

MANAGER'S REPORT

TOWN OF POLAND, MAINE

To: Board of Selectmen

Date: 7/7/15

CC: Department Heads, Committee Chairs

1. Meetings: We met with Attorney Pat Dunn on the 22nd regarding a personnel issue. The local representative from Nationwide Retirement was in on the 23rd to present options to Town employees. MMWAC held its annual Board of Directors meeting on the 25th; I was reelected to the Executive Committee. Upcoming meetings: This Thursday the 9th the Sheriff's Office, Chief Bosse, and I will be meeting with the RSU 16 Superintendents Office to discuss school safety and security. Also, on Friday the 10th our TIF Consultant Noreen Norton and I, along with Nikki Pratt will be meeting in Augusta with DECD Program Director Laura Santini-Smith (Smitty) to get a status on our TIF amendment application.

2. Planning Board: The Board of Selectmen attended the Planning Board meeting of June 23rd. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the options available relating to the Hilt Hollow property. The meeting was taped and is available for viewing on the Town website. We are working on getting answers to further questions the Selectmen have prior to making a decision.

3. Business to Business: The annual Business to Business event was held on June 18th at the Colisee in Lewiston. The Town of Poland had a booth sponsored by the Poland CEDC and manned by Alex Sirois, Cyndi Robbins and Joe Cimino. We had very positive feedback from both our CEDC folks and attendees.

4. Heritage Day: Heritage Day was once again successfully held on June 27th. We had a great turnout including the new "cruise in" classic car event. The dunk booth this year featured new Sheriff Eric Samson, Joe Cimino and Channel 8

Meteorologist Paul Janus. The event was opened by the Color Guard from American Legion Post 150 Mechanic Falls. Thanks to everyone who helped out and participated.

5. Fire/Rescue: We wanted to send a shout out to the Poland Fire/Rescue members for their outstanding performance at two very difficult incidents recently. They took the lead at the tractor trailer roll over in Norway two weeks ago and played a key role in the rescue of the two young men who were stranded on the Little Androscoggin River in Mechanic Falls last week.

6. Projects: The cleaning out of the basement of the Town Hall is progressing and will hopefully be completed in the next couple of weeks. We are still looking for a contractor to upgrade the stairs inside the Town Hall; no takers so far. If you're interested give us a call.

7. Road Work: Public Works has started work on Herrick Valley Road which will see some major work and Johnson Hill will follow. You should expect short delays when using these roads. The Poland Public Works Summer Schedule is on the Town website, click on the Public Works link.

Note: I'll be on vacation all next week.