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OAKLAND TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA
9/23/2026
Oakland Fire Station
6:00 p.m.
JUNKYARD PUBLIC HEARING
GENERAL ASSISTANCE PUBLIC HEARING

I. Call to order
II. Pledge of Allegiance
III. Roll Call
IV. To consider approving the minutes from September 9, 2026, council meeting, and signing the weekly payables warrant.

New Business:

1. Order 19-2627 Junkyard Renewals
2. Order 20-2627 Oakland Waterfront Parks update
3. Order 21-2627 1st Reading for General Assistance Maximum
4. Order 22-2627 Review the Schedule of Permit Fees and Commercial & Industrial Fees
5. Order 23-2627 250th Time Capsule

Manager Updates (if any)

1. Memorial Hall Preservation Committee Update
2. 2024 Foreclosures – 54 accounts $80,565
3. DOT -road by Korner Store update

Executive Session

1. Executive Session: 1 M.R.S.A.§ 405 (6) (F) - Discussion of Confidential Records – if needed

Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, September 30, 2026 – "Meet the Town Council Candidates" Night 6:00 p.m. Atlantic Room, Fire Station
Wednesday, October 14, 2026 – Town Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Atlantic Room, Fire Station
Wednesday, October 28, 2026 – Town Council Meeting 6:00 p.m. Atlantic Room, Fire Station

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 9, 2026

Council Members' Present:

Michael Perkins, Chairman
Dana Wrigley, Vice Chairman
Susan Leigh
Robert Nutting
Kelly Roderick

Others Present:

Kelly Pinney-Michaud, Town Manager
Kathleen Paradis, Town Clerk
Chief Rick Stubbert-OPD
LT. Adam Sirois, Oakland Police
Derek Brill-OPD
Chief David Coughlin-OFD
Nichole Stenberg-Town Asssessor
Nate Smart-Code Enforcement Officer
George Bailey
Abby Marshall
Nate Bernier
Kelly Harvell
Jon Cox
Sherry Gilbert
William Cook
Prudy Marcoux
Donna Ferrall
James Matthews
Scott Mullen
Jerrilene Mullen
Andrew Parker
Gerry Roderick
Edward Roderick
Richard Lafreniere
Cynthia Lafreniere
Sasha Lafreniere
Denise Willey
Peter Fenlason
Ninnette Fenlason

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Council Chair Michael Perkins and let those present in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Roll Call:** Council Chair Michael Perkins took roll call. All five councilors were present.
2. **To Approve the minutes of August 12, 2026, meeting and sign the weekly warrant** Dana Wrigley made a motion that we accept the minutes of August 12, 2026, and was seconded by Susan Leigh. It was voted 5-0 to accept the minutes as written and sign the weekly warrant.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **New Road Names:** Nate Smart Code Enforcement Officer presented the 2 names to the council and recommended they accept to new road names Timberview Drive and Binette Lane. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Susan Leigh, and voted 5-0 to accept the new road names.

2. **Tax Commitment Update:** Nichole Stenberg Tax Assessor gave an update to the council that taxes were committed for the year 2026 with a mil rate of $10.92.

3. **Introduction of New Policer Officer:** Town Manager Kelley PInne-Michaud and Police Chief Rick Stubbert gave a brief introduction of our Police Officer Derek Brill.

4. **EMS Resolution:** Oakland Fire Chief David Coughlin asked the council to sign a Municipal Resolution for Emergency Medical Services Transport Plan. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to sign the resolution.

5. **Trio Training Update:** The Town Manager mentioned to the council that the date for the TRIO Web training for the town office be moved from October 8th to the 22nd as there was scheduling conflict. It was moved by Dana Wrigley, seconded by Kelly Roderick, and voted 5-0 to change the training date.

6. **Mission Square Forfeiture:** The Town Manager informed the council that there was a balance of $50,000 from former employees who were not vested (under 5 years of employment) and would like to put money into the employee separation account. It was moved by Dan Wrigley, seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to put the money into the separation account.

7. **MMA Annual Convention:** The Town Manager informed the council that the MMA Convention would be held on October 7th and 8th this year in Augusta. The Town Manager and Finance Director will be attending this annual event.

8. **Constitution Week:** The Daughters of the American Revolution has asked the Town Council to sign a resolution proclaiming the week of September 17th-23 2026 as Constitution Week. All 5 councilors signed said document.

OLD BUSINESS:

RSU 18 Board Member starting term date: Council Chair Michael Perkins stated he spoke to the Superintendent of Schools and spoke with school officials regarding school board start dates, which is currently July 1. Councilor Perkins stated that when this was voted in at a Town Meeting in 2012 it was because the date would co-inside with the budget season and committee assignments for the school board members. If our representative started January 1st they would be coming halfway through the school year. With the July 1st start date the elected person would begin the new fiscal year and be assigned to a committee they were interested in, not taking the place of the departing member. After a brief discussion between residents present and the council it was moved by Michael Perkins, seconded by Susan Leigh, and voted 4-0 with Councilor Kelly Roderick opposed to keep the start date as of July 1st.

RV Camper Discussion: The Town Manager informed the council that we have had complaints regarding a motor home camper that is in a driveway on Pleasant Street. Councilor Perkins stated that there would have to be a formal complaint made with the CEO then strike up a conversation with these individuals. Nate Smart CEO will continue to investigate this.

MANAGERS REPORT:

1. **Update of Recreation Coordinator:** The Town Manager informed the council that we hired Olivia Boudreau as the Assistant Rec Director for 25 hours per week. She is familiar with the program as she has worked with the summer rec program since 2022.
2. **Update of Transfer Station:** The Town Manager informed the council that Dawson Poulin was hired as the Transfer Station Attendant and has been a great addition.
3. **Update of Public Works Truck Driver:** The Manager stated that we are currently in need of a truck driver with a CDL License we are still taking applications.
4. **Waterfront Park Boat Ramp:** The Town Manager informed the council that project by the Public Works Crew and Boyd Snowden is now complete and is open for use.

5. **November 4th Meeting:** The Town Manager asked the council if the November 4th meeting could be rescheduled or just have one meeting in November as this would be the day after the elections. It was moved by Michael Perkins and seconded by Robert Nutting and voted 5-0 to cancel the November 4th meeting and will schedule with any pressing items.

OTHER BUSINESS:
Councilor Dana Wrigley has asked if Aaron Parker and the Oakland Police Chief could provide an update on summer activity at a meeting to inform the council of the summer happenings at the next council meeting.

Councilor Michael Perkins asked the Town Manager to follow up with the big potholes by the Korner Store. The Town Manager will contact DOT.

ADJOURNMENT:
It was moved by Kelly Roderick, seconded by Dana Wrigley, and voted 5-0 to end the public meeting at 6:36pm and enter Executive Session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: It was moved by Michael Perkins and seconded by Dana Wrigley to enter Executive Session at 6:40pm with the meeting ending at 7:02pm.

At 7:02 - Mike Perkins mad a motion to adjourn the meeting, Su Leigh seconded. 5-0 all were in favor.

September 23, 2026

FIRST READING

The Oakland Town Council will conduct a **FIRST READING** regarding the following proposed amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance – October 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027, as follows:

Appendix A. Overall Maximums

Appendix B. Food Maximums

Appendix C. Housing Maximums

Appendix D. Utilities

Appendix E. Heating Fuel

Appendix F. Personal Care & Household Supplies

Appendix G. Mileage Rate

Appendix H. Burial Maximums

The entire General Assistance ordinance (Prepared by MMA September 2026) is available for review at the Oakland Town Office during the hours of 7:00 am to 5:00 pm., Monday thru Thursday. All interested persons are urged to attend the **FIRST READING on Wednesday, September 23, 2025, 6:00 pm., at the Oakland Fire Station, "Atlantic Room"**. For further information/comments please contact the Town Office at 465-7357.

Kathleen Paradis

/s/ KATHLEEN PARADIS
TOWN CLERK

THIS NOTICE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES:

Oakland Town Office
Buddies Groceries
D&L Country Store
Korner Store
Town of Oakland Website

The Adoption Process – Notice and Hearing

The **municipal officers (i.e., selectpersons/council) adopt the local General Assistance Ordinance and yearly Appendices**, even in town meeting communities. The law requires that the municipal officers conduct a ***notice and hearing*** prior to the adoption of the Ordinance and/or Appendices.

The municipality is responsible for determining how notice of the hearing must be provided based on applicable law and the municipality's own charter, ordinances, and established procedures. **OFI does not prescribe a particular method of public notice.** Municipalities should use their established process for providing notice of public hearings and ensure that the required notice is provided before the hearing. Seven days of posted notice is recommended, unless local law or established municipal procedures provide otherwise.

At the hearing, the municipal officers should:

1) Allow all interested members of the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed ordinance;
2) End public discussion, close the hearing; and
3) Move and vote to adopt the ordinance and/or appendices either in its posted form or as amended in light of public discussion.

Municipalities May Establish Their Own Maximums

Municipalities may establish their own maximum levels of assistance provided that the proposed levels of assistance are reasonable and meet adequate standards sufficient to maintain the health and safety of applicants in the municipality. The municipality must submit documentation to the Department to justify these levels of assistance and verify that the figures developed are appropriate to maintain health and decency.

A municipality's maximum assistance level for food may not be below the Department provided figures which are issued by the USDA and published annually following a study of cost of food for various family sizes. A market basket survey may be used to establish food maximums if the maximums provided by the USDA are insufficient to maintain health in the municipality. (C.M.R. 10-144, Chapter 323, Section V).

Municipal General Assistance Ordinance

There were no changes to the body of the MMA Model General Assistance Ordinance this year; only the appendices containing maximums have been updated to reflect new dates and new amounts for Appendices A – C. However, if your municipality is not using the most recent version (September 2026), we strongly recommend reviewing your current ordinance and considering an update to ensure it remains aligned with applicable statutory and rule changes.

Municipalities that use their own locally developed ordinances may, of course, continue to do so; however, it is important to ensure that those ordinances are reviewed and updated regularly. Even seemingly minor changes or provisions can have important implications for the administration of

General Assistance and may provide protections or address requirements that could otherwise be overlooked. The MMA Model Ordinance is intended to incorporate these changes and provide municipalities with a current framework for administering the program.

You can find information about the MMA Model Ordinance on the Maine Welfare Director's Association (MWDA) website at www.mainewelfaredirectors.org.

Filing of GA Ordinance and/or Appendices

If your municipality is making changes to the GA Ordinance or Appendices, General Assistance law requires the municipality to submit a **red-lined** copy to the Department for review and approval.

If your municipality is not making changes to the GA Ordinance or Appendices, the Department will accept a signed and dated "adoption sheet" (enclosed) as proof that your Municipal Officers have conducted a public hearing and adopted the current MMA Model GA maximums and/or ordinance.

Please note: If you are not making changes to your adopted ordinance, you are only required to submit verification that the new Appendices have been adopted. A municipality which does not submit verification of it's Appendices adoption may be found out of compliance with the General Assistance program.

If you have questions about the adoption process, please contact the GA Hotline at 1-800-442-6003.

Appendix A
Effective: 10/01/26-09/30/27

2026-2027 GA Overall Maximums

Metropolitan Areas

COUNTY	Persons in Household 1	2	3	4	5*
Bangor HMFA: Bangor, Brewer, Eddington, Glenburn, Hampden, Hermon, Holden, Kenduskeag, Milford, Old Town, Orono, Orrington, Penobscot Indian Island Reservation, Veazie	1,368	1,444	1,825	2,346	2,467
Cumberland County HMFA: Baldwin, Bridgton, Brunswick, Harpswell, Harrison, Naples, New Gloucester, Pownal, Sebago	1,390	1,537	2,016	2,618	3,342
Lewiston/Auburn MSA: Auburn, Durham, Greene, Leeds, Lewiston, Lisbon, Livermore, Livermore Falls, Mechanic Falls, Minot, Poland, Sabattus, Turner, Wales	1,254	1,340	1,745	2,255	2,536
Penobscot County HMFA: Alton, Argyle UT, Bradford, Bradley, Burlington, Carmel, Carroll plantation, Charleston, Chester, Clifton, Corinna, Corinth, Dexter, Dixmont, Drew plantation, East Central Penobscot UT, East Millinocket, Edinburg, Enfield, Etna, Exeter, Garland, Greenbush, Howland, Hudson, Kingman UT. Lagrange, Lakeville, Lee, Levant, Lincoln, Lowell town, Mattawamkeag, Maxfield, Medway, Millinocket, Mount Chase, Newburgh Newport, North Penobscot UT, Passadumkeag, Patten, Plymouth, Prentiss UT, Seboeis plantation, Springfield, Stacyville, Stetson, Twombly UT, Webster plantation, Whitney UT, Winn, Woodville	1,080	1,167	1,531	1,979	2,211
Portland HMFA: Cape Elizabeth, Casco, Chebeague Island, Cumberland, Falmouth, Freeport, Frye Island, Gorham, Gray, Long Island, North Yarmouth, Portland, Raymond, Scarborough, South Portland, Standish, Westbrook, Windham, Yarmouth; Buxton, Hollis, Limington, Old Orchard Beach	1,616	1,824	2,343	2,872	3,523
Sagadahoc HMFA: Arrowsic, Bath, Bowdoin, Bowdoinham, Georgetown, Perkins UT, Phippsburg, Richmond, Topsham, West Bath, Woolwich	1,216	1,390	1,735	2,412	2,910

COUNTY	1	2	3	4	5*
York County HMFA: Acton, Alfred, Arundel, Biddeford, Cornish, Dayton, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Lebanon, Limerick, Lyman, Newfield, North Berwick, Ogunquit, Parsonsfield, Saco, Sanford, Shapleigh, Waterboro, Wells	1,409	1,553	1,888	2,528	2,817
York/Kittery/S.Berwick HMFA: Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, South Berwick, York	1,670	1,846	2,422	2,904	4,063

***Add $75 for each additional person.**

Non-Metropolitan Areas

Persons in Household

COUNTY	1	2	3	4	5*
Aroostook County	1,036	1,044	1,346	1,839	1,913
Franklin County	1,002	1,109	1,454	1,925	1,933
Hancock County	1,350	1,357	1,651	2,252	2,261
Kennebec County	1,190	1,199	1,558	2,001	2,374
Knox County	1,211	1,257	1,511	1,909	2,064
Lincoln County	1,344	1,408	1,543	2,130	2,278
Oxford County	982	1,088	1,425	1,981	2,389
Piscataquis County	1,076	1,189	1,561	1,871	2,067
Somerset County	1,117	1,191	1,393	1,858	1,993
Waldo County	1,272	1,279	1,582	2,052	2,346
Washington County	949	1,049	1,377	1,913	2,137

***Add $75 for each additional person.**

Appendix B

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2026-2027 Food Maximums

Please Note: The maximum amounts allowed for food are established in accordance with the U.S.D.A. Thrifty Food Plan. As of October 1, 2026, those amounts are:

Number in Household	Weekly Maximum	Monthly Maximum
1	$ 71.16	$ 306.00
2	$ 130.70	$ 562.00
3	$ 187.91	$ 808.00
4	$ 237.91	$ 1,023.00
5	$ 283.02	$ 1,217.00
6	$ 340.23	$ 1,463.00
7	$ 375.81	$ 1,616.00
8	$ 428.14	$ 1,841.00

Note: For each additional person add $225 per month.

Appendix C
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2026-2027 GA Housing Maximums
(Heated & Unheated Rents)

NOTE: NOT ALL MUNICIPALITIES SHOULD ADOPT THESE SUGGESTED HOUSING MAXIMUMS! ONLY **consider** adopting the following numbers if these figures are consistent with local rent values. If not, a market survey should be conducted, and the figures altered accordingly. The results of any such survey must be presented to DHHS prior to adoption. **Or**, no housing maximums should be adopted and eligibility should be analyzed in terms of the Overall Maximum—Appendix A. *(See Instruction Memo for further guidance.)*

Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

Aroostook County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	199	855	234	1,006
1	199	855	235	1,011
2	246	1,059	304	1,306
3	347	1,492	417	1,793
4	349	1,500	433	1,861

Franklin County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	193	828	227	976
1	208	892	251	1,079
2	274	1,177	330	1,418
3	370	1,589	438	1,884
4	370	1,589	438	1,884

Hancock County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	278	1,196	308	1,323
1	278	1,196	309	1,327
2	327	1,406	376	1,615
3	455	1,958	514	2,211
4	455	1,958	514	2,211

Kennebec County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	241	1,037	271	1,164
1	241	1,307	272	1,170
2	306	1,315	354	1,524
3	397	1,709	456	1,961
4	470	2,021	541	2,325

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Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

Knox County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	247	1,062	277	1,189
1	248	1,067	286	1,230
2	294	1,265	343	1,474
3	376	1,615	434	1,867
4	397	1,709	468	2,013

Lincoln County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	278	1,195	307	1,322
1	283	1,218	321	1,381
2	302	1,297	350	1,506
3	427	1,836	486	2,088
4	447	1,923	518	2,227

Oxford County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	193	829	222	956
1	208	896	246	1,059
2	275	1,182	323	1,391
3	393	1,689	451	1,941
4	474	2,036	544	2,340

Piscataquis County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	208	896	244	1,051
1	229	983	270	1,159
2	301	1,293	354	1,521
3	359	1,544	423	1,820
4	388	1,668	466	2,002

Somerset County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	219	943	254	1,091
1	227	974	270	1,161
2	260	1,116	315	1,357
3	354	1,522	422	1,815
4	370	1,589	452	1,944

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Non-Metropolitan FMR Areas

Waldo County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	260	1,119	290	1,246
1	260	1,119	291	1,250
2	311	1,339	360	1,548
3	409	1,760	468	2,012
4	464	1,993	534	2,297

Washington County	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	185	795	214	922
1	199	856	237	1,019
2	263	1,132	312	1,341
3	377	1,619	435	1,872
4	414	1,782	485	2,086

Metropolitan FMR Areas

Bangor HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	283	1,219	313	1,346
1	292	1,255	330	1,417
2	368	1,583	417	1,792
3	478	2,054	536	2,306
4	491	2,113	562	2,417

Cumberland Cty. HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	289	1,241	318	1,368
1	313	1,347	351	1,510
2	412	1,770	460	1,979
3	540	2,324	599	2,576
4	695	2,987	765	3,291

Lewiston/Auburn MSA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	256	1,101	286	1,228
1	267	1,148	305	1,311
2	349	1,502	398	1,711
3	456	1,963	515	2,215
4	508	2,183	578	2,487

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Metropolitan FMR Areas

Penobscot Cty. HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	216	931	246	1,058
1	227	978	265	1,140
2	300	1,289	348	1,498
3	392	1,687	451	1,939
4	432	1,857	503	2,161

Portland HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	341	1,467	371	1,594
1	380	1,634	418	1,797
2	488	2,097	536	2,306
3	599	2,578	658	2,830
4	737	3,168	807	3,472

Sagadahoc Cty. HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	248	1,067	278	1,194
1	279	1,200	317	1,363
2	346	1,489	395	1,698
3	492	2,118	551	2,370
4	594	2,555	665	2,859

York Cty. HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	293	1,260	323	1,387
1	317	1,363	355	1,526
2	382	1,642	430	1,851
3	519	2,234	578	2,486
4	573	2,462	643	2,766

York/Kittery/S. Berwick HMFA	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	354	1,521	383	1,648
1	385	1,656	423	1,819
2	506	2,176	555	2,385
3	607	2,610	666	2,862
4	862	3,780	933	4,012

2026-2027 Electric Utility Maximums

ELECTRIC

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is ***not automatically*** entitled to the "maximums" established—applicants must demonstrate need.

1) Electricity Maximums for Households *Without Electric Hot Water*: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses ***excluding*** electric hot water and heat:

Number in Household	Weekly	Monthly
1	$19.95	$ 85.50
2	$22.52	$ 96.50
3	$24.97	$107.00
4	$27.53	$118.00
5	$29.88	$128.50
6	$32.55	$139.50

NOTE: For each additional person add $10.50 per month.

2) Electricity Maximums for Households *With Electrically Heated Hot Water*: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses ***excluding*** heat:

Number in Household	Weekly	Monthly
1	$29.63	$127.00
2	$34.07	$146.00
3	$39.67	$170.00
4	$46.32	$198.50
5	$55.65	$238.50
6	$58.68	$251.50

NOTE: For each additional person add $14.50 per month.

NOTE: For electrically heated households, the maximum amount allowed for electrical utilities per month shall be the sum of the appropriate maximum amount under this subsection and the appropriate maximum for heating fuel as provided below.

General Assistance Maximums Reference Sheet - Kennebec County

Effective October 1, 2026 - September 30, 2027

OVERALL MAXIMUMS (A)				
Persons in Household				
1	2	3	4	5
$1,190	$1,199	$1,558	$2,001	$2,374
Household of 6 = $2,449				
*Note: Add $75 for each additional person.				

HOUSING MAXIMUMS (C)				
	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	$241	$1,037	$271	$1,164
1	$241	$1,307	$272	$1,170
2	$306	$1,315	$354	$1,524
3	$397	$1,709	$456	$1,961
4	$470	$2,021	$541	$2,325
Recovery Residence			$204.00	$877.50
26+ rooms			$142.80	$614.25

FOOD MAXIMUMS (B)		
Persons	Weekly	Monthly
1	$71.16	$306
2	$130.70	$562
3	$187.91	$808
4	$237.91	$1,023
5	$283.02	$1,217
6	$340.23	$1,463
7	$375.81	$1,616
8	$428.14	$1,841

Note: For each additional person add $225 per month.

ELECTRIC (D)

Without electric heat/hot water

# in HH	Weekly	Monthly
1	$19.95	$85.50
2	$22.52	$96.50
3	$24.97	$107.00
4	$27.53	$118.00
5	$29.88	$128.50
6	$32.55	$139.50

For each additional person, add $10.50/mo

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is not automatically entitled to the "maximums" established applicants must demonstrate need. 1) Electricity Maximums for Households Without Electric Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding electric hot water and heat:

WITH electric heat/hot water

# in HH	Weekly	Monthly
1	$29.63	$127.00
2	$34.07	$146.00
3	$39.67	$170.00
4	$46.32	$198.50
5	$55.65	$238.50
6	$58.68	$251.50

For each additional person, add $14.50/mo

2) Electricity Maximums for Households with Electrically Heated Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding heat:

HEATING FUEL (E)	
Month	Gallons
January	225
February	225
March	125
April	125
May	50
June - August	0
September	50
October	100
November	200
December	200

NOTE: When the dwelling unit is heated electrically, the maximum amount allowed for heating purposes will be calculated by multiplying the number of gallons of fuel allowed for that month by the current price per gallon. When fuels such as wood, coal and/or natural gas are used for heating purposes, they will be budgeted at actual rates, if they are reasonable. No eligible applicant shall be considered to need more than 7 tons of coal per year, 8 cords of wood per year, 126,000 cubic feet of natural gas per year, or 1000 gallons of propane.

FUNERAL MAXIMUMS (H)

Cremation $1,125

Additional costs that may be allowed:

* A cremation lot in the least expensive section of the cemetery.
* Urn, not to exceed $55.
* Transportation costs at a reasonable rate per mile.

Burial $1,620

Additional costs that may be allowed:

* Wholesale cost of cement liner, if required.
* Opening and closing of gravesite.
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PERSONAL CARE & HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES (F)		
# in HH	Weekly	Monthly
1-2	$10.50	$45.00
3-4	$11.60	$50.00
5-6	$12.80	$55.00
7-8	$14.00	$60.00
For each additional person add $1.25/wk or $5 per month		

Mileage Rate (G)	$.56 per mile

SUPPLEMENTS FOR HOUSEHOLDS WITH CHILDREN UNDER 5 (F)		
# of Children	Weekly	Monthly
1	$12.80	$55.00
2	$17.40	$75.00
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General Assistance Maximums Reference Sheet - Kennebec County

Effective October 1, 2026 - September 30, 2027

OVERALL MAXIMUMS (A)				
Persons in Household				
1	2	3	4	5
$1,190	$1,199	$1,558	$2,001	$2,374
Household of 6 = $2,449				
*Note: Add $75 for each additional person.				

HOUSING MAXIMUMS (C)				
	Unheated		Heated	
Bedrooms	Weekly	Monthly	Weekly	Monthly
0	$241	$1,037	$271	$1,164
1	$241	$1,307	$272	$1,170
2	$306	$1,315	$354	$1,524
3	$397	$1,709	$456	$1,961
4	$470	$2,021	$541	$2,325
Recovery Residence			$204.00	$877.50
26+ rooms			$142.80	$614.25

FOOD MAXIMUMS (B)		
Persons	Weekly	Monthly
1	$71.16	$306
2	$130.70	$562
3	$187.91	$808
4	$237.91	$1,023
5	$283.02	$1,217
6	$340.23	$1,463
7	$375.81	$1,616
8	$428.14	$1,841

Note: For each additional person add $225 per month.

ELECTRIC (D)

Without electric heat/hot water

# in HH	Weekly	Monthly
1	$19.95	$85.50
2	$22.52	$96.50
3	$24.97	$107.00
4	$27.53	$118.00
5	$29.88	$128.50
6	$32.55	$139.50

For each additional person, add $10.50/mo

WITH electric heat/hot water

# in HH	Weekly	Monthly
1	$29.63	$127.00
2	$34.07	$146.00
3	$39.67	$170.00
4	$46.32	$198.50
5	$55.65	$238.50
6	$58.68	$251.50

For each additional person, add $14.50/mo

NOTE: For an electrically heated dwelling also see "Heating Fuel" maximums below. But remember, an applicant is not automatically entitled to the "maximums" established applicants must demonstrate need. 1) Electricity Maximums for Households Without Electric Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding electric hot water and heat.

2) Electricity Maximums for Households with Electrically Heated Hot Water: The maximum amounts allowed for utilities, hot water, for lights, cooking and other electric uses excluding heat:

HEATING FUEL (E)	
Month	Gallons
January	225
February	225
March	125
April	125
May	50
June - August	0
September	50
October	100
November	200
December	200

NOTE: When the dwelling unit is heated electrically, the maximum amount allowed for heating purposes will be calculated by multiplying the number of gallons of fuel allowed for that month by the current price per gallon. When fuels such as wood, coal and/or natural gas are used for heating purposes, they will be budgeted at actual rates, if they are reasonable. No eligible applicant shall be considered to need more than 7 tons of coal per year, 8 cords of wood per year, 126,000 cubic feet of natural gas per year, or 1000 gallons of propane.

FUNERAL MAXIMUMS (H)

Cremation $1,125

Additional costs that may be allowed:

* A cremation lot in the least expensive section of the cemetery.
* Urn, not to exceed $55.
* Transportation costs at a reasonable rate per mile.

Burial $1,620

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COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL FEES

Commercial and Industrial construction filings shall be charged filing fees based upon the total projected cost of construction, including site preparation, architectural, and engineering costs, based on the following schedule. All fees shall be paid in full at the time of filing or application.

Any person, firm or corporation starting any project without filing the necessary forms and receiving the proper permits shall be subject to paying a fee double the amount listed, as well as being subject to any fines and penalties as allowed by law. All fines and penalties shall be returned to the Town of Oakland.

$ 1-$ 24,999	$ 50.00
$ 24,999-$ 29,999	$ 55.00
$ 30,000-$ 34,999	$ 60.00
$ 35,000-$ 39,999	$ 65.00
$ 40,000-$ 44,999	$ 70.00
$ 45,000-$ 49,999	$ 75.00
$ 50,000-$ 54,999	$ 80.00
$ 55,000-$ 59,999	$ 85.00
$ 60,000-$ 64,999	$ 90.00
$ 65,000-$ 69,999	$ 95.00
$ 70,000-$ 74,999	$100.00
$ 75,000-$ 79,999	$105.00
$ 80,000-$ 84,999	$110.00
$ 85,000-$ 89,999	$115.00
$ 90,000-$ 94,999	$120.00
$ 95,000-$ 99,999	$125.00

Projects over $99,999 will be charged a fee of $125.00 for each $100,000 increment or portion thereof. For example, a project with an estimated cost of $650,000 will be assessed a fee of $875 (7 x $125).

(As amended 07-24-02)

SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES

$10.00	Letter of Intent – Construction home
$ 25.00	New Home Construction, 1000 square feet or less
35.00	New Home Construction, 1001 to 1,500 square feet
50.00	New Home Construction and Construction of Apartments over 1,500 square feet
25.00	Placement of Single and double Wide Mobile Home
35.00	Above Home size pricing
50.00	Above Home size pricing
25.00	Manufactured home 1,000 square feet or less
35.00	Manufactured home 1,001 to 1,500 square feet
50.00	Manufactured home over 1,500 square feet

Digital Mapping Update Fees – to be paid in addition to any building permit fee -

100.00	Single family residences
50.00/unit	Multi-family units
25.00/each	Pools, garages, sheds, barns, other outbuildings and home additions in excess of $1,500
100.00	Commercial buildings up to 3,000 sf
200.00	Commercial buildings, 3,000 sf to 5,000 sf
500.00	Commercial buildings over 5,000 sf
1.00/lf	Roads
10¢/sf	Parking areas
25.00/each	Other interpretable mapping features
$40.00	Minimum Plumbing Permit fee Note: State Plumbing Permit Fee Table to be followed on fees over $40.00 and a added $10.00 per fixture
15.00	Annual Holding Tank Permit Renewal Note: Holding tanks and alternative toilets etc., fees to be based on State Plumbing Permit Fee Table.
15.00	Items requiring Planning Board Review, fee to be returned if item did not require Planning Board review.
15.00	Board of Appeals Review (paid by person seeking appeal)
5.00	Fee charged for Planning Board Review per lot or Dwelling unit in Subdivision.
50.00	Public Sewer Hookup Inspection 4" line
100.00	Public Sewer Hookup Inspection Larger than 4"
35.00	Public Sewer - Minimum charge per unit per quarter*
30.00	Shoreline Zone Tree Cutting Permit and Inspection
$74.00	Permit by Rule Applications (submittals)
5.00	Copies of Various Ordinances
15.00	Land Use Permit Application
.25	Miscellaneous copies

Oakland Time Capsule ~ Celebrating America's 250th Birthday

Dear Residents, Businesses, and Friends of Oakland,

In celebration of America's 250th Birthday in 2026, the Town of Oakland is inviting our community to help create an *Oakland Time Capsule* that will preserve our town's history, culture, and community spirit for future generations.

This time capsule will serve as a snapshot of what life in Oakland is like today. We are seeking Oakland-related items that represent our businesses, organizations, schools, events, traditions, and everyday life. Together, we can leave a meaningful legacy for those who will call Oakland home decades from now.

We encourage residents, businesses, civic organizations, schools, churches, and community groups to donate items that tell the story of Oakland in 2026.

Suggested Items for Donation

- Photographs of Oakland today
- Historical photographs or copies of significant images
- Letters to future residents
- Children's drawings or essays about Oakland
- Local business brochures, menus, advertisements, or promotional items
- Town event flyers and programs (Oakfest, community events, etc.)
- School memorabilia
- Sports team jerseys, patches, or programs
- Maps of Oakland
- Local newspapers or newspaper front pages
- Challenge coins, commemorative pins, or patches
- Oakland Police, Fire, Public Works, and Recreation memorabilia
- Community organization brochures
- Postcards featuring Oakland
- Small locally made crafts or artwork
- Lists of current Town Council members and municipal staff
- A list of Oakland businesses in operation during 2026
- Written memories from longtime residents
- Recipes from local families or restaurants
- Small souvenirs representing Oakland's history and character

Please note that donated items should be small, durable, and suitable for long-term preservation. Items should not contain food, liquids, batteries, or anything perishable.

The Town will review all submissions to ensure the collection reflects Oakland's rich history and diverse community.

Donation deadline will be Thursday, October 29, 2026, drop-off at the Oakland Town Office and the official time capsule dedication ceremony will be announced once the Capsule is complete.

This is a unique opportunity to help tell Oakland's story for future generations. We hope you will join us in preserving a piece of our community's history as we celebrate this historic milestone in our nation's history.

Thank you for helping make the Oakland Time Capsule a lasting legacy.

Sincerely,

Kelly Pinney-Michaud, Town Manager
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