

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT JANUARY 20, 2021

ADMINISTRATION

- Efficiency Maine has introduced an expanded program to include municipalities in a heat pump rebate program. \$2,700 per unit and up to three units can qualify. I've scheduled three appointments for the last week of the month to get pricing and recommendations from qualified vendors.
- I am working to compile annual safety training that can be completed safely, in compliance with State regulations.

AIRPORT

• The remaining clearing work has resumed at the airport. There will still need to be a final phase of mulching in order to get the land to a place where we can properly maintain it and remove obstructions. Also, as a part of this, there was a concern with rights-of-way. The Town is in the right, but we did not find it prudent to exhaust legal options at the present time with so many parties involved.

ANIMAL CONTROL

• \$25.00 per dog late fee begins February 1

ASSESSING

• Donna will be scheduling in an extra day in order to support mapping changes as a part of the GIS upgrade. There are several parcels where electronic records do not align with map records.

CODE ENFORCEMENT & PLANNING

• The Planning Board met with initial review of the Waste Management expansion application. They have scheduled their first, formal noticed meeting for January 28 at 6PM, which will take place via Zoom. Supplemental materials were requested of the applicant; those have been received and sent to the consultant for review.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

• We have received a list of underserved areas, as determined by the State and ConnectME. I have filed the paperwork to seek to have additional concern areas qualified; no determination has been made. In order to qualify for ConnectME funding, these areas have to be determined to be underserved. There are also opportunities partner funding

with the appropriate utility provider. Initial construction estimates have been developed for Martin Stream Road (27 homes, 2.49 miles, \$110,866 / \$4,106 per house or \$44,524 per mile) and Beech Hill and River Roads (117 homes, 9.89 miles, \$345,460 / \$2,952.65 per house of \$34,930.24 per mile).

FINANCE & COLLECTIONS

• February 1 is the automatic foreclosure date for unpaid 2018 real estate taxes. As of today, there are 17 accounts which remain in this status.

FIRE/EMA

- First responders continue to await the arrival of the first round of vaccinations. Inbound local supply has been limited. Ideally, the first round will take place within one week.
- We have received \$19,786.82 in eligible FEMA reimbursements for COVID-related expenses prior to November 15.

PUBLIC WORKS

• On January 9-10, the two stop signs at the Route 2 end of Frederick Corner Road were taken down and the solar flashing light was smashed in. A police report was filed and the signs were re-installed.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
17	18 MLK, JR. DAY TOWN OFFICE CLOSED	19	20 6PM Selectmen	21	22	23
24	25 5PM Budget Committee Mtg	26	27	28 3PM Library Mtg 6PM Planning Board Mtg	29	30
31	1 2018 RE TAX AUTO FORE- CLOSURE DATE	2	3 6PM Selectmen	4	5	6