



**GARDINER CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET**



Meeting Date	01/06/2021	Department	Other
Agenda Item	4.i Announcement/Discussion Surrounding Open MSAD #11 School Board Seat Vacated by Jon Umland		
Est. Cost	n/a		
Background Information	<p>On 12/22/2020, the City Manager received a resignation email from Jon Umland. Mr. Umland serves as one of the SAD #11 School Board Members. (please see attached email)</p> <p>The City Council has an option (according to the Charter) to appoint someone to fill this position until the November election. The Charter states:</p> <p>The School Board</p> <p>Section 1. Nomination and election. The manner of nomination and election of representatives of the City of Gardiner to the SAD # 11 Board of Directors shall be as provided in this charter for elections of at large City Council members.</p> <p>Vacancies, Forfeiture of Office</p> <p>In case of a vacancy caused by the death, resignation, removal from the City, or removal from the office, as hereinafter provided, of any member of the City Council, the vacancy shall be filled temporarily by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Council, and the person qualified.</p>		
	Requested Action	'I move to accept letters of interest for the open MSAD #11 School Board seat until January 15, 2021 and then interview candidates at the January 20, 2021 City Council meeting.'	
	City Manager and/or Finance Review	The City Manager recommends the above action.	
	Council Vote/ Action Taken		
	Departmental Follow-Up		

City Clerk Use Only	1 st Reading _____	Advertised _____	EFFECTIVE DATE _____
	2 nd Reading _____	Advertised _____ w/in 15 Days	
	Final to Dept _____	Updated Book _____	Online _____

Christine Landes

From: JMUmland@roadrunner.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 22, 2020 12:51 PM
To: 'phopkins@msad11.org'; 'schoolboard@msad11.org'
Cc: Christine Landes
Subject: Letter of Resignation

All,

Due to the recent event of selling my home in Gardiner and per the Board Member Qualifications policy, it is with unfortunate regret that I am submitting my resignation effective immediately.

It has been a pleasure and honor to have been elected and serve on the MSAD 11 School Board. I have seen firsthand and have gained incredible appreciation for the dedication that everyone in the district has, the time and effort that all board members have with the cautious and calculated decisions or votes that must be made and all of those that are molding our future leaders.

As the new year approaches, please keep in mind how much the children need to be in class and in person learning. This weekend I personally know of multiple students that asked their parents if they could seek counseling. These students and parents are the lucky ones that have those open lines of communication, that feel comfortable asking for help and more importantly know that someone is there for them to find the help they are asking for.

If protocols by all administration, staff and students are followed, it has shown the effectiveness in Gardiner and all schools how safe it is to be in school. For some, this is likely the safest place for them.

Wishing you all the happiest, healthiest and safest holidays!

Sincerely,

Jon Umland