



## **Report of the Town Manager**

### **May 11, 2020**

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

- a. I will be working with Department Heads and the School Superintendent to develop a 1/12 budget for FY21 for the Board of Selectmen and Department of Revenue consideration in case the Town Meeting is not scheduled until after June 30<sup>th</sup>. I anticipate presenting a 1/12 budget at the Tri Board meeting.

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

- a. I met with the five collective bargaining units in late April to discuss the anticipated impact of the revenue reductions anticipated in the FY21 state budget. I requested each unit to consider foregoing their FY21 contracted 2.5% wage adjustment so the savings could be used assist in balancing the FY21 budget. The firefighters union voted forego their raises, the AFSCME Clerical union voted to forego their raises if the teachers union did the same and the Police, Dispatch and Public Works unions are unwilling to forego their raises.

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

- a. No project updates this week.

#### **4. Miscellaneous Updates –**

- a. All board and commission meetings that were televised for the years 2019 and 2020 are now available for replay on the town website. Meetings are accessed by going to the [townofwinchendon.com](http://townofwinchendon.com). On the left is a button that says “ Minutes Agendas and Past Meeting Videos”. Once there click on the Board Meeting video hyperlinks. Past meetings for the Board of Selectmen, ZBA, Planning Board, School Committee, Board of Health and Conservation Commission are available.
- b. I have had occasional meetings with CJ Maybardy Trucking to negotiate the terms of the landfill closure agreement. Our last meeting was on May 7<sup>th</sup> where we came to a tentative agreement. Once finalized, the agreement is expected to be placed on the Board’s June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting for consideration. Marybardy has agreed to meet with abutters of the landfill property prior to June 1<sup>st</sup> to discuss the project and attempt to meet any concerns raised. I plan on attending this meeting as well.
- c. Early voting for the Annual Town meeting will be mail only There will be no in-person early voting for the local elections. An application (on town website) or any communication in writing WITH a signature is acceptable to request an early ballot to be mailed. Early ballots are available now until noon on the last business day before the new election date.