

TENTATIVE AGENDA
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE EXECUTIVE SESSION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2016

3:00 PM

The regular Council Meeting will reconvene at 4:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call.
3. ORDER #8-2016 Executive Session for Labor Negotiations under M.R.S.A. Subsection 405 (6)(D) and a Personnel Matter under M.R.S.A. Subsection 405 (6)(A)
4. Reconvene in Council Chambers
5. Adjustments to the Agenda
6. Approval of Minutes of the January 14, 2016 Town Council meeting
7. Special Presentations: School Superintendent Frank Boynton on his China Trip
8. Town Manager's Report

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

9. ORDER #9-2016 Execution of Warrant for January 21, 2016
10. ORDER #10-2016 Execution of Warrant for January 28, 2016
11. ORDER #11-2016 Approval of a New Airport Hangar Furnace
12. ORDER #12-2016 Approval of an Application for Pole Locations on Wassau Street and Central Street
13. ORDER #13-2016 Authorization for the Town Manager to Write a Letter of Support for the Eastern Maine Development Corporation
14. Reports and Communications:
 - a. Warrant Committee for the February 11, 2016 Council Meeting will be Councilor Sannicandro and Councilor Stratton
 - b. Chair's Report back on special projects, activities or other communications.
 - c. Other
15. Adjournment:

ORDER #8-2016

PROVIDING FOR: Executive session for Labor Negotiations under 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(D) and a Personnel Matter under 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A)

IT IS ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council enter into executive session for labor negotiations under 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(D) and a personnel matter 1 M.R.S.A. §405 (6)(A).

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL _____

ATTEST _____

Manager's Report January 28, 2016

Council Meeting Schedule-Council Chambers

<u>Thursday, Feb.11, 2016</u>	4:30 p.m.	Regular Meeting
<u>Thursday, Feb.25, 2016</u>	4:30 p.m.	Regular Meeting

Credit/Debit Card to Pay Municipal Bills

There will be some information to report on at the meeting Thursday night.

Foreclosures

The Town has not received any payment since the letter giving residents 30 days to pay in full.

Poverty Abatement

Residents have problems paying their property taxes, sewer fees, etc.; can file for poverty abatement. Applications can be picked up at the Town Office.

Snow Plowing

The Police Department has spoken with residents some residents and contractors about this issue and it looks like it can be worked out. Does the Council want to add some language to the ordinance to make it clear that the people plowing the snow will be responsible to pay the penalty for noncompliance?

Maine Service Centers Coalition

Asking the Town to renew its dues support of the Maine Service Centers Coalition in the amount of \$540.72. The Coalition advocates on behalf of municipalities dealing with issues such as Maine Revenue Sharing, Maine's Highway Fund, and Education. Its primary goal in the upcoming session is the restoration of full funding for Revenue Sharing and preventing further cuts in local aid to education and to the Local Road Assistance Program.

Public Meeting January 28, 2016, at the Medway Middle School

Due to the Council meeting being held on this same date, this does not give us much of a chance to attend this meeting. But if anyone is interested, the meeting will be held to discuss the MaineDOT Scenic Byway Gateway Facilities in the Towns of Medway and Patten.



Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
16 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0016

David Bernhardt
COMMISSIONER

January 8, 2016

John R. Davis, Town Manager
Town of Millinocket
197 Penobscot Avenue, Millinocket, ME 04462

RE: MaineDOT project (WIN 18378.00) Design and Construction of Katahdin Woods & Waters Scenic Byway Gateway Facilities in the Towns of Medway and Patten

Dear John,

This letter is to inform you that a formal public meeting to discuss the above referenced project will be held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at the Medway Middle School located at 25 Middle School Drive in Medway, Maine.

A copy of the enclosed notice will be published in an area newspaper 10 days to 2 weeks prior to the meeting and will be mailed to abutting property owners, local legislators and other towns along the scenic byway.

If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Larry Johannesman, ASLA
Maine Licensed Landscape Architect
MaineDOT Multimodal Program
16 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333
207.624.3404

Enclosure 1- Notice



MaineDOT

Notice of Formal **PUBLIC MEETING**

*for the Towns of Medway, Patten and
Citizens in the Katahdin Region*

**Construction of Gateway Facilities along the
Katahdin Woods & Waters Scenic Byway
in the Towns of Medway and Patten
Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**

**At the Medway Middle School
25 Middle School Drive, Medway, Maine 04460**

The Maine Department of Transportation is conducting a public meeting to discuss the designs for two gateway facilities along the Katahdin Woods & Waters Scenic Byway in the Towns of Medway and Patten. The improvements are designed to provide byway travelers places to stop, rest and get information about the scenic byway.

Please join us at 6:00 pm on Thursday evening, January 28, 2016, at the middle school, at which time representatives from MaineDOT will discuss the proposed improvements, listen to concerns, receive comments, and answer questions from persons interested in the project to ensure local input is received and local needs and concerns are being addressed.

Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities. Auxiliary aids will be provided upon advance request.

Any inquiries regarding this project may be directed to the attention of Fred Michaud, Bureau of Transportation Systems Planning, Maine Department of Transportation, 24 Child Street, 16 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0016. Telephone: (207) 624-3279. email: fred.michaud@maine.gov

Work Identification Number 18378.00

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MAINE SERVICE CENTERS COALITION

60 Community Drive • Augusta, Maine 04330 • (207) 623-8428

William Bridgeo, Chair
City of Augusta
(207) 626-2300

Catherine Conlow, Vice Chair
City of Bangor
(207) 992-204

Scott Morelli, Secretary
City of Gardiner
(207) 582-4200

Pat Finnigan, Treasurer
Town of Camden
(207) 236-3353

January 7, 2016

Mr John Davis Jr
Town Manager
Town of Millinocket
197 Penobscot Ave
Millinocket, ME 04462-1430

Dear Harold:

The 2016 Maine Legislative Session begins this week and the attacks on municipal revenue and our taxpayers will almost certainly continue. We are asking that you renew your dues support of the Maine Service Centers Coalition. The need for your participation in the Maine Service Centers Coalition's advocacy efforts has never been greater. We thank you for your membership this past year and appreciate your support and work with us on the many policy initiatives and positions we advocated on your behalf. Your efforts in outreach to local legislators, working with your local municipal groups and in many cases lobbying with us at the State House were critical to success in defeating or mitigating so many of the attacks directed at municipal revenue streams.

This second session of the 127th Legislature again begins with Maine's most onerous fiscal problems not only unsolved but, in many cases not even prudently addressed. While we were successful in 2015 helping prevent or mitigate some of the most harmful attacks on municipal revenue the cuts that were included in the biennial budget left most of Maine's taxpayers faced with property tax increases that show no sign of abating. The most serious fiscal impact to municipalities is the ongoing cut in municipal revenue sharing. That cut continues the budget gimmick limiting the Revenue Sharing provision in Maine Law from its historical 5% of Maine sales and income tax receipts to 2% for fiscal years FY 16 thru FY 19. That language shifts millions of dollars per year onto municipal property taxes and services. (A loss of \$93.8 million in FY 16, \$93.1 million in FY 2017, \$97.1 million in FY 2018 and \$101.2 million in FY 2019). **{A total of \$385.2 million}** Our primary goal in the upcoming session is the restoration of full funding for Revenue Sharing and preventing further cuts in local aid to education and to the Local Road Assistance Program.

In addition, Maine's Highway Fund faces a massive structural gap now likely exceeding \$400 million. This Governor and recent Legislatures continue to be unable or unwilling to come to grips with the rapid decline in highway fund revenue. As we reported last year, a recent comprehensive study highlighted that the highway fund budget would need an additional \$150 million per year for the next decade just to address the critical areas of deficient bridges and highways. The study also noted that 33% of Maine's major local or state maintained highways are in either poor or mediocre condition; that 30% of Maine's bridges are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete and that the annual collective maintenance costs to Maine drivers due to the deficient roads continues to grow beyond the most recent estimate of \$300 million.

(over)

Maine Service Centers Coalition
 60 Community Drive
 Augusta, Maine 04330-9486

INVOICE

Bill To: 000000006122-0

Town of Millinocket
 197 Penobscot Ave
 Millinocket, ME 04462-1430

Order Number: 1000108619
 Order Date: 01/07/2016
 Invoice Date: 07-Jan-2016
 Due Date: 06-Feb-2016
 Employee Code: 19440

Product	Ship To Name	LineStatusCode	Qty	Base Amount	Adjustment	Total
MSCC - MSCC Active Membership 01-Jan-2016 to 31-Dec-2016	Town of Millinocket	Proforma	1	500.00	40.72	540.72

".12 cents per capita - \$500.00 minimum"

Shipping:	0.00
Total :	540.72
Paid To Date	0.00
Current Amount Due :	540.72

Please detach the lower portion and return it with your payment. Thank you.

Customer: 000000006122-0 Town of Millinocket
 Order No.: 1000108619

Balance Due(USD): 540.72

Amount: _____

Send payments to:

Maine Service Centers Coalition
 60 Community Drive
 Augusta, Maine 04330-9486

MAINE SERVICE CENTER COALITION

**Resolution for Membership and
Appointment of Voting Delegate Representative and Alternate**

BE IT RESOLVED that the _____
(City/Town Council or Board of Selectmen)

hereby authorizes membership in the Maine Service Center Coalition for 2016 and designates:

(name) (position in municipality)

to be the appointed REPRESENTATIVE for the Maine Service Centers Coalition and is therefore authorized to vote at the Maine Service Centers Coalition business meetings.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the designated ALTERNATE is:

(name) (position in municipality)

Dated

Attested To By:

Please return this Resolution as soon as possible to:

Maine Service Centers Coalition
c/o Theresa Chavarie, Manager, Member Relations
Maine Municipal Association
60 Community Drive
Augusta, Maine 04330
E-mail: tchavarie@memun.org

MAINE SERVICE CENTERS COALITION

VOTING DELEGATES - 2016

Membership Information Sheet

MSCC REPRESENTATIVE	MSCC ALTERNATE
NAME:	NAME:
TITLE:	TITLE:
MUNICIPALITY:	MUNICIPALITY:
MAILING ADDRESS:	MAILING ADDRESS:
CITY/ST/ZIP:	CITY/ST/ZIP:
TOWN OFFICE PHONE:	TOWN OFFICE PHONE:
WORK PHONE:	WORK PHONE:
HOME PHONE:	HOME PHONE:
FAX PHONE:	FAX PHONE:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:	E-MAIL ADDRESS:

RETURN TO:

Maine Service Centers Coalition
c/o Theresa Chavarie, Manager of Member Relations
Maine Municipal Association
60 Community Drive
Augusta, Maine 04330
FAX: (207) 626-3358
E-MAIL: tchavarie@memun.org

ORDER #9-2016

PROVIDING FOR: Execution of the Warrant for January 21, 2016

IT IS ORDERED that the Warrant for January 21, 2016 in the amount of \$ _____
is hereby approved.

Passed by the Town Council _____

Attest: _____

ORDER #10-2016

PROVIDING FOR: Execution of the Warrant for January 28, 2016

IT IS ORDERED that the Warrant for January 28, 2016 in the amount of \$ _____
is hereby approved.

Passed by the Town Council _____

Attest: _____

PROVIDING FOR: Approval of a new Airport Hangar Furnace.

IT IS ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council authorize the expenditure of \$6,477.56 to replace the Airport Hangar furnace.

IT IS FURTHERED ORDERED that Rollins Plumbing & Heating is awarded the bid to replace the furnace, and that the funds be taken out of the Transfer Site Reserve Account. Currently there is \$22,868.57 in this account.

NOTE: Only one bid was received.

Rollins Plumbing & Heating: \$6,477.56
Any assistance Public Works can provide will be deducted from the bill.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____

ATTEST: _____



*Millinocket Public Works
20 Cedar Street
Millinocket, Maine 04462
(207) 723-7030*

January 20, 2016

To: Harold Davis, Town Manager
Fr: Ralph Soucier, Airport Manager
Re: Hangar Furnace for Millinocket Airport

We had an issue with the furnace in the Town Hanger at the Millinocket Municipal Airport a couple of weeks ago. Smoke was coming from the fire box so we had Rollins Plumbing and Heating look at it and found a crack on the back side in the heat exchanger. We had it patched and sealed, but another crack developed so we had to shut it off.

Tony Cesare leases this hanger from the Town and has planes in this hanger along with office space for his business "West Branch Aviation". Tony has hooked a heater up for his office until the furnace can be replaced.

Originally Great Northern had put this unit in 30 plus years ago which is mounted on a catwalk along the ceiling.

We have sent out a bid package to three local heating and plumbing contractors, and only received one bid back from Rollins.

The recommendation is to replace this unit which after approved will take 4-5 weeks for delivery direct from the factory.

We do have a budget line for equipment repair/replace, but that amount will not cover the full amount to replace the furnace.

We would need to fund it out of the reserve account, but not sure what is available?

Can we get this issue in front of the council for the next meeting to discuss?

Sincerely,

Ralph T. Soucier, Airport Manager

Town of Millinocket

Airport Hangar Furnace Bid Form

January 11, 2015

Company Name: Rollins Plumbing & Heating

Address: 196B MEDWAY ROAD
MILLINOCKET, ME 04462

Contact Person: BRENT ROLLINS

Phone Number: 207-723-4009

Price: \$ 6477.56

ANY ASSISTANCE FROM PUBLIC WORKS WILL BE DEDUCTED FROM PRICE.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted. Public Works can be used to assist to lower the labor costs of this project.

Exceptions: _____

PROVIDING FOR: Approval of an Application for Pole Locations on Wassau Street and Central Street.

IT IS ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council approve the location of two (2) telephone poles on Wassau Street, beginning at a point approximately 106 feet southerly of Tamarack Street.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council approve the location of one (1) telephone pole on Central Street, approximately 535 feet easterly of Orchard Street.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____

ATTEST: _____

Attn: Danielle Godin
5 Davis Farm Road
Portland, Maine 04103

January 14, 2016

Municipal Officers
197 Penobscot Avenue
Millinocket, ME 04462-1430

Dear Sir/Madam,

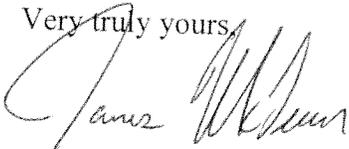
We present herewith an application for pole locations on Central Street in Millinocket.

As provided by law, (Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, Title 35A, Section 2503) we do not propose to give public notice of this application.

When approved by a majority of the Board of Councilors, please return the permit marked "Telco Copy", duly signed, dated, recorded in the Town Records, and attested by the Town Clerk.

Please feel free to contact me on (207)797-1745, with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,



James D. Mclean

JDM/dsg
enclosure

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APPLICATION FOR POLE LOCATIONS

January 14, 2016

To the Board of Councilors
of Millinocket, Maine

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC and its successors and assigns respectfully request(s) permission for a location for poles and cables and wires thereon, including the necessary sustaining, supporting and protecting fixtures in, along, upon and across the following named public streets and highways:

IN THE TOWN OF MILLINOCKET:

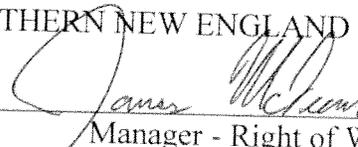
Central Street, approximately 535 feet easterly
of Orchard Street... -1 pole

The foregoing locations to be identical with those of Emera Maine.

THIS APPLICATION IS BEING SUBMITTED WITHOUT PUBLIC NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

Said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC No. 290216 dated January 14, 2016 and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the cables and wires shall be run at the height of not less than 18 feet from the ground at highway crossings and not less than 15 feet from the ground elsewhere for electric cables and wires, and (or) not less than 8 feet elsewhere for telephone cables and wires. All cables and wires to be maintained in accordance with standards of the National Electrical Safety Code.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC

By 
Manager - Right of Way

PERMIT FOR POLE LOCATIONS

In Board of Councilors
Millinocket, Maine

ORDERED: That NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC and its successors and assigns and is/are hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and cables and wires to be placed thereon, together with such sustaining, supporting and protecting fixtures as said Company may deem requisite, in, along, upon and across the public streets and highways of said Town as hereinafter designated, as requested in application of said Company dated the 13th day of January 2016.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the vehicular traveled section of the way and the limits of the highway, shall be set firmly in the ground, substantially at locations indicated upon the plan marked NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC No. 290216 dated January 14, 2016 filed with said application, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the cables and wires shall be run at the height of not less than 18 feet from the ground at highway crossings and not less than 15 feet from the ground elsewhere for electric cables and wires and/or not less than 8 feet elsewhere for telephone cables and wires. All cables and wires to be maintained in accordance with standards of the National Electrical Safety Code. Following are the public streets and highways above referred to:

Central Street, approximately 535 feet easterly
of Orchard Street... -1 pole

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THIS PERMIT IS BEING GRANTED WITHOUT PUBLIC NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

It is further adjudged and voted that satisfactory proof of validity of the applicant's notice or procedures required by statute has been given upon the application of said Company to erect poles with the cables and wires thereon in, along, upon and across the public streets and highways of Millinocket, Maine, designated by this permit.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN, MILLINOCKET, MAINE

PERMIT GRANTED

_____, 2016

This permit is recorded in the Records of the _____ of _____,
Book _____, Page _____

Clerk

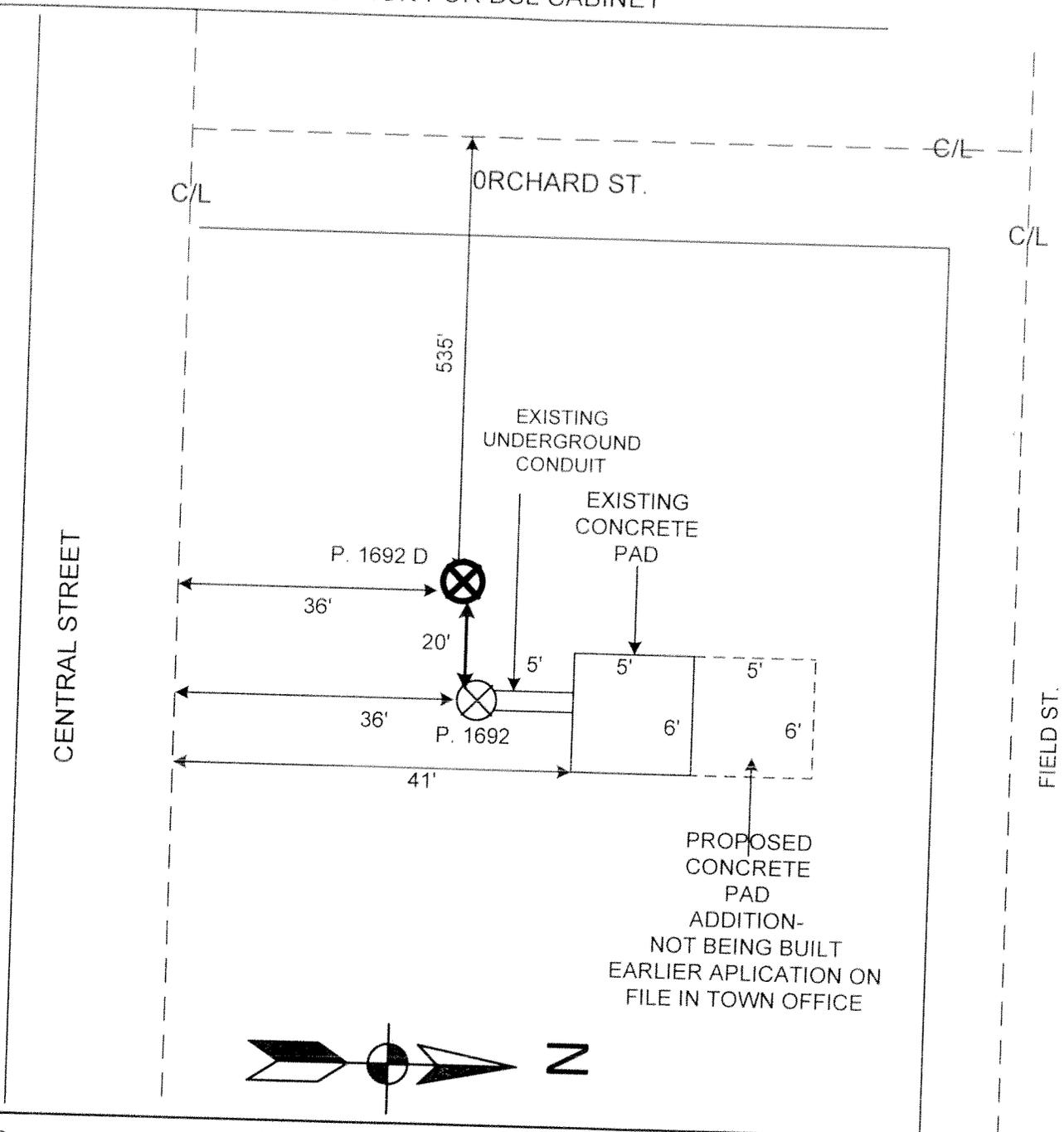
FairPoint Job Number 290216

MUNICIPALITY

MILLINOCKET

JANUARY 13, 2016

PLAN FOR
POLE ADDITION FOR DSL CABINET



LEGEND

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ALL PLANT IS LOCATED WITHIN HIGHWAY LIMITS

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NO SCALE

DOT NO. _____

NO. _____

PREPARED BY S.J. POLYOT

CHECKED BY _____

PUBLISH _____

NON-PUBLISH

INITIAL PROPOSED FACILITIES TO BE:

POWER CO. = 7200 VOLTS _____

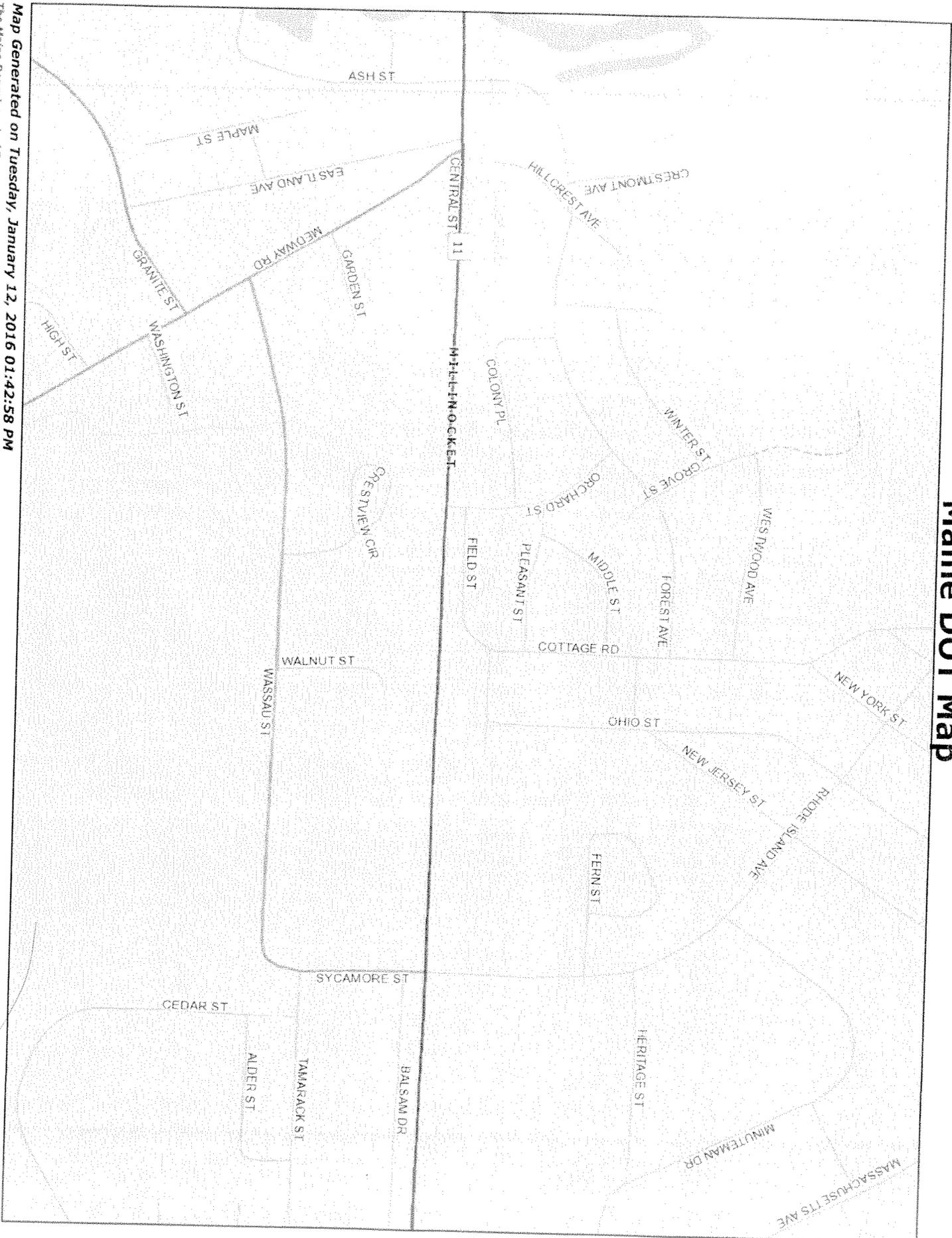
PHASE. TEL. CO. = _____

DISTANCES SHOWN ARE APPROXIMATE AND ALL SPANS MEASURED ALONG APPLICANT'S CONSTRUCTION CENTERLINE

PERMIT BY RULE

STATUTORY PROCEDURE

Maine DOT Map



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Map Scale 1:6072

Attn: Danielle Godin
5 Davis Farm Road
Portland, Maine 04103

January 14, 2016

Municipal Officers
197 Penobscot Avenue
Millinocket, ME 04462-1430

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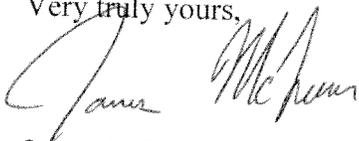
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January 14, 2016

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IN THE TOWN OF MILLINOCKET:

Wassau Street, beginning at a point approximately
106 feet southerly of Tamarack Street... -2 poles

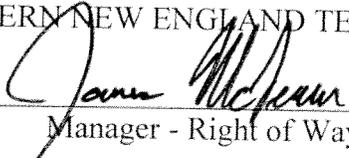
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Said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC No. 290216 dated January 14, 2016 and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the cables and wires shall be run at the height of not less than 18 feet from the ground at highway crossings and not less than 15 feet from the ground elsewhere for electric cables and wires, and (or) not less than 8 feet elsewhere for telephone cables and wires. All cables and wires to be maintained in accordance with standards of the National Electrical Safety Code.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE OPERATIONS LLC

By



Manager - Right of Way

PERMIT FOR POLE LOCATIONS

In Board of Councilors
Millinocket, Maine

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN, MILLINOCKET, MAINE

PERMIT GRANTED

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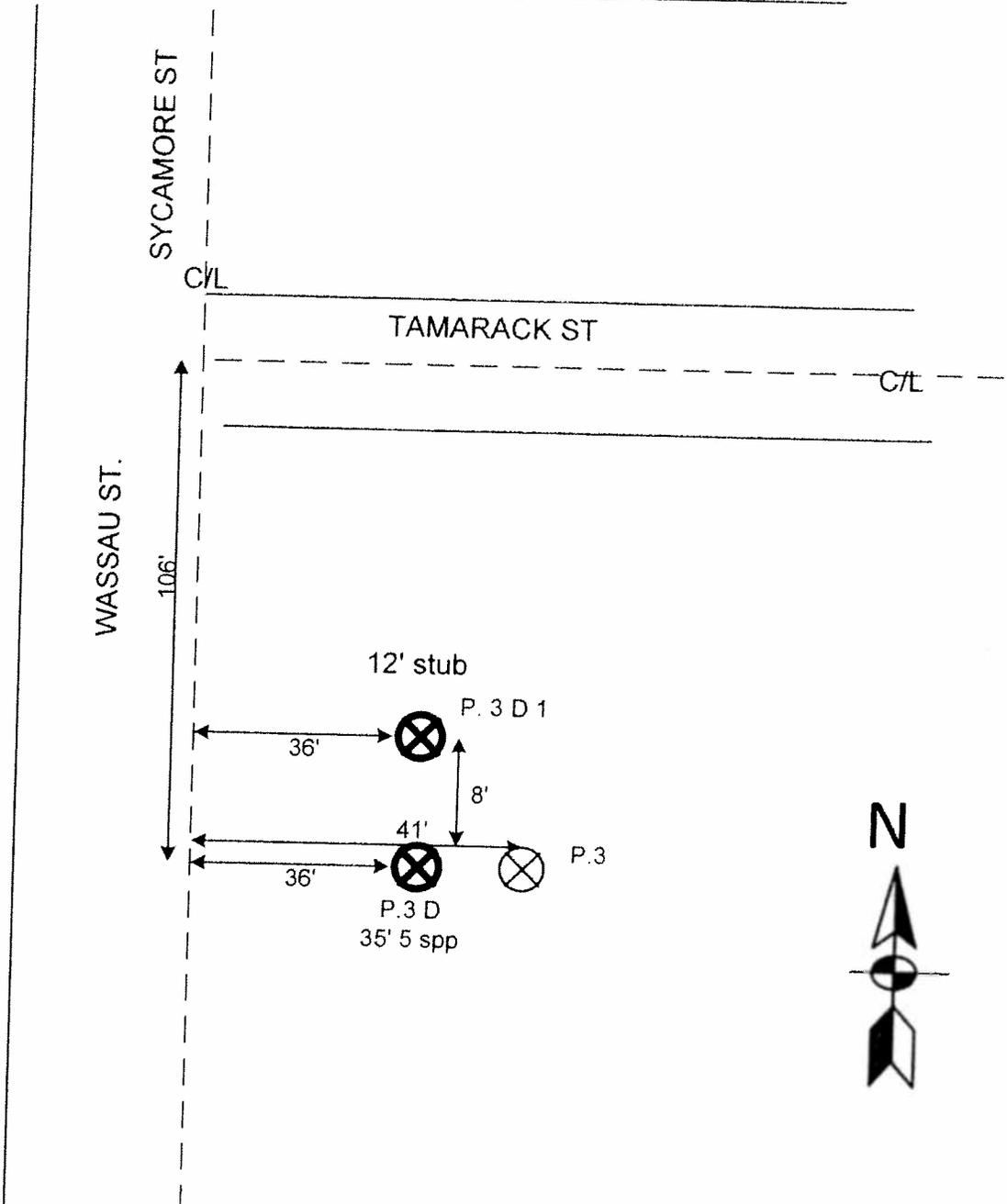
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MILLINOCKET

JANUARY 13, 2016

PLAN FOR

POLE LOCATION- WASSAU STREET



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NO SCALE

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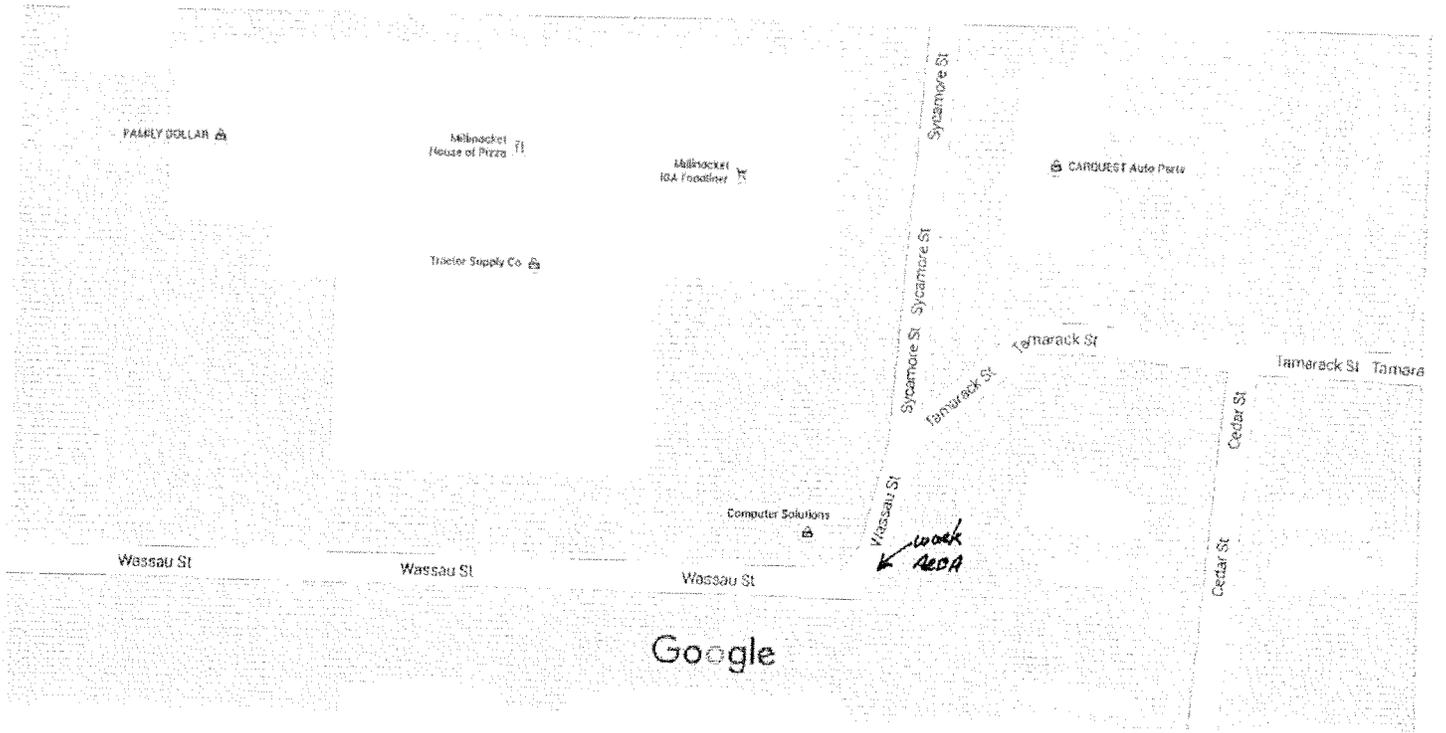
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 STATUTORY PROCEDURE

Google Maps Sycamore St

FAIRPOINT
290217



Sycamore St
Millinocket, ME 04462

ORDER #13-2016

PROVIDING FOR: Authorization for the Town Manager to write a letter of support for the Eastern Maine Development Corporation (EMDC).

IT IS ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council authorize the Town Manager to write a letter supporting EMDC's proposal for the Economic Development Assistance, Economic Adjustment Assistance Program, entitled, "Re-Engineering Regional Economic Prosperity in Eastern Maine.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____

ATTEST: _____



Re-Engineering the Region

EDA Implementation Grant

Re-Engineering Regional Economic Prosperity in Eastern Maine

In 2014, EMDC was awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) to support a short-term strategic planning project that had a goal of developing a blueprint focused on rebuilding our regional economic growth following the massive layoffs and closures of paper mills, manufacturing, and negative supply chain business impacts. This planning consisted of several activities including business interviews, community-based advisory group meetings, roundtable sessions on selected sectors of impact, and formal supply chain and workforce development analyses. The outcome was an identification of our region's assets to support economic growth and stability as well as the barriers, and the projects that can begin moving this region of Maine to revitalization.

EMDC is now developing a formal grant application to be submitted to EDA to support the implementation phase of priorities identified through the planning process. This project will be performed over a period of 30 months and will consist of 3 primary activities. First, a total of three specialized industry-specific representatives will be hired to provide technical assistance within the 7 identified Sectors of Impact (Manufacturing, Tourism/Hospitality, Healthcare, Construction/Trades, Bioscience, Composites, and Agriculture). This team, hired in increments during Year 1 and early in Year 2, will be responsive and nimble to changing economic and industry needs, and will be characterized as sector-specific and generalists charged with providing informed, one-on-one technical assistance to support businesses ready to start up or grow operations.

The second activity will be the recruitment of an Education Liaison/Convener charged with bridging collaborations between education/academic stakeholders and industry/workforce development to be responsive and nimble to shifting employment training needs. The strategy will include the incorporation of digital literacy and continued education opportunities for displaced, unemployed, and incumbent workers.

The third activity will be work to extend digital connectivity in our region, both with infrastructure and literacy/training. We will perform in-depth planning at the community level through two phases: Phase I (pilot/trail phase) and Phase II (broad implementation). Work will include the creation of a plan to extend digital connectivity beyond the more populated communities in Eastern Maine to more remote, rural locations in our region. The plan would consist of a collaborative partnership between local, regional, legislative, experts, and current internet providers; this partnership would work with communities for shared investment for planning and implementation of expanded services. An in-depth assessment will be performed for each community to assess current capacity and infrastructure, wish list, current consumer demand among businesses, projected long-term needs, infrastructure investments needed, price points, use of subsidies to incentivize providers to enter or expand their footprint, and digital literacy. The final product will be a template (business plan) of action for each community to expand their capacity locally and as a collaborative region.

(ORGANIZATION LETTERHEAD)

January 19, 2016

Mr. Michael Aube
President & CEO
Eastern Maine Development Corporation
40 Harlow Street
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Dear Michael:

I am pleased to support Eastern Maine Development Corporation's proposal for the Economic Development Assistance, Economic Adjustment Assistance Program, entitled, "Re-Engineering Regional Economic Prosperity in Eastern Maine." This implementation project has been proposed to apply the findings from the EDA-sponsored Short-Term Strategic Planning project (EDA 01-88-14461), reverse the downward economic trend, and move our region to revitalization and economic health.

Through the strategic planning effort, a broad partnership of invested and engaged regional stakeholders have identified seven Sectors of Impact, Cross-Cutting Strategies (education, workforce development, and expansion of digital literacy/capacity), and a series of projects that will support businesses looking to shift from obsolete economic drivers to support the supply chain for emerging opportunities, create livable wage jobs to re-employ our displaced workforce, and create opportunities to attract businesses and professionals to stay in this region of Maine.

Provide a brief overview of your organization and how you plan to support this project (participation in project/industry meetings, working to shift focus to regional projects, etc.). Include if you were involved in the planning grant or attended any of the regional meetings. Any additional information that would support this regional effort by providing opportunities or reducing barriers is appropriate.

This proposed project is critical to assure that people living and working in Eastern Maine are provided with opportunities to grow and thrive, and position this region to participate as a vital component of Maine's future.

Sincerely,

Name

Title