



**City Manager's Report
August 5, 2021**

Economic Projects

River Front - Powerplants	8/6: County Environmental Engineering submitted revised Phase 1 environmental site assessment & scope of work. 7/28: Caldwell contract was signed
Broadband Initiative	Business Investment Group has shared a plan with the City Council. 8/2: Caribou has been invited to participate in a County Broadband Committee organized by Aroostook Partnership
2019 CDBG	City received an extension for 2019 CDBG Public Service Grant (project with Cary)
Ogren Dump Solar Project	No further updates from SynerGen Solar
Events and Marketing	Thursdays on Sweden Street 8/12 - Karaoke Night; Caribou Cares Parade rescheduled for 8/13
Landbank	30 North Street will be the first project for the land bank
Chapter 13 Rewrite	Planning Board will continue to prioritize
Federal American Rescue Plan Act	State has requested a second extension of time to release funds to non-entitlement districts (like Caribou).
Blight Cleanup	Dangerous buildings: bids to demo 37 Home Farm have been requested. Staff working on a list of properties.
Birdseye Cleanup	8/5: Haley Ward finishing up the Remediation Work Plan. Can assist with bid package and advertisement for a fee. Will check budget.
60 Access Highway	Investigating "Mecon Street"
River Front - Master Plan	Group has a draft of Master Plan, will finalize at next meeting
Façade Improvement Program	No work has started: Bennett Drive contractor will begin in November; Otter Street, materials on site
Hilltop Senior Living	No update since last report
Sitel Building	No update since last report
Aldrich ATV/Snowmobile Storage	No update since last report
Jarosz Storage - Limestone St	Construction continues, local contractors are doing a great job

Other Administrative Projects

Tax Acquired Property Policy	Property # 23 on tonight's agenda
Nylander	Compressor has arrived in Lewiston
Fire Structural Work	7/31: Kevin W. Smith & Son sent a crew member to add requested seam tape to roof area just south of the roof hatch in the SW corner of the roof.
Teague Park	Everything is being enjoyed by the community
Public Safety Building	Artifex working on next steps to bring to the City Council
Fire Station Renovations	7/16: Received another bid for sprinklers; Need sprinklers prior to renovations;
Investment Policy	7/26: Met and discussed options
Trailer Park Closure	Some residents responding to CEO Murchison's recent letter
Fish Hatchery Bridge	No updates since last report
Cable Franchise Renewal	No update since last report
Airport	Annual CIP Meeting with MDOT on 8/12; 7/29: airport committee meeting, staff directed to report on a "state of the airport" report
City Hall Boiler Systems	One proposal was received from Dead River / no update
Chambers AV System	No complaints received on sound on YouTube or Public Access Channel at July 26 meeting
River Road	MEMA will be on site 8/24
New LED Street lights	8/3: One pole on South Main had no secondary power so Versant was called
Comp Plan Update	No update since last report
COVID-19 Status	8/5: Aroostook County is now listed as a "Substantial" level of Community Transmission on CDC website
Personnel Policy	No further action at this time.
Parking Lot Paving	No update since last report
Procurement Policy	No update since last report
Personnel Changes	No update since last report
Administrative Approvals	7/29: Special Amusement license for Caribou Bowl A Drome / Sports Inn 7/29: Special Amusement license for The Par & Grill restaurant