



TENTATIVE AGENDA  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING in COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE via ZOOM ONLY**  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2021  
4:30 PM

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1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of Minutes: January 21, 2021/8:00 am, January 21, 2021/5:00 pm, January 22, 202, and January 25, 2021 Executive Sessions.
4. Adjustments to the Agenda

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Special Presentations:

- a) John Raymond, President Northern Timber Cruisers – Bridge Project Update
- b) Dr. Annette Padilla, Interim Town Manager – Comprehensive Plan

5. Interim Town Manager's Report
6. ORDER #16-2021 Approval of the Warrant for January 28, 2021
7. ORDER #17-2021 Acceptance of Town Assistance with the Detective Benjamin Campbell Bridge Raised Recreational Trail Project Grants
8. ORDER #18-2021 Authorization for a Municipal Release Deed to William Thayer
9. ORDER #19-2021 Approval to Increase Part-Time Budget for Town Office
10. ORDER #20-2021 Approval to Amend the Town of Millinocket's Social Media Policy
11. ORDER #21-2020 Approval of a Municipal Release Deed – Blue Birch Properties
12. Reports and Communications:
  - a. Warrant Committee for February 11, 2021 Council Meeting: Councilor Jackson and Councilor McEwen.
  - b. Chair's Committees Reports
  - c. Two Minute Public Comment
13. 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](mailto: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](http://townhallstreams.com), find the direct links on our website @ [millinocket.org](http://millinocket.org). We thank you for complying. **\*\*Stay Healthy, Stay Safe\*\*****



## Citizen Guide to Town Council Meetings

This is an overview of information related to Council Meetings. We hope it is helpful to understanding the process. Thank you for participating in our local government. The town meeting is a place where the public is encouraged to participate. Below are common terms:

- **Order** - Item of business to be proposed (motioned) to council for discussion and vote.
- **Motion** - A Councilor proposal to the whole Council for discussion and vote. This could include an Order, an Amendment, or other. Any councilor can make a motion at any point in time during a Town Council meeting, regardless of whether it is on the agenda or not.
- **Second** - A "second" is used when a councilor supports an order to be discussed and voted upon. Without a "second" an order or motion does not get discussed or voted on.
- **Amendment** - A change to an original order, which can be motioned by a councilor and approved or voted down by the whole Council.
- **Minutes** - Summary of past meetings, including votes and discussion, that needs Council approval for officially entering the record.
- **Parliamentary Procedure**- This is the protocol used and questions go to the Council Chair. The Council follows Robert's Rules of Order. The Council adopted additional procedures at the initial session of a new term.
- **Warrant**- A list of articles for items the Council may act on, which usually comes in the form of approving expenditures.
- **Mill Rate** - Tax rate. The tax rate determines what is paid in property taxes. It is stated in "so many dollars per thousand dollars of valuation." Residential property owners may want to seek homestead exemptions or Veterans exemptions (for qualified veterans) to potentially lower their property tax rate, which may be done through the town's Tax Assessor.
- **Two Minute Public Comment** - Typically the last agenda item provides any member of the public an opportunity to express general concerns, thoughts or feedback publicly. The Council invites any and all people to speak. Questions directed at the Council or Manager will be answered at the following Council meeting; this part of the agenda is not interactive.
- **Executive Sessions** - These are private meetings held by the Council when certain matters must be kept confidential to protect other parties, as required by US and/or Maine law, Town Charter, or by contract. This could include personnel issues, legal issues, economic development issues or other. No action by the Council can be taken in Executive Session--only in public Council meetings can any vote or decision be made by the Council.
- **To ask questions** or offer feedback during Town Meetings, the public may do so within the public comment period of each order on the agenda. Any Councilor motion will be open to both the Council and the Public for discussion.

The public is asked to be respectful and orderly. It is of the Council Chairman's discretion to determine whether a public comment is disrespectful or inappropriate in nature, at which point the Chairman may request the ceasing of comment or removal of the public member.

Millinocket publishes the draft agendas on the website and Facebook prior to meetings. If you have questions, you may ask the manager and/or a Town Councilor before the meeting. The town website is [www.millinocket.org](http://www.millinocket.org).

**HOW CAN I GET MORE INVOLVED?** Come up and speak or submit a written statement to the Council Chairman and/or Town Manager. The Town Council is always seeking public input to ensure all perspectives, beliefs and desires of the public are considered. Want to do more? Become an appointed member of a committee! The Town publishes these openings on the website, Facebook, and local newspaper. You may also request to serve on an existing subcommittee by filling out a form on the town website at:  
<https://millinocket.org/government/committees-and-boards/>.

**ORDER #21-2021**

**PROVIDING FOR:** Municipal Release Deed to Blue Birch Properties

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Millinocket Town Council authorizes the Interim Town Manager to execute and file all necessary paperwork including signing a Municipal Release Deed to Blue Birch Properties LLC to complete the resale of a property located at 6 Katahdin Avenue, Map and Lot U04-001, for \$3,884.42 which covers all outstanding sewer and tax fees and costs.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

