



Report of the Town Manager June 11, 2018

1. Financial Updates-

- a. The Town was awarded five properties from the land court for back taxes. I have provided detailed information to the Board under a separate cover memo. I will request the topic of what to do with the properties at a future Board meeting.

2. Personnel Updates-

- a. Police Officer James Maynard began the Police Academy on Monday, June 4th and will graduate in November.
- b. Deputy Fire Chief Ricci Ruschioni has announced his retirement effective July 3rd after 39 years of service.

3. Project Updates-

- a. I have been in contact with KP Law regarding the Town land off of High Street that Town Meeting authorized the sale/swap of. Legal counsel anticipates publishing the sale in the Central Register on Wednesday, June 13th, have the proposals due 30 days later, or Friday, July 13th and close by the end of August.
- b. The Chestnut Street preconstruction meeting was held on June 4th. The Notice to Proceed will be issued on June 11th, construction will begin June 18th with the project being substantially complete by August 25th. Property owners in the construction zone have had letters mailed to them sharing contact information and emergency phone numbers they can call if an issue arises.

4. Miscellaneous Updates –

- a. National Grid continues to prepare for the Landfill Solar project to come on line. The system remains poised to be energized by the end of June.
- b. I have attached an update to this years Fall Festival to make the Board aware of the events planned for the day.
- c. MIIA will be, for the 16th year, distributing refunds to members in the form of premium credits. FY18 will offer three Reward categories designed to give members flexibility as to how they wish to earn their Reward credits. The three categories are: Training, Risk Management Best Practices and Member Directed Initiatives.

Winchendon has offered a variety of training opportunities during the past year to employees to make the workplace safer and more efficient. Due to the training participation, I anticipate Winchendon will receive \$7,500-\$10,000 in premium credits in FY19. Linda Daigle manages the program for the Town and is grateful for the training employees have undertaken. Linda spends a great deal of time and takes pride in the Town receiving as large a credit as possible each year.

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Fallfest 2018 Update
June 5, 2018

Event Date: October 6, 2018

Event Time: 10am – 3pm

Vendors:

129 Vendors registered –

Goal is to have *more **local** organizations and businesses* participate!

Entertainment:

2 bands – one at the Clark Parking area/1 at Mathieu’s parking lot

1 children’s entertainer (singer) by IGA

1 sole performer (singer) by Crafty Cauldron

2 “Touch a Truck areas” – One construction (IGA) /1 military themed (Winch. Furniture Parking lot)

Children’s petting zoo Clark YMCA area

Food:

All eating establishments along Central St. participating in some way!!

Kiwanis food truck at Clark

Harbour Restaurant – setting up at Mathieu’s parking lot w/Wachusett Brewery (finalizing details)

Goal is to have more food establishments outside of the Central St. area participate in some way!

Accessibility:

Train w/marked stops along entire length of Central St.

Golf Carts donated by Salvadore for organizers

Misc.

Belltettes main entrance will be closed. They will be hosting contractor themed fair in their parking lot.

We are looking for someone to walk up and down street making balloon animals to hand out and street performers.

Special Thanks

A special thanks goes out to the Crafty Cauldron, the Winchendon Business Group and Nicole Roberts, Land Use/Planning Clerk for their continued work in organizing this event. Numerous local businesses and individuals have stepped forward to generously donate their time, energy and resources in true Winchendon “Working Together” fashion to help make this event take place. For fear of leaving someone out, I will list them individually as the event draws nearer.

Respectfully,

Tracy Murphy
Director of Planning & Development