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## Town of Rockport, Maine

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## Town Manager's Report & Update July 12, 2021

### Resignation:

Part-time Employee/On-call Staff Fran Hodgkins has resigned. Ann Filley has been hired to take her place.

### Opera House Update:

The Opera House locks have been updated and new keys have been distributed to town staff and building stakeholders. We are nearing the end of hiring a pair of individuals responsible for marketing and booking events with distinct difference audiences... one for town sponsored events and the other for private bookings (weddings, funerals, etc.). Megan and I met with Geoff Parker earlier this week to investigate the technical needs of the facility and Megan is meeting later next week with Dave Morrison from the Camden Opera House to further her understanding of these technical concerns.

### Brown Tail Moths:

The Town Office is once again a target for the return of Brown Tail Moths due to exterior lights being on at night. Due to the painting of the Richardson Room, we are not hosting meetings at night at the office, so we will turn all of the exterior lights off so as to avoid more moths visiting.

### Recording Secretary:

We hired Regan Crowe to serve as the recording secretary for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

### Gratitude:

Lastly, I want to thank the residents and staff who have welcomed me into this new role. It has been a whirlwind first few days but thankfully we are blessed in Rockport with so many outstanding employees who understand how important their roles are in making our community a better place. They have helped me make this transition as easy as possible. Of note, Kerry, Diane, and Megan did their very best to help make my start a good one and I am grateful for their efforts. We all have a lot of work ahead and I look forward to working with our entire staff.