



*One of the Lombards in front of the covered bridge at The Maine Forest and Logging Museum*

# Bradley Broadcast 2024

The Bradley Town Council and staff are pleased to present to you the 2024 Bradley Broadcast. We hope to provide general and helpful information to our residents and visitors. We hope you enjoy and very much look forward to your comments and suggestions for future broadcasts.

## Follow us on Facebook

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### 2<sup>nd</sup> Half of Taxes Due

The second half of 2023 taxes are due by February 23, 2024. Unpaid taxes after that date are assessed interest at 8% per annum. Please note that you can make partial payments at any time by coming in to the office or by mail. Online payment options are also available on our website.

### Homestead Exemption

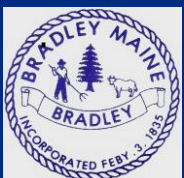
If you are a legal resident of the State of Maine and have owned a homestead property for at least the past 12 months, you may qualify for a Homestead Exemption. The one-time application must be filed by April 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are not sure if you have filed, please contact the office.

### Dog Registrations

All dogs 6 months and older must be registered by December 31, 2023. A state mandated late fee of **\$25.00** is **assessed after January 31, 2024**. Online payment options are available on our website.



*Great Works Stream  
Cram Street*

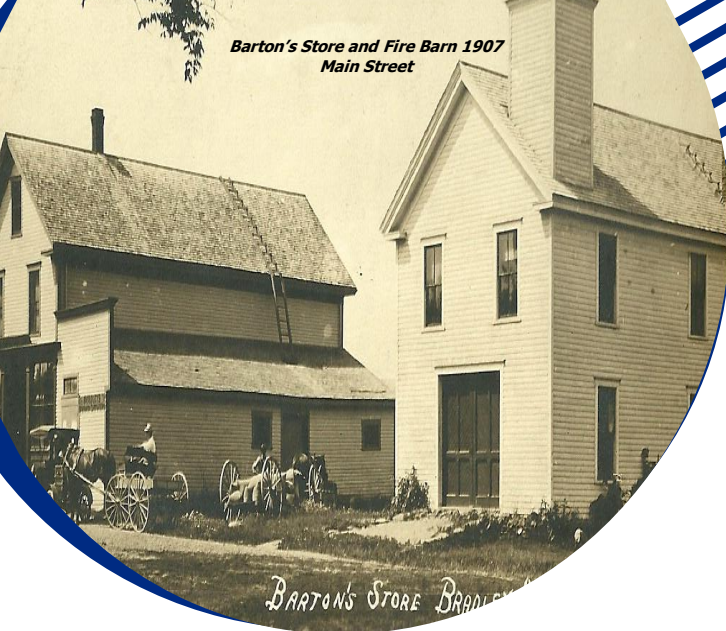


Town of Bradley  
PO Box 517  
165B Main Street  
Bradley ME 04411

Phone: 207-827-7725  
Fax: 207-827-7072  
TownofBradley.net

Tuesday  
7:30 am to 6:00 pm  
Wednesday-Friday  
7:30 am to 4:30 pm

Barton's Store and Fire Barn 1907  
Main Street



## Historical Committee

The Bradley Historical Committee is always searching for Bradley Historical items. Pictures can be scanned and returned the same day, and items to donate are safely stored at the municipal building. If you are not willing to donate, the committee would appreciate a picture. The Committee holds gatherings at least once a year to display the collection.

## Senior Exercise

Senior exercise classes are held in the Council Room on Wednesdays at 10:00.

This is a great way to connect with residents and burn some calories!

## Growing Up Bradley and Let's Go Up Stream

Two great booklets are available to purchase at the Bradley Municipal Building for a suggestion donation of \$2.00 per book.

As the titles affirm, these books feature some wonderful stories and historical information about Bradley.

**Watch the digital sign located in front of the Bradley Municipal Office for continued community updates.**

## Become Involved

People participating in the activities of government is essential to good government and the delivery of essential services. This is particularly true of local government.

Nomination Papers for two Town Council seats will be available on March 28, 2024. The papers are due back on May 7, 2024. Town Council meets every other Tuesday at 6:30 pm. The meetings are generally less than an hour long, nonetheless a lot is accomplished.

The Town of Bradley also has openings on our Planning Board. Meetings are held monthly if there are agenda items. These include reviewing site plans and subdivision applications for compliance with local and State regulations

***It does not take a lot of time but makes a big impact.***

The Town Council and Planning Board meetings both offer an agenda item for citizen request/comment. The Town of Bradley wants to hear from you. The Town Council meetings are also streamed live on Facebook and the Council chair always checks for comments before closing the meeting. Please follow us on Facebook or check our website for meeting dates and times.

## Sign Up for our Email list

You will get notices of events, office closings, council meeting minutes, meeting dates and much more. Simply email us at [townofbradley@gmail.com](mailto:townofbradley@gmail.com) with subject line **ADD ME**. There is also an option on our website to join.

## Little Free Library

Do not forget the Little Free Library located in front of the Municipal Building.

*Take a book, leave a book.*







Bradley Municipal Complex

## Important Phone Numbers

Emergency	911
Penobscot County Sheriff Dept.	207-947-4585
Maine State Police-Bangor	207-973-3700
Bradley Post Office	207-827-6532
Viola Rand School	207-827-2508
Maine Department of Transportation	207-941-4500
RSU 34 Superintendents Office	207-827-7171
Old Town Water District	207-827-2145

### Town Council

#### Mark Ketch, Chair

Term Expires June 2026  
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The Bradley Town Council meets every other Tuesday at 6:30 pm. The Council strongly encourages public participation and welcomes comments and concerns. The meetings are also live streamed on Facebook and stored on the Town's YouTube Channel.

### Municipal Staff

#### Melissa L. Doane

Town Manager, Tax Collector,  
Treasurer, Deputy Town Clerk,  
Road Commissioner, General  
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#### April J. Dorr

Town Clerk, Town Excise  
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Motor Vehicle Agent, Inland  
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#### Dean Bennett

Code Enforcement Officer  
[dbennett@townofbradley.net](mailto:dbennett@townofbradley.net)  
Tuesday 7 :30 to 11 :30 or  
By appointment

#### Phil Stevens

774-276-0854  
Licensed Plumbing Inspector

### Bradley Volunteer Fire Department

The Fire Department has a dedicated group of individuals serving our town, led by Chief Eric Gifford. Their commitment to training, attending meetings and protecting the town is commendable. New volunteers are always welcomed, please email [bfiredpt@roadrunner.com](mailto:bfiredpt@roadrunner.com) for more information.

The Town recently upgraded from the 1989 tanker to a 2023. Tanker firefighting vehicles are imperative in rural communities such as Bradley as there are not fire hydrants in a majority of the Town.

As they do every year, the department looks to volunteers to adopt a hydrant for the winter months to assist in keeping the snow cleared for emergency access.





## Winter Time

The snowfall is plenty, and the daylight hours are few.

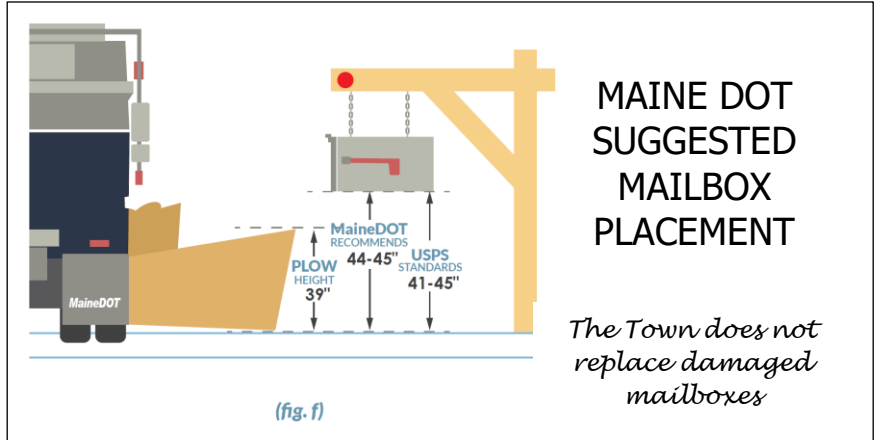


## Winter Parking Regulations

No person shall allow or permit any vehicle under his or her control or registered in his or her name to stand or be parked on any public street or way from December 1, 2023 to April 15, 2024, inclusive, between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am.

No person shall park or leave standing any vehicle upon a public way within the limits of the Town of Bradley in such a manner as to interfere with or hinder plowing or removal of snow at any time.

Vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.



## Winter Plowing

To express concerns regarding winter plowing, please contact the Town Office at 827-7725.

If this concern is regarding Main St. (ME Route 178), this issue should be directed towards Maine DOT in Bangor at 945-4500.

If the issue is not during normal hours of operation, please contact Penobscot County Dispatch at 947-4585 or State Police Dispatch at 973-3700.

## Winter Sand Supply for Residents

Each year the Bradley Town Council allots sand to be held available to residents. Since this is a limited amount, we ask that residents take no more than 1 five-gallon bucket per **season**.

The sand is located outside the salt and sand building. Bring your own shovel and bucket.

## Weekly Trash Pick Up

Normal trash collection is every Thursday, beginning at 7:00 am.

Only household trash will be collected. Trash must be bagged and not weigh more than 40 pounds. If there is a holiday during the week, pick up will be on Friday.



## Spring and Fall Clean Up

Bradley schedules two clean up opportunities per year, usually during May and October. The cost for each clean-up is \$15.00, which allows for two loads. Those loads **MUST** be contained, no loose trash will be accepted. Watch our website for more info.