



**City Manager's Report
November 26, 2021**

Economic Projects

River Front - Powerplants	No new updates.
Broadband Initiative	11/18 - 11/19: Maine Broadband Summit, heard some very interesting perspectives on projects and funding. There will be funds available, it is all about having a project that fits the grant parameters.
CDBG	No new updates.
Ogren Dump Solar Project	No new updates.
Events and Marketing	11/27: Small Business Saturday with many events going on around our city including the annual ornament hunt, the return of Santa's reindeer in Lyndon Square and new this year, the library will be hosting an event 10-2 for local authors and is selling raffle tickets on baskets! DO NOT MISS IT.
Landbank	No new updates.
Chapter 13 Rewrite	City Manager has asked the ZA/CEO to look into the cost and time frame to have this professionally written to conform to the City Council's directive to have a land use ordinance that promotes growth through minimal regulation.
Federal American Rescue Plan Act	County will be providing ARPA guidance soon. There has been a reorganization at the County offices.
Blight Cleanup	City is working with the Business Investment Group on the demolition of 30 North Street.
Birdseye Cleanup	No new updates.
60 Access Highway	Staff has had multiple conversations with the developer regarding this investment.
River Front - Master Plan	11/23: CRRC meeting. Committees have been formed to work on the goals of the committee.
Façade Improvement Program	Work has started at the Bennett Drive Redemption location.
Hilltop Senior Living	No new updates.
Aldrich ATV/Snowmobile Storage	Staff has had multiple conversations with the developer regarding this investment.
Jarosz Storage - Limestone St	Nearing completion.

Other Administrative Projects

Tax Acquired Property Policy	There were 18 properties that were acquired through the automatic lien foreclosure process on November 22. (By comparison, there were 16 last year.)
Nylander	Franco Scalora has started work on cataloging. A discussion of the Nylander Museum is on the agenda for tonight's meeting.
Fire Structural Work	There was another leak on 11/15. Kevin Smith sent a man to address the issue. Did some seam repair.
Teague Park	Ice rink has been leveled and filled.
Police Station	No new updates.
Fire Station Renovations	No new updates.
Investment Policy	Investment Committee met on 11/16 with John Swanberg from Aroostook County Federal Savings and Loan.
Trailer Park Closure	Working with remaining tenants.
Fish Hatchery Bridge	No new updates.
Cable Franchise Renewal	No new updates.
Airport	The State of Maine sent the grant award information to be signed this week. \$22,000 for eligible airport costs.
City Hall Boiler Systems	Dead River stopped by to see why it was overly warm in the east stairwell and Council Chambers.
Chambers AV System	Everything is working.
River Road	No new updates.
New LED Street lights	Several reports of issues with street lights recently. I have reached out to RealTerm.
Comp Plan Update	City Manager has asked the ZA/CEO to look into the cost and time frame to have a 2024 Revised Comprehensive Plan professionally written.
COVID-19 Status	Cary will hold a vaccination clinic at the Caribou Wellness and Recreation Center on Tuesday 11/30 3-6pm.
Personnel Policy	No new updates.
Procurement Policy	No new updates.
Administrative Approvals	No new updates.
Personnel Changes	First round interviews were held this week for the Assistant City Clerk position.