



## **Report of the Town Manager**

### **January 27, 2020**

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#### **1. Financial Updates-**

- a. No financial updates this week.

#### **2. Personnel Updates-**

- a. Public Works employee Mike Breau has submitted his letter of resignation. Mr. Breau has accepted a position with Homeland Security. His last day is February 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **3. Project Updates-**

- a. Tracy Murphy, Al Gallant and I met with property owners on Railroad Street to review the draft road reconstruction plan and listen to any comment or concerns raised about the project. A few business owners attended the meeting and all but one were in support of making Railroad Street one way and creating 13 parking spaces. One business owner would like the street to remain a two way street and provide parking. When it explained that the road width would not allow a two lane road with parking, he seemed to understand but did agree with the one way recommendation. A public hearing is scheduled for the February 10<sup>th</sup> Selectmen's meeting. Property owners will be formally invited to the public hearing.

#### **4. Miscellaneous Updates –**

- a. Town of Winchendon has been awarded a Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness program grant in the amount of \$36,400 to complete the community resiliency planning process that will examine the city's vulnerability and strengths and identify priority actions to build resilience as the climate changes. The award includes completion of a Winchendon Hazard Mitigation plan as currently the town is only part of a regional plan.
- b. The Winchendon Fire Department has been awarded \$3,965 for Student Awareness of Fire Education (SAFE) and \$2,348 for Senior SAFE grant. Grant funding will be used to purchase various fire prevention items for both children and senior citizens. Throughout the year many programs are conducted for both of these groups to ensure the community is as safe as possible.