

MANAGER'S REPORT – June 13, 2019

Town Dock – congratulations and thanks to Mike Ormsby and Rich Rotella for their work on a grant application to secure funding for the planning/engineering of permanently installed town dock floats. I am pleased to note that the grant application was successful. It will be on the 6/27/19 agenda for acceptance.

Fire Chief – The fire chief interview process is progressing. First interviews are being conducted this week. Second interviews will be scheduled for next week. I am in hopes to make a recommendation to the council by the first of July.

Maine Port Authority – The Maine Port Authority Annual meeting will be held in Bucksport on Monday. The group will be meeting at the Town Office and we are pleased that they have chosen Bucksport for this year's annual meeting.

AARP Conference – I will be speaking at the National AARP Livability Conference next Thursday in Portland about the bus/taxi arrangement that we have for public transportation in Bucksport.

WERU – League of Women Voters – I have been asked to participate in a panel discussion on local government on WERU on Friday, June 21st.

Dirigo Speaks – The Dirigo Speaks session at the Alamo last week had an audience of around fifty people in person and was videotaped for posting on the Bangor Daily News site.

Solar Array Project – I am happy to report that the solar array project at the Sewer Treatment facility has been cleared by Maine Historic Preservation to move forward. The Town had ground penetrating radar scans done of the area that was in question and it was determined that the area was clear.

Animal Shelter – I am pleased to note that Searsport has contracted with Bucksport for use of the animal shelter. This helps to offset the revenue loss that occurred when Hampden withdrew from using the shelter.

Graduation – Congratulations to the graduating seniors on the accomplishment of receiving their high school diploma. The ceremony is tomorrow evening. We wish them all the best as they move on to the next chapter of their lives.