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CUMBERLAND TOWN HALL - CONTACT INFORMATION

ADDRESS

290 Tuttle Road, Cumberland, ME 04021 **TOWN HALL HOURS**

Monday-Wednesday: 8am-5pm

Thursdays: 8am-6pm Friday-Sunday: Closed **EMAIL**

info@cumberlandmaine.com

PHONE

207-829-5559

New Resident Checklist

Every year, on the first Tuesday in May, Cumberland holds a New Resident

Open House at Town Hall from 6-8pm! This open house is a wonderful way to

meet staff + elected officials, connect with community members, ask questions,
and learn more about Cumberland. We hope to see you there!

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Welcome to Cumberland!

If you are new to our community or returning after many years, I am excited that you have decided to make this town your home. Cumberland has become one of the most desirable and safest communities to live in the state of Maine. It is a wonderful place to raise a family, enjoy the outdoors, and make lifelong connections.

As Town Manager, I oversee 60 full-time and 150 part-time employees. I feel fortunate to work alongside so many kind and dedicated individuals, many who grew up or reside in our community today. I hope you find your experiences with them to be enjoyable and helpful!

The Town has a \$14 million operating budget, which includes a capital budget that ranges from \$1 to \$1.5 million each year. Nearly \$7 million dollars of the operating budget is raised from non-property tax revenues.

Cumberland is governed by a seven-member, elected Town Council who meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month. The Council delegates responsibility in carrying out its mission to the Town Manager and town staff. Additionally, committees comprised of volunteer residents are tasked with research and oversight of specific town resources and activities. If you are interested in serving on one of these boards/committees, visit the Town Website to see the current openings.

I am honored to live and work in this community. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call (207-829-4264) or send me an email at **wshane@cumberandmaine.com**. I look forward to meeting you!



Registrations + Licenses

Clerk's Office - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-5559

HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES

State of Maine fishing and hunting licenses can be purchased at Town Hall or online at moses.informe.org/

ATVS/BOATS/SNOWMOBILES

New purchases need to be completed at Town Hall. Please bring the following with you:

Bill of sale

- Purchase date and price
- Seller(s) & purchaser(s) printed names and signatures,
- Vehicle information: year, make, model and VIN (Vehicle Identification #)

Renewals can be at Town Hall with your previous registration or online:

ATVs & Snowmobiles- https://www.maine.gov/ifw/atv-snowmobile/atv/index.html

Boats- https://appsl.web.maine.gov/online/boat/

MOTOR VEHICLES

Maine Residents Moving from Another Town/City

Individuals moving to Cumberland from another town/city in Maine must come to Town Hall with their current registration to have the address updated. Please provide proof of new address.

Moving from Out-Of-State

Individuals moving to Cumberland from out-of-state must come to the Town Hall within 30 days of establishing residency to register vehicles.

Required Paperwork:

Current out-of-state registration

- If the vehicle is 1995 or newer Maine requires a title
 - o If a lienholder has the title, please bring the name and address of the lienholder
- Proof of insurance coverage as required by the State of Maine (digital or paper copy acceptable)
 - o Insurance companies can also fax a copy to Town Hall at 207-829-2214.
- Proof of residency (Examples: bill, bank statement, tax document, pay stub)

PAYMENT OPTIONS AT TOWN HALL:

- 1. CASH
- 2. CHECK
- 3. MOST CREDIT/DEBIT CARDS (A 2.5% SERVICE FEE WILL BE CHARGED)



Registrations + Licenses

Clerk's Office - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-5559

DOG LICENSES

All dogs 6 months and older must have a license. In order to obtain a license for your dog, the owner must present a current State of Maine Rabies Certificate obtained from a veterinarian. All dog licenses expire December 31st! If you have any questions regarding dog registrations, please contact the Clerk's Office at 829-5559.

Fees:

- \$6 per year for spayed/neutered dogs
- \$11 per year for dogs not spayed/neutered.

There are 3 Easy Ways to register/renew your dog license:

- 1: Complete the application from our website:
 www.cumberlandmaine.com/town-clerk/pages/dog-licensing and
 mail the following to Town Hall (290 Tuttle Road, Cumberland, ME
 - Your application,

04021)

- Payment (checks made payable to the Town of Cumberland)
- A copy of your dog's rabies certificate

Once it is processed, we will mail you back your dog license!

- 2: Between October 15th and January 31st, you may go online to complete the registration: https://appsl.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/dog license/index.pl
- **3:** Stop by Town Hall and register your dog in person. Make sure you have a copy of your dog's rabies certificate!

Permits

Code Enforcement - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2207

As you are tackling home renovations or outdoor projects, keep in mind a permit may be required! Here are the most common permits you should know about:

- **Building Permits** Any new building to be constructed, or to enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure. (*This also includes decks, sheds, and swimming pools.*)
- **Electrical Permits** If any wiring or electrical work is required, a permit must be obtained by a licensed electrician or by the owner if the work will be done by the owner.
- **Plumbing Permits** If plumbing is required, you must obtain appropriate permits from the Licensed Plumbing Inspector.
- Chicken Permits If you plan to have chickens on a lot smaller than 2 acres you are required to obtain an annual permit.

Applications and more information are available in the Code Enforcement Office or online at Questions? Contact Bill Longley at 207-829-2207 or wlongley@cumberlandmaine.com.

^{*}Per state law, any dog license that is relicensed after January 31 will be subject to a \$25 late fee.*

Election Information

Clerk's Office - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-5559

In Cumberland, elections are held at Cumberland Town Hall and polls are open from 7am-8pm. Elections typically occur twice a year on the 2nd Tuesday in June and the 1st Tuesday in November.

Questions about the election process? Reach out to Clerk's Office at **clerksinfo@cumberlandmaine.com** or 207-829-5559.

Register to Vote

Residents can stop by during office hours to register in person or can complete a voter registration card through the mail.



Here's what we will need:

1. Download the Maine Voter Registration Card and fill it out completely. https://www.maine.gov/sos/cec/elec/data/index.html

2. Include copies of the following:

- **Proof of Identity** (Included, but not limited to, a drivers license, state ID, passport, social security number, or any other government issued identification.)
- **Proof of Residency** if your Cumberland address is not listed on your form of ID. (Included, but not limited to, a vehicle registration, hunting/fishing license, utility bill, etc.)
- 3. Once completed, put all of your documents in an envelope and drop them in the drop box located outside the front entrance of Town Hall or mail it to ATTN: Town Clerk's Office, Cumberland Town Hall, 290 Tuttle Road, Cumberland, ME 04021.

Absentee Ballots



Absentee Ballots are available at Town Hall 30 days before an election. Here's how you can obtain your absentee ballot:

- Online: www.cumberlandmaine.com/absenteevoting
- Call: 207-829-5559 (must be the voter)
- **In-Person:** Stop by Town Hall to pick up ballots for yourself/immediate family members or vote your ballot inperson.

Trash + Recycling

Public Services - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2220







TRASH + RECYCLING

Cumberland's curbside trash + recycling collection is provided by Waste Management. The town uses the Pay As You Throw (PAYT) waste collection system. **Trash must be placed in a green, town trash bag.**

Town Hall sells recycling bins and trash bags:

- Recycling Bin \$10
- 33 gallon trash bags \$25 for 10 bags
- 14 gallon trash bags \$12.50 for 10 bags

Cumberland trash bags can be purchased at local retailers including, but not limited to: Hannaford, Shaw's, and Food Stop.

Trash + Recycling needs to be curbside by 7:00am on the day of your collection to ensure it is picked up each week. Check your collection day here:

www.cumberlandmaine.com/collectionschedule

Recycling can be placed in a bin of your choice but not to exceed 23 gallons. It will not be collected if it's in a plastic bag or overweight. Don't know if an item is recyclable or not? Check out ecomaine's RECYCLOPEDIA to learn how to dispose of it:

www.ecomaine.org/what-can-be-recycled/recyclopedia/

If the following holidays fall on a weekday, collection will be delayed: *4th of July, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day.* Collection will occur on all other holidays.

SPECIAL WASTE EVENTS + FACILITIES

- Brush Dump Facility (Open April-November)
 - Cumberland has a brush dump where residents can dispose of brush, leaves, and grass clippings. The facility can be accessed by purchasing a season, day, or single-use pass at Town Hall.
- Bulky Item Pickup (Spring + Fall)
 - Twice a year, Cumberland offers curbside collection of large, oversized household items that cannot fit into the green trash bags during weekly trash/recycling collection.
- Confidential Shredding (Fall)
- Electronic Waste Collection (Fall)
- Hazardous Household Waste Collection (Not offered annually)



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Recreation Programs

290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2208



The Community Recreation Department offers a wide variety of programs, events and activities for residents of all ages. From high quality year round school age child care and enrichment, youth/adult sports activates, adult and +55 fitness offerings, senior excursions, special events including a kids triathlon, Enchanted Ball, hundreds of acres of recreational trails/open spaces, a 25 meter indoor pool, 18 hole championship golf and much, much more to offer residents of all ages & interests.

Check out our website for a list of current programs and a link to register for open classes: www.cumberlandmaine.com/recreation. Please do not hesitate to reach out or stop by our office at Cumberland Town Hall with any questions of feedback!

Active Living 55+

290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2208 ext 1042

The primary mission of Active Living 55+ is to help our older residents stay in their homes as long as possible as they age. Cumberland is fortunate to have many volunteers serving in a variety of activities to assist our older residents. Our community partners, including Prince Memorial Library, Cumberland Fire Department, Public Safety, Cumberland churches, and local schools, help to support this program in a variety of spaces.

- **Morning with Friends:** This monthly program, on every third Wednesday morning, offers gatherings with topics such as the estate planning, emergency preparedness, Seeds of Peace Camp, and Owls of Maine.
- **Cumberland Area Rides (CAR)** has about 35 active volunteer drivers who provided rides for approximately 40 riders. An Information Session is held periodically to recruit new drivers. This program is a partnership with the Cumberland Congregational Church.
- **Handy Helpers:** Active Living 55+ volunteers will do minor chores and other simple handyman assignments that don't require licenses (e.g. plumbing, electrical work).
- **Big Project Day:** This activity held in the Spring and Fall is designed to help our older neighbors with a variety of home and fall clean-up projects through volunteer teams.
- **Durable Medical Closet:** Cumberland residents can borrow a variety of medical equipment from the Cumberland Fire Department (CFD). Call 829-5421 to borrow equipment.

Parks, Trails, and Facilities

BROAD COVE RESERVE



Broad Cove Reserve allows residents access to a beautiful 23–acre property that has a beach, pier, and walking trails along the perimeter! Residents enjoy spending the morning, afternoon, or the entire day swimming, paddle boarding/kayaking, fishing, picnicking, or relaxing by the water. Parking passes for residents are available at Town Hall! This gives you access to the closer parking spaces.

Location: Beach Drive, Cumberland, Foreside (off of Route 88) Parking: 5 spaces near the water for residents only + parking lot at the entrance to the facility

Dogs: Allowed on leash from Foreside Road to Town Pier. Dogs are not allowed on the beach.

Restroom Facility: Yes

Photo Credit: Elaine DesPres





Greely Woods is a 1.3 mile wooded trail that leads residents through the forest, past a meandering stream, and to a pond. This trail is great for low impact outdoor recreation, including walking, running, biking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and hunting.

Location: 404 Greely Road Ext **Parking:** 3 spaces along roadway

Dogs: Allowed under owner/keeper control.

Restroom Facility: No

Photo Credit: John Jensenius

KNIGHT'S POND



At 163 acres, Knight's Pond Preserve is the largest undeveloped parcel in Cumberland. It consists of forested upland, a 46-acre pond with two smaller ponds, emergent wetlands, streams, and many vernal pools. Recreational opportunities abound on the property, which has traditionally been used for hunting, bird watching, and ice skating as well as for hiking, mountain biking, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling on its extensive trail network.

Location: 475 Greely Road Ext

Parking: Parking Lot

Dogs: Allowed under owner/keeper control.

Restroom Facility: Yes

Photo Credit: Matt Rothman

Parks, Trails, and Facilities

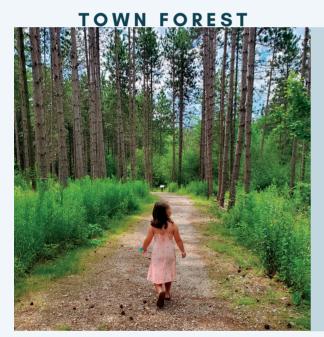
RINES FOREST

Rines Forest is a magnificent 268-acre woodland in the heart of Cumberland. This beautiful and tranquil setting provides visitors with cascading waterfalls, popular recreational trails, and places of solitude. Residents enjoy walking, running, crosscountry skiing, snowshoeing, fishing, hunting, picnicking, and horseback riding through the network of trails.

Location: 360 Range Road **Parking:** Parking along roadway

Dogs: Allowed under owner/keeper control.

Photo Credit: Jodi Federle



The Town Forest is a 1.5 mile loop located in the woods behind Cumberland Town Hall. The trail is a wonderful place to walk, bike, or run in the warmer months and snowshoe and crosscountry ski in the wintertime. Within the larger loop, is a ¾ mile Story Walk that provides an outdoor adventure for residents to read a story as they walk the path and take in the scenery. The story changes the 1st Saturday of every month. This facility has a restroom located near the entrance.

Location: 290 Tuttle Road **Parking:** Parking lot

Dogs: Allowed on leash.

Photo Credit: Jody Svigeli

TWIN BROOK



Twin Brook is one of Cumberland's most popular parks as there are so many activities to enjoy on over 250 acres of land! There are 6 miles of trails, 1 paved pathway, 22 acres of mixed athletic fields, baseball and softball fields, soccer fields, and a disc golf course. Twin Brook is used from sunrise to sunset for walking dogs, going on runs, flying kites, playing soccer, picnicking, etc. During the winter months, trails are groomed for cross-country skiing.

Location: 185 Tuttle Road **Parking:** Parking Lot

Dogs: Dogs allowed under owner/keeper control. Dogs are <u>not</u> allowed on the Tuttle Road side of the park during XC ski

season.

Restroom Facility: Yes

Photo Credit: Eliza Porter

Parks, Trails, and Facilities

VAL HALLA GOLF & RECREATION CENTER



Val Halla is a municipally owned facility that houses an 18-hole golf course, tennis/pickleball courts, and a restaurant. During the summer months, our Recreation Department offers camps and lessons for those interested in learning how to golf.

Location: 60 Val Halla Road

Parking: Parking Lot

Dogs: Allowed under owner/keeper control from December 1st-February 28th. Dogs are not allowed the remainder of the year.

Restroom Facility: Yes

Photo Credit: Toby Young

WEST CUMBERLAND ATHLETIC COMPLEX



West Cumberland Athletic Complex is comprised of a Little League Field, a football field, a practice field, a playground and a recreation hall. The fields are in use from early spring with Little League games to late fall with recreational football. The recreation hall stays booked year-round with programs offered by our Recreation Department as well as with community events. This facility has a restroom.

Location: 115 Blackstrap Road

Parking: Parking Lot
Dogs: Allowed on leash.
Restroom Facility: Yes

Photo Credit: Eliza Porter

Prince Memorial Library

266 Main Street - (207) 829-2215

Prince Memorial Library serves the towns of Cumberland and North Yarmouth, and we welcome you to our community! We invite you to explore, research, and share our collection of books, movies, magazines and digital resources. We offer programming for all ages: special events, lectures, book groups, music, and fellowship.



Find us online at <u>www.princememorial.org</u>, like us on Facebook, or drop by the library to join and get your library card. *Prince Memorial Library: where imagination begins*!

Police Department

290 Tuttle Road - 9-1-1 or Non-Emergency Line (207) 829-6391

The Cumberland Police Department welcomes you to one of the safest and friendliest towns in Maine! Our vision is "To be the premier law enforcement agency protecting America's safest town." We are a full-time, professional agency with a highly trained and community-oriented staff who are ready to assist you any time of the day or night.

Please call us or stop by with any question or concern you may have – we would love to meet you and your family. Use 9–1–1 for emergencies, and 829–6391 for non-emergency calls. Please check us out online: www.cumberlandpd.com.









Fire/EMS Department

366 Tuttle Road - 9-1-1 or Non-Emergency Line (207) 829-5421

Welcome to the Town of Cumberland! The Cumberland Fire Department provides our community with the highest quality of protection at medical, fire and natural disasters as well as a high level of professionalism. Our sustained commitment to training and responding to emergencies at all hours of the day offers our town a tremendous level of comfort and protection.

Our full-time employees, per diems, call company members, college live-in students and high school Explorers work tirelessly to provide service to the Town of Cumberland and our mutual aid departments. The department also provides fire and medical coverage at several community events over the course of the year.

We offer a very robust program for providing durable medical equipment loans for the community at no cost. Our Central station also houses a fully stocked paramedicine room for assisting with walk-in emergencies and clinics. We are always looking for new members! More department information can be found at www.cumberlandmaine.com/fireems.



<u>CumberlandMaineFireDepartment</u>

Property Taxes + Exemptions

Assessor - 290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2204

The Assessor is responsible for discovering, listing, equalizing and valuing all taxable property, real and personal, within the Town of Cumberland for the purpose of taxation.

A few important things to note about property assessments, tax bills, and exemptions.

- Property values are set for the upcoming year on April 1st.
- Buildings that are under construction are taxed based on the completion as of April 1st. Conversely, any buildings that are demolished, removed, or damaged after April 1st are taxed as of the condition as of April 1st.
- If you moved to Cumberland after April 1st, the tax bill will be listed the previous owner's name until the following tax cycle.
- Cumberland operates on a fiscal year, which runs from July 1st-June 30th.
- The town bills semi-annually, the 1st half is due in mid-September and the 2nd half in mid-March. If you have not received your tax bill, please reach out to our office to obtain a copy of it.

EXEMPTION INFORMATION

Tax Exemptions

Exemption applications must be received in the Assessor's office prior to April 1st in order to be applicable for the upcoming fiscal year.

- <u>Homestead Exemption:</u> For residents that have owned a homestead for 12 months prior to the year of application.
- Blind Exemption: People who have been declared legally blind by their physician
- <u>Veteran Exemption</u>: veteran and/or veterans widow/ widower who served during a federally recognized war period and is 62 years or older; or, is receiving 100% disability as a Veteran; or, became 100% disabled while in the service.
- <u>Renewable Energy Investment Exemption</u> -Exempts non-commercial renewable energy equipment, such as solar panels, from property tax

Any person that is eligible or may be eligible for an exemption may obtain an application at the Town Hall or through the Town Website:

https://www.cumberlandmaine.com/exemptions

If you have questions about your property's assessment, tax bill, or exemptions please reach out to the Assessor, John Brushwein, at 207-829-2204, or by email at **jbrushwein@cumberlandmaine.com**.



Development in Cumberland

290 Tuttle Road - (207) 829-2204

I bet you chose to move to this beautiful town because of its lovely pastoral views, quiet neighborhoods, great schools, ocean access and abundant open space. Like so many others who have made Cumberland home, you probably wonder if the town's many attributes will be lost as new residential and commercial development occurs.

I would like to share with you the ways in which Cumberland is trying to avoid the negative impacts of growth while still allowing property owners to make reasonable economic use of their properties.

- **Zoning** The purpose is to geographically separate non-compatible uses. A typical pattern of zoning would often show a town center area with denser "mixed use" single and multifamily housing along with small-scale retail, restaurants, and professional office buildings. Expanding out from the center would be single-family residences on larger lots or farmland. Lastly, on the outskirts of town, would be industrial uses such as manufacturing facilities and earth extraction and processing plants.
- Subdivision Ordinance For rules on dividing land into smaller lots
- Site Plan Ordinance For review of non-residential development
- **Design Standards** Strict guidelines for new development that will occur in the Town Center, the Route 1 Corridor and the Route 100 Corridor. These standards address architecture, site planning and landscaping, as well as other areas such as parking and lighting.
- **Comprehensive Plan** This plan includes current demographic information and also states the goals and actions to achieve the desired changes in the community during the next planning period (usually 10 years). The plan usually takes 2+ years to create and 3-9 years to implement. Then the process starts all over again.

Once these various ordinances and plans are in place, it is the job of the Town's Planning Board to meet monthly to review proposed developments. To learn more about planning in Cumberland, I encourage you to visit the Town's website. On the website you will find links to the various ordinances listed in this overview as well as the comprehensive plan and past planning studies and resident surveys. The Town Planner, Carla Nixon, is available to answer any questions you may have. You can reach her by phone at 207-829-2204 or by email at **cnixonecumberlandmaine.com**.



ABOUT MSAD #51 Maine School Administration District #51 (MSAD #51) has been serving the Cumberland & North Yarmouth Communities since 1966. The district currently serves over 2,100 students in grades PreK-12, and consistently is one of the top performers in the state in student achievement and other indicators

All our schools benefit from an active community of volunteers who promote excellence in the schools. An involved PTO, strong athletic and arts booster groups, and a long-standing educational foundation, all contribute significantly to the district's strength.

Physical Address: 357 Tuttle Rd Cumberland ME 04021 Mailing Address: PO Box 6A Cumberland ME 04021

207-829-4800

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GREELY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

The Greely Center for the Arts (GCA) is located at Greely High School. For more information please head to: www.msad51.org/apps/pages/gca



MABEL I. WILSON SCHOOL

Mabel I. Wilson is the district's Elementary School serving grades PreK-3

2 353 Tuttle Rd Cumberland ME 04021

207-829-4825

miwoffice@msad51.org

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(c) miwmsad51



GREELY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Greely Middle School is the district's Middle School that serves grades 4-8

2 351 Tuttle Rd Cumberland ME 04021

207-829-4815

gmsoffice@msad51.org

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GREELY HIGH SCHOOL

Greely High School is MSAD #51's High School serving grades 9-12 and is home of the Greely Rangers

2 303 Main St Cumberland ME 04021

Q 207-829-4805

guidance@msad51.org

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