



TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT MARCH 6, 2024

ADMINISTRATION

- I've scheduled our SHAPE (workplace safety) consultations for the end of May
- The Skowhegan Area High School Community Service Day is scheduled for May 21. If anyone has projects they would like to have done (on public or private property), please reach out to the Town Office for more information.
- With the approved funding, I'll be proceeding with the drafting of a newsletter to be mailed townwide. If anyone has an interest in contributing articles or volunteering as a freelance.

AIRPORT

- The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program for the airport has finally been approved. This is a largely administrative project required by the FAA to continue to access funding.

CEMETERIES

- We have direct-mailed the Cemetery Stone Maintenance/Reconstruction Request for Proposals. Already, we've heard back from a couple interested vendors.
- In the course of conversations with the USDA, I have been connected with another agency that is interested in funding a mitigation project for Oxbow Cemetery (Sandy River Road). I am meeting them next Tuesday to look at the property and the impact that the river is having on it.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING

- **Planning Board Meeting: Thursday, March 14, 6:00 PM**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **TIF Advisory Committee Meeting: Tuesday, March 26, 5:00 PM**

FINANCE & COLLECTIONS

- Unpaid July/August/September 2021 sewer use charges will automatically foreclose on March 15. At this time, two of the properties are already considered foreclosed on by the Town. There is one other property subject to foreclosure.
- Unpaid January/February/March 2023 sewer use charges will go to lien on March 21. As of this afternoon, there are 14 delinquent accounts.

- Airplane excise was due at the end of last month. Pilots are strongly encouraged to remit the tax due as soon as possible to avoid possible liens on aircraft. While revenue from excise has been received, we are a good way from full collection, and this money goes directly to support airport maintenance and operation.

LIBRARIES

- LEGO Club starts March 19, 3:00 PM
- Learn About Beekeeping: Saturday, March 9, 10:30 AM
- Library Trustee Meeting: Thursday, March 28, 3:30 PM

PUBLIC SAFETY

- I had my first discovery call with FEMA today regarding the December storm. If accepted, we will also file on behalf of the Norridgewock Water District.
- I have a meeting next week with the regional manager from the American Red Cross to discuss local opportunity for preventative measures, should an incident take place in the future.

PUBLIC WORKS

- We are working to survey other communities about the equipment used to maintain sidewalks and, if there is an opportunity, should the right piece of equipment be selected for more versatility.