



# Millinocket

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## **Town Manager's Report – 11.13.23**

### **Election:**

- Congratulations to the successful candidates for both School Board and Town Council:
  - School Board:
    - Don Raymond and Julie Hewke
  - Town Council:
    - Louis Pelletier, Jane Danforth, and Gail Mackin
- Thank you to each and every election workers, Michael Kight, our Election Warden, and Amber Carney, our Deputy Clerk, for their efforts in the election.
- Major shout out and thank you to our amazing Town Clerk for the great work she does in preparing and overseeing the entire election operation. She does this so well and deserves every bit of recognition for producing such flawless and successful elections time and time again.

### **Treasurer:**

- As many are aware, Mary Alice Cullen will be leaving her post as Millinocket Town Treasurer after 7 years. She has been an incredible resource for the team and for the Town of Millinocket as a whole. We certainly wish her the very best on her next chapter.
- I am pleased to announce that this unquestionably critical position has been accepted by Beverly MacLeod.
- Bev joins our team with 27 years of experience as a Municipal Treasurer. We are grateful to have had interest from such a qualified candidate and look forward to working with her.
- This transition will happen over the first week of December.

### **Wastewater – Main Pump Station Upgrade:**

- I recently met with the Millinocket Wastewater Team and Olver Associates to go over the final drawings for the long anticipated Main Pump Station Upgrade!
- We were able to review the drawings and discuss the details of the work. Everyone was pleased with proposed work and all that was able to be included stemming from many conversations and studies along the way.
- The Olver team will now prepare the Request for Proposals and send the project out to bid. The lead time for the work to begin is unknown. This will depend on available of contractors and materials.



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## **Online Code Permitting:**

- The online code permit application portal discussed at our last meeting is now fully operational and able to accept payment of application fees, making it a one stop shop!
- We will be putting out more information and promotion of this new convenience in the coming weeks.
- We have already started to see permit applications come through the portal and all is going well so far. We are excited to see what this new level of convenience will do for the amount of permitted work we see versus our knowledge of how much unpermitted work has happened throughout the town over the years.
- Education will be our friend here.

## **Donation & Advertising Update:**

- Per policy, I am providing an update on what has been expended from the Donation & Advertising budget:
  - Karen Oloughlin - \$250.00 for beautification of Veterans Monument
  - Maine Public - \$200.00. This is a regular donation that in previous years had come before the Council as a separate order.
  - Bobbies Gardens - \$500.00
  - Unified Performing Arts - \$100 advertisement in the Willy Wonka play program
  - Bangor Daily News - \$225.00. Advertisement in special fire prevention edition representing Millinocket Fire & EMS. (Committed – Not yet paid)
  - Katahdin Chamber of Commerce - \$525.00 (Committed - Not yet paid)
- Remaining Balance = \$4,200.00

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Jamieson, Town Manager.