

City Manager's report for March 7, 2016

In addition to working on items for this meeting, especially in preparing an initial draft City budget, the City Manager also addressed the following since the February 8 Council meeting:

- Attended:
 - o a time management workshop at MMA
 - o two meetings of the Fire Services Committee
 - o a regional officials meeting hosted by RSU #2 Supt. Bill Zima
 - o HABOT meeting for downtown parking discussion
 - o a meeting of the Solid Waste and Recycling Advisory Committee
 - o a meeting of the Parking Committee
 - o a working meeting of the Highway Committee
- Worked with the PW dept to address several drainage issues, notably blocked culvert on outer Central Street.
- Purchased new portable generator as approved by MEMA grant
- Wrote contract for installation of switches at three buildings for new generator
- Met with MMA insurance underwriter Marcus Ballou to review the Fire Station artifacts. These artifacts and the Fire Station weathervane need a professional appraisal to determine appropriate values for correct insurance scheduling.
- Provided a reference for intern Brandon Thompson who completed his work with the City as he now seeks employment
- Arranged regional meetings with Gardiner City Council and with Augusta Mayor Rollins
- Worked with City Attorney Stumpfel to prepare materials for pending litigation
- Continued contact with BGS officials regarding status of the Stevens School property
- Met with concerned neighbors, the CEO and Police Chief to discuss status of possible dangerous building with different code violations
- Performed usual financial oversight functions
- Met with employees on several issues
- Met with and took calls from several residents regarding numerous issues and information requests
- Enjoyed vacation in Maine and Utah!