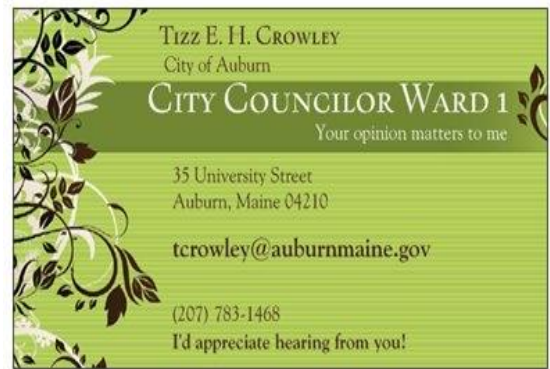


Auburn Ward 1 Report for Meeting Monday 2015.07.20

TO: Residents of Auburn and the Auburn City Council

FROM: Tizz E. H. Crowley- Auburn City Council Ward 1

“Thank you”- to those who stopped by on Bastille Day. It was a nice way to relax. I look forward to other occasion.



Thank you to the Auburn Community Band for providing great entertainment every Wednesday night in downtown Auburn. Come and enjoy the music and the food at our local restaurants.

Visiting Hours- My next visiting hours will be tomorrow, Tuesday July 21 from 1:30pm-3:30pm and this Thursday, July 23rs from 5-6pm. Visiting hours are held at the Auburn Public Library.

Dates to watch-

Tomorrow, **Tuesday July 21st** the Conservation Commission meets here at City Hall starting at 6pm. The public is welcome. The Conservation Commission has authority over forest, parks, open spaces as well as environment and wildlife issues.

Sunday, July 26th is Open Farm Day here in Maine. Be sure to watch for details on farms in Auburn that will welcome guests.

Wednesday, July 29th The Veayo Twins will be performing at 10am in Festival Plaza. The Trio includes Carter Isaac, who has written Anti-Bullying music with Jim Mayer of the Jimmy Buffet band. With speech issues, the Veayo Twins know far too well what hurtful words can do, but music takes their stutter away. They were nominated 2 years in a row by the New England Music Awards for “Maine’s Best” and shared their story as cast members in the national film, “Bullied to Silence”. The teenage trio uses negative experiences to write positive inspirational music!

Thursday, July 30th is International Day of Friendship. "On this International Day of Friendship, let us cultivate warm ties that strengthen our common humanity and promote the well-being of the human family. " *UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon*The International Day of

Friendship was proclaimed in 2011 by the UN General Assembly with the idea that friendship between peoples, countries, cultures and individuals can inspire peace efforts and build bridges between communities. The resolution (A/RES/65/275) places particular emphasis on involving young people, as future leaders, in community activities that include different cultures and promote international understanding and respect for diversity.

Friday, July 31st will be the first Movie in the Park event. The show will start at dusk in Festival Plaza so bring your blankets and lawn chairs, picnic supper and family. This is a free event. We particularly invite all those attending the LA Art Walk earlier in the afternoon and early evening. The movie should begin about 8:30pm and I think it will be Ratatouille.

In one of Paris' finest restaurants, Remy, a determined young rat, dreams of becoming a renowned French chef. Torn between his family's wishes and his true calling, Remy and his pal Linguini set in motion a hilarious chain of events that turns the City of Lights upside down. Fun for the whole family and an important message for adults.

Saturday, August 1st there is a sock hop at Taber's starting at 6pm. This is a wonderful Auburn Ward 1 location. There will be music from the 50's and 60's. Roll back prices begin at 06:30 pm until supplies last. Twist off and jitter bug contest.

Tuesday, August 4th, National Night Out will be celebrated in downtown Auburn. In our 12th year, Auburn's event features...

- LIVE music
- Inflatable Obstacle Course
- Bounce House
- Popcorn from the Marshall Popcorn Truck!
- Hula-hoop/jump rope contests
- Face painting
- Child ID kits
- McGruff the Crime Dog
- APD motorcycle & K9 teams
- Auburn Fire Department & other community partners
- Hot dogs & lemonade
- Balloons & give-aways from our friends at TARGET and MUCH MORE!

*Join the Auburn Police Department for this fun & festive anti-crime community block party! It's a **GREAT** night to get to know your neighbors!*

Constituent work: I've received a number of emails and phone calls relating to trash on our streets such as furniture and mattresses left at the curb for weeks. Please use the "Report It" function on the City website. It's a good way for the City to identify repeat offenders. No email access- then just call City Hall and ask for Zack in Planning Dept.

I've also been asked to follow up the parking lot work being done at East Auburn Community School. The project is under review by City Staff. If residents see crews working, please call the Manager office. I recommend any resident with questions about the new parking lot and lights contact the school department. I agree, it seems strange we're investing in parking lots at a school that is always the first one mentioned to close when budget cuts are suggested. It is a great community school with outstanding results- Auburn's only Grade A school.

The Community Development department is expected to hold a citizen input session to develop a neighborhood revitalization strategy for the Downtown, New Auburn and Union Street areas. Much of the strategy will be drawn from work the City has already completed, but the City would also like ideas and input from its citizens. Be watching for specific dates.

Thank you for your attention.

I'm requesting a copy of this report be included in the supplemental materials for this meeting