

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT FEBRUARY 17, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

- Absentee ballots are available for Town Meeting Election of Officers and Referendum
- Town Reports are now available.
- The Bridge newsletter is at the printers and will be mailing within the next week.
- Waste Management host fees for January 2021 were received: \$49,879.86. Total received in 2020 was \$767,175.42.
- We've received our franchise fee payment in the amount of \$21,828.25 (up \$2,028 over last year) and budgeted for \$18,000 in 2021.

AIRPORT

- Cutting on the airport property continued and has seemingly concluded. We are now looking ahead to the mulching project, for which the contract has been executed, but work has not commenced. The deadline for completion is June 1, 2021.
- The airport is eligible for an additional \$13,000 in Federal funding through COVID-relief funds. These funds are intended to help mitigate the impact of COVID on operations and can be used to offset incremental expenses and/or regular operating expenses.

ANIMAL CONTROL

• \$25.00 per dog late fee has been suspended under executive order. We encourage dog owners to license their vaccinated dogs as soon as possible. As of today, the extension has been granted through June 3.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING

• The public hearing on Waste Management's site plan review application was held last week. The next meeting on application review will be on February 25, via Zoom.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

We have received notice from the State of Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands that the
closing date for the PanAm railbed acquisition has been delayed to November 30. This is
attributed to the fact that PanAm has not yet gone through the Federal abandonment
process for the Madison branch and it cannot be sold until that process is complete and
approved by the Federal government.

LIBRARY

• Eastman Charitable Foundation has granted another \$3,000 to the library for books or materials which we may not otherwise be able to acquire. This generous grant has been recurring over the years.

PUBLIC SAFETY

• Firefighters received vaccinations on February 6, and are expected to receive their second on March 6.

RECREATION

• We have begun initial discussions about spring sports and what Norridgewock will be doing. This will require the Recreation Committee meeting soon to make some decisions about progressing. This will take place after Town Meeting once funding has been determined by voters.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
14	15 TOWN OFFICE CLOSED Presidents' Day	16	17 6PM Selectmen	18	19	20
21	22	23 4PM TIF Mtg	24	25 3pm Library Mtg 6PM Planning Board Mtg	26	27
28	1 TOWN MEETING TOWN OFFICE CLOSED	2	3 6PM Selectmen	4	5	6