



TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

JUNE 16, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

- I've been asked to join a panel regarding food security in Somerset County. I attended the first meeting this week and it should prove tremendously profitable for Norridgewock in the long-term. We have a definite need and this program will help make regional connections to close the gaps.
- We held the school budget referendum last Tuesday at the Town Office. There were only 40 ballots cast—37 in favor and 3 opposed.
- A benefit spaghetti supper will be held on Thursday, July 1 at the Congregational Church from 4-6pm to benefit the family of Hannahmae McAllister. Her father, Willis Libby, works for us at Public Works.
- We hosted three classes of third-graders last Friday, as we have typically done at the end of the school year. They also went to the fire station, historical society, and Riverside Cemetery.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING

- The Conservation Law Foundation (Boston, MA) has filed an appeal of the DEP permit issued to Waste Management for its Phase 14 expansion. This appeal delays the increase in host fees for the Town. The appeal is based on a number of factors and requests a *de novo* review of the application.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- I had a meeting with Kelly Shields today about the possibility of developing the lot between York's Market and the Town Square. Initial discussions centered around off-street parking for employees, alternatives for dumpster location, and the potential for general aesthetic improvements.

FINANCE & COLLECTIONS

- Sewer liens for unpaid April/May/June 2020 will be filed tomorrow. There are 17 remaining accounts with balances due.
- Real estate liens are planned to be filed on July 30; 30-day notices will be sent July 1. As of today, there were still 162 delinquent accounts.

LIBRARY

- The Summer Reading Program begins June 26. The kickoff event will be held at the library with local author Patty Farrin reading her books, *Mocha Overboard* and *The Teacup Café*. The program is primarily focused on young readers, but will also have a segment for older readers.
- The library is eligible to receive an additional \$3,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, which will come through the State. We have made initial application to secure these funds, which can be spent on qualified expenses incurred after March 2021.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- I have continued to submit requests to the contractor for an estimate to repair the fire station facia, but have not been successful in getting a response. On May 27, an estimate was committed before June 4. I've emailed twice since, with no response.

PUBLIC WORKS

- We have a new contact at DEP that ensures our compliance at the old landfill; he has requested a site visit for June 30.
- The tree removal project on Red Barn Road has been completed with the stumps being removed. This will allow for snow to be pushed back on the road and also improve drainage in that section.
- The erosion project on Ward Hill Road is nearing completion. The west side of the road is complete and the east side remains undone.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
13	14	15	16 6PM Selectmen	17	18	19
20	21	22 4PM TIF Mtg	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1 4-6PM Benefit Supper	2	3
4	5 Independence Day observed Office closed	6	7 6PM Selectmen	8 6PM Planning Board Mtg	9	10

Red Barn Road Stump Removal—Completed by DMO Landscaping



Ward Hill Road Erosion Repair—Completed by Rick Labbe Construction

