

Report of the Town Manager November 5, 2018

1. Financial Updates-

a. The Town held an auction to sell tax titled properties on October 29th. Thirty two properties were offered at the auction, thirteen properties were sold. A total of \$70,100 was realized from the sale of the thirteen properties.

2. <u>Personnel Updates-</u>

a. There are no personnel updates this week.

3. Project Updates-

- a. The architect for the sally port has been notified of the most recent Town Meeting funding approval. Contract documents will be drafted and circulated for signature in the near future. The Contractor anticipates beginning the sally port construction in March 2019, depending on weather.
- b. All paving for 2018 has been completed for this calendar year. Vine Street and Robbins Road were paved during the week of October 29th.

4. Miscellaneous Updates –

- a. Winchendon received an additional \$140,000 for repairs to the Whitney Pond Dam. The Town had previously received \$400,000 in June for the same purpose. Public Works is developing a plan to use the available funds to improve the overall condition of the dam.
- b. Tracy Murphy and I met with representatives from MassDevelopment to review and discuss programs that would meet the needs of Winchendon property owners interested in developing or redeveloping their property. MassDevelopment will be in contact with Tracy to discuss opportunities as they become available.
- c. The privately owned landfill solar array was energized on Friday October 12th.