MINUTES

Cumberland Town Council Meeting Town Council Chambers

MONDAY, April 22, 2013

7:00 p.m. Call to Order

Present: Councilors Stiles, Turner, Copp, Storey-King, Gruber, Perfetti and Jennings

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Gruber, seconded by Councilor Storey-King, to accept the April 8, 2013 minutes as presented.

VOTE: 6-0-1 (Perfetti abstained) MOTION PASSES

II. MANAGER'S REPORT

We have been very successful with the tax foreclosure sales. We have been able to sell a property on Longwoods Road and one on Highland Avenue. The final sale is this Thursday for the property on the corner of Tuttle and Middle Roads. Currently, the property is encumbered with a water district easement, but the water district has agreed to remove the easement for 1/5 of the proceeds (they own 1/5 of the property). Tammy O'Donnell has done a great job in getting these properties sold and back on the tax rolls.

III. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

IV. <u>LEGISLATION AND POLICY</u>

13 – 074 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Temporary Victualer's License application for the Cumberland/North Yarmouth Boy Scout Troop #58.

Nick Josephson of the Boy Scouts explained that the Scouts would like to sell hamburgers, hot dogs, and possibly baked goods in the parking lot of Atlantic Regional Credit Union during the Memorial Day parade.

Chairman Stiles asked if the scouts had gotten permission from the Credit Union.

Mr. Josephson said that they had.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public discussion: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Perfetti, seconded by Councilor Jennings, to approve the Temporary Victualer's License application for the Cumberland/North Yarmouth Boy Scout Troop #58 for May 27, 2013.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

13-076 To hear a report from Doug Reynolds of Gorrill Palmer Consulting Engineers re: Blanchard Road Town/MDOT joint project (neighborhood meeting scheduled for April 30^{th}).

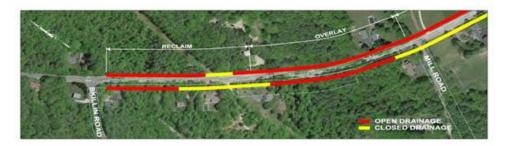
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Project Limits - Bruce Hill Road to Skillin Road



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Scope of Work



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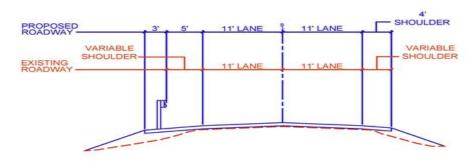


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Scope of Work





Typical Roadway Section



Blanchard Road Reconstruction Project Budget

Desig	n Com	ponents

Survey	\$5000
Wetland Report	\$1000
Material Testing	\$2500
Civil Design (incl. Construction Obs.)	\$77,000
Subtotal	\$85,500

Construction Components

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Reclaim, Gravels, Excavation		\$95,000
Drainage & Curbing		\$200,000
Pavement		\$470,000
Misc. (Grass, Guardrail, Etc.)		\$106,000
Su	btotal	\$871,000

Construction Contingency \$43,500

Total \$1,000,000

Blanchard Road Reconstruction Project Schedule

Release for Bid	May 10, 2013
Bid Opening	May 30, 2013
Contractor Award	June 3, 2013
Substantial Completion (Base Pavement)	September 15, 2013



May 15, 2014

Chairman Stiles clarified that the state was paying for ½ of this project.

Surface Pavement

Mr. Reynolds said that is correct.

Councilor Perfetti asked Mr. Reynolds to explain what reclaim is and how the project will affect traffic on the road in the summer.

Mr. Reynolds responded that reclaim is the process of a machine digging up the top layer of pavement, grinding it up, spreading it out, and paving over it. In some cases, gravel has to be used where the road needs to be built up.

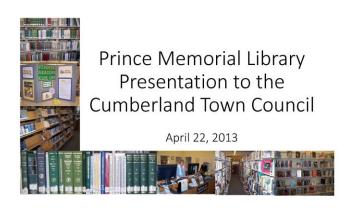
Mr. Reynolds said that this is a significant project on this 1-mile stretch of Blanchard Road that will affect traffic, but he is not certain if the contractor will have it down to one lane or not.

Councilor Copp said that there is a snowmobile trail that crosses the road in the construction area and he hoped that curbing would not interfere.

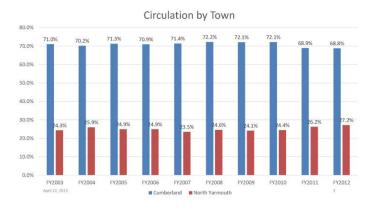
Mr. Reynolds said that has been considered and the trail opening will not be impacted.

13 – 075 To hear a report from Director of Library Services, Thomas Bennett re: Prince Memorial Library.

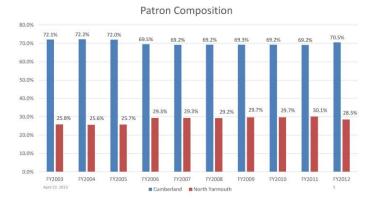
Library Director, Thomas Bennett presented the following overview of what the Library has done over the past few years and what is happing this year that is a little different than prior years:

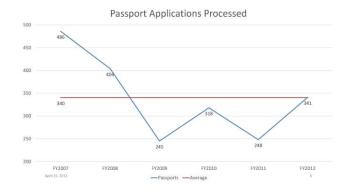












Grants and Historical Projects

- Maine Community Heritage Project, 2009-2010
- Cumberland Overseers of the Poor Archives Project: Davis Family Foundation grant, 2009-10; Maine Historical Records Advisory Board grant, 2013
- Grace E. Hutchinson Negative Collection: Davis Family Foundation grant, 2013

Library Use

- 73% visit to browse the shelves and borrow materials
- 54% visit to research topics of interest
- 50% visit to get help from a librarian
- · 49% visit to sit, read and study

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- 46% visit to use a research database
- 41% visit to attend or bring a young person to a class, program or event
- · 23% visit to attend a meeting
- 21% visit to attend a class, program or lecture
- 17% visit to borrow or download an audiobook

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Pew Internet and American Life Project

• 77% say free access to computers and the Internet is a very important

• 59% have visited a library, bookmobile, or library website within the

 52% say their library usage has stayed the same over the past five years, while 26% say it has increased and 22% say it has decreased

· Report: Library Services in the Digital Age

past year

• 80% say borrowing books is a very important service

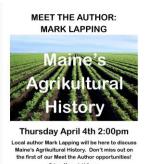
• 80% say reference librarians are a very important service

Letters From Moscow to Maine
Russian Revolution 1915-1918
Presented by

Dr. John Woolverton

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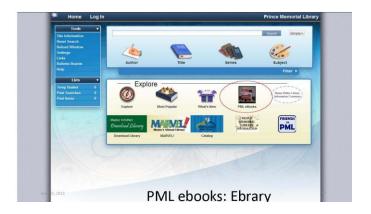


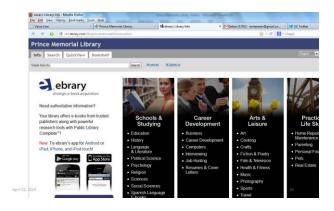


Reference Librarian, Elizabeth Tarasevich presented the next portion of the presentation on the Library webpage:











Public Library Complete

- Subscription: multi-user platform, + 27,000 titles
- Browser based viewing, with download option
- Powerful research tools: emphasis on nonfiction
- Free Data sharing, personalized Bookshelves
- Quick Start Guide









Prince Memorial Library:

Maine Public Library Information Commons



- Government Portal: via Maine State Library
 Learning Express Library
 Education and Test Preparation

- GED
 Citizenship
 Job Search & Workplace Skills
- Consumer & Health
 Business & Legal







Prince Memorial Library:

Maine's Virtual Library



- Databank of databases
 Newspapers, Magazines, Academic Journals
 Remote access with registration

- Full text articles: gdf & html
 Data sharing: folders, email, downloads
 In library access: Value Line & Ancestry.com











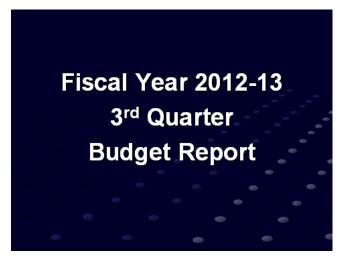




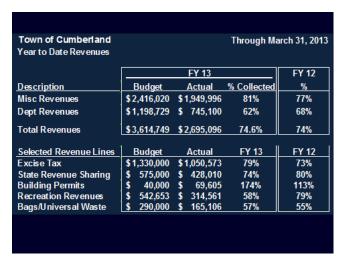
13 – 077 To hear a report from the Finance Committee Chair re: third quarter financials.

Finance Committee Chairman, Councilor Gruber said that we are trending slightly better than last year on expenses and revenues. He thanked the Council for moving forward on the sale of foreclosed properties. The Lands & Conservation Commission is looking into 3 of those properties to see if they would work for trail connectivity and/or open space. Selling foreclosed properties not only pays all the back taxes owed to the town, but it puts those properties back on the tax rolls.

Councilor Gruber introduced Finance Director, Heather Perreault, who presented the following:



Town of Cumberland Year to Date Expenses	Through March 31, 2013					
	_		FY	2013		FY 2012
Department		Budget	YTD	Expenses	Used	Used
General Administration	\$	1,031,403	\$	860,385	83.4%	82.7%
Public Safety	\$	1,896,372	\$	1,473,331	77.7%	75.5%
Public Works	\$	1,563,454	\$	1,249,893	79.9%	76.4%
Parks & Recreation	\$	771,686	\$	601,544	78.0%	83.6%
Library	\$	372,366	\$	286,352	76.9%	72.6%
Other Expenses	\$	407,037	\$	304,665	74.8%	88.1%
Controllable Expense Total	\$	6,042,318	\$	4,776,170	79.05%	78.5%
Other Expenses		Budget	YTD	Expenses	Used	Used
MSAD #51	\$	13,193,552	\$	9,882,455	74.9%	74.9%
Debt Service	\$	913,551	\$	572,893	62.7%	85.1%
Insurance	\$	271,584	\$	290,907	107.1%	96.7%
County Tax	\$	623,416	\$	623,416	100.0%	100.0%
Capital Imp. Plan	\$	896,137	\$	896,137	100.0%	100.0%
Other Expense Total	\$	15,898,240	\$	12,265,808	77.15%	77.6%
All Expenses Total	\$2	21,940,558	\$	17,041,978	77.67%	77.8%





13-078 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for the 3^{rd} Annual Cumberland Sho-n-Shine to be held on June 9^{th} from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public comment: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Copp, seconded by Councilor Gruber, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for the 3rd Annual Cumberland Sho-n-Shine to be held on June 9th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS PASSAGE

13-079 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Mass Gathering Permit for the Chickadee Classic Dog Show to be held June $20^{th}-23^{rd}$ from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.

Chairman Stiles opened the Public Hearing.

Public comment: None

Chairman Stiles closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilor Turner, seconded by Councilor Storey-King, to approve the Mass Gathering Permit for the Chickadee Classic Dog Show to be held June 20th – 23rd from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Cumberland Fairgrounds.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS PASSAGE

13 – 080 To consider and act on sending the Mass Gathering Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee to review insurance requirement and police coverage.

Chairman Stiles explained that he felt that the insurance requirement and police coverage on mass gatherings needed to be reviewed. He recommended forwarding it to the Ordinance Committee.

Motion by Councilor Perfetti, seconded by Councilor Copp, to forward the Mass Gathering Ordinance to the Ordinance Committee to review insurance requirement and police coverage.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS PASSAGE

13 – 081 To consider and act on cancelling the May 27^{th} Town Council meeting and rescheduling the June meetings from June 10^{th} and 24^{th} to June 3^{rd} and 17^{th} .

Chairman Stiles explained that May 27th is Memorial Day and a lot of people travel that day. Moving the June meetings is due to election set up in the Council Chambers, and the need to swear in newly elected Councilor's after the election.

Motion by Councilor Jennings, seconded by Councilor Copp, to cancel the May 27^{th} Town Council meeting and reschedule the June Town Council meetings from June 10^{th} and 24^{th} to June 3^{rd} and 17^{th} .

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS PASSAGE

V. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Councilor Turner – He attended a Maine Municipal Association Policy Committee meeting recently. The most interesting topic that was discussed at the meeting was the East/West Highway. There was an LD suggesting that a committee be formed by the Legislature. The idea of the committee was approved, but it was suggested that it be made up of only people on the corridor. The feeling was that the people who will be impacted are the only people who should be on the committee. It should not be put into the political realm.

Councilor Copp – Condolences to the Burgess family. Cumberland Police Sergeant Tom Burgess's father passed away last week.

Councilor Storey-King - None

Councilor Gruber – Little League and softball start this week. Parents should continue to bring their children to the ball park. The bridge in the back of Town Hall that leads to the ball field is very impressive. Public Services did a great job and the fields look great.

The food pantry continues to do well. Thank you to all the volunteers and people who donate.

Chairman Stiles – Asked Councilor Gruber if the food pantry is in need of any specific items. Councilor Gruber responded that a list is published and posted on the pantry's website. Word has a way of getting out and the specific needs have a way of getting filled.

Chairman Stiles said that there has been an ongoing water issue on Range Road that will be fixed this week. Portland Water District will be installing a drainage system that should take care of the overflow and drainage problem on the adjacent property. Thank you to PWD and the Town Manager for making it happen.

Councilor Jennings – None

Councilor Perfetti – Thank you to Councilor Turner for reading a message in his absence at the last meeting. To reiterate, he will not be seeking another term on the Town Council. He will speak to this more as his last meeting approaches. Thank you to his fellow Councilors, the Manager, and the public for their patience. Things change and he has been very busy with his work life.

Town Manager Shane – There has been a lot of inquiry about the gas main project, which is good, but he wants to remind the public that they should not being doing any heating conversions to their homes yet. By doing conversions now, they will miss out on a \$1,500 rebate from Summit Natural Gas. The rebate is not retroactive, so it is best to wait for more information and informational meetings coming later this year.

Letters will be going out to residents on private roads next week regarding Waste Management taking over trash pick-up on July 1st. There has to be a person assigned from each private road to be the contact person for Waste Management. Private road residents will have to indemnify Waste Management from any damage (from their trucks) to a private road. It is common to see numerous trash bins at the end of private roads because the road may be too narrow for the trash truck or the residents want to avoid the truck damaging their roads.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilor Storey-King, seconded by Councilor Perfetti, to adjourn.

VOTE: 7-0 TIME: 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brenda L. Moore Council Secretary