



**City Manager's Report
October 24, 2022**

Economic Projects

River Front - Powerplants	City Manager and Karen Gorman have had two zoom calls regarding the EPA Brownfields grant program. Another is scheduled for next week. DEP and EPA will be back on site November 14.
Broadband Initiative	City Manager posted the latest County Broadband speed test on Facebook. Mission Broadband is the contractor with the County of Aroostook for their initiative. Mission Broadband reached out last week as part of their outreach.
CDBG	C&J Service Center has decided not to go forward with their application.
Ogren Dump Solar Project	No new updates
Events and Marketing	Caribou Craft Fair was a big success. Next event is for Small Business Saturday. We will have more details soon!
Landbank	No new updates
Chapter 13 Rewrite	No new updates
Federal American Rescue Plan Act	Caribou Fire and Ambulance have received their compression devices and have received training. They are now ready to use in an emergency.
Blight Cleanup	CEO Murchison will provide an update tonight
Birdseye Cleanup	No new updates
60 Access Highway	Work is continuing
River Front - Master Plan	No new updates
Façade Improvement Program	Three local businesses were awarded façade improvement grants at the meeting held on Tuesday October 18. All are located on High Street and are highly visible.
Aldrich ATV/Snowmobile Storage	No new updates
Jarosz Storage - Limestone St	No new updates
Business Outreach	City Manager has had multiple conversations with and about current and potential business in the area. Updates have been given to the City Council on these.

Other Administrative Projects

Tax Acquired Property Policy	On tonight's agenda
Nylander	No new updates
Fire Structural Work	The roof continues to leak. A representative from the roofing contractor will be onsite Friday 10/21.
Fire Station Renovations	Kurt Magnussen of Mechanical Systems Engineers came to look at the project October 10 and has given a quote for engineering but quotes from other professionals are also needed.
Police Station	IACP training in Lisle, Illinois was very informative.
River Road	No new updates
Investment Policy	No new updates
Trailer Park Closure	No new updates
Fish Hatchery Bridge	No new updates
Cable Franchise Renewal	No new updates
Airport	Life Flight has installed a camera to be able to assess runway conditions.
Personnel Policy	No new updates
New LED Street lights	No new updates
Comp Plan Update	There will be a kick-off for the public October 27, 6 - 7:30 at the Wellness Center.
COVID-19 Status	No new updates
Administrative Approvals	Special Amusement permit for the Caribou Inn and Convention Center approved by staff
Personnel Changes	Public Works down 4 employees, Police Department is down two employees
Age-Friendly Efforts	No new updates
Other Updates	City Council candidate forum was held on Wednesday October 19. The video is online if you would like to hear from the candidates. Please remember to vote on November 8 or request an absentee ballot on or before November 3.