



**City Manager's Report
November 12, 2021**

Economic Projects

River Front - Powerplants	11/3: County Environmental Engineering, Inc. has started field work. This will include asbestos sampling and a hazardous material inventory.
Broadband Initiative	11/1: Spectrum presented during an executive session after the meeting regarding Fiber To The Home (FTTH). 11/09: County Broadband meeting with a follow-up 11/10 from Aroostook Partnership regarding current definitions of unserved and underserved.
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	No new updates.
Federal American Rescue Plan Act	Staff is working on some non-ARPA grants through DECD; County will be providing ARPA guidance soon.
Blight Cleanup	No new updates.
Birdseye Cleanup	No new updates.
60 Access Highway	Staff has had multiple conversations with the developer regarding this investment.
River Front - Master Plan	No new updates.
Façade Improvement Program	No updates.
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	Decisions on lien waivers will take place at the 11/15 meeting.
Nylander	Interviews were conducted for the Museum Technician.; MMA hired a "forensic engineer" to assist with the loss investigation. Staff has been working with him to provide all information.; Grants are available for small museums but part of the process is citing a "strategic plan" and making assurances that the museum is properly staffed (goals for 2022).
Fire Structural Work	No new updates.
Teague Park	No new updates.
Police Station	The non-binding question vote was: 1008 Yes and 810 No
Fire Station Renovations	No new updates.
Investment Policy	There will be an investment committee meeting this week.
Trailer Park Closure	Notice was served on the remaining individuals who have been evading notice.
Fish Hatchery Bridge	No new updates.
Cable Franchise Renewal	No new updates.
Airport	RFQ - On tonight's agenda; Belfast has notified Caribou that the \$150,000 in FAA funds borrowed will be returned in the 2022-2023 fiscal year (instead of the 2023-2024 fiscal year)
City Hall Boiler Systems	No new updates.
Chambers AV System	Fingers crossed that this is working.
River Road	No new updates.
New LED Street lights	No new updates.
Comp Plan Update	No new updates.
COVID-19 Status	There should be a discussion of administrative protocols when staff is exposed and also the OSHA ETS on COVID-19
Personnel Policy	No new updates.
Procurement Policy	No new updates.
Administrative Approvals	Local liquor licenses for: Access 89 & American Legion; Extension of premises for Northern Maine Brewing Company; Special Amusement permits for Great Wall Inc. DBA Jade Palace Restaurant & Caribou Bowladrome & Sports Inn
Personnel Changes	Public Works - advertising for several positions after 2 recent resignations and the promotion of Keith Ballard to Road Foreman; Assistant City Clerk position still open