

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT DECEMBER 1, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

- Interior wall repair and painting began yesterday; we appreciate the public's understanding as we make our way through the project.
- Nomination papers are available and are due back by January 6.
- I am seeking nominations for Spirit of America and the Town Report dedication. Please forward me any names you may have.

CEMETERIES

• The Cemetery Committee is scheduled to meet tomorrow to work on its 2022 budget proposal, as well as to consider a maintenance priority list and possible revisions to the Cemetery Ordinance.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING

• The Planning Board will meet next week to consider its 2022 budget request, but also to discuss the potential of recommending a solar development moratorium.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

• The State's purchase of the Madison Branch rail corridor closed last week, which is a major step into the development of the multi-use trail system. We were the only community included in the State's press release to discuss economic impact and we were also asked for interviews today for Channels 7/22. Two major items of concern for Norridgewock include the accommodation of New Balance parking, as well as the access over the river (trestle). The State has agreed to work closely with us on both.

LIBRARY

- The Trustees have met regarding proposed ARPA fund expenditures, as there is a separate pool specifically for the library. The current proposal includes the purchase of video recording equipment that can be used to restart story time and enhance programming opportunities.
- The Trustees will meet outside of their usual schedule in order to consider ARPA purchases, as well as the 2022 budget proposal.

PARKS

- Planning for the Holiday Stroll is underway. There will be an afternoon of events, with a lighted tractor parade at 4:00, followed by the tree lighting. There is a house and business decorating contest with \$100 prizes for the winners—if you'd like to have your house or business considered, please let the Town Office know. If you would like to volunteer to help or participate, please reach out to myself or someone on the committee.
- We will be issuing a Google Map online so that people can travel around town and view light displays. If you or someone you know has a light display, please send us the address and we will add them to the list.

PUBLIC SAFETY

• I have been working on updating NIMS Compliance so that the Town is better-positioned to apply for grants. One of the current grant opportunities available is to help fund the purchase of generators for emergency facilities. This creates existing opportunities for the Town to seek assistance for the Town Office (EOC) and Public Works Garage.

PUBLIC WORKS

• The Road Committee met yesterday to discuss 2022 priorities, as well as a longer-term plan for road maintenance. They intend to meet once more before submitting their project and budget recommendations to the Board, as they would like to consider cost proposals. In addition to project planning, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend the removal of the speed table on Upper Main Street. The Committee spent time discussing the new tables installed on Depot Street and the unanimous consensus was that it was an appropriate location for installation. The Committee would appreciate consideration in the future when decisions such as this are being made in the future.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
28	29	30 12:00 Road Com	1 4:30 Stroll Mtg 6PM SelectBoard	2 1PM Cemetery	3	4
5	6	7	8 4PM Library Trustees Mtg	9 6PM Planning Board Mtg	10	11
12	13	14	15 6PM SelectBoard	16	17	18