



# Millinocket

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## Town Manager's Report – 4.13.23

### Iron Bridge Road Culvert:

- We had a successful bid opening for this project on Tuesday 4/11
- 3 bidders – one within the range of the original estimate.
- Awaiting some answers regarding supply of concrete and availability of culvert itself.
  - Likely will be pushed out until summer of 2024.
  - Likely not available until October
  - Work can only be performed during “low water season” – July/August
- We will need to allocate a small amount of additional funding to make up for the difference.
  - We have a request out for another extension on the State grant funding we had secured to cover a portion of the expenses for the project.
  - We do still have \$150,000 local funds designated.
  - Council may see orders in upcoming agendas regarding bookkeeping items and planning for the financial elements for this project.

### EV Charger Funding Update:

- Clearing up some misinformation presented at previous meeting.
- The numbers I presented for this project were much higher than they actually are due to confusion on terminology.
- Total project cost is \$18,704.00 “per site”. We have two sites. That equals \$37,408.00.
- After rebates and eligible funding from The Nature Conservancy –
  - Total out of pocket for Town is **\$3,740.80**.
  - NOT \$20-some-odd-thousand as was stated several meetings ago
- This leaves a balance in the CDBG funding source of just over \$40,000.00 to be identified for use by end of June.
  - More to come!

### Short Term Rental Ordinance:

- The Economic Development & Sustainability Committee recently met and came to an agreement for a recommendation to be made to the Town Council for consideration.
- I expect to have the final draft in hand for our next meeting to review.
- We will have to follow protocol for proper vetting, special hearings, etc.
- From my seat as the Town Manager, I feel the recommendation is very well curated and I appreciate the consideration the committee had for input from our staff as the workload ultimately is on their shoulders.
- I certainly look forward to having this one under wraps!



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## **FY24 Municipal Budget:**

- Full steam ahead!
- On schedule to be completed in compliance with our Town Charter and looking great.
- Encourage the public to attend. Two more special hearings (4/20 & 4/27) before the vote of adoption.

## **Spring Spruce up:**

- Saturday April 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:00-2:00
- Flyer attached.
- Get out and pitch in! Great way to bring the community together from some volunteerism and a great opportunity to show some pride in our community!

## **Public Works Spring Cleaning:**

- Public Works is wasting no time at all getting out with the street sweepers and performing spot maintenance to areas damaged by winter plowing.
- I applaud that crew and their Director, Bryan, for getting out there everyday and getting things done! I feel that for as small a crew as they are, they are mighty and keep our public ways in a condition we can all be proud of.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Jamieson, Town Manager