



# Millinocket

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## Town Manager's Report – 7.13.23

### **Bridge Closure:**

- The bridge crossing from Penobscot Ave to Iron Bridge Rd has been closed until further notice.
- The replacement of this bridge has been in the works for well over a year at this point, however, after another recent inspection from the Maine Department of Transportation, it has been deemed unsafe for traffic.
- Together with Public Works and the Public Safety Officer, we put a plan together, advertised the closure in advance, and closed the bridge on July 7<sup>th</sup>.
- We are currently working with the project engineer to find possible alternatives to the original plan that may allow a replacement sooner, however, the with the lack availability of materials and the specific time of year the work needs to be done, this may be closed for upwards of a year.

### **Reval Reminder:**

- Reminder to all that the revaluation team will be getting started in the next couple of weeks.
- They will have Millinocket identifiers on their vehicles, I.D. Badges on their person, and be working their way through all properties throughout town.
- They will be measuring all structures and documenting all necessary information pertaining to each property.
- They will be knocking on the door with the intention to discuss the interior of the homes through I a list of pre-determined questions, however, they will not be entering our touring the interior of the homes.
- We expect this process to take place over two years and if all goes well, the new valuations will be used in the April 2025 commitment.

### **Elk's Land Purchase:**

- This purchase has been finalized. I signed the closing documents on June 30<sup>th</sup>!
- We are glad to close that very long chapter in the tale of the new fire station and begin setting next steps in motion.
- The development of this land will not be quick, however, it has the potential to have positively impact the Town of Millinocket in several ways.



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**4<sup>th</sup> of July:**

- Thank you those involved with the planning and implementation of Millinocket's 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festivities!
- Everything went well and tons of fun was had by many. I received a lot of compliments from community members and heard a lot of comments of appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Jamieson, Town Manager