

TENTATIVE AGENDA
PUBLIC HEARING and REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING via ZOOM
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2020
4:30 PM

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1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes: Regular Town Council meetings for May 28, 2020, June 11, 2020 and June 25, 2020, Executive Session for July 31, 2020 and Special Town Meetings for July 6, 2020 and August 25, 2020.
4. Adjustments to the Agenda

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

5. Special Presentations: n/a
6. **ORDINANCE #6-2020 2nd Public Hearing** – An Amendment to Chapter 23 Planning Board of the Town of Millinocket Code.
7. Town Manager’s Report
8. ORDER #212-2020 Execution of the Warrant for September 10, 2020
9. ORDER #213-2020 Approval of Planning Board Application (Crowley)
10. ORDER #214-2020 Authorization to Accept Bid for Heating Fuel
11. ORDER #215-2020 Authorization to Sell Computer Towers
12. ORDER #216-2020 Municipal Release Deed (Delrosa/Johnson)
13. ORDER #217-2020 Municipal Release Deed (York)
14. ORDER #218-2020 Approval to Accept Grant Funds
15. ORDER #219-2020 Approval of Loan Commitment
16. Reports and Communications:
 - a. Warrant Committee for September 24th, 2020 Council Meeting: Council Stratton and Councilor Golieb.
 - b. Chair’s Committees Reports
 - c. Two Minute Public Comment
17. Adjournment:

The Town of Millinocket will enforce Social Distancing Mandate Regulations. Public Comments and Zoom attendance requests can be emailed to the Town Manager Prior to the Meeting: manager@millinocket.org or call (207) 723-7000 Ext.5 to make special arrangements. The meeting is also streamed live for your convenience @ townhallstreams.com, find the direct links on our website @ millinocket.org. We thank you for complying.

****Stay Healthy, Stay Safe****

PROVIDING FOR: Approval to accept grant funds.

IT IS ORDERED that the Millinocket Town Council approve the acceptance of grant funds in an amount to be determined based on a formula that considers the citizen voting age population and other demographic data.

NOTE: Minimum grants will be \$5,000.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: _____

ATTEST: _____

John Davis

From: Jane Danforth <jdanforth@mrhme.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 08, 2020 6:23 PM
To: John Davis; Cody McEwen; Charles Pray; Randy Jackson ; Steve Golieb; Gilda Stratton; Mike Madore ; Louis Pelletier; Mary Alice Cullen
Cc: Tom Malcolm; Diana Lakeman
Subject: FW: Funding to make voting easier in your municipality

Dear Municipal leaders...

Here is a grant opportunity worth checking in to- but it is very timely! See below. Hopefully you've already received this notice from the Maine Municipal Association.

It's a grant to cover election expenses for this November... I clicked on the link provided and looked around a bit... it appears to be a very easy application.
Minimum grant awards are \$5000... Check out the allowable expenses! A decision should be made this week, and the application submitted asap, if interested.

If you are interested and want any help – let me know. (Not that you need my help...)

Again, it looks like a great opportunity but it requires action... ASAP.

Best,

Jane

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From: Patricia Oh <build.afc@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 04, 2020 11:05 AM
To: Lori Parham <LParham@aarp.org>
Subject: Funding to make voting easier in your municipality

Greetings~

This note is to let you know about funding for municipal projects to make it easier for people to vote during the upcoming election. Unfortunately, the funding is competitive so, to have a good chance to get the funds, municipal officials need to apply next week, starting September 08.

Now, for some background....

The Center for Tech and Civic Life (CTCL) has received a large grant from Chan-Zuckerberg initiative to expand its support of election administrators in 2020. CTCL is a 501(c)(3) whose board and advisors include Republican, Democratic, and unaffiliated election officials from across the country. Thanks to this expanded funding, CTCL is launching an online portal where any election administrator in America can apply for funding to help cover the cost of executing their county's or municipality's election: [tech and civic life.org/grants](http://techandcivicle.org/grants).

Election offices can use the funds to cover 2020 expenses, including the following:

Ensure Safe, Efficient Election Day Administration

- Maintain open in-person polling places on Election Day
- Procure Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and personal disinfectant to protect election officials and voters from COVID-19
- Support and expand drive-thru voting, including the purchase of additional signage, tents, traffic control, walkie-talkies, and safety measures

Expand Voter Education & Outreach Efforts

- Publish reminders for voters to verify and update their address, or other voter registration information, prior to the election
- Educate voters on safe voting policies and procedures

Launch Poll Worker Recruitment, Training & Safety Efforts

- Recruit and hire a sufficient number of poll workers and inspectors to ensure polling places are properly staffed, utilizing hazard pay where required
- Provide voting facilities with funds to compensate for increased site cleaning and sanitization costs
- Deliver updated training for current and new poll workers administering elections in the midst of pandemic

Support Early In-Person Voting and Vote by Mail

- Expand or maintain the number of in-person early voting sites
- Deploy additional staff and/or technology improvements to expedite and improve mail ballot processing

Your town should have received notification about these grant funds through the Maine Municipal Association, but, we wanted to make sure that the word gets out as broadly as possible.

Have a terrific weekend!

Warmly,
Patricia

ORDER #219-2020

PROVIDING FOR: APPROVAL OF LOAN COMMITMENT

WHEREAS, the Town financed a portion of the redevelopment of the former Stearns High School into subsidized housing for the elderly and disabled and congregate housing; and

WHEREAS, the Town holds a Promissory Note from Stearns Assisted Housing Associates, L.P., in the amount of \$260,500; and

WHEREAS, The Town's Note is secured by a mortgage deed on the Stearns Assisted Living portion of the project and the Town's mortgage lien is subordinate to the mortgage interest of the Maine State Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, JMC Partners, LLC, proposes to acquire the Stearns Assisted Living portion of the project and to add 25 subsidized units to that project; and

WHEREAS, JMC Partners, LLC, has asked that the Town agree to continue its financing of Stearns Assisted Living component of the project.

NOW THEREFORE,

IT IS ORDERED that the Town continue its financing of the Stearns Assisted Living project on the same terms and conditions as the original loan to Stearns Assisted Housing Associates, L.P.;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is authorized and directed to execute and deliver the loan commitment letter attached to this Order; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Town Manager is authorized to take all action necessary to complete the loan transaction including cancelling the Note from Stearns Assisted Housing Associates, L.P., upon receipt of payment, discharging the mortgage from Stearns Assisted Housing Associates, L.P. and accepting a new note from JMC Partners, LLC, accepting a new mortgage from JMC Partners, LLC, and subordinating that loan and mortgage to the mortgage lien of the Maine State Housing Authority.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the financing authorized by this Order replaces and supersedes the financing for the same project authorized by Order #191-2019.