

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT JANUARY 4, 2023

ADMINISTRATION

- The process of developing the 2022 Town Report is underway. Departments, committees, organizations, and officials are asked to submit reports electronically (.doc format) by January 20.
- Nomination papers are due back by the close of business tomorrow, January 5.
- The Town Office will be closed on Monday, January 16, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

CODE & PLANNING

• The Planning Board will meet next week (Thursday, 1/12, 6PM) to review an application for a proposed 40' x 100' commercial building (shop and office/retail space) at 260 Waterville Rd. Abutter notices have been sent and the project seems relatively simple.

FINANCE & COLLECTIONS

• The Budget Committee is scheduled tomorrow, January 5, at 6:00 pm to review the 2023 budget proposal.

PARKS

• I received a response from the University of Maine at Farmington regarding our request to seek consultation to improve Ashley J. Wing Family Memorial Park, especially in the area around the trees. Amid finals and the holidays, another response will be delayed, but it is being forwarded to biology and environmental science staff for consideration.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- We received a note of thanks from 7 Lakes Alliance (Belgrade Lakes) for the Fire Department's role in responding to the oil spill on the north end of North Pond over the weekend.
- The internal posting for a full-time firefighter will be up through January 15.

PUBLIC WORKS

• Last Thursday, the federal spending bill was signed, which included the \$2.5 million that is to be directed to the Norridgewock River and Highway Preservation Project. This solidifies the funding that was secured with the support of Senator Collins' office.