



Business is booming: New development flourishes in Bath

Around every corner, Bath is bustling with development. A downtown medical facility, Route 1 hotel and several buildings at Bath Iron Works are celebrating 2015 openings. Plans are in place for future residential growth — one in the vacant waterfront property next to the Kennebec Tavern and one at the former John E. L. Huse School — as well as a new CVS. The City of Ships continues to grow.

Mid Coast Medical Group

In June, Mid Coast Medical Group opened its new primary care facility at 108 Centre Street.

The project, in collaboration with JHR Development, is a two-story, 20,000 square foot facility. The building accommodates the practice's eight physicians, one physician assistant, 26 support staff members and one full-time licensed clinical social worker. The building will also fit the Mid Coast Medical Group's Patient-Centered Medical Home model.

"In order to meet the changing



Mid Coast Medical Group's new primary care facility in downtown Bath opened for business in June.

growing needs for the 21st century healthcare, this location and the building design that you see here could not be better suited to help us achieve our mission to improve the health of the community. This state-of-the-art facility is a great step forward for our patients as well as the physicians and staff who care for them, the City of Bath and our community," said Lois Skillings, President and CEO of Mid Coast Health Services in a press release.

The facility is owned by JHR Development and designed by Gawron Turgeon Architects.

"This new facility is in a perfect location for the people of Bath," said J. Hilary Rockett of JHR Development in a press release. "Working

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with Mid Coast, the City of Bath and so many committed partners to create this building has been a fantastic process that will have lasting benefits for the City and its residents."

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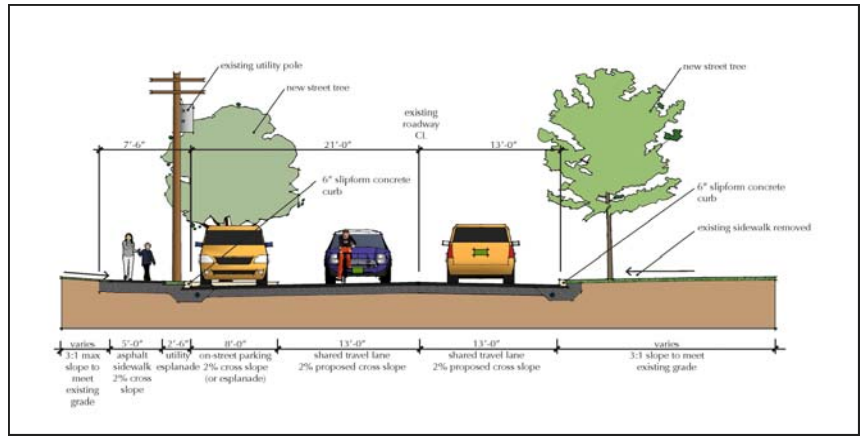
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- PLANNING BOARD
1ST TUESDAY, 6:00 PM COUNCIL
CHAMBERS
- COMMUNITY FORESTRY
1ST WEDNESDAYS, 7:00 PM
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
- COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
2ND THURSDAYS, 4:00 PM
2ND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
- ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
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North Street Project under way

The City of Bath will be re-designing and reconstructing portions of North Street during this summer.

The project, which got under way June 22, includes the redesign and reconstruction of the roadway from Five Corners (Lincoln/Oak Grove/Congress Intersection) to High Street.

As right-of-way width allows, the street will be narrowed, landscaping will be added, and lighting will be improved. A continuous and safe sidewalk will exist the entire length of the project area.

Bath Water District will also be replacing sections of water main on North and Middle Streets during this summer.

The project goals are to

improve the roadway surface, provide safe and continuous pedestrian areas, and improve the appearance and quality of life along the corridor. Providing safe spaces for all modes of travel is an important part of this project.

Funding for this project will be shared between the City of Bath and the State of Maine.

For more information on the project, visit www.cityofbath.com/northstreet.

If you have comments or questions about the project, please contact to Andrew Deci, City Planner, at 443-8363 or by e-mail at adeci@cityofbath.com.

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Department Spotlight: Fire & Rescue Department

'We never know what service we're going to provide next'

From kitchen mishaps to chest pains, house fires to CO2 alarms, the Bath Fire & Rescue Department was called upon more than 2,500 times during 2014.

"We never know what service we're going to be providing next," said Fire Chief Lawrence "Buddy" Renaud.

Renaud was approved as Fire Chief by the City Council in June of 2014. He replaced Stephen Hinds, who retired after 12 years as Fire Chief.

Renaud offers more than 28 years experience with the Bath Fire Department with leadership progression through the ranks from Firefighter/EMT to Shift Captain to his current position as Fire Chief. He also served as Fire Chief of the West Bath Volunteer Fire Department for 12 years.

Renaud is at the helm of a busy Bath Fire & Rescue Department. In 2014, the department responded to 2,170 rescue and 398 fire calls. This total surpassed 2013's 1,931 rescue calls and 348 fire calls.

That's an average of nearly six rescue calls per day.

"We're busy with EMS work, so we have to find time to be proficient and execute in a high level for firefighting," said Renaud. "It is challenging."

Public education and community outreach are important to Renaud and the Bath Fire & Rescue Department.

The department has been able to be involved with the schools, including the "Learn Not to Burn" fire prevention program for first graders and hands-on EMT training



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with Health Sciences students at the Bath Regional Career and Technical Center.

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The department has also visited Bath Housing facilities to provide fire and fall prevention programs.

"It's a challenge with the volume of calls," said Renaud. "Sometimes we have to reschedule, but we feel that our department should be proactive in the community to prevent tragedies."

October is also a big month with the annual open house and Fire Prevention Week.

Each six-person shift at the Bath Fire & Rescue Department is 24 hours. The daily work, includes equipment preparation, house-keeping, training and physical fitness.

"One of my priorities was to put the public back in public service," said Renaud. "There used to be a perception that we're just here waiting for a call. I want to make sure the public is getting the most out of the service they are paying for."

That can change with the tone of a call. The average EMS call can take two hours with response, treatment, transport and paperwork. If you have interest in Bath Fire & Rescue Department programming, please call 443-5034.

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Safety Day & Bike Rodeo



Bath Safety Day & Bike Rodeo was held in June, drawing more than 300 children to the Donald Small School for fun and entertainment, hosted by Bath Police Department and Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS). Area law enforcement agencies and fire departments also participated in the annual event, which included demonstrations, giveaways and raffles.



Tax Club allows residents to make monthly payments

Tax Club enrollment forms are available in July of each year in the Treasurer's Office and are due by August 15. Taxpayers must be current on taxes and the property must be the taxpayer's primary residence in order to be eligible to participate in Tax Club. Tax Club is not available on commercial, industrial, personal or rental properties.

The Tax Club is a program that allows residents of the City of Bath to spread out their property tax bill in 12 monthly installments instead of a single payment.

The Council approves an order each year that reads in part:

"Be it order by the City Council of the City of Bath, Maine as follows: That the Finance Director, serving as the appointed Treasurer and Tax Collector, be authorized and empowered to continue a tax payment plan known as the "Bath Tax Club", making payments in a method, frequency, and manner set by, and in accordance with, the rules of said Tax Club as determined by the Finance Director..."

For more information regarding Tax Club and eligibility, please contact the Treasurer's Office at 443-8340 or visit www.cityofbath.com.

Recreation Department launches program website

The Parks & Recreation Department has a new software program, at www.BathRecreation.com to help families register for programs. The website allows registrants to provide emergency contacts and allergy/medical information along

with register for text messaging updates for last minute schedule changes.

Still want to register in the person? Save time at the office by setting up the household account online ahead of time.

The new household account will provide users with registration history, financial history and much more.

Registration is now available for summer and fall programs, including soccer, golf and lacrosse.



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SAVE THE DATE
Bath Citizen Involvement Day
Saturday, October 10, 2015



Main Street Bath



Bath Heritage Days

The 43rd annual Bath Heritage Days brought four days of fun and entertainment to downtown Bath from July 2-5, including Maine's largest Independence Day Parade, Heritage Days Five Mile Road Race, Kids Day, the Fireman's Muster, Made in Maine Craft and Art Show, Front Street Shuffle, the Chili-Chowder Fest and more than 25 bands.

FMI www.bathheritagedays.com



Korb hired as Program Director

From a field of qualified candidates, the Main Street Bath Board of Directors selected Jacob Korb to serve as the organization's new Program Director in June.

Korb, who has been working as a Development Associate at The Neighborhood Academy in Pittsburgh, brings a strong back-

ground in community organizing and program management to the position.

As Main Street Bath's Program Director, Korb will support the Board of Directors and manage Main Street Bath's programs with the goal of promoting and preserving Bath's historic downtown.



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BIW

Bath Iron Works appears to be solidifying the state of shipbuilding in Bath for the next decade and beyond with a new outfitting hall and blasting and painting building that appear ready for occupancy in summer of 2015.

BIW constructed the second Ultra Hall and Blast & Paint Buildings in an effort to improve efficiency in shipbuilding practices and handle an increased workload.

The second Ultra Hall, located south of the original Ultra Hall, stands 110 feet tall with a pair of 200-ton bridge cranes, while the Blasting and Painting Buildings expanded to increase capacity. Demolition was completed on the South



A four-story Residence Inn Marriott is scheduled to open this fall on the site of the former Holiday Inn and Bounty Restaurant site on Richardson Street.

Hyde Assembly building to make way for the Blasting & Painting Buildings.

There are currently five destroyers — three Zumwalt class and two Arleigh Burke class — in various states of construction at BIW.

The next two destroyers in the Zumwalt class are the Michael Monsoor DDG 1001 and Lyndon Johnson DDG 1002. In April of 2014, the USS Zumwalt DDG 1000 — the first of the class — was christened.

There are currently

two Arleigh Burke-class destroyers in production at Bath Iron Works, Rafael Peralta (DDG 115) and Thomas Hudner (DDG 116).

Residence Inn

Residence Inn Marriott on Route One is expected to open in the fall of 2015.

The four-story hotel will replace the former Holiday Inn and Bounty Restaurant on Richardson Street. The new hotel is expected to open in 2015.

The former building, built in 1975, was a three-

story hotel and featured 141 rooms and a 175-seat restaurant and tavern.

The planned Residence Inn Marriott is designed with 103 rooms, including spacious single and double suites with kitchens and a fitness center.

According to the Marriott website, the suites are designed for long stays with space to eat and work.

What's ahead?

Several projects are

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Hop aboard 'Charlie' for the Bath ArtWalk Trolley Tour

Bath ArtWalk got under way in June and will be held on the third Fridays in July, August and September.

New this year is a trolley tour to shuttle passengers to locations around town. A \$2 pass

allows you to ride the trolley while guides will be pointing out historic buildings and give a short synopsis on each artist, studio and gallery along the trolley route.

Downtown Bath will continue to feature a cluster of artists as well as live music. The Chocolate Church Arts Center will provide dance, music and visual arts each month. FMI



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or www.visitbath.com



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on the horizon in Bath, including a pair of residential projects.

JHR Development received Planning Board approval in June to proceed with plans to redevelop the waterfront property next to the Kennebec Tavern with a \$20 million residential project.

The Bath RiverWalk Residences are five buildings, totaling 40 condominiums, on the Kennebec River. The condominiums are planned to be two- and three-bedroom units.

The buildings will feature frontage on Front and Commercial Streets.

Szanton Company have a purchase-and-sale agreement in place with the City for the former John E. L. Huse Elementary School with plans to revitalize the property with residential use.

The design focuses on reuse of the present building with an addition to create a total of 59 residential apartments. The units will be a mix of market-rate and subsidized units.

The tentative project is dependent on receiving funding.

The new **CVS Pharmacy**, which received go-aheads from the Planning Board and City Council in 2014, is advancing as real estate acquisition nears completion.

CVS is planning to move from its Bath Shopping Center spot to a Court Street location.

The 13,000 stand-alone facility will feature a drive-thru pharmacy.

Developer Mark Sewall is pro-



J. Hilary Rockett of JHR Development speaks at the open house for the Mid Coast Medical Group building. JHR received approval to construct 40 condominium units on the waterfront.

posing a 1,990 square foot building on Route One at the site of the former Mobil Gas Station/Dunkin' Donuts.

The project was approved by the City Council for contract rezoning in July. It received blessing from the Planning Board in its May meeting.

High school project moves through process

Morse High School has been placed on the State Board of Education Approved Construction Projects List and RSU 1 is moving forward with the process to address the building needs of the high school.

RSU 1 contracted with Lavallee-Brensinger, an architect/engineering firm to assist in guiding the process, which includes a Building Committee, several sub-committees and forums with teachers and staff, students, parents, community and alumnae.

Several centrally-located sites in Bath have been identified as possible locations for a new high school and those sites are undergoing environmental testing. The sites include the existing Bath Middle School, Wing Farm, and the American Legion and adjacent parcels. The current site of the high school is also under evaluation.

If the Department of Education approves the sites, RSU 1 anticipates a community straw poll on the preferred site in late summer/early fall.

Anyone who would like to be involved or with questions about the building project process is encouraged to contact RSU 1 at 443-6601.

To stay updated on the latest developments in the project, visit rsu1.org or like "MHS Building Project" on Facebook.

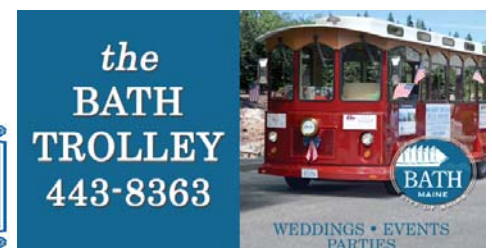
Lobstering & Maine Coast at MMM

Maine Maritime Museum's renovated and redesigned Lobstering & the Maine Coast exhibit opened in July.

The exhibit featured a thematic expansion and upgrade of the existing lobstering exhibit, installed in 1985, in its own 6,200-square-foot, two-story building steps from the

Kennebec River.

For more information on the Museum and Lobstering & the Maine Coast, visit mainemaritime-museum.org.





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SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

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TUESDAYS AT 7:00PM**

BATH MUNICIPAL SWING BAND
EVERY TUESDAY

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FRIDAYS AT 7:00PM**

6/19 - BATH MUNICIPAL BAND
6/26 - BATH MUNICIPAL BAND
7/3 - HERITAGE DAYS MUSIC
7/10 - TBA
7/17 - NOR'EASTERS
7/24 - CUL DE SAX
7/31 - ITALIAN HERITAGE BAND
8/7 - MERRYMEETING COMM. BAND
8/14 - BATH MUNICIPAL BAND
8/21 - BATH MUNICIPAL BAND
8/28 - BATH MUNICIPAL BAND

**WATERFRONT PARK
SATURDAYS AT 6:00PM**

7/11 - CINDY ALEXANDER
7/18 - SHY GREEN
7/25 - SNAPPDRAGGON
8/1 - LAUREN CROSBY BAND
8/8 - RICK TURCOTTE AND THE RICK
OSHAYS
8/15 - JEN CHAPIN TRIO
8/22 - LOVE TO BURN
8/29 - STRING TIDE

