annie Tibbetts: 207-293-2915

email: [ClerkTax@Viennamaine.org](mailto:ClerkTax@Viennamaine.org)

346 Town House Rd. Vienna, Maine

**Hours**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays - 5 pm - 7 pm**

**Wednesdays - 9 am -12 and 12:30-5 pm.**

On the last Saturday of the month 9-12  
and by appointment.

I would like to remind people that the second half of taxes are due September 30.

**Maranacook Adult Education -  
Readfield**

RSU 38 Maranacook Adult Ed News

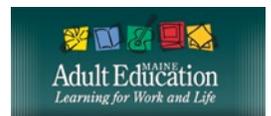
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H O M E T O W N N E W S

**DOROTHY WAUGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The 3rd annual Dorothy L. Waugh Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Mt. Blue High School senior Autumn Clair on June 7th at the school's awards ceremony. Presenting the award is Mill Stream Grange secretary Jill Sampson.

The scholarship, named for long time Mill Stream Grange member Dorothy L. Waugh, is awarded each year to a student pursuing a career in agriculture, horticulture or animal husbandry. Ms. Clair will be majoring in agribusiness with an eye toward livestock feed management as her career.



**SPIRIT OF AMERICA 2016**



The 2016 Spirit of America award was presented to Allan Harville and Jim Gajarski on June 3, 2016 at Mill Stream Grange in Vienna. Presenting the awards were Vienna first selectman Dodie Thompson, committee member Laura Reville and Senator Tom Saviello. This year's recipients received their awards for their generous help and continual unstinting service to the town and townspeople. Congratulations Allan and Jim!

**LONG-TIME COMMITMENT**

On Thursday, July 21, Mildred Hall of Mt. Vernon was presented with two certificates commemorating her 80 years of membership in Grange. She joined the Grange in Belgrade in 1936 and transferred to Mill Stream Grange in Vienna in the 1950's.

Master Paul Lavender (r) of Mill Stream Grange presented her with a Maine State Grange certificate honoring her for her continuous membership. Senator Tom Saviello presented a certificate from the Maine Legislature recognizing her 80 years of Grange membership and commitment to the community; it was sponsored by Senator Saviello and Rep. Hillard and signed by the President of the Senate Michael Thibodeau and Speaker of the House Mark Eves. Mildred also received a lovely bouquet of roses from her fellow Grangers. Congratulations Mildred!



Tom Saviello, Mildred Hall and Paul Lavender



*“I’m a firefighter. I’m not one of those big city firefighters who stays nights in the station and gets to slide down a fire pole when the tone goes off. I’m just a volunteer. I have a regular, full-time job, and chances are I live near you. If there’s a fire at your house, I’ll be there. If you call for an ambulance, I’ll be there. If your car goes off the road, I’ll be there. It doesn’t matter who you are. I’ll show up. Day or night. Because when that tone goes off, someone is having a really bad day. And my job is to make it better. I am a firefighter. And I wear the cape.” - from the musical production “The Cape” 7/23/16*

**BBQ - SOLD OUT!**

Thank you all for your support of VFD’S Annual Chicken BBQ. Thank you to the members of the department and all those other folks who worked so hard to set up, clean up, prepare food, cook chicken, and serve the meal. Thank you to Bob Bassett for suggesting that the Skowhegan Community Band play for us and to the band for such

wonderful entertainment. And thank you to the whole community for your support of this event and throughout the year. Together with you and with other community organizations we make Vienna a terrific place!

Sincerely,  
Chief Brian Church

**EDITOR'S NOTES**

**Send us your photos of Vienna!!**

If you would like to see your photographs of Vienna, Maine published in *The Record* please email them to me as a .jpeg. Send them to: [viennarecord@gmail.com](mailto:viennarecord@gmail.com)



I may not be able to include all the photos sent but will determine what fits and what works!

Thanks for your help.  
Marianne Archard, editor

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**Deadline**

All Item or articles for the October/November issue of the *Vienna Record* must be received by me by **Sept 27, 2016**.

**Format**

Please send items online as rich text format (.rtf) or as a word document (.doc) or as a .jpg. **Please no .pdf or other formats.**  
*Marianne Archard*

**FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER - JULY-AUGUST 2016**

**Animal Bites and Blaming the Victim**

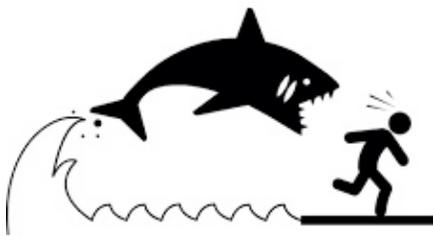
Dan Onion, MD, MPH - Mt. Vernon/Vienna Health Officer  
293-2076; [dkonion@gmail.com](mailto:dkonion@gmail.com)

I just wrote about dog bites, but several animal/human fatal encounters have made the national news recently and prompt this rumination.

Many years ago, while doctoring on Pohnpei, a large Western Pacific Micronesian island, I saw a man with bilateral Achilles tendon lacerations just above his heels. They were caused by a small (3 ft) black-tipped shark, which bit him in one heel as he was collecting shells to sell (for buttons) on a large reef in a foot and a half of water. He was with a friend, but their boat was 1/2 mile away across the reef. When the shark glommed onto his ankle the first time, it didn't let go, so he reached down and pulled it off. He then threw the shark as far away from himself as he could on one leg. But the fish then swam back and bit him on the other ankle, totally incapacitating him. Eventually his friend got the boat over to him and they got to shore and my emergency room. It took us all night to repair both the severed Achilles tendons. But the ER and OR staff, as well as several of his visiting friends, demurred compassion when they heard the story and said he should have known better than to throw the shark back the first time. They never explained how he could have held on to it with only one working leg.

**FROM THE HEALTH OFFICER CONTINUED**

The recent story of the California zoo gorilla, who seemed to be playing with a young boy who had fallen into the gorilla’s enclosure, has some similarities. The child wasn’t harmed but the gorilla was shot after swinging the kid through the water in a frightening way. The zoo was taken to task for shooting the gorilla, and, reasonably, for not building a more secure cage; and the mother was criticized for not watching the child more closely. I understand the public sorrow at the gorilla’s death but given the choice, how can one not support immediate action, as was done? The death at Disneyland of a 2-year old child, who was seized by an alligator, is an even more tragic story because the child died rather than the animal who attacked him.



Finally, the 7-year old boy in Maine killed by a pit bull was very disturbing, both because the dog had had previous misbehavior and because the press gave extensive coverage to a woman who was a self-proclaimed “dog counsellor”. Her contention was that people can frighten dogs into misbehaving and implied that this child did that.

I find these cases of blaming the victims of animal attacks, especially children, curious. Holding a 3 ft shark in one’s arms, 100s of yards out on a coral reef with only one working leg, sounds clearly impossible; the man tried to do what I probably would have done. Only in retrospect did it become clear it wouldn’t work. It is sad that the gorilla had to be shot but what other good choice did the zoo have for immediately getting the child away from him; surely the child’s life is the highest priority. And finally the pit bull. These are dangerous dogs and present a significant public health risk, as this outcome demonstrates. They are bred and often trained to kill other dogs. One badly injured my daughter’s small terrier in Brooklyn, NY while walking by each other on the sidewalk and both on leashes! Such dogs go for the jugular and trachea. They are like loaded guns walking around. They account for half the dog bites I’ve seen in the ER over the years. Blaming this victim directly or by implication is nonsense. To own a pit bull is crazy. Dogs such as these should be banned along with automatic weapons, which are also helping crazies kill more people than they otherwise would. I have hunted all my life, but not with such dogs or guns. Both are real threats to the public health. Gorillas and sharks are much less of a problem but we should sympathize with, not blame the victim.

**DR. SHAW MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS - AUGUST 2016**

*“I have always imagined that paradise will be kind of a library.”* Jorge Luis Borges

We had a lot of fun with our children’s summer programs this year: hula hoops, yoga, making healthy snacks, bubbles – how can you get better than that? Many thanks to our volunteer helpers, Alycia and Cora and Kusha, to the parents & grandparents who always pitch in, and to all of our presenters: Leah, Karen & Megan, and Linda. And as always, Alice pulled everything together.

We had more volunteers to help with the book sale than we've ever had in the past, from Vienna, Mt. Vernon, Fayette, and summer folks. Once again, everyone worked fast and efficiently on a couple of very hot days; that's a good thing, because we had so many books this year. The sale was very successful, and the donations will help us furnish the new addition with shelves or tables. We get to hang out with some pretty amazing people.

Our two last annual summer programs are coming up in August. On Thursday, August 11 at 7pm, at the Mt. Vernon Community Center, we'll have our annual Community Poetry Reading. Bring a favorite poem or two to share. There will be a few anthologies on the table in case you come simply to listen, and are suddenly inspired to read a poem to us. We'll have lemonade and a few snacks, as usual. It is always a beautiful evening.

Barbara Skapa has scheduled the annual Mushroom Walk for Saturday, August 20, starting at 10am in the library parking lot. She might take us around the village, or we might wind up carpooling to some other spot in Mt. Vernon. Wear comfortable outdoor clothing suitable for the weather, and bring a small knife and bag or basket for collecting. This year, we ask that you pre-register for the walk, so we can notify you if Barbara has to cancel due to the dry weather. You can register by calling us at 293-2565, emailing us at [DrShaw@shaw.lib.me.us](mailto:DrShaw@shaw.lib.me.us), or sending us a Facebook message. Please leave us your name and phone number. Usually Barbara asks for a small donation from participants, which she kindly gives to the library.

School will start at the end of August, and most of our KVBA books will go to the elementary school for use over the winter. It is a great list of books this year, and they've been circulating constantly. We hope our young patrons are enjoying them!



For the next few months, as we get ready for construction, we will not be able to accept many book donations. We will keep a shelf of donated books so the folks who run the various Little Free Libraries around town can replenish their shelves, but we won't have space for anything more. We can accept current, popular fiction (hardcover or paperback) and a few children's books if they are in great shape, but if you have boxes and bags of books, please take them to the swap shop at the transfer station, or to Goodwill, for the next few months. Thank you!

Speaking of Little Free Libraries: there are now three in town! We'll be posting pictures of them on our Facebook page and on our website. For the past couple of years, the Roe's have managed one on DeMariano Road, and the Jackson's have had one near the Rome town line.

**DR. SHAW MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS - CONT.**

Over the winter, Len Roe built a beautiful one for us, and Dan Hamilton (The People’s Book Shop on the corner of Wings Mills Road and Bartlett Road) volunteered to keep that one for us! If we don’t have a title that appeals to you in the Little Free Library, you can always go into the shop and buy something from their well-stocked shelves. The people who manage the LFLs stock them from our book donations, from Goodwill, and from a host of other places, including their own household collections. We are grateful to them for extending reading opportunities out into the community.

I am reading The Anthologist, by Maine author Nicholson Baker. It is about life and poetry from the point of view of a young, quirky, introspective narrator who happens to have writer’s block and keeps getting sidetracked from his writing by his observations on life in

general. What are you reading when you aren’t picking beans, stacking wood, or swimming?

**SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE**

**Vienna Votes to Support School Budget**  
on July 28

Chesterville: 70 yes, 166 no  
Farmington: 575 yes, 400 no  
Industry: 51 yes, 46 no  
New Sharon: 94 yes, 203 no  
New Vineyard: 26 yes, 101 no  
Starks: 88 yes, 6 no  
Temple: 70 yes, 58 no  
Vienna: 48 yes, 34 no  
Weld: 21 yes, 12 no  
Wilton: 282 yes, 262 no

RSU 9 totals with all 10 towns reporting:  
1,325 yes, 1,288 no

For more information read the article in the [Bulldog](#)

**RECURRING COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Mt. Vernon Community Center Café** - Saturdays From 9:30-11:30 AM. Coffee, food and Conversation.

**Men’s Breakfast** - Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30 at the Mt. Vernon Community Center. Small donation appreciated.

**Women’s Breakfast “JULIET”** - Third Tuesday of each month at the Mill Stream Grange 8-9 AM. Pot luck breakfast plus \$2.00 per person.

**McGaffey Mountain Woodcarvers** - 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each Month from 6:00-8:30 PM at the Vienna Community Center. New and experienced carvers welcome. For more information call Norma Wing at 293-3725 or Ed Beach at 685-4779.

**Creation Station** - Faith-based, arts-based after school program of the North Vienna UMC. Meets Thursday during the school year. Open to all children grades K-6. For more information call Laura Church at 293-3892.

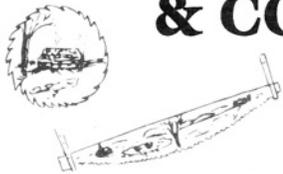
**The Youth Group at North Vienna United Methodist Church** - Most Sunday afternoons during the school year. Open to youth grades 6 and up. For more information call Laura Church 293-3892.

**Vienna Historical Society** - Meetings are held the first Sunday of each month at the Mill Stream Grange Hall at 1:00.

**Vienna Union Hall Association** - Second Wednesday of each month. 7:00 at the Vienna Community Center (Nov.- March.) at the Union Hall (April - Oct.) Welcome new members.

COMMUNITY SWAP AND SHOP

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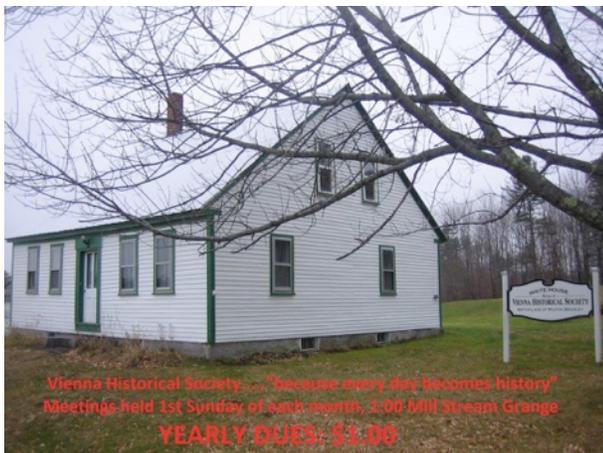
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SPECIAL EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ✓ **August 13 - Vienna Union Hall -**  
Bearstow Dancers -7:30 PM
- ✓ **August 26 - Vienna Union Hall - 7:30 PM**  
Bearstow Resident Concert
- ✓ **August 27- Vienna Union Hall 7:00 PM**  
Ruth Hill Concert

- ✓ **August 27 - Vienna Historical Society Grounds - 9:00 AM- 2:00PM -** Vienna/Mt. Vernon Antique Sale and Flea Market
- ✓ **September 17 - Vienna Union Hall - 7:00 PM -** The Maine Squeeze Accordion Ensemble



Vienna Historical Society... "because every day becomes history"  
Meetings held 1st Sunday of each month, 1:00 Mill Stream Grange  
**YEARLY DUES: \$1.00**

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**READFIELD EMPORIUM RE-INVENTED**

**Readfield on Fire or ... A Story of Food Passions and Revolution in Readfield**

30 years ago a couple of NYC professors Bob and Helen opened a Readfield restaurant - The Emporium. Goals: offer a distillation of NY culinary delights from street vendors and restaurants as well as food experiences from their world travels. Italian, Chinese, French, Arabic, Indian and Mediterranean herbs, and spices filled their everyday repertoire. Born into an expansive Mediterranean family where food was the center of life, they topped pizzas with a creative explosion of taste and adventure.

Most important was their background in traditional cooking. Traditional Brooklyn Italian, Greek and Arabic family recipes brought delight to the regular marinara tomato sauce and quintessential pizza palate. Pizzas from the gas-fired 500-degree oven take 10 minutes to cook, and arrive achingly thin with perfectly blistered crusts topped with either traditional 6 hour simmered tomato marinara and cheese or a spice and herb explosion of international flavors. And our entrees...wine was an essential entrée cooking element. The importance of classic concepts of food of French chef Escoffier filled years of dining preferences.

Then during the first years following the millennium the Emporium had the extraordinary fortune to hire three dynamic talents. Tim Simon (now famous actor in movies and TV), Dave Farady (English scholar and teacher) and Sarah Chiasson (Kent's Hill school girl). The trio stayed several years and developed their skills, each in an extraordinary way. Sarah Chiasson- travelled, university educated, and world-wise became chef at the Old Post Office Café in Mount Vernon. She found local fame for her precision and flair in the creation of food that rivaled the best restaurants chefs on the west coast.

This past Spring, during Bob's casual annual visit with Sarah she posed the question: "Do you think it would be a good idea if we joined together again...at the Emporium?" It was like the Blues Brothers putting 'the Band' back together. An Act of God. The immediate answer, "Absolutely! Let's do it!"

And Yes! Sarah has returned home...to the Emporium. She leads a team that brings style, a refreshing sense of spices and herbs that demonstrates a command of the kitchen and palette. A combination of our worlds has introduced a regional revolution in style and food. A brief renovation followed (draft beer, new dishes, glasses, supplies, and kitchen layout). Sarah then introduced a Summer Menu which alters the way in which each plate is conceived and executed. As she explained it: an explosion of taste, color and a perfect portion. Summer on a plate. This is the kind of experience you remember. Who can resist? See Readfield Emporium on Facebook for Sarah's memories of her first restaurant experience at the E. Our ad includes a few pix- menu highlights.

The Emporium has managed to achieve that rare balance of fine dining and fun, with a staff that can roll off esoteric items like pork 'roulade' in one breath, as they're whisking your bottle of wine away to a chilling station in the other. The menu is divided into appetizers, entrees and pizzas. There is also an exciting array of culinary specials as well as staple items like ginger-glazed salmon, marinated goat cheese, duck confit salad, seared tuna tacos. But the real fun is in the appetizers, where dish after dish of wildly inventive small bites emerge from the kitchen – duck, mousse, fish, smoked salmon, quinoa, tabouleh. Pace yourself. Or don't. It's an experience you'll remember. Every single item on the appetizers menu is a must-have – from the finger-licking chips and addictive salads, squash pickles, a salad of baby kale, shaved carrot, baked beet napoleon or warm cauliflower or caramelized onion gratin crustini.

Sarah, born and bred in Mount Vernon...she is a melange of extraordinary intellect, delight, charm, demanding chef and a farm girl - the product of Maine farms. Whenever possible local Maine farm ingredients are incorporated into her creations. Daily soups begin every day. Fresh soup stock from bones culled and roasted from the day's meats, and fresh vegetables. I've always avoided soups (a reminder of experiences from my Campbell's days), but a good soup – that is gravy with deep bouquet of vegetables herbs and flavor - each spoonful is a treat. Europeans know this. In France, a bowl of her soup is a meal to savor and treasure – a culinary feast. (And only 6 bucks).

Sarah has introduced a Saturday and Sunday Brunch. The brunch menu includes among other delights, a variety of scrambles, brunch pizzas, omelets, burgers, savory cakes, sandwiches. Brunch offerings are plentiful. Among them, home baked cinnamon rolls, buns, scones, coffee cakes, granolas, etc.

And for those who long for a dinner executed with the skill of a classically trained chef, the winter menu will include classics you've known and loved. All with Sarah's clever twist.

And in the following candid statement, Sarah Chiasson talks about coming home...to the Emporium:

"This place still has the most nostalgic aromas. I think the spices and herbs are in its bones. That is the one thing I remember when I worked here HS & college summers. It was such a unique place – no one had pizza like this place. I remember I'd go home after working all night smelling of spices and herbs.

Since my Emporium years, foods and flavors have been the one thing that has kept me sane through my whole life. To find joy in cooking is an essential element in my life. Cooking has a depth that is rich with flavors. Food is my outlet. It is where I am creative. Spices and herbs are my medium like oil paint to a landscape artist. The kitchen is where I create. Food is beautiful. As you build the elements of a dinner you change elements in yourself. You are changing as you recreate every plate...every day. I truly feel that way. I will continue to change and grow here.



The future? I envision that it is in this place. The Emporium is a place where people gather. It is an extension and expression of friends who gathered here. There is nothing more exciting than to continue to build on this tradition. To be able to offer an experience like this in our remote corner of Maine is so rare - so cool.

The Emporium is a treasure. This place is the same as it was years ago. The Emporium "attitude" was different from other places I experienced in Maine. The Emporium music! - the unusual collection of

old tapes, music and albums - that music selection! And it hasn't changed much at all. They've just changed from tapes to CDs. And the tree branches and lights in the restaurant are wonderful, they haven't changed either.

Long ago there was a boutique attached. This place has been through quite an evolution. I bought my very first set of china flats, paper parasol, and china rice bowls for my apartment here. Yeah it was a home goods store too. Makes me smile. "

No need to get on a plane or use vacation days. The Readfield Emporium is located at the intersection of routes 17 and 41. 10 or 15 minutes from Augusta, Monmouth, Manchester, Belgrade, Turner etc. No visa/passport needed. 685-7348. Wed- Sun 5- 9 Brunch 9AM

### 30 MILE RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION NEWS

*News from the 30 Mile River Watershed Association*



#### Youth Conservation Corps

Our Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) was busy this summer tackling erosion issues on lakefront properties. Although the crew is no longer accepting projects for this summer, site visits will still be available through the fall to line up projects for next summer. Submit a request today for a **free** property evaluation and learn how you can make your land more lake friendly. See our

[YCC Page](#) on the website for more information.

For more news from the 30 Mile River Watershed Association, visit [www.30mileriver.org](http://www.30mileriver.org).

**5th Annual**  
 Vienna/Mount Vernon Community  
**Antique Fair and Flea Market**



Saturday, August 27, 9 am to 2 pm  
 At the Vienna Historical Society Grounds  
 Hwy 41 in Vienna  
 Antiques, Collectibles and Junque  
 Lots of Treasures – Lots of Parking

**FOOD**  
**FREE SPACE FOR SELLERS**  
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**KIMBALL POND MOTOR SIZE REQUEST**

The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife was petitioned to consider the following watercraft regulations: Kimball Pond, Vienna/New Sharon, Kennebec County – motorboats with more than 10 horsepower prohibited.

A Public Hearing was held on July 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. – Vienna Community Building/Fire Station, Kimball Pond Road, Vienna

The Comment Deadline was July 22, 2016. No action or decision has been reported at this time.

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<b>Kimball Pond Statistics</b>	<b>Mean Depth (feet):</b> 10	Coldwater
<b>Area (acres):</b> 56	<b>Max Depth (feet):</b> 19	<b>Invasive Aquatic Infestation:</b> None known
<b>Perimeter (miles):</b> 1.2	<b>Delorme Page:</b> 20	<b>Water Quality:</b> Above average
	<b>Fishery Type:</b>	

**UNION HALL RECHARGED**



The Vienna Union Hall has undergone big changes in the last few months including a new paint job and finally the grand opening of the fabled composting toilet house which was first used during the Historical Society Plays this July.

There will be lots of wonderful events inside the hall in August and September as well. Two Dance performances by the Bearnstow Dances are on August 13 and 26th. The first features a thrilling duet couple from Colima, Mexico, featuring Adriana Leon and

the second showcases the young resident dancers who have been teaching and learning at the camp for the whole summer.

Next, on Saturday, August 27 after three years, Ruth Hill returns to the Union Hall. Ruth resides in Chesterville and is a musical storyteller. Inspired by the gritty joy of growing up in a large, colorful family, and a wandering spirit that's taken her to both poles of the globe, her songs are packed with powerful imagery, beautiful melodies and have been described as compelling, authentic, and hard-hitting. With an achingly clear voice she delivers her own eclectic mix of folk, Americana, blues, and bluegrass.

Over the past two years, Ruth has studied songwriting with Emily Saliers (Indigo Girls), Mary Gauthier, Jonatha Brooke (The Story), Catie Curtis, and Grammy award-winning songwriters Don Henry and Gretchen Peters.

Ruth has performed from Antarctica to Alaska, with warmer stops in between. Her songs are a feather in the wind, a mason jar of moonshine, a spin on the Tilt-a-Whirl...exciting your imagination and opening the doors to your own heart.

Ruth's second CD, *Reunion of Broken Parts* is almost finished and scheduled for release in October! She will be accompanied at the Vienna Union Hall by Ryan Bear Stone (former banjo/guitar player for Tricky Britches), percussionist Amanda Adams, and cellist Heidi Hedstrom.

Coming on September 17 the Hall presents the *Maine Squeeze Accordion Ensemble* performing popular and eclectic ethnic music from around the world, from traditional foot-tapping polkas to waltzes to zydeco, as well as original tunes. The six members of the band also perform in bands such as the Casco Bay Tumblers (Klezmer music) and are teachers of music, drama, dance and voice for children and adults.

# Town of Vienna,

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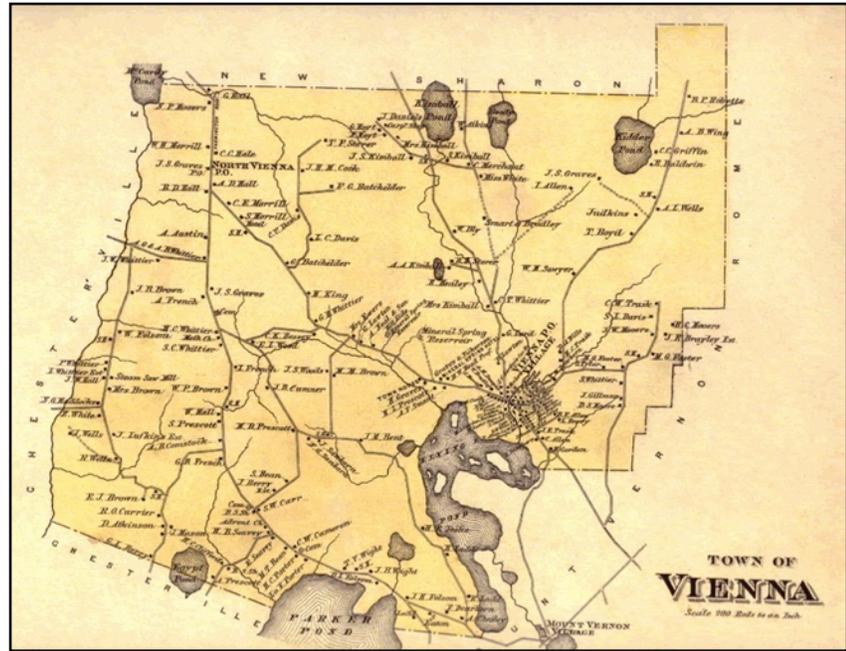
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1879 Map of Vienna

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