

# QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

## Spring 2026



### *From the desk of the Chairman....*

Passadumkeag has entered an exciting phase with the revival of its Planning Board and the pending creation of a Comprehensive Plan (CP), which will help the town access numerous grants, funding opportunities, and bonds. This Plan aims to guide future progress and fulfill residents' needs.

The Planning Board has spent three months working on the drafts, and I'm pleased to report, we are 75% finished. Crafting a Comprehensive Plan is a challenging process that normally takes between 1.5 and 2 years, but we are moving ahead faster than expected.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to **Ellie Clark** for her dedication and hard work in bringing us this far. Regrettably, Ellie had to leave the Board, due to other commitments.

After the Planning Board completes the Comprehensive Plan, it will be posted and presented at a public meeting where residents can review it and share their feedback. This ensures the plan aligns with the town's consensus. The earlier survey was the initial step in gathering input from the community, and this information is essential for developing the plan. We will keep you informed as the Plan develops.

Thank you,  
*Sergio Batista*

## MEET YOUR PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

- Sergio Batista | Chairman
- Crystal Flanders
- Mary Lee Mottram
- Carol Nichols
- Filled (pending swearing in ceremony)
- Alternate One Open
- Alternate Two Open

## Planning Board Update

The Planning Board is seeking new members. We are currently working on the Comprehensive Plan and drafting ordinances for the town. These tasks have been demanding, and due to prior obligations, two members recently stepped down. Our board consists of five regular members and two alternates. If you would like to support the town's growth and improvement and have basic computer skills, please contact us for more details. **Please don't forget to return your Surveys.**

There has been a lot of talk regarding new ordinances, so we wanted to take a minute to explain the Ordinance process. The Planning Board is an advisory committee that submits residents' concerns, ideas etc. to the Selectmen. If a new ordinance is proposed, then the Board will draft the ordinance, citing the appropriate State laws and submit the proposed ordinance to the Selectmen at one of their monthly meetings. From there it goes through many reviews, including legally and submitted back to the PB for any modifications. Once that has been completed, the Ordinance is then placed in front of the Town Residents for their YEAH or NAY. Ultimately, the Town decides whether to adopt the new ordinance or not. **Have your voice heard!**

Additionally, the Town of Passadumkeag is seeking individuals, who would like to become members of the **Budgetary Committee**. In conjunction with the Town Selectmen, this committee will serve to help create, monitor and make recommendations on our Town's annual budget.

**We have asked the MSAD31 School Board to provide a guest speaker to join our May 14<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss the 2026/2027 School Budget. Stay tuned! We will be announcing if there is someone available to join us!**

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES

Did you know we have a **Passadumkeag Historical Society**? Good thing we do as the Town has lots of amazing stories and interesting facts from our past. As Spring is approaching, the Planning Board reached out to the Historical Society to see if we could support them in updating their location. The Historical Society is located at the corner of Pleasant and Caribou, where one of our original schools and Post Office sits. We have many Town residents that attended the school or have parents that did! Amazing! So much rich history in our little Town.

The first item on the agenda is getting the Historical Society's saw blade sign back up and mounted! Next, we will be evaluating the School House to see what repairs may be needed. The ultimate goal would be to turn the school into a museum, a small library and potentially have a computer and printer for the town to utilize.

We have so many items to showcase! The Boom House alone has sections dedicated to timber harvesting (tools, history of logging) and the River Drivers.

Our new website will also be featuring many of the Town's historical facts. Do you have any stories, pictures etc. that you would like to share? Please reach out to the Planning Board.



**Where can you find latest information?**

**\*\*\*\*IT'S LIVE!\*\*\*\***

We are very excited to announce the launch of our new website. We are looking for pictures of Passadumkeag, throughout the decades, to add to our website. Please share your pictures, ideas, features with us.

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In addition to the new website, the Planning Board is bringing the Lincoln News right to you. The paper will be available for free, in limited supply, in front of the Town Office. Donations appreciated. New editions are available every Thursday.



Back by popular demand. BINGO! We are looking into the insurance and licensing currently. We are also looking into a craft fair and some other community events. Interested in volunteering? Please contact us!

Need assistance with your four-legged family member's medical bills? Please see our website for a comprehensive list of organizations that may be able to support you. If you use any of these services, please let us know about your experience. We appreciate the feedback.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Monthly Meetings @ 6PM**

**Selectman: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday**

**Planning Board: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday**



## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

MAY 20TH BULK TRASH PICK UP



It's that time of the year again! Put all your big bulk trash for pick up out on the curb for May 20<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder of items that will NOT be picked up; Paint, Hazardous Waste, Waste Oil, Rocks, Soil, Trees, Brush. Limit of six (6) tires per household. Any question, please contact the Town Clerk.

Regular trash pickup every Wednesday.

Recycling pickup last Wednesday of the month.

Fly your flags proudly! Thank you to all the active serving and Veterans, we have in Passadumkeag!

If you have damaged flags that need to be disposed of, please contact the Planning Board so we may dispose of them properly.



Do you need an absentee ballot for the upcoming primary on **June 9th**? Are you registered to vote? Please reach out to the Planning Board for help and assistance with getting registered and obtaining an absentee ballot.

This is a jam-packed election with hotly contested races for both the US Senate and Governor seats! **Have your voice heard!**



With saddened hearts, we regret to inform you that our beloved Town Treasurer, Barb Boyer, is hanging up her abacus. Please join the Planning Board in wishing Barb well in her next adventure! Barb, you will be missed!

Therefore, the Town is seeking a new part time **Treasurer.**

Is IT your passion? The Town of Passadumkeag is looking for a part time **IT** person to support the town a couple of hours every month.

We also are seeking a **Public Work's** person for some part time handyman type work around the Town.

If you or someone you know might be interested in any of these open roles, please contact the Town Clerk or stop into the Town Office.

Contact Us

Not able to make a meeting but wish your voice to be heard? Reach out to the Planning Board. Check out our new phone number!

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